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Covenant Connection Includes Knowing The Following:

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Pastor Anthony Williams



Pastor Anthony D. Williams is the Senior Pastor and Founder of the Love Fellowship Church in Charlotte, NC. He has been married to his beautiful wife Renee for over 25 years and they have one son, Jonathan. Pastor Williams is truly a family man and visionary. He enjoys spending quality time with his wife and son and enjoys traveling in his leisure time.

Pastor Williams has been called by God to share the love of Christ with people in metro Charlotte and around the world. He is committed to empowering people to maximize their life, family, and relationships. To that end Pastor Anthony and Renee were formerly the Founders of "The Fulfilled Promises Broadcast", a weekly radio ministry that aired in North and South Carolina and globally on www.WordNet.org.

God has given Pastor Williams a powerful vision to impact thousands of lives around the world by the power of God's word. This vision will be accomplished through community-based outreach, radio, television, and Internet. Pastor Williams is a man of faith and integrity, and his favorite scripture is James 2:20, "Faith without works is dead".

Pastor Williams was born in Harlem, NY. His family moved to Florence, SC during his childhood. Pastor Williams received salvation at the United Student Fellowship on the campus of N.C. State University (October 1987). Pastor Williams was licensed and ordained to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ under the leadership of Bishop Richard B. Peoples of Faith Outreach Church in Hephzibah, GA. Where he served faithfully in ministry under the leadership of Bishop Peoples for 7 years.

While at Faith Outreach Christian Life Center he served as an Elder, Youth Pastor, Marriage Enrichment Ministry Leader, and New Members Coordinator among other leadership responsibilities.

Prior to accepting God's call to preach the Gospel, Pastor Williams served four years as a Deacon at Nations Ford Community Church, Charlotte, NC under the leadership of the late Dr. Philip Davis, Founder and Sr. Pastor. He also Co-founded a Street Outreach Evangelism ministry whose mission was to share the love of Jesus Christ with inner city men in Raleigh, Greensboro, and Charlotte, NC. To the glory of God, the lives of many men were transformed by the power of God's word.

Pastor Williams is a graduate of NC State University where he earned a B.A degree in Business Management. He is also the graduate of the Faith Outreach Christian Life Center School of Ministry. God has equipped Pastor Williams with extensive expertise in the field of business allowing him to gain valuable experience by working in sales, marketing, and accounting. Additionally, God has blessed Pastor Williams to work for the following major corporations over the past 25 years: Bank of America, Kraft Foods, AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals, and Nortel Networks.

By God's grace Pastor Williams is committed to making a spiritual mark on this world that cannot be erased!

Pastor Renee Williams



Pastor Renee Williams, a native of Charlotte, North Carolina, is a product of Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools. She graduated from West Charlotte High School in 1979 and went on to pursue her undergraduate degree from University of North Carolina of Charlotte and received her Masters of Special Education from Augusta State University in Georgia. Prior to becoming a Special Education teacher, she worked for 8 years as a case manager with people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS.

The Holy Spirit has gifted, Pastor Renee in the areas of evangelism, teaching and administration. She has had the opportunity to serve in many facets of ministry. Under the direction of Bishop Richard and Pastor Janice Peoples, she served on the Board of Directors of Faith Outreach Church, in the children's ministry, and as Teen Pastor, Marriage Enrichment co-facilitator, along with her husband, Pastor Anthony Williams. She believes in the practical teaching of the Word of God, making it applicable to all ages.

She has been married to Pastor Anthony D, Williams since 1995. She has been with him as he has matriculated through ministry and has joined him in the former development of ADW ministries and the Fulfilled Promises Broadcast, a radio broadcast which was formerly heard every Saturday on the Word Net Radio 1540 AM and 88.3 FM in the Charlotte metro area. She currently serves with him as Pastor of Love Fellowship Church. Pastor Renee has a heart for children, youth and seeing the restoration of broken marriages. She considers her most important role is to be a supportive wife to Pastor Anthony and a nurturing mother to their son, Jonathan. She believes she should support her husband as he pursues the call that God has placed on his life and teach Jonathan to understand that God has given him purpose and destiny.

ABOUT US

MINISTRY NAME

- ❖ *Love Fellowship Church (LFC)*

MINISTRY MOTO

- ❖ *Come Experience The Difference Love Can Make*

VISION

- ❖ *Love Fellowship Church is a multi-cultural ministry with a Kingdom assignment to teach people in the metro Charlotte area and around the world the uncompromising Word of God and empower them to maximize their time on the earth by fulfilling their God given purpose and destiny.*

MISSION

- ❖ *Unify the Body of Christ by creating a worship experience where people of all cultures and backgrounds can assemble together and worship God in spirit and truth.*
- ❖ *Empower believers by ministering to the spiritual, intellectual, and physical needs of married couples, singles, and youth so each member of the Body of Christ can fulfill their God given purpose and destiny on the earth.*
- ❖ *Love those in need of a Savior, a helping hand, or a friend.*

