

Holy Convocation

2025

**WE ARE
UNASHAMED!**

Romans 1:16-17 NKJV



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28th Holy Convocation



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Welcome to the 28th Annual UCF Holy Convocation!

How good and how pleasant it is for us to come together again this year...united as children of our Heavenly Father; united in the Spirit as the Body of Christ; and united in fellowship!

As believers, we come from various backgrounds, yet we are all empowered by the Holy Spirit to be witnesses of Jesus Christ. Our gifts and abilities differ, as well as our areas of influence, yet we all have been instructed by Christ to fulfill the Great Commission of sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We have been sent to different fields of souls to harvest, yet we all share the goal of reaching as many lost souls as we can. No matter our approach, we cannot fulfill this charge if we are ashamed of the Gospel.

The theme of this year's Holy Convocation is "We are Unashamed". Our prayer for all God's people who gather this year is that beyond hearing the Word that will be shared, our eyes will be open to the lost souls waiting to hear the gospel message of salvation. How else will they call on the Savior whom they haven't believed? How else will they believe in the One who can save them if they haven't heard about Him? How else will they hear about Him if we don't introduce them?

We pray that we all will leave the convocation this year with a renewed determination to unashamedly proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ – the powerful agent of salvation!

In faith & much love,

Bishop Harry & Lady Delinda Pendleton



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Greetings and Welcome to the 28th Annual United Churches Fellowship Holy Convocation

Dear United Churches Family,

We honor and greet you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
Thanks be to God our Father for bringing us together another year.

As we enter this year's Holy Convocation, let us pray that God will pour out his Spirit and saturate us with His presence. We are unashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The gospel is good news, the gospel is powerful, the gospel is about Jesus not being ashamed to call us friend. As we embrace our faith being unashamed of the gospel, we accept God's power of salvation. It is not limited by race, background or past mistakes, but it's to everyone that believes and receives it.

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it's the power of God. 1st Corinthians 1:18

May the blessings of the Lord be upon you and keep you in perfect peace.

Overseer Jefferson and Pastor Georgia Branch



Historicity

United Churches Fellowship was founded by the late Bishop James H. Mobley and the late Bishop William Hathaway. During a hospital stay, Bishop Mobley received the following revelation from God: *Small churches are falling through the cracks and are not being recognized by larger churches. Souls are dying...and God has said, "Gather my people."*

The leader of a small church himself, Bishop Mobley was acutely aware of the lack of support, limited resources, and separation experienced because of the independence of small congregations.

Bishop Mobley shared his vision with Bishop and Lady Hathaway, Pastor of the Refuge for the Perishing Holy Temple of Bristol, PA on Saturday, November 11, 1995. He gained Bishop Hathaway's immediate and full support. That day, the United Churches Fellowship was birthed.

Bishop Mobley also shared his vision with pastors of other small congregations including Bishop David Graham, Shepheress Linnie Jones, Pastor Wendell Robbins, and Pastor Joe Williams, all of whom united themselves with this ministry. Joel 2:16 is the foundation for the vision of United Churches Fellowship.

The major goals include:

- * Winning lost souls for the Kingdom
- * Promoting worship and fellowship
- * Becoming a ministry of helps
- * Uniting to help other small churches
- * Serving and co-laboring with one another
- * Promoting Christ

Bishop James Mobley went on to be with the Lord on August 29, 1997. One year following his demise, Elder Harry W. Pendleton, Pastor of Faith and Love Center Pentecostal Church, under the leadership of Bishop Hathaway, was consecrated as the Presiding Bishop of the United Churches Fellowship.

THE VISION YET LIVES!

ORDER OF SERVICES

SAINT PHILLIPS BAPTIST CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA, PA



Pastor Marvin Harris answered God's call to preach the Gospel in 1998 and was licensed to ministry in December 2000. After years of faithful service, he was ordained to the pastorate in December 2019 and installed as Senior Pastor of St. Phillips Church in June 2021. Before becoming Senior Pastor, he served nearly a decade as Senior Associate Pastor under the leadership of Pastor Emeritus Willie I. Graves Sr.

Pastor Harris studied theology at Manna Bible College in Mt. Holly, New Jersey, and is currently completing his bachelor's degree in Biblical

Studies at Lancaster Bible College. In addition to his pastoral calling, Pastor Harris is the Assistant Superintendent/Director of the Willingboro Public Works Department. He also serves alongside his wife as Lead Consultant for the Money Clinic, LLC, a Christian-based financial planning firm. Since joining St. Phillips in 2004, Pastor Harris has preached and taught the Word of God with a style that is contextual, transparent, and deeply relevant.

With a true shepherd's heart, he carries a passion for helping the Body of Christ grow in spiritual maturity and obedience to God's Word. He is the founder of the Men's Room, a ministry dedicated to mentoring and equipping men to reach their highest potential in Christ through biblical principles and accountability.

