

The Pastoral Installation



Derrick L. Bentford

TO THE OFFICE OF CAMPUS PASTOR

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Apostle Allison Komlhes - Chief Celebrant
Bishop J. Richard Corbett Homilist & Con-Celebrant

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

The Reverend LeMichael Horne

THE CALL TO ELEVATION

The Most Reverend Mark D. Coghill

The R.O.C.K Network Inc.

The people standing, the Minister of Worship says:

“Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness; come before his presence with singing. Know ye that the Lord he is God: It is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting and his truth endureth to all generations. My brothers and sisters, come let us worship the Lord in the beauty of Holiness.”

The People: “I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the House of the Lord.”

THE INVOCATION

The Reverend J.R Joyner

Restoring Temple

THE MINISTRY OF THE WORD

A Lesson from the Old Testament

Jeremiah 3:11-15

*Lector: **The Reverend Alana Rice***

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*Lector: The Word of the Lord **The People: Thanks be to God***

A Reading from the Epistle

Ephesians 4:1-12

*Lector: **The Reverend Michelle Smith***

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MUSICAL SELECTION

Nadja Scott & Divine Anointing

WORDS OF IMPARTATION

**Reverend Avery Ashe
Reverend K.A Richards
The Very Reverend Allen Vessells
CFC**

**The Most Reverend Bryant Martin
Freedom Church and Ministries**

**The Reverend Terrence Rogers
Gethesemane Baptist Church**

WORSHIP IN GIVING

THE SERMONIC SELECTION

**Nadja Scott & Divine Anointing
Baltimore, MD**

THE RHEMA

**The Most Reverend Jason Corbett
Phebe Christian Center**

The Liturgy of Installation

A sacred act of covenant, service, and spiritual responsibility.

THE LITURGY OF INSTALLATION

OPENING STATEMENT

The Very Reverend Wendy T. Buckmon
Freedom Reigns Ministries

The Lord has provided for the Church several areas of ministry but preserved the title of Pastor/Shepherd for the chief position in the local church. Within our common ministry, some have been chosen for particular work as pastors, elders, evangelists, teachers, missionaries, or deacons. In ordinations, we validate these special ministries, remembering that our Lord Jesus said, "Whoever desires to be great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first in rank among you must be slave of all." It is, therefore, fitting that such a position be given the highest recognition God has ordained for the office.

PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATE

The Reverend Deacon Cassandra Fowlkes
Light of the World Outreach Center - Catonsville

Prelates in Christ's Holy Church; the clergy and the people representing Light of the World Outreach Center - Catonsville, trusting in the guidance of the Holy Spirit, support the installation of **Bishop Derrick L. Bentford** to serve as the Campus Pastor of this local assembly. We therefore ask you to lay your hands upon him, in the power of the Holy Spirit and officially install him as Campus Pastor and spiritual leader of Light of The World Outreach Center - Catonsville.

THE INQUIRY

The Celebrants now puts the following query to the Pastoral candidate saying the following:

Bishop Fowlkes: "Derrick as we install you as Campus Pastor to this flock of God, and in the Saints of our Lord Jesus Christ, do you promise to preach the Word of God, rightly dividing it, live it as an example before this flock?"

Candidate: "I WILL, SO HELP ME GOD."

THE INQUIRY

Bishop Fowlkes: “Do you Derrick promise to care for the sick and the shut-in, bear their burdens, counsel, and advise them, seeking to encourage, enrich and serve them in this life so that you might discharge your duty as a minister of Jesus Christ?”

Candidate: “**I DO, SO HELP ME GOD.**”

Bishop Fowlkes: “Are you Derrick willing to serve faithfully, holding the trust of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Holy Scripture and Foundational Doctrine and By-Laws of Light of The World Outreach Center to the best of your knowledge until such time that kingdom promotion, divine providence or unforeseen events remove you?”

Candidate: “**I WILL, BY THE HELP OF GOD**”

THE PASTORAL CHARGE

The Right Reverend Allison Fowlkes

Founding Senior Pastor, Light of The World Outreach Center | Catonsville, MD

“My Son, you have been called by God the Father, commissioned by Jesus Christ the Son, and endowed by the Holy Ghost to preach the gospel to every creature. Derrick, I hereby charge you to fulfill your responsibilities as Campus Pastor of this local assembly to the best of your God-given ability. The Lord’s minister must be a man of prayer and study. Therefore, I charge you to be faithful to prayer and studying that you may hear the voice of the Lord and lead His people in His **Word, Will and Way**. Understand, your chief task will be to do God’s will, to please Him in all things. Lastly, I charge you to be the chief servant among servants. And to remember, ‘...But whosoever will be great among you, shall be your servant:’”

CHARGE TO THE CHURCH

You have heard the solemn promises of your new Campus Pastor. Receive it not as the words of men, but as what the Word of God expects of you as members of his flock. Listen eagerly to his preaching of the Word, receiving it not as a word of men, but the Word of God. Take to heart his scriptural words of warning and encouragement, humbly accepting the Word planted in you. Work together with him for our Lord's Kingdom so that by your works of service the Body of Christ might be built up. Honor him and love him. The Apostle Paul says: "Hold them in the highest regard in love because of their work. Pray for him continually, that his ministry among you may be greatly blessed."

THE PASTOR'S PRAYER

Bishop Bentford kneels in the midst of the church and says:

"O Lord my God, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, yet you have called your servant to stand in your house, and to serve at your altar. To you and to your service I devote myself, body, soul, and spirit. Fill my memory with the record of your mighty works; enlighten my understanding with the light of your Holy Spirit; and may all the desires of my heart and will center in what you would have me do. Make me an instrument of your salvation for the people entrusted to my care, and grant that I may faithfully administer your Holy Sacraments, and by my life and teaching set forth your true and living Word. Be always with me in carrying out the duties of my ministry. In prayer, quicken my devotion, in praises, heighten my love and gratitude; in preaching, give me readiness of thought and expression; and grant that, by the clearness and brightness of your Holy Word, all the world may be drawn into your blessed Kingdom.

All this I ask for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, *Amen.*"

THE PRAYER OF INSTALLATION, THE POURING OF OIL & THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

All the people continue to stand, except **Bishop Bentford**, who kneels before the Apostle Fowlkes and Bishop Corbett.

The Prelates and Senior Pastors assist in the laying on of hands.

ENDORSEMENT OF CERTIFICATES & INVESTITURE

THE PRESENTATION OF THE NEW PASTOR

“In accordance with the Canons of this portion of the vineyard and because we believe that your assignment is the will of God for this Branch of Zion, I now proclaim you to the Church and the World”

Bishop Derrick L. Bentford

CAMPUS PASTOR

FINAL REMARKS & BENEDICTION

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A sacred celebration of pastoral service

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