# The Ordination of Minister Morothy Rhue Minister MaRie Stokes Minister Reginald S. Hinton, Ir.



Held at Mount Pisgah Harnett OFWB Church 145 Prospect Church Road Erwin, North Carolina 28339

> Friday, November 9, 2012 At 7:00 p.m.

Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr., Presiding Prelate Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr., Vice President



# Minister Dorothy Rhue

Minister Dorothy Rhue was born and educated in Johnston County, North Carolina. She and her wonderful husband, Elder Johnny Rhue, reside in Smithfield, North Carolina. Her parents are the late Evon and Pauline Lackey Raynor. She is also the great granddaughter of the late Bishop Lewis Raynor, founder of the Western Assembly Disciples of Christ Conference. She has seven brothers (one deceased) and often refers to them as, "My Boys." She also has one "Sister-Cousin," one "Sister-Friend," is blessed with the loving care of family, and having no biological children has mothered many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Minister Rhue has been employed in various occupations-Retail, Insurance, Administrative, Medical, Real Estate and more, but found true fulfillment and a purpose driven life in working with individuals with developmental challenges through Johnston County Mental Health Services, where she has remained for more than 25 years.

In September 2002, she joined Smith Chapel Original Free Will Baptist Church under the awesome leadership of Pastor Fred Clarida, Sr. She has served in numerous capacities, including Sunday School Teacher, Trustee Board, Audit Committee, Assistant Financial Secretary, Seniors Day Coordinator, Senior Choir, Hospitality, Church Building and By-Laws Committees and Noon Day Prayer, in addition to ministering the precious and priceless word of God. She preached her first sermon, "In The Midst of the Fire," taken from the third chapter of Daniel on May 22, 2005 and is currently enrolled at Ministers Training Institute in Sanford, North Carolina. She has also studied at Carolina Bible Institute and Seminary in Pine Level, North Carolina.

Minister Rhue enjoys planting, Christian music, reading, sketching, painting, writing poetry, and basking in the splendor of God's creation referred to by many as *Mother Nature*. She firmly believes in holy living and in the power of relentless prayer, declaring that we all should "*Get down on our knees and thank God we're still on our feet!*"

# Minister MaRie Stokes

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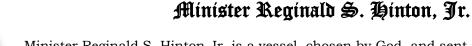


Minister MaRie' Stokes is the daughter of Rosa Elliott Stokes and the late Jhazor Stokes Sr. She was born in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. She came from a very large family with 11 siblings and there was never a dull moment in their home. She has been married to a wonderful husband, Robert McEachin, for eleven blessed years and counting. She is a proud mother of two children, A daughter named Krissy, and a son named L.A. She is also a proud grand mommy, having six grandchildren.

She graduated from South Johnston High School in Benson, North Carolina. She graduated also from Johnston Community College in Smithfield, North Carolina, where she earned and received an Associate Degree in Early Childhood Education in 1992 and will soon earn and receive a Bachelor's Degree in Early Childhood Education Birth -Kindergarten from Shaw University in Raleigh, North Carolina. She attends the Ministers' Training Institute, Sanford, North Carolina to gain more knowledge and understanding of God's Word.

She has been employed with Parkway Head Start in Cary, North Carolina for 8 years as a Lead teacher, has been teaching over 15 years, she enjoys her ministry in educating the small minds of human beings and watching them grow. She's a Certified Nursing Assistant and has worked in this field work for over 25 years and enjoys the ministry that God has given her to be a blessing and a servant to others.

Most of all she is saved, sanctified and has the Holy Spirit abiding within and she is a vessel willing to be used by God. She accepted Christ in her life at the age of 25 and was called to preach God's Word around the age of 27, but instead of accepting the calling, she ran for many years. By the age of 34 she finally accepted the calling God had placed on her life. At the age of 35 she preached her initial sermon at Jordan Temple Bible Church of God, under the Leadership of the late Overseer Pastor C.C. McNeil. Her first sermon was entitled, **There's No Room For Jealousy**. It is her prayer that she will be obedient to the Holy Spirit and allow Him to have His way in her life.





Minister Reginald S. Hinton Jr. is a vessel, chosen by God, and sent to encourage His people. He is the only son of Bishop Reginald S. and First Lady Janet Hinton. He was born and raised in Raleigh, North Carolina, where they taught him to love and serve the Lord.

Minister Hinton accepted Jesus as his personal Savior when he was only 10 years old. Through dreams and prophecies, he began to understand God's assignment for his life. Eventually, he acknowledged his call into the ministry and preached his initial sermon on October 30, 2005.

Minister Hinton's assignment is simple – preaching God's Word to those who are weary. He believes Jesus is the answer to every problem. He loves to see God's people lifted from their burdens and walking in their destiny.

Minister Hinton is a member of St. Mary's Free Will Baptist Church in Apex, North Carolina, where he currently serves as the Church Administrator. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he earned degrees in Exercise and Sport Science (BA, 2001) and Recreation Administration (MS, 2003). He is currently employed as the Director of Facilities and Operations for Campus Recreation at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with his lovely wife, Ebony, reading the Word, playing video games, and spending time with family and friends.