Pastor Harris ministers in partnership with his wife of seven years, Minister Aronissa Harris. Together they reside in Burlington Township, New Jersey, and cherish their blended family of five children.

His life and ministry are anchored in his favorite passage, Isaiah 40:30-31: *"Even the youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."*

PASTOR MARVIN HARRIS

Worship Leader—Pastor Kenneth Fulton

Call to Worship

DEACON JAMES DONALD

Musical Selection

UCF ENSEMBLE

Invocation

ELDER DIANA MORDECAI

Responsive Reading

MINISTER STEPHANIE JOHNSON

#39 Praise

Welcome

LADY CHYNAH FULTON

Ministry of Giving

OVERSEER JEFFERSON BRANCH / UCF DEACONS

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Announcements

PROPHETESS JENELLE THOMPSON

Introduction of Speaker

APOSTLE STEPHEN THOMPSON

Sermonic Selection

GUEST ENSEMBLE

Spoken Word

PASTOR MARVIN HARRIS

Invitation to Discipleship

Remarks

Benediction

Responsive Reading

39. PRAISE

African American Heritage Hymnal

Old Testament: Ps. 146:1-2; 2 Chr. 5:13-14; Ps. 34: 1-3, 150

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

It was the duty of the trumpeters and singers to make themselves heard in unison in praise and thanksgiving to the Lord, and when the song was raised,

With trumpets and cymbals and other musical instruments, in praise to the Lord, “For he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever,”

The house, the house of the Lord, was filled with a cloud, so that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud; for the glory of the Lord filled the house of God.

I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad.

O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty firmament!

Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!

Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!

Praise him with clanging cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!

**TRANSFORMATION CHRISTIAN WORSHIP CENTER
NEW CASTLE COUNTY, DE**

Bishop Robert R. Lewis, Jr.—affectionately known as “Bishop Rob”—is a man of vision, faith, and perseverance, called to equip God’s people to live transformed lives through the power of His Word. He is the proud father of six children and the loving grandfather of eleven, a legacy he holds dear as both a spiritual leader and a family man.



Bishop Rob is the Founder and Senior Pastor of Transformation Christian Worship Center (TCWC) in New Castle County, Delaware, where he has faithfully served since being consecrated Senior Pastor on January 22, 2012. On July 1, 2017, he was elevated to the sacred office of Bishop and conferred the title of Apostle, further solidifying his call to kingdom leadership. Today, he also serves as the First Vice-Prelate of the True Holiness Organization, under the spiritual covering and legacy of his mother, Dr. Gloria J. Lewis, Presiding Prelate of the True Holiness Temple Churches, Inc. As a fourth-generation pastor, Bishop Rob continues a rich heritage of ministry with a fresh anointing

and a passion to teach the Word of God with simplicity, relevance, and life-changing impact.

For over 27 years, Bishop Rob has shared life and ministry with his lovely wife, Pastor DeLisa Lewis. Together, they are the founders of the dynamic marriage ministry, Marriages That Win, where they equip couples with biblical principles to build strong, faith-filled relationships and experience the God-kind of marriage that always wins. Their transparency, wisdom, and testimony of love and endurance have impacted couples both locally and nationally.

In addition to his pastoral duties, Bishop Rob is a sought-after workshop facilitator, presenter, author, certified Christian counselor, and certified life coach. His ministry is marked by a heart for people and a deep commitment to empowering them to overcome challenges, achieve their God-given potential, and live lives of purpose and fulfillment. His testimony of triumph over obstacles has made him a living example of 1 John 5:4—*“For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith.”*

Bishop Rob’s journey of faith has been shaped and strengthened through covenant relationships. In March 2015, he entered into covenant with his spiritual father and mentor, Dr. Michael A. Freeman, Pastor of Faith City Center (formerly known as Spirit of Faith Christian Center), from whom he continues to receive wisdom and guidance to grow into the fullness of his calling. He is also a proud member of The Fellowship, where he stands among like-minded leaders advancing the Kingdom of God.

Known for his authenticity, practical teaching, and unwavering faith, Bishop Rob lives and preaches the message that no matter your past mistakes or present circumstances, God’s Word has the power to transform your life. His mission is simple yet profound: to lead people into a thriving relationship with Jesus Christ and empower them to walk in victory, faith, and integrity.

30TH|THURSDAY

Worship Leader—Elder Larry Arrington

Call to Worship

DEACON FRANK LAWTON

Musical Selection

UCF ENSEMBLE

Invocation

MINISTER RUBY JACKSON

Responsive Reading

MINISTER JOAN LENDELL

#41 Presence of God

Welcome

PASTOR JAYNETTE ARRINGTON

Ministry of Giving

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Introduction of Speaker

OVERSEER JEFFERSON BRANCH

Sermonic Selection

UCF ENSEMBLE

Spoken Word

BISHOP ROBERT R. LEWIS, JR.

