

Dumas Alexander Harshaw, Jr.

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Ministerial Information

Years in the Gospel Ministry: 42
Years in the Fulltime Pastorate: 29
Years in Teaching Systematic Theology: 20

Education

Point Loma Nazarene University, San Diego, California:

Bachelor of Arts Degree (1972)

Master of Arts Degree (1979)

Claremont School of Theology, Claremont, California:

Master of Divinity Degree (1978)

Doctor of Ministry Degree (1978)

Claremont Graduate University, Claremont, California:

Doctor of Philosophy Degree Candidate

Present Position

Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church, Raleigh, North Carolina (1996 – Present)

Ordination

Ordination Council of the National Baptist Convention, USA Inc., and the American Baptist Churches, USA, at Trinity Baptist Church, Los Angeles, CA (1978)

Past Leadership/Ministry Positions

Area Director of Africa, Europe, and the Middle East, American Baptist Churches USA, Inc., Valley Forge, Pennsylvania (1993 – 1996)

Senior Pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Los Angeles, California (1985 – 1993)

Assistant to the Pastor, Trinity Baptist Church, Los Angeles, California (1979 – 1985)

Senior Pastor, Fourth Avenue Community Church (Martin Luther King, Jr. United Methodist Church), Los Angeles, California (1978 – 1979)

Protestant Chaplain, Wayside Honor Rancho (Peter Pitchess Honor Rancho), Castaic, California (1975 -1979)

Protestant Chaplain, Los Padrinos Juvenile Hall, Downey, California (1973 - 1975)

Teaching Positions Past and Present

Facilitator & Lecturer, North Carolina State University *Encore Program for Lifelong Enrichment*

Guest Lecturer & S. Jameson (“Jamie”) Jones, Jr. Preacher, Iliff School of Theology, Denver, Colorado

Adjunct Professor, Shaw University Divinity School of Theology, Raleigh, North Carolina

Adjunct Professor, Campbell University Divinity School, Buies Creek, North Carolina

Instructor, Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention, Mission Education Program, Washington, DC

Dean and Adjunct Professor, The Apex School of Theology, Apex, North Carolina

Adjunct Professor & Spiritual Formation Facilitator, Duke Divinity School, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina

Adjunct Professor, Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary (Palmer Theological Seminary), Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Adjunct Professor, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, California

Adjunct Professor, Claremont School of Theology, Claremont, California

Guest Lecturer, Eastern College, St. David, PA

Guest Lecturer, Central Baptist Seminary, Kansas City, Kansas

Guest Lecturer, Vanderbilt Divinity School, Nashville, Tennessee

Professional Affiliations Past and Present

Member of the Conference Host Committee, 50th Anniversary Student Nonviolence Coordinating Committee (SNCC), April 15 -18, 2010

Chairman, Martin Luther King, Jr., State Commission of North Carolina
Member, Rotary Club of Raleigh, Rotary International
Founding Sponsor, Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial
Advisor, Child Support Recovery Program, Raleigh, NC
Co-Chair, Convoy of Hope, Raleigh, NC
Member, Board of Directors, Hamlin Drug Company Centennial Celebration Committee, Raleigh, NC
Member, Board of Directors, Biblical Wellness Ministry, Raleigh, NC
Member, Community Advisory Board, Mechanics and Farmers Bank, Raleigh, NC
Chair, Social Action Committee, Gamma Sigma Boule of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity
Member, Board of Directors, Pope House Museum, Raleigh, NC
Co-Chair, Congregations for Social Justice of Raleigh, NC
Chaplain, North Carolina Highway Patrol
Co-Chair, Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration Committee, Raleigh, NC
Chairman, Management Committee and Management Team, General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina
Member, Civil Rights Exhibit Advisory Board, North Carolina Museum of History
Member, Human Resources and Human Relations Advisory Commission, Raleigh, NC
Member, African American Community Advisory Council, North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC
Chairman, Faith in Action Committee, Raleigh Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, NC
Member, Advisory Board of Directors, African-American Cultural Complex, Raleigh, NC
Member, Steering Committee, Black Achievers Program, Garner Road YMCA, Garner, NC
Member, Steering Committee, Schleiermacher Study Group, American Academy of Religion
President, Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Los Angeles, CA
President, Los Angeles Council of Churches, CA
Member, Board of Directors, Los Angeles Urban League, CA
Chairperson, Board of Directors, Southern Christian Leadership Conference of Los Angeles, CA
Vice President, The Gathering of Greater Los Angeles, CA
Founder and Co--Chair, Jefferson Park Improvement Project, Los Angeles, CA

Member, Advisory Council of the National Conference of Christians and Jews
Interreligious Council of Los Angeles, CA
Member, Black Leadership Coalition of Los Angeles
Member, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Member, National Continuing Education Team, American Baptist Churches, USA
Member, Board of Mangers, American Baptist Churches of the Pacific Southwest
Board Member, Los Angeles Baptist City Mission Society, American Baptist
Churches of the Pacific Southwest
Member, Black Advisory Committee of the Fuller Theological Seminary,
Pasadena, CA

Honors and Awards

Guest of Honor, Capital City Sertoma Club's Eight Annual Celebrity Roast or Toast
Affair, (2010)
The Order of the Long Leaf Pine, State of North Carolina, Governor Beverly Eaves
Perdue, (2010)
Award of Merit, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., (2010)
Citizen of the Year Award, Raleigh, Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity,
Inc. (2008)
Ashanti Award, Raleigh, Wake Citizens Association M-PAC, Raleigh, NC (2008)
Man and Woman of the Year, Omicron Zeta Chapter, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Raleigh, NC, with my wife Sharon, (2008)
Social Action Honoree of the Year Award, Eta Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma
Fraternity, Inc., Raleigh, NC (2000 & 2006)
Colonel's Certificate of Appreciation, North Carolina State Highway Patrol (2004)
The Gus Witherspoon Award in Religion, Raleigh/Wake Pan Hellenic Council
(2001)
Grand Marshall, The Jefferson Park Improvement Project, Inc. Los Angeles, CA
(1999)
Service to Mankind Award, Capital City Sertoma Club, Raleigh, NC (1998)
Distinguished Alumni Award (for lifetime accomplishments), Point Loma
Nazarene University, San Diego, CA (1998)
Visiting Research Fellow, University of Edinburgh, Scotland and the Center for
Study of Christianity in the Non-Western World (1996)

Prophetic Witness Award, Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Los Angeles, CA (1991)

Honoree, Black American Political Association, Los Angeles, CA (1990)

Community Architect Award, 49th Assembly District California Legislature (1986)

Certificate of Recognition, “Courageous Dedication during Crisis involving Catastrophe and Human Need”, 28th Congressional District, CA (1985)

Travels

USA, Africa, Asia, Canada, Europe, Russia & Soviet Union, South America

Family Life

Parents, Dumas Alexander Harshaw, Sr. & Lois June Harshaw
(Both Deceased)

Native Home: Springfield, Illinois

Wife, Sharon Denise Stringer Harshaw (Married 1980)

Two Daughters, Denna Malesa Harshaw, Shanise Lauren Harshaw

One Son, Dumas Alexander Harshaw III

Daughter-in-Law, Any Jimenez Harshaw

Two Granddaughters, Kayla Marie Harshaw, Sophie Marie Harshaw

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