# Dr. James D. Wallard



The Reverend Doctor James Donald Ballard is a second generation preacher. He is a native of High Point, North Carolina, and a product of the public schools of that city.

Reverend Ballard was called to ministry in 1955 and has been in the ministry for fifty-seven years. He received his ministerial training at Shaw University and Duke University Divinity School where he earned the Bachelor of Arts and the Master of Divinity degree, respectively. He was Salutatorian of his graduating class at Shaw and one of the first two African-Americans to enter and graduate from Duke. At Duke, he placed in the top ten students in his class of one hundred seventy-seven. Shaw

University conferred upon him the honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree in 1978.

Dr. Ballard has served on a number of boards and councils, including the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., and the Progressive National Baptist Convention.

In 1965, Pastor Ballard led the First Institutional Baptist Church of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, to merge with the West End Baptist Church of the same city to form the United Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church where he served as senior pastor for forty-five years, before retiring in 2004. Since retiring from the full-time pastorate, Doctor Ballard has served as Interim Pastor of the Watts Chapel Missionary Baptist Church of Raleigh, North Carolina; the First Baptist Church of Fuquay-Varina, North Carolina; New Breed Community Baptist Church of Cary, North Carolina; Apex First Baptist Church of Apex, North Carolina; and First Baptist Church in Burlington, North Carolina.

Doctor Ballard has been happily married to Eleanor Pearl Adams Ballard of Apex, North Carolina, for fifty-one years, and the two of them have one son, Derek Durrell Ballard, a daughter-in-law, Angela F. Ballard, and two granddaughters, Carmen Pearl Ballard and Sara Camille Ballard.

# The Ordination Committee

Elder Jerry Murray, Chairperson Elder Willie Hunter, Jr. Secretary Elder Roy Campbell Elder Coleman Elliott Elder Robert McArthur

# The Order of Ordination

+ (Where indicated please stand)

Praise and Worship	. Conference Praise Team
Presiding	Elder Willie Hunter, Jr.
Opening Hymn	
+ Scripture	Elder Chester Little
+Prayer	
Song	
Offerings - Conference and Love	
Introduction of Preacher	
The Sermonic Selection	
The Ordination Proclamation	
Invitation to the Unsaved, Unchurched and those in need of prayer	
Biographical Sketches of Candidates	Sister Brenda Williams Conference Secretary
	Deaconess Angela Smith Assistant Conference Secretary

### **Ordination of Elders**

#### Table of Lessons

#### How Beautiful

Isaiah 52:7-10

Elder Jerry Murray <sup>7</sup> How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! <sup>8</sup> Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for they shall see eye to eye, when the LORD shall bring again Zion. <sup>9</sup> Break forth into joy, sing together, ye waste places of Jerusalem: for the LORD hath comforted his people, he hath redeemed Jerusalem. <sup>10</sup> The LORD hath made bare his holy arm in the eyes of all the nations; and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

#### Warning to the Watchman

Ezekiel. 33:1-9

Elder Coleman Elliott. <sup>1</sup> Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, <sup>2</sup> Son of man, speak to the children of thy people, and say unto them, When I bring the sword upon a land, if the people of the land take a man of their coasts, and set him for their watchman: <sup>3</sup> If when he seeth the sword come upon the land, he blow the trumpet, and warn the people; <sup>4</sup> Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. <sup>5</sup> He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul. <sup>6</sup> But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned; if the sword come, and take any person from among them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand. <sup>7</sup> So thou, O son of man, I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me. <sup>8</sup> When I say unto the wicked, O wicked man, thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand. <sup>9</sup> Nevertheless, if thou warn the wicked of his way to turn from it; if he do not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul.

#### The Commission

Matthew 28:16-20

Elder Roy Campbell <sup>16</sup> Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. <sup>17</sup> And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted. <sup>18</sup> And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. <sup>19</sup> Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: <sup>20</sup> Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

#### The Declaration

**Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.:** Sisters and Brethren, these are they whom we purpose, God willing, this day to ordain Elders: For after due examination, we find not the contrary, but that they are lawfully called to this function and ministry; and that they are persons meet for the same. But, if there be any of you knoweth of any impediment or crime in any of them, for which they ought not be received into this Holy Ministry, let him come forth in the name of God and show what the crime or impediment is.

#### The Collect

Elder Willie Hunter, Jr.: Almighty God, giver of all good things, Who by the Holy Spirit has appointed Divers orders in Ministers in Thy Church, mercifully behold these Thy servants now called to the office of elders, and replenish them with the innocency of life, that both by word and good example they may faithfully serve Thee in this office to the Glory of Thy name and the edification of Thy Church, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, world without end.

#### The Epistle

**Elder Robert McArthur:** Unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore He saith, when He ascended up on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that He ascend, what is it but that He also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended in the same, also that ascended up far above all Heavens that He might fill all things.)