Invitation to Discipleship

Remarks

Benediction

Responsive Reading

41. PRESENCE OF GOD

African American Heritage Hymnal

New Testament: Jn. 1:1-2, 14, 8:28-29; Acts 17:26-28; Rom. 8:9; 1 Cor. 3:16; Eph. 2:21-22

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God.

And the Word became flesh and lived among us, and we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you will realize that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own.

But I speak these things as the Father instructed me. And the one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what is pleasing to him."

From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live,

So that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him - though indeed he is not far from each one of us.

For in him we live and move and have our being.

But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you.

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?

In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

***OH, MAGNIFY THE LORD WITH ME,
AND LET US EXALT HIS NAME TOGETHER.***

PSALM 34:3



Dr. Dixon is a part of the True Holiness Temple Churches Inc. under the leadership of Chief Apostle Dr. Gloria J. Lewis. She is a former member of the Resurrection Baptist Church, where she served faithfully for thirty-five years under the leadership of the Late Rev. James Nelson Walker. Her service included 25 years as superintendent and instructor of youth ministries.

She has forty-three years of service as a federal employee, and has received over thirty-five service awards from the United States Navy, the Social Security Administration and the Social Security

Administration Office of the Inspector General, Office of Investigations. Because of her years of dedicated service to the church as well as to the community, she is the recipient of several Community, Congressional, Mayoral and Christian Service awards. She is a devoted mother to her four children and loving grandmother to seventeen grandchildren and one great granddaughter.

Her 55 years in ministry has produced a faithful kingdom-oriented servant of God. After being directed of the Lord, Dr. Dixon founded The Living Word Evangelistic Missionary Church Inc. in May of 2014. The Lord has blessed and grown the ministry to now include the planting of ministries in the city of Cebu in the Philippines.

Dr. Dixon was licensed as a Minister of the Gospel in July 2000 and ordained as an Elder in June 2003. She was installed as a Pastor in September 2014. On July 1, 2017, Chief Apostle Dr. Gloria J. Lewis along with the distinguished gathering of Bishops, consecrated Dr. Dixon as the organizations 2nd Vice Bishop Prelate with an apostolic succession. She presently serves as the organizational ecclesiastical Bishop.

To her credit, she has earned a Bachelor of Arts in Theology, a Master of Arts in Biblical Literature, a Doctor of Theology, and a Doctor of Divinity degree and she is a certified Christian Counselor.

Dr. Dixon is a worshipper and has humbly dedicated her life to the service of the Lord and His people.

Worship Leader—Pastor Richard Grant

Call to Worship
DEACON DAMON WEST

Musical Selection
UCF ENSEMBLE

Invocation
ELDER LYNDA REAGAN

Responsive Reading
MINISTER ANTOINETTE DANZY
#27 Jesus Christ

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PASTOR SHARON ATIKOSSIE

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PASTOR DELINDA PENDLETON

Sermonic Selection
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APOSTLE DR. JO-ANN DIXON

Invitation to Discipleship

Remarks

Benediction

Responsive Reading

27. JESUS CHRIST

African American Heritage Hymnal

New Testament: Jn. 1:29, 13:34-35, 8:12, 11:25-26; 1 Jn. 2:1-2; Phil. 2:9-11

He saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, “Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!”

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.”

Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father.

Jesus Christ the righteous; and He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

Therefore God also highly exalted Him and gave Him the name that is above every name.

So that at the name of Jesus, every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

To the glory of God the Father.

workshops



1ST|SATURDAY

Worship Leader—Pastor Georgia Branch

Plenary Session– 8:30am

Call to Worship

Praise & Worship Selection

Invocation

PROPHETESS JENELLE THOMPSON

Scripture Reading

OVERSEER DARLENE GRANT

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Romans 1:16-17 NKJV*

Welcome

Vision Casting

BISHOP HARRY PENDLETON

VISION

Workshop Schedule

8:30 - 9:30 am

UCF VISION CASTING
Bishop Harry Pendleton

10:00am - 2:00 pm

YOUTH WORKSHOP
Team Thompson

The youth workshop is focused on informing the younger generation of their identity in Christ. Using 1 Peter 2:8-12 as the foundation for our discussion, we believe our youth should be unashamed to be a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation and God's very own possession.

9:45 - 10:30 am

FINANCIAL PREPARATION
Rachel Hanible

How to create a debt free plan, budgeting practices, how to prepare your finances for upcoming shifts in the housing, job and stock market, and the importance of credit at every age and how to build or rebuild your credit.

10:45 - 11:30am

GRIEF
Steve Jackson

ShopTalk is an initiative started at AVP (Anti-Violence Partnership of Philadelphia) where we go into houses of worship, barbershops and beauty salons and have real conversations on grief.

The objective is to reduce the stigma of grief and normalize talking openly and frankly about it. We recognize that in the African-American community, these conversations are either not happening or happening on a very surface level. We believe that talking honestly about grief, particularly in the aftermath of violence, is a way to promote healing and wellness in the community after tragedy.

