

## Kenneth L. Morris



Rev. Kenneth L. Morris was born and reared in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. He received his primary Christian training at Mount Bethel Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. P.E. Williams. At Mount Bethel, he was baptized, licensed and ordained, and he served as the youth pastor from June, 18, 1981 to December 31, 1986. From August 21, 1987 to May 30, 1990, he served as a student/associate minister at Friendship Baptist Church under the leadership of Dr. Charles Sergeant. From 1990 to 1993, he served at a minority outreach worker for the Southern Baptist Convention. From 1993 to 1999, he served as the associate pastor and pastor of Midway Mount Zion Baptist Church. From 1999-2011, he served as the director of Christian Education and assistant to the pastor at First Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. E.J. Jester, Sr. From 2011 to 2013, he served as the associates minister at Calvary Grove Baptist Church under the leadership of the Rev. Waddell Britton, Sr. From 2013-2015, he served as church planter/pastor at Arms Wide Open Baptist Church.

Rev. Kenneth L. Morris holds an Associates of Arts in Business Administration (Accounting) from Delta Community College, a Bachelor of Science in Economics & History from Southern University, a Master of Divinity in Psychology & Pastoral Care from Morehouse School of Religion at the ITC, and a Doctor of Ministry in Organizational Psychology from Northwestern Theological Seminary. He has completed Chaplain Residency at Grady Hospital, St. Luke's Episcopal Training and Counseling Center, St. Luke's Hospital and Baton Rouge General. He completed field education at Clark (Atlanta) College.

Rev. Kenneth L. Morris is a veteran of the United States Navy. He served with honor on board the USS Nimitz (a nuclear aircraft carrier the first in its class) while attached to VF-41 Black Aces (an F-14 fighter squadron). During the Iranian Conflict, he received the Navy Expeditionary Medal. He is also a recipient of The Navy Good Conduct Medal, The Battle "E" Award, The Readiness Award, and The Meritorious Service Award. He is an Honorary Shellback having crossed the equator two times.

Currently, he serves as the President of KLM & Associates Consultancy, LLC. A consulting firm that provides organizational development and program design services for faith and community-based nonprofit organizations. As a consultant, he also provides technical assistance and grant review services for several Federal Government Departments including HUD, DHHS, HRSA, SAMHSA, OJJDP and The Corporation. He also serves as the Executive Director of Arms Wide Open CDC. A Social Services Agency that provides case management, referral and support services for the in-home frail elderly and disabled.

He is a member in good standing of the American Grant Writer's Association, the Academy of Certified Diplomats, The American Legion, The National Notary Association, The Association of Clinical Pastoral Education, Georgia Center for Nonprofits, the National Association of Nonprofit Executives, The National Fundraising Association and The Metro Atlanta Baptist Minister's Union. He holds an Ecclesiastical Endorsement with the National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc. He is the Author of the *Grant Procurement Guide* and a contributing writer in *The African American Family Book of Prayer: Say Amen!*