

Guest Preacher

Rev. D'Andre James-Daniels

Born and raised in the City of Mount Vernon in the state of New York, D'Andre attended the former Washington Performing Arts Magnet School, A.B. Davis Middle School, and Mount Vernon High School. D'Andre takes pride in the fact that he is an African-American male attempting to make a change in the world in which we live. Pastor James-Daniels is married to the lovely Mrs. Natalie Smith James-Daniels and father of four Nia, Maia, Dashana and D'Andre II.



Starting at a very young age he has been involved in numerous civic and religious organizations. His goal is to look at all situations and ask, "What can I do rather than what someone else should have done." Rev. D'Andre William James-Daniels earned his undergraduate degree in history from Livingstone College. While at Livingstone, D'Andre's God-anointed leadership gifts continued to be utilized and cultivated. He served as President of the Student Government Association for two consecutive terms, a member of Livingstone College Board of Trustees, President of the Gamma Mu Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., and was involved with numerous other policy-making departments of the college. In addition to his leadership roles at Livingstone, he served as President of the North Carolina Black Student Government Association, which is a consortium of all Historically Black Colleges and Universities in the state of North Carolina representing over 50,000 students. D'Andre has been equally active as a member of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church where he served as the International President of the Varick International Youth Council representing youth from five continents.

Rev. James-Daniels was ordained a Deacon in June 2005 at the hand of the Right Reverend George Washington Carver Walker, Sr. and an Elder at the hand of the Right Reverend George Edward Battle, Sr. September 2007 New York Annual Conference. He served as Youth Pastor of the Greater Centennial A.M.E. Zion Church in Mt. Vernon where the now Bishop W. Darin Moore served as Pastor. While serving Greater Centennial, he assisted with providing leadership to a congregation of 6,000 members and assisted with management of a 5 million dollar budget. In addition, his community activities has extended to his role as a Trustee for the Mount Vernon Board of Education where he served with the distinction of being the youngest person ever to be elected to a position of this magnitude in the City of Mt. Vernon, NY. Rev. James-Daniels has studied at the Union Theological Seminary of Columbia University in New York City, St. Paul School of Theology, Kansas City, MO and Hood Theological Seminary Salisbury, NC

Rev. James-Daniels has served as the successful pastor of the St. Matthew AME Zion Church, Kansas City, Mo. and the Historic Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, Charlotte, N.C. "The Oldest Black Congregation in Mecklenburg County" and York Memorial AME Zion Church, Greenville, N.C. and currently serves as Pastor of The First AME Zion Church - Columbus, Ohio. Rev. James-Daniels has led these congregations in several significant renovation and restoration projects. In addition, his leadership and innovative ministry gifts has injected life into these historic congregations. Rev. James-Daniels has been used by God to serve as special assistant to the Mayor of his hometown Mount Vernon, NY. Noted for his acute ability to rightly divide the word of truth, Rev. James -Daniels has been gifted by God to attract a new generation of believers while not forsaking the truths of our faith. He currently serves as a full-time husband and father. Enjoying every moment of it.



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