10:45 am - 12:30 pm

FIT FOR THE ASSIGNMENT
Team Thompson, Ruby Jackson, Donna Morgan, Kelly Murphy, Lynda Reagan

In the body of Christ, we invest a lot of resources to better equip ourselves with knowledge, doctrine, protocols, and wisdom in an effort to grow and mature as followers of Christ. As important as that may be, what a tragedy we face when these earthen vessels are inadequate for the task of physically carrying the Gospel to the masses. This workshop is intended to express the importance of being physically fit for our kingdom assignment as well as some ideas to jumpstart your journey.

11:45 am - 12:30 pm

FINANCIAL SESSION
Aronissa Harris

Teaching financial literacy through biblical application and helping families create generational wealth through financial literacy and business ownership.

12:30 - 1:30 pm

LUNCH

1:30 - 2:15 PM

MULTI-GENERATIONAL MINISTRIES

Christina Muir

We will be exploring the differences and similarities of leading and serving in Multi-generational ministries using the book, "Effective Generational Ministry" by Craig L. Blomberg and Elisabeth A. Nesbit Sbanotto.

2:30 - 3:15 pm

GENERAL SESSION
Everyone

Workshops Facilitators

Rachel Hanible – **Founder and Instructor of Missing Peace Financial Group**



Rachel is a best selling author, award winning speaker, and the 2025 National Financial Educator of the year awarded by the National Financial Educators Council. She has been featured on countless radio, TV, and Podcast shows and received numerous awards for her work in Financial Education. Rachel is a Real Estate Investor and a Private Investor for small, black-owned businesses in Philadelphia. For the last 12 years, she has been a personal finance coach for adults and a personal finance teacher for Kids, ages 3 and up. Rachel is completely debt free; she has been 14 years without a car payment; 12 years without student loan debt; over a year without a mortgage, and she also has a perfect credit score.

Aronissa Harris - **CEO / Founder of “The Money Clinic”**



Founded in 1999 and rebranded in 2015, Harris & Associates are fully licensed insurance providers in PA, DE, NJ, NY, VA, TN, TX and NC. Aronissa also carries her investment licenses (SEC / FINRA). In February 2024, Harris & Associates opened a branch office in the Northern Liberties section of Philadelphia. The Money Clinic teaches the principle that true disciples of Jesus Christ must be intentional about becoming financially credible Christians to strengthen our witness for the Kingdom here on earth!

Ruby Jackson - **Minister | Former Track and Field Athlete | Coach**



Ruby is a Seton Hall University graduate with a B.S. in Biochemistry. She combines her passion for ministry, media, and fitness to spread the gospel and inspire others. Ruby believes God desires to be invited into every area of life — our health, fitness, creativity, and daily walk.

Ruby is a faithful member of H.O.T. (House of Triumph Worship and Outreach Center) and currently resides in North Carolina.

Workshop Facilitators

Steve Jackson, Sr. - **Grief Support Specialist | Ordained Deacon & Minister | Facilitator |**

Advocate for Social Justice



Steve is deeply committed to helping individuals navigate the complex journey of grief, particularly those impacted by violence. His approach is rooted in a passion for social justice, community healing, and the belief in the transformative power of compassion. One of his proudest achievements is creating *The SuperHero's Journey: Conversations on Grief*, a unique presentation that blends the world of comic books with grief support, offering fans a meaningful way to connect with their loss. Whether in professional work or community roles, Steve is dedicated to helping others heal, grow, and find hope, using every opportunity to exemplify compassion in action.

Donna L. Morgan - **Pastor | Healthcare Advocate | former Nuclear Medicine**

Technologist



Donna has organized and conducted seminars to educate and equip people on healthy habits to manage life with diabetes and high blood pressure. As a healthcare advocate, she has taught healthcare to men and women emphasizing the use of exercise and juicing fruits and vegetables to support health and prevent disease. Donna serves the body of Christ along side her husband, Pastor Gregory at God's House By Any Means Necessary, Philadelphia, Pa.

Christina Muir - **Evangelist | Licensed Real Estate Agent**



Chrstina is a graduate of the University of Pittsburgh (Johnstown) with a Bachelor of Arts in Communication and a minor in Spanish. She loves studying God's Word and deepening her understanding. Christina has a bubbly personality and warm presence which she uses to witness to people that their best life is lived with Christ. Christina enjoys writing and believes God has gifted her with this ability to encourage herself and others. In 2015, she started her own blog, "Hope, LOVE, Style, and Grace." Christina is married to Patrick, and they have two children, Patrick Austin, affectionately called "PJ" and Shiloh Gabriella. Christina is a faithful member of Tried Stone Pentecostal Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

Workshop Facilitators

Kelly Murphy – Elder | Youth leader | Dancer



Kelly is a native of Philadelphia but resides in Delaware with her husband and children. She is a member of Grace Tabernacle Outreach Ministries, Philadelphia, Pa. Kelly has a love for dance and has spent over 10 years being classically trained at PCD. Her love for dance has extended to the area of fitness. Kelly spends 5-6 days out of the week at the gym in training and bowling. Currently she is pursuing an education at ISSA where she hopes to become certified as a personal trainer and nutritionist.

