

# *Rev. Benjamin E. Davis*



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The youngest of 10 children, Pastor Davis was raised in a Christian home and under the admonition and fear of the Lord, he has been ingrained with the qualities and characteristics of one who fears and reverences the Almighty God. Pastor Davis comes from a long line of preachers, deacons, and a Christian oriented family. He is married to Angela (Neal) Davis and to this union the Lord has blessed them with seven (7) children and 5 grandchildren.

Pastor Davis attended Roosevelt University where he received his degree in Paralegal studies. Attending Chicago Baptist Institute, Pastor Davis received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Theological Studies. Pastor Davis received his Master of Arts degree in New Testament Theological Studies from Faith Evangelical College and Seminary in Tacoma, Washington. Currently, Pastor Davis is working towards his Doctoral degree in New Testament Theological Studies from Faith Evangelical College and Seminary. Understanding the importance of holistic ministry, Pastor Davis is involved in various community, civic and religious organizations that are designed to make a positive impact upon the lives of the people.

Pastor Davis accepted his call into the Ministry on September 1, 1996 and preached his first sermon at the St. John Baptist Temple Church under the leadership of Pastor C.M. Newton, Jr., Pastor Davis was ordained on December 10, 2000 as the Assistant to the Pastor. Pastor Davis played an intricate part of St John Baptist Temple serving as the Minister of Music, Youth Director, Christian Education Department and various other ministries. Pastor Davis is an accomplished musician with over 35 years of service.

Through much prayer, in February 2002, Pastor Davis accepted the position of Assistant Pastor of the Solid Rock M.B. Church where his father Rev. Louis Davis, Jr. served as Pastor. On Sunday, June 5, 2005, Pastor Louis Davis, Jr. officially retired as Pastor of the Solid Rock Missionary Baptist Church and made a recommendation that his youngest son, Rev. Benjamin E. Davis succeed him as Pastor. As a result of his leadership, Solid Rock M.B. Church increased physically, spiritually and financially. There was a major overhaul of all Ministries of Solid Rock Church. Through Pastor Davis' vision for the church, concern for the

community and spiritual growth of the membership, various other ministries had been implemented to ensure that Solid Rock M.B. Church would be the Church that God would have her to be.

After 36 years of faithful service, on Sunday, October 2, 2010, Pastor C. Milton Newton, Jr. announced to the congregation of St. John Baptist Temple Church, his retirement as Pastor. His recommendation to the congregation was that his son in the ministry, Pastor Benjamin E. Davis would succeed him as pastor. Through much fasting and praying, it was unanimously agreed among the Solid Rock church family that they would unite with the St. John Temple church family to continue to carry out the great commission that Jesus has left for the Church. Pastor Davis has continued to expand and impress upon the hearts of the people the vision that God has divinely given him. Pastor Davis has taken on the challenge to make a difference within the church and the community by re-instructing, re-building and restoring the Kingdom of God through sacred worship, sincere witness and spiritual warfare.

St. John Baptist Temple has been blessed beyond belief by the creativeness and favor of God that has been exemplified through the leadership of this modern day Joshua. Pastor Davis has exemplified and instills within the Body of Christ the essence of Faith, Family and Fellowship.