



Men Empowered
No Man Left Behind!



Men Empowered Victory Breakfast!

“For the earnest expectation of the creation waiteth for the manifestation of the SONS OF GOD!

(Romans 8:19)

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Men Empowered to Manifest the Glory of God!

“He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave the power to become the sons of God, even to them that believed on his name.” (John 1:11-12)

It is the sad reality of humanity that all mankind is born initially with a predisposition to manifest their fallen-ness. The psalmist said that the natural condition of humanity is that we were “born in sin, and shapen in iniquity.” Although the psychologists may continue to say that mankind is basically good, we who search the scriptures are persuaded that man is inherently flawed, by nature “the children of disobedience,” manifesting the consequences of Adam’s sinful choice in the Garden of Eden when man first deviated from the will of God.

We need only look around at the violence in our community— at the Bloods, the Crips, the Mexican Mafia, the 70 % illegitimate births among our own sons and daughters, at the poverty and pathology to know beyond doubt that humanity lies in darkness and lives in defeat.

But there is excellent news—for “as many as received JESUS, to them gave he power to become the sons of God!” Those of us who have humbled ourselves and turned to Jesus Christ in faith have now become EMPOWERED to live and to operate in this corrupt world as SONS OF GOD!

Think even theoretically about what it would be like to be a SON OF GOD! In truth, the *theory* of son-ship has

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We now have power to get wealth, power to walk in physical, emotional and spiritual health, power to defeat and frustrate the devil, power to resist evil and WIN, to the glory of God!! We are not victims, but *more than conquerers!* Because we received him we are the EMPOWRED MEN who are able to declare victory and hope to others. Let’s be living demonstration s of God’s power, so that others will come to Jesus Christ and receive the eternal life that only He can give!

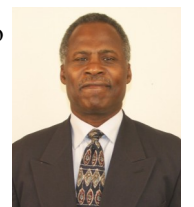


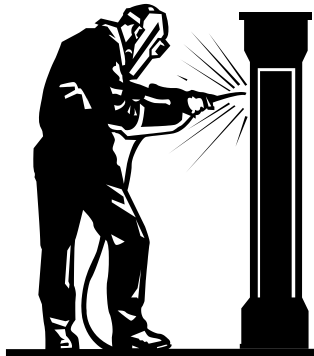
From Our President, Deacon William Toney

Men, our wives and daughters are looking for men who will stand and take their rightful place! Men are made for leadership, designed by God to be the head, to use our God-given power to point women and children in the right direction. Men are powerful and made to exercise power.

Because we know that we are MEN EMPOWERED, we are inviting your to join us, become a part as we walk in Holy Ghost Power in a sinful and defeated world! Please sign up today and let’s get in a hurry to do great things for God! This is the men’s ministry you’ve been waiting for.

Together every one achieves more (T.E.A.M.) —so join us, and make the commitment to be a part of something great! You’ll never regret your decision.





**Building a great Men's Ministry
to the Glory of God!**

*But as many as received
Him, to them gave he the
power to become the sons
of God (John 1:12)*



**Sharing The Good
News of Jesus Christ**

Program – An Evening With Our Elders

- Worship (6:00 – 6:15)
- Welcome and mutual introductions (6:15-6:20)
- Introduction of Officers (6:20-6:30)
- Presentation of the Vision (6:30-6:45)
- Panel presentation (6:45-7:55)
- Interaction of panelists (7:55-8:15)
- Question and answer (8:15-8:45)
- Financial Support for Men Empowered (8:45-8:55)
- Prayer and invitation to join Men Empowered (8:55)

Fellowship and refreshments

The Men Empowered Vision

“O, that men would praise the Lord!”

Men Empowered is committed to a holistic approach to developing fruitful, functional lives for the men we serve. The man who truly honors God and connects with Men Empowered will attain success in family life, in financial matters, in his personal character and integrity and in his ministerial accomplishments.

This ministry was born out of crisis, birthed because of the painful recognition that things have been disordered in our society and in our churches. Realizing the need for a proactive attitude, and recognizing that no problem solves itself, Men Empowered has refined a vision, crafted an infrastructure and appointed officers to take action in correcting the conditions of individuals, families and society at large.

Founded on the truth of God's Word, focused on the character of Christ Jesus, and anointed by the power of the Holy Spirit, Men Empowered is now actively involved in teaching and mentoring men and boys, influencing and encouraging

one another to be responsible, productive, self-aware individuals.

The men's ministry meets monthly, on the first Sunday night at 6PM to unify ourselves and execute our vision. Mentor groups meet bi-weekly on the second and fourth Sunday afternoons to maintain accountability and share teaching. The Cabinet of Officers of Men Empowered meets every Wednesday night to press our agenda and strategize to accomplish our mission.