**Elder Jerry Murray:** And He also gave some Apostles, and some Prophets, and some Evangelist, and some Pastors, and Teachers for the perfecting of the Saints, for the work of the Ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ; till we all come in the unity of the Faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

**Elder Coleman Elliott:** Verily, verily, I say unto you, he that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth in some other way, the same is a thief and a robber. But, he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep. To him the porter openeth, and the sheep hear his voice; and he calleth his own sheep by name and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him, for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them, but they understood not what things they were which He spake unto them.

**Elder Roy Campbell:** Then said Jesus unto them again, verily, Verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep. All that ever came before Me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door, By me if any man enter in, he shall be saved and shall go in and out and find pasture.

**Elder Willie Hunter, Jr.:** The thief cometh not but for to steal, and to kill and to destroy; I am come that they might have life and that they might have it more abundantly. I am the Good Shepherd; the Good Shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.: But he that is a hireling and not the Shepherd, whose own sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth, and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth because he is a hireling and careth not for the sheep. I am the Good Shepherd and know My sheep, and I am known of mine. As the Father knowth Me, even so I know the Father; and lay down My life for the sheep. And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold and one Shepherd.

#### The Inquiry

**Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr:** You have heard sisters and brethren, as well in your private examinations and in the exhortation which was just made to you, and in the writing of the Apostles, of what dignity and of how great importance this office is, where unto ye are now called. And now again, we exhort you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ that ye have in remembrance into how high a dignity and to how weighty an office ye are called; that is to say, to be messengers, watchmen, and stewards of the Lord; to teach and to

admonish, to feed and to provide for the Lord's family; to seek for Christ's sheep that are dispersed abroad, and for His children who are in the midst of the evil world, that they may be saved through Christ forever.

We have good hope that you have weighed and pondered these things with yourself long before this time; and that you have clearly determined by God's grace to give yourselves to this office, whereby it has pleased God to call you, so that as much as lieth in you, you will apply yourselves wholly to this one thing, and draw all cares and studies this way; and that you will continually pray to God the Father, by the meditation of our only Savior Jesus Christ, for the Heavenly assistance of the Holy Ghost; that by daily reading and weighing of the scriptures, ye may wax riper and stronger in your Ministry; and that ye may so endeavor yourselves from time to time, to sanctify the lives of you and yours, and to fashion them after the rule and doctrine of Christ, that ye may be wholesome and godly examples and patterns for the people to follow.

And now that this present congregation of Christ has assembled may also understand your minds and wills in these things; and that this your promise may the more move you to do your duties. You shall answer plainly to these things which we, in the name of God and His Church shall demand to you, touching the same.

**Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.:** Do you think in your heart that you are truly called according to the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, to the order of elder?

**Candidates:** I do so believe.

**Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.:** Are you persuaded that the Holy Scriptures contain sufficiently all doctrines required of necessity for eternal salvation through faith in Jesus Christ? Are you determined out of the said scriptures to instruct the people committed to your charge, and to teach nothing, as required of necessity to salvation, but that which ye shall be persuaded may be concluded and proved by the scripture?

**Candidates:** I am so persuaded, and have so determined by God's grace.

**Elder Robert McArthur:** Will you then give your faithful diligence always to minister the doctrine and sacraments and discipline of Christ as the Lord hath commanded?

**<u>Candidates:</u>** I will do so, by the help of the Lord.

**Elder Jerry Murray:** Will you be ready with all faithful diligence always to banish and drive away all erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word; and to use both public and private monitions and exhortations, as well as the sick, as to the whole, within your charge as need shall require and occasion shall be given?

**Candidates:** I will, the Lord being my helper.

**<u>Elder Coleman Elliott:</u>** Will you be diligent in prayer and in reading the Holy Scriptures, and in such studies as help to bring the knowledge of the same, laying aside the study of the world and of the flesh?

**Candidates:** I will endeavor to do so; the Lord being my helper.

**Elder Roy Campbell:** Will you be diligent to frame and fashion yourselves and your families according to the doctrine of Christ; and to make both yourselves and them, as much as in you lieth, wholesome examples and patterns to the flock of Christ?

**Candidates:** I shall apply myself thereto, the Lord being my helper.

Elder Willie Hunter, Jr.: Will you maintain and set forth, as much as lieth in you, sweetness, peace and

love among all Christian people and especially among them that are, or shall be committed to your charge?

**Candidates:** I will do so, the Lord being my helper.

**Elder Robert McArthur:** Will you reverently obey your chief ministers unto whom is committed the charge and government over you, submitting yourselves to their Godly judgments?

**Candidates:** I will do so, the Lord being my helper.

**Bishop Reginald E. Hinton, Sr:** Almighty God, who hath given you this will to do all these things, grant also unto you strength and power to perform the same; that He may accomplish His work which He hath begun, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Ordination Prayer

Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.

## Presentation of Ministerial Essentials

Oil – Elder Jerry Murray

Hymnal - Elder Coleman Elliott

Bible - Elder Willie Hunter, Jr.

Final Instructions Bishop Frederick E. Clarida, Sr.
Special Presentation
Presentation of Credentials Bishop Reginald S. Hinton, Sr.
Remarks
Doxology Mount Pisgah Harnett OFWB Church
Benediction

