

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

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Dr. Williams A. Williams, Sr. is a native Washingtonian with more than forty years of diversified leadership and management experience in the non-profit sector. His commitment to *Organizational and Wealth Management* is evidenced by a broad array of education, experience, and ever-increasing responsibilities and accomplishments – expressly for the glory of God and greater good of those whom he serves locally and throughout the country.

Dr. Williams accepted the Lord Jesus Christ into his life on March 19, 1977. After following his plan to attend Morehouse College in Atlanta, GA, the Spirit of God redirected his path to Washington Bible College, now Lancaster Bible College, in Lanham, MD, where he received his foundational biblical/theological training. Graduating with a Bachelor of Arts degree with an emphasis in Pastoral Ministries and armed with a passion for the City, he began preaching at the age of 19 in Chicago, Philadelphia and his hometown, Washington, D.C. By God's grace, since that time, his preaching ministry has spanned the breadth of the United States and the Caribbean.

A life member of the historic Shiloh Baptist Church, Washington, D.C., Dr. Williams was influenced by the historic ecclesiastical leader, the late Rev. Dr. Henry C. Gregory, III. It was at Shiloh where he acquired a consummate regard for excellence in ministry management, prolific homiletics, the integration of Christian Faith and Public Policy and advocating for social and economic justice.

His vast expertise in diverse aspects of *Organizational* and *Wealth* management began in his early twenties. At the age of 22 he was a founding minister of the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, Lanham, MD. He was also an Associate Pastor for 8 years and an agent with the New York Life Insurance Company, earning accolades as *Rookie of the Year* and membership to the prestigious *Million Dollar Roundtable*.

For 32 years, Dr. Williams has pastored the Covenant Community Baptist Church, formerly, Parker Memorial Baptist Church, Silver Spring, MD. The length of his spiritual leadership has resulted in significant church growth and development in staffing, real estate acquisition and property development. For over two decades, Dr. Williams has proven to be a sought-after executive coach – mentoring many men and women from early development, and graduate school, to full-time pastoral and professional service.

Gifted as an effective communicator, at the height of the ministry, Dr. Williams's weekly broadcast was heard by 15,000 listeners from Delaware to North Carolina and was rated as *"the*

most listened to” broadcast on Infinity Broadcasting (via national *Arbitron* ratings) for 10 consecutive years.

Dr. Williams has also served as an influential political leader in the metropolitan area. God has used him to organize *Voices of Interfaith Congregations Emerging in Solidarity* (V.O.I.C.E.S.), an ecumenical organization of over 300 congregations and 50,000+ people collaborating to defend the principles and practices of religious freedom. As a result of his leadership, the group was able to overturn abusive church zoning legislation and positively influence local public policy. For their activism, Dr. Williams and the PMBC ministry were featured in the national newspaper, *USA TODAY*, May 1997. In 2006, his efforts and partnerships with local political figures once again proved critical in halting legislation that would have had a deleterious effect upon church growth and development in Montgomery County, Maryland. His lobbying efforts played a vital role on Capitol Hill, advocating on behalf of the victims of the Hurricane Katrina Crisis before members of the 109th Congress in 2005 and more recently to other senior Congressional members concerning the Voting Rights Act.

In May 1998, Dr. Williams received his Master of Theological Studies in Christian Faith and Public Policy from Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, now Palmer Theological Seminary, in Wynnwood, PA. In May 2002, Dr. Williams earned a Doctor of Ministry from Howard University School of Divinity, Washington, D.C., featuring his cutting-edge dissertation, *Twenty-First Century Ministry Management*. In conjunction with these academic milestones, Dr. Williams completed advanced studies in the Executive MBA program at The George Washington University, Washington, D.C. Facilitating the fusion of sacred and secular organizational management principles, Dr. Williams has served as an adjunct professor at Colgate Rochester Crozier Divinity School (Rochester, NY), teaching *Leadership & Ministry Management*.

With respect to *Wealth Management*, from his early years as a broker for New York Life and other leading insurance companies, Dr. Guy (as his clients call him) has served more than 400 clients in matters of financial planning and has received numerous corporate and national awards. He is currently working towards his Series 65 licensure as an Investment Advisor Representative.

The Lord has allowed him to minister as a leader among leaders in several national and local Conventions including the Progressive National Baptist Convention where he serves as a member of the Executive Board. In addition, he is a member of several professional organizations and is a life-member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

Synchronizing his calling, giftedness, academic training, passion, and extensive experience, Dr. Williams has worked tirelessly through the *organizational* and *wealth management* consulting firm he founded with his wife in 1997, The PETROS Group, LLC –optimizing the operational effectiveness and economic potential of pastors and congregations across the country.

Finally, the objects of his greatest earthly affection are his loving wife, best friend and partner in ministry for many years, Kia Rebecca Williams, MABS, MALT and his beloved six children, the recipients of his unwavering devotion. It is God Who is due all the glory, for all that has been experienced and achieved; for it is only possible through His amazing grace.