We realize that the need of every man is to know Christ Jesus and to surrender his life to the wisdom of God's Word. Accordingly, we are not only a church-based men's ministry, but also a community-based men's empowerment organization that interacts with our broader community, the legal system, city government and other agencies to impact our society in the Name of Jesus Christ.

You are Welcome to join us!

Meet our Officers



Deacon William Toney is the president of Men Empowered. Married to Min. Carla Toney, he is the father of one son, Titus. He is a union steward in his construction trade. He is a man of soundness, holiness and prayerfulness. An excellent example to the Body of Christ.

Minister Jeff Hunter is the first Vice-President of Men Empowered. A licensed minister with Shield of Faith Christian Center is the husband of Min. Tatamika Hunter and the father of three children. Jeff is a

great motivator and an exceptional bible teacher.

Deacon Kevin Flagg is the second Vice President of Men Empowered. Kevin is married to Sister Deborah Flagg, the father of Tenille Thomas and Timothy Thomas. Gifted in the use of computers, media and cinematic production, he is also an administrative leader at the company where he is employed.

Minister Tejae Guynes is the secretary of Men Empowered. He is a minister-in-training at Shield

of Faith. Married for many years, he is a plumber by profession and has wide-ranging skills in the construction trades. He is the father of Megan Guynes, an honors student.

Brother Aaron Green is the treasurer of Men Empowered. He is a very faithful and dedicated member of Shield of Faith, a man who lives a sacrificial life of commitment to Christ Jesus. He is one of the pastor's armorbearers, a man to be counted on, reliable, one who can be trusted to keep his commitments.

The Men Empowered Ten Commandments

*Am I my brother's
keeper?
Genesis 4:9*

I. I commit myself to the Lord Jesus Christ, and to live my life according to the Kingdom Principles written in the Word of God, as God reveals them to me. (Romans 12:1)

II. I commit myself to be my brother's keeper (Genesis 4:9), and will be devoted to my brother (Romans 12:10), and also to strengthen my brother (Luke 22:32, Acts 15:32)

III. I commit myself to serve my wife and family (Colossians 3:19)

IV. I commit myself to a disciplined, ethical, godly lifestyle. (I Cor 9:27)

V. I Commit myself to a disciplined financial pattern of spending and saving, using my financial resources wisely to the glory of God (Proverbs 12:27)

VI. I commit myself to be disciplined in my work ethic, and to be constructive in

the use of my time as unto the Lord (Ephesians 4:28, 6:5-6, Col. 3:22-24)

VII. I commit myself to confront all sins, seen and hidden in my life (Luke 17:3) and to confess any known sin on a regular basis. (James 5:16)

VIII. I commit myself to have a regular, daily, consistent pattern of prayer and quiet time before the Lord, asking Him for direction in my life. (Proverbs 3:6), Luke 18:1)

IX I commit myself to be a faithful tither and financial worshipper before the Lord with my freewill offerings. (Malachi 3:8-10)

X. I commit myself to sexual purity and godly chastity, avoiding pornographic materials and immoral behavior, realizing that my body belongs to the Lord and not to myself. (I Thess. 4:3-8, I Cor. 6:15-20)



List of Men's Mentors

Minister Jeff Hunter, Director of Men's Mentoring

- Deacon William Toney
- Minister Keith Fisher
- Deacon Jay O'Neal
- Brother Artiss Oliver
- Minister Marvin Bell
- Deacon Cortez Madkin
- Minister Voice Goldsmith
- Minister Jason Scott
- Minister Larry Jackson
- Min. Alvin Henry
- Pastor Byron Walters
- Deacon Cornell Foster
- Brother Francisco Solorio
- Brother Kent Davis
- Minister Tejae Guynes
- Minister Miseur Dennis
- Brother Aaron Green
- Minister Myron Cox



Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend...
 (Proverbs 27:17)

"No Man Left Behind!!!"

How Mentoring Works

Effective mentoring instills a sense of destiny and purpose, brings disciplined effort into the life of the person successfully mentored. In the words of scripture, effective mentoring brings about a "new creation." (II Corinth. 5:17)

Across America we see lives of men and women of all ages that have been wrecked because they have failed to understand the truths that govern life. The Men Empowered mentoring effort exists to impact the lives of men and boys in our community, both those who are already a part of our church and also many who have not yet given their lives to the Lord Jesus. Our mentoring program will cause Christian men to be "doers of the Word of God..." and to grow in grace and in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. And for those who are presently walking in darkness, our desire and our knowledge

will cause us to successfully reach out to them, rescuing them from the kingdom of darkness and leading them to powerful, victorious life in Christ that will change them forever.

We are more than confident that Spirit-directed mentoring can empty our jails and

***Men Empowered's
 MENTORING
 PROGRAM is
 essential to our
 ministry!***

change our neighborhoods. Properly-taught men will lead strong families into deep relationship with God. Mentored men become sensitive, attentive, faithful, prayerful husbands and diligent fathers to their children. Mentored men become financially productive, contributing citizens to society. Mentored men accