

THE REVEREND WILLIAM E. MEBANE III

M.Div., M.A.C.E.

A native of Detroit, Michigan, The Reverend William E. Mebane III is a second-generation preacher who recognizes his life's mantle as one of sharing, teaching, training, and preaching the sound Word of God to the body of believers.

William is the eldest of three children born to the union of the Reverend Dr. William Mebane and Marsha Mebane. His siblings are Matthew E. Mebane and Arania R. Mebane. He was reared in one of Detroit's historic congregations, Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church, under the leadership of the Reverend Dr. Frederick G. Sampson. It was there that William encountered the Lord, an experience that forever changed the course of his life.

He recalls that on a "Decision Sunday" in 1991, after singing "*I Want to Live So God Can Use Me*," he heard the voice of the Lord say, "It is time." In response, he gave his hand to Dr. Sampson and his heart to Jesus Christ. His compassion, generous spirit, and practical approach to theology have been shaped by his extensive involvement in the many ministries of Tabernacle Missionary Baptist Church.

Although William is a multitalented singer, writer, preacher, and teacher, these gifts did not develop without effort. Rather, they are the fruit of hard work, diligence, and an unwavering commitment to trusting God in all his endeavors.

Upon graduating from Detroit's Cass Technical High School, William entered the School of Business at the prestigious Howard University in Washington, D.C. During his time at Howard, he continued to grow in the Lord while cultivating his intellect, leadership, and capacity for service. He became involved in numerous campus activities and remains a proud alumnus of the world-renowned Howard Gospel Choir.

It was also during his college years that William experienced a life-altering encounter with the Holy Spirit. During this pivotal season, he experienced the birthing and activation of his apostolic and prophetic mantles and began operating in these gifts as the Spirit instructed. These formative experiences brought together critical thinking and supernatural unction, shaping his perspective, worldview, and approach to life and ministry.

In 2003, William proudly graduated from the Howard University School of Business with a degree in Marketing.

William came to recognize that his purpose was to help others reach their God-given potential through the Word of the Lord. This conviction compelled him to pursue theological education at the Morehouse School of Religion at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia. He graduated with honors, earning both the Master of Divinity (M.Div.) and the Master of Arts in Christian Education (M.A.C.E.).

Ecclesiastical Leadership and Appointment

In August 2018, the Lord impressed upon the heart of William's apostolic leader, the late Most Reverend Bishop Iona Locke, to elevate Reverend Mebane to the sacred appointment of Overseer.

He subsequently served as International Overseer of Protocol for Christ Centered Ministries Assembly, faithfully fulfilling his responsibilities until the transition of its founder.

Faith for the Fire Ministries

Most recently, Reverend Mebane established Faith for the Fire Ministries, a parachurch ministry dedicated to evangelism, education, and the empowerment of the saints to become agents of change in an increasingly challenging world.

Through this ministry, he provides pastoral insight, guidance, and care to a network of ministers, churches, and businesses. Faith for the Fire Ministries serves as a vehicle through which Reverend Mebane continues to fulfill the call of Christ on his life.

As a sought-after Christian educator, intentional intercessor, and prophetic voice, he ministers in the areas of deliverance and healing, remaining committed to equipping believers, strengthening leaders, and empowering the body of Christ to fulfill its God-given purpose.