Lynda Reagan – Elder | former Teacher



Lynda is a faithful member of H.O.T. (House of Triumph) Worship and Outreach Center and currently resides in Texas. She is affectionately known as H.O.T.'s Texas Titan. She enjoys leading a YMCA spin class and hiking through God's beautiful creation with her husband. As a new retiree, she plans to focus on her overall health goals.

Stephen and Jenelle Thompson - TEAM THOMPSON



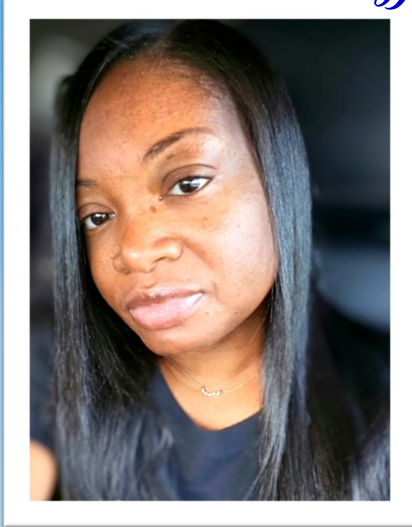
Apostle and Prophetess | Founders and Pastors of House of Triumph Outreach and Worship Center

H.O.T. is located in the Kensington section of Philadelphia and is a ministry focused on equipping people with the tools, techniques and tactics to triumph over every test and trial they may face today. #TeamThompson is dedicated to Kingdom Health and Fitness. Stephen is a former football/track athlete and Jenelle is a former track athlete/personal trainer. They know that fitness is about more than reps, sets, or simply counting calories. Their mission is to teach total wholeness, emphasizing that true well-being - from your nutrition to your physical activity - all begins from within.

UCF Literary Celebration!

Meet the Authors - Saturday 12:30 - 1:30 PM

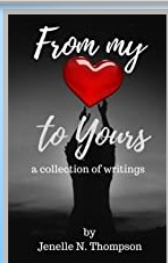
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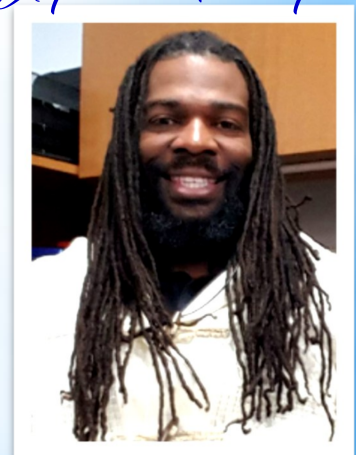
Darlene Grant



Jenelle Thompson



Stephen Thompson





NIGHT OF WORSHIP

Worship Leader—Elder Patrick Muir

Call to Worship
DEACON CORY HOLMES

Musical Selection
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Scripture Reading
MICHAEL BOND

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ELDER KELLY MURPHY

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FAITH AND LOVE CENTER PENTECOSTAL CHURCH PHILADELPHIA, PA



Bishop Harry W. Pendleton, Sr. is the Presiding Prelate, United Churches Fellowship and Founder and Pastor of Faith & Love Center Pentecostal Church, Philadelphia, PA.

Bishop Harry Pendleton was converted in June of 1978 during a prayer revival at New Jerusalem Church of God in Christ, led by the late Elder Clinton Mobley. A short time later, he joined Canaan Church of Pentecost, where the late Bishop James H. Mobley was pastor. He served in various capacities at Canaan, including deacon and Sunday School teacher, where his love for teaching God's Word grew.

In 1984, he answered the call to preach God's Word and was ordained as an Elder on October 11, 1987, under the pastorate of Bishop Mobley. He served faithfully as an Associate and then Assistant Pastor of Canaan. His love for God, concern for souls and desire to labor in the kingdom of God continued to grow. After seeking the Lord for direction, he was led to begin a ministry in the Norristown, PA area. Faith and Love Center Pentecostal Church held its first service under his leadership on June 5, 1994. Approximately one year later, he, his family, and the members of Faith and Love Center returned to Canaan to assist Bishop Mobley and the Canaan Church family.

On October 29, 1995, he was consecrated by Bishop Mobley as Pastor of Canaan Church. The two churches were merged under the name Faith and Love Center Pentecostal Church. In 1995, under God's leadership, Bishop Mobley formed the United Churches Fellowship. In August 1998, after Bishop Mobley's demise, Pastor Pendleton was consecrated to the office of Bishop of United Churches Fellowship.

September 2019, Bishop Pendleton's dream to start a biblical institute finally came to fruition with the opening of the Pendleton Institute of Biblical Studies.