CORE VALUES

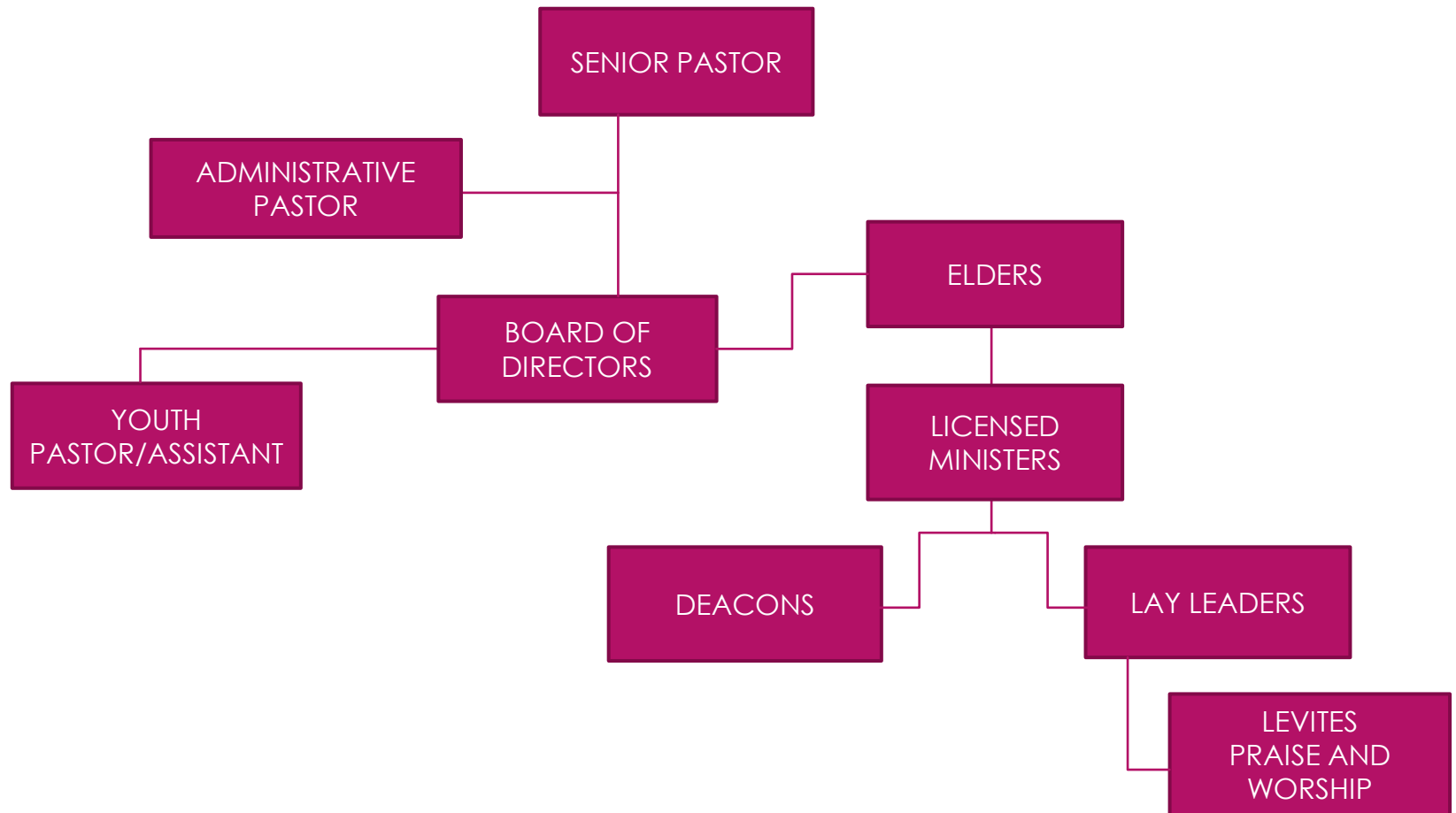
- ❖ Love Fellowship Church believes the Bible is the inherent and infallible Word of God and the final authority on life.
- ❖ Love Fellowship Church is a Ministry of faith, integrity, and excellence.
- ❖ Love Fellowship Church believes applying the biblical principles of love, faith, and holiness are vital keys to the success and prosperity of every believer.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

- ❖ We believe the Bible is the inherent and infallible word of God.
- ❖ We believe in the Triune nature of God - God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit. We believe that the three persons of the Godhead are one.
- ❖ We believe Jesus Christ is the Son of God, was conceived by the Holy Spirit, was born of the Virgin Mary, was crucified and died for our sins, was resurrected from the grave and now sits at the right hand of God in heaven.
- ❖ We Believe man's only hope for salvation is by accepting Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior.
- ❖ We believe the Holy Spirit dwells in every believer.
- ❖ We believe the gifts of the Holy Spirit are relevant and practical today.
- ❖ We believe in the resurrection of the dead and in a literal heaven and hell.
- ❖ We believe that man is an eternal triune being that will live forever either in heaven or in hell based on the choices he makes here on the earth.
- ❖ We believe the universal church is the Body of Christ and is comprised of born-again believers.

LFC ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

Ephesians 4:11, I Peter 5:1-8, I Timothy 3:1-13; 2:7, I Corinthians 12:27-31, Romans 12:4-13



LFC MINISTRIES

CORE IN HOUSE MINISTRIES

1. Usher's Ministry
2. Hospitality Ministry
3. Deacon Ministry
4. Youth and Teen Ministry
5. Nursery Ministry
6. Dance Ministry
7. Praise and Worship Ministry
8. School of Life
9. Men of Valor Ministry
10. Women's Ministry
11. Singles Ministry
12. Marriage Enrichment Ministry
13. PPA Ministry
14. Parking Ministry
15. Get In The Game Ministry (Recruitment)
16. Spiritual Foundations
17. New Members Orientation
18. Tribal Ministry
19. Minister's Training Ministry
20. Counseling Ministry
21. Audio/Video Ministry

CORE OUTREACH MINISTRIES

1. The Empowerment Zone (Career/Life Skills Training, Job Fairs, etc.)
2. Global Intercessory Prayer Ministry
3. Evangelism Ministry
4. Food and Clothing Ministry
5. Radio/Internet Ministry
6. Television
7. Transitional Ministry
8. Health Care Ministry (Community Health Fairs, Screenings)
9. Senior's Ministry
10. Transportation Ministry
11. Mentoring Ministry (Men, Women, Boys, Girls)
12. HIV and AIDS Ministry
13. Prison Ministry
14. Athletic Ministry
15. Edith H. Frazier Scholarship
16. Christian Academy and Day Care
17. International Missions
18. Drama Ministry
19. Book Store

THE RELATIONSHIP COVENANT AND CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Church Membership is a Covenant

1. Church membership is a covenant between the joining member, the local Church family, and God.
2. Covenant is abiding vow or promise between two or more parties and God.
3. Church covenant is similar to a marriage covenant. Church membership should not be entered into lightly, just as it is true for the marriage covenant.
4. Each member should seek God in prayer prior to connecting in covenant with a local Church family.
5. Covenant is for the purpose of giving each party the advantage, not to be taken advantage of. (1 Peter 5:1-6; Jeremiah 3:15-16).

THE RELEVANCY OF THE CHURCH

I. The Role of the Local Church Today

1. The church is a place of prayer and deliverance (*James 5:13-16, Acts 1:14, 12:12*).
2. The church is a place of restoration (*Galatians 6:1-3*).
3. The church is a place of praise and worship unto God (*Psalms 149:1*).
4. The church is to be a light to the world (*Matthew 5:14*).
5. The church is place of fellowship (*I Peter 4:9*).

II. The Role of the Pastor

1. Minister the Word of God (*Romans 10:13-15, Hebrews 13:7*).
2. Be a Spiritual father (*I Corinthians 4:15*).
3. Demonstrate the love and compassion of Christ (*I John 3:17*).
4. Be a watchman over souls (*Hebrews 13:17*).
5. Be a resource to the community (*Proverbs 3:27*).

REQUIREMENTS OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP AT LFC

- I. Members must have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
 - A. *John 3:3-8; Romans 10:9-10*
- II. Three T's of Church Membership
 - A. Members should give a significant amount of **Time** to the local church (*I Corinthians 4:2*).
 - ❖ God requires your time in support of all church activities and ministries *Romans 12:1, Matthew 26:36-43*.
 - ❖ God expects you to be on time at every service and event. (*Hebrews 13:7; Romans 12:11; Proverbs 6:6-11*).
 - ❖ You are expected to be accountable to the pastor by texting or calling when you are not going to attend services, especially if you are assigned to duty or responsibility.

REQUIREMENTS - CONTINUED

- ❖ In order to serve in ministry, you must attend services and bible studies on a regular basis.

- B. Members should exercise their **Talents**/Spiritual Gifts within the local church.
 - ❖ God expects you to seek Him for revelation regarding what your talents/spiritual gifts are in the Body of Christ (*I Corinthians 12:1-11, Romans 12:4-8, Ephesians 4:11-12*).
 - ❖ Once you discover what your talents/spiritual gifts are God expects you to exercise your gifts both in and outside of the church (*I Corinthians 6:19-20*).

- C. Members should bring their **Tithe** to the local church (*Malachi 3:8-11, Hebrews 7:1-10*).
 - ❖ Jesus told the people to honor the tithe (*Matthew 23:23*).
 - ❖ Members should give financially out of a cheerful heart (*II Corinthians 9:6-7*).

REQUIREMENTS - CONTINUED

- III. Members Must Honor Church Authority (I Peter 2:13-17).
 - A. Christ is the head of the church (Ephesians 5:23-24).
 - B. The Pastor is the head of the local assembly of believers (John 10:1-5; Hebrews 13:7).
 - C. Members should submit to the leadership of the Church (Titus 2:1-8, I Peter 5:1-5).

- III. Members Should Honor the Ordinances of The Church.
 - A. Water Baptism (John 3:13-17).
 - B. Holy Communion (I Corinthians 11:17-30).



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