Today, Bishop Pendleton continues to serve as Senior Pastor of Faith and Love Center Pentecostal Church and Presiding Prelate of the United Churches Fellowship. He and his wife, Delinda Pendleton, are the proud parents of two sons, Harry Wesley Jr. and Brian Joseph, and the grandparents of three lovely granddaughters, Taylor Grace, Arielle, and Gabrielle.

His favorite scripture verse, Romans 12:3, reflects his humble servant-leadership character.

"For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith."

Worship Leader—Pastor Patty Muir

Ecclesiastical Procession

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY, LORD GOD ALMIGHTY

Invocation

PASTOR DENNISTON MUIR

Responsive Reading

ELDER KAREN HARRIS

#38 Power

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PASTOR DELINDA PENDLETON

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Holy Communion Service

Holy Communion

*BISHOP HARRY PENDLETON
OVERSEER JEFFERSON BRANCH*

Communion Scripture Reading

*ELDER LINDA DYSON
1 Corinthians 11:23-34 NKJV*

Prayer over the Bread

EVANGELIST SANDRA DAVIS

Prayer over the Cup

EVANGELIST KARLOTTA WILLILAMS

Silent Examination

Serving the Bread and the Cup

Partake of the Bread and the Cup

Communion Hymn

THE BLOOD WILL NEVER LOSE IT'S POWER

Final Remarks

Benediction

Responsive Reading

38. POWER

African American Heritage Hymnal

New Testament: 1 Cor. 1:18, 22-25; Rom. 1:20; Col. 1:15-18; Acts 1:8

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles.

But to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Ever since the creation of the world his eternal power and divine nature, invisible though they are, have been understood and seen through the things he has made.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created.

Things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers - all things have been created through him and for him.

He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty

Hymn #329

African American Heritage Hymnal

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee:
Holy, Holy, Holy! merciful and mighty,
God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! all the saints adore Thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
God everlasting through eternity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! though the darkness hide Thee,
Though the eye made blind by sin Thy glory may not see,
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name
in earth and sky and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty,
God in three persons blessed Trinity.

Holy Communion Scripture

1 Corinthians 11:23-34 NKJV

- 23 For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread;
- 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me.
- 25 In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."
- 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes.
- 27 Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.
- 28 But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of the bread and drink of the cup.
- 29 For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body.
- 30 For this reason many are weak and sick among you, and many sleep.
- 31 For if we would judge ourselves, we would not be judged.
- 32 But when we are judged, we are chastened by the Lord, that we may not be condemned with the world.
- 33 Therefore, my brethren, when you come together to eat, wait for one another.
- 34 But if anyone is hungry, let him eat at home, lest you come together for judgment. And the rest I will set in order when I come.



*What a
Mighty God
we Serve!*

As we return to our individual churches and ministries encouraged, empowered, and emboldened by the Spirit of the Most High God, saturate the territory entrusted to you with the gospel message and a lifestyle that reflects our Father's Kingdom.

Our Father's ways and thoughts are not like ours. He speaks with the sound of thunder (John 12:29), yet with a still small voice (1 Kings 19:12). He calls darkness into light, yet the darkness does not consume the light (John 1:5). He is a consuming fire. The fire of God is life giving, yet a destructive force proving the authenticity of each person's work (1 Cor 3:13).

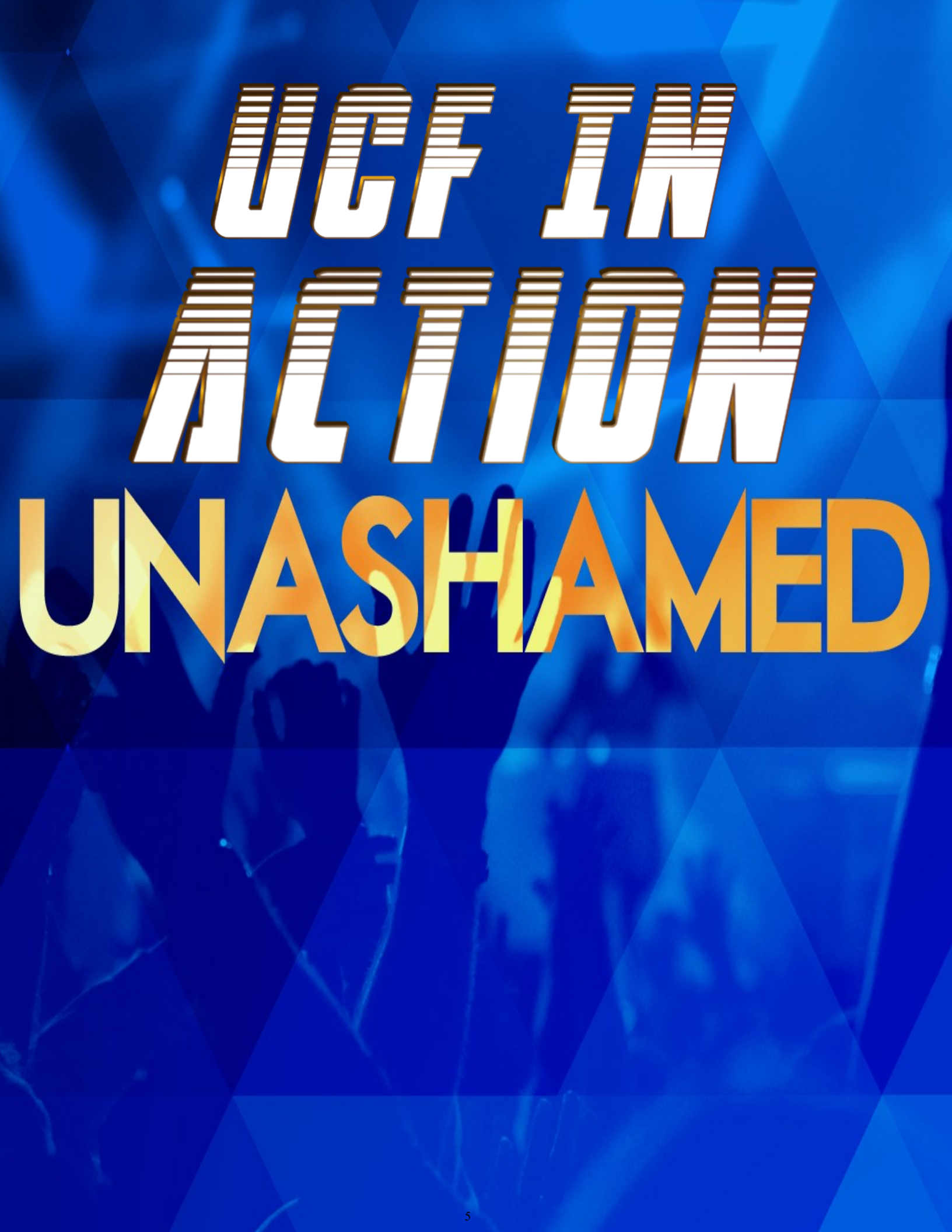
Like our Father, we are His peculiar children (1 Pet 2:9) whom He chooses to use in unconventional ways to minister too and bless His people. Do not be ashamed! We are not called to conform to the dominant cultural norms of this world. As disciples of Jesus Christ and the children of God, do not be ashamed to set aside selfish interests and take up your cross (expressing a willingness to endure whatever may come) and follow Jesus (Matt 16:24 AMP). Let's continue to strive to fulfill the Kingdom's agenda.

By faith, stand in His love, power, and authority and be open to the move of God that is purposed for such a time as this.

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In faith,

Overseer Darlene and Pastor Richard Grant



UCF IN ACTION UNASHAMED

VICTORY IN THE STRUGGLE!



In January 2025, under the direction of Pastor Delinda Pendleton, the Pathways to Adulthood program was revived and with it came new life and a special group of young people. Across UCF and beyond, eleven students joined us on this journey of growth and self discovery. Over the months, the young people listened to powerful presentations on various topics to help prepare them as they walk the path through the teenage years and into adulthood.

When asked if there were any other topics they wanted to learn about, one theme echoed with every response, mental health. This group of young people were insightful, transparent, and eager to learn more and do the work it takes to heal and to help others. It became clear that mental health would be the focus of our youth retreat.

In August, we set out for a weekend filled with fun, faith, and fellowship. Throughout the weekend, the youth participated in glow in the dark dodgeball, basketball, football, and other team challenges that not only provided laughter, but also connection, unity, and memories.

Our facilitators helped bring the theme to life. Janell Washington started the weekend with a thoughtful and informative session on mental health and coping strategies. She led the group in a discussion on how mental health affects us, how to identify when we are struggling, and most importantly, how to invite God into our healing process.

Nicole Johnson followed with hands-on activities that introduced real life struggles and illustrated how to put on the whole armor of God to overcome life's struggles. The youth learned that overcoming mental battles isn't about relying on our own strength but about leaning on God's truth and protection.

Pastor Kenneth Fulton closed out the retreat with a powerful message and illustration about having victory over mental health and the trials we face. As Pastor Fulton reminded us, "*We are more than conquerors through Him who loved us*" (Romans 8:37). His message reiterated the truth that even when our minds feel heavy, Christ has already secured our victory.

By the end of the weekend, our youth walked away knowing that victory isn't found in perfection but it is found in trusting Jesus and allowing Him to carry the load. As they walk through life's struggles, they can stand firm knowing there is victory on the other side. As our sessions came to a close, we declared this truth together with boldness, confidence, and in one voice:

God is for me.

No accusation can stop me.

Nothing can separate me from God's love.

I am more than a conqueror in Christ!

YOUTH RETREAT 2025

VICTORY IN THE STRUGGLE!



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SHIFT!

Elder Edna Livingston



Here's how this year's UCF Women's Retreat theme (SHIFT) helped me to shift gears.

I had been in Park (depressed) for years and didn't know it. I was so busy being tormented by chronic health issues and what I couldn't do anymore; I took the focus off of what I could still do. Even as excited as I am always about the retreat, I only did the day pass this year. I have always stayed the entire weekend. Yes, something was very different about me.

The Pandemic caused me even more isolation to the point that it got more comfortable to just stay inside and hide out from more than just COVID. I couldn't see that I was sinking deeper. That type of isolation wasn't good for anyone, especially if you live alone. Mental health issues are real!!!!

I have been blessed with a friend that loves me enough to know that I wasn't in a healthy state of mind. She encouraged me to get back inside the church building. I decided to drift into "Neutral" by watching on-line. That wasn't good enough for her and to be frank, it wasn't good enough for me either. After putting up quite a fight, I slowly shifted into "Cruise" and started visiting. Partly just to get her to leave me alone because when you're depressed that's how you want to be.

I was starting to recover slightly and hesitantly from the weekly praise, worship, and sermons. But, I was still nowhere near where I should have been.

Here is where the Retreat played its part. There was such a breaking in the atmosphere on Saturday night. I was able to hear the Holy Spirit speaking very clearly to me. I was diagnosed and given my prescription right then and there. There was no hiding place nor need for one. Everyone in that room was fighting for their breakthrough, just like me,

After that night, going to church was with a renewed fulfillment and purpose. I'm shifted into "Drive" now and it feels great. My health issues haven't changed but my mindset towards them have. Since they won't leave me alone, I'll just have to drag them along with me. I know I'm better because people can see it, hear it and feel it. I am addressing anything and everything that threatens to try to take me back to that dark place. I may not be where I want to be, but I'm certainly not where I've been. Satan is upset, but so what, I gave him 5 good years. I'm not Lot's wife; I'm not looking back. Praise be to God for the wondrous work He has done in and for me!!!!

UCF Women's Retreat

KINGDOM WOMEN & SHIFT!



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UCF MEN'S RETREAT

The Theme of the 2025 United Churches Fellowship Men's Retreat was "Restoration."

During our gathering, men were empowered to walk in their proper place of leadership in the home, community, workplace, and church because we have been restored to our appropriate place of headship through the redemptive work of Christ on the cross.



Attendees ages ranged from the teens to the 80's, infusing the weekend with wisdom and vibrant energy.

The fellowship, workshops, and moments of impartation, created an environment where breakthrough was possible and lives were changed.

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RESTORATION



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UCF MEN'S BIBLE STUDY



JOIN US!

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*Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man
sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.*

Proverbs 27:17

This verse embodies the essence of UCF Men's Bible study. Every Saturday morning, the men of United Churches Fellowship gather online to impart, empower, and impact the lives of each other in a Bible based study group that builds character and comradery through the Word of God.

The content that is studied becomes a catalyst for conversation that organically blossoms from the wisdom of all the participants. Family, community, responsibility, integrity, are just a few of the topics tackled on that threshing floor of theology. It is an environment where everyone has a voice, everyone is respected, everyone has value, and every man, UCF affiliated or not, is welcome.

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A UNITED CHURCH IS A STRONG CHURCH

Our goal is to come alongside small churches and to help strengthen them as well as provide a forum for their gifts to be used.

United Churches Fellowship (UCF) continues to promote the individuality and independence of its member churches along with a call for unity under the UCF banner to support and encourage one another.

Fellowship was and is an important element of the United Churches Fellowship. We have a track record of fellowshipping during the organization's 30 years of history. Our initial experience was a 5th Sunday Fellowship. It is our opportunity to come together four or five times a year to worship as one church. Our fifth Sunday Fellowship experience is bolstered by our annual Holy Convocation that takes place during the last week of October into the first week of November. The date corresponds closely to the birth date of the organization. Holy Convocation is a time of renewal, restoration, and revival as we prepare the saints to return to their home churches with tools that will make a difference in ministry.

UCF churches are encouraged to understand, embrace, and to promote worship, fellowship, discipleship, service (ministry), and evangelism individually and collectively.

Our Worship is always directed to the Lord and we are reminded that we were created for worship. Fellowship and Discipleship help to develop and shape us in preparation for Service (ministry) to the body of Christ and for Evangelism to unbelievers.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 reminds us that two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work.

*“UCF, more than just great church,
it's a place of fellowship, discipleship and growth.*

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QUARTERLY LEADERSHIP MEETINGS

January 3rd

April 4th

July 11th

October 3rd

FIFTH SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP SERVICES

March 29th

May 31st

August 30th

November 29th

HOLY WEEK

Sunday, March 29th – Friday, April 3rd

MEN'S RETREAT

Friday – Sunday, June 5th – 7th

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Friday – Sunday, Aug 7th – 9th

25TH ANNUAL HOLY CONVOCATION

Wednesday, Oct. 28th - Sunday, Nov. 1st

Gracefully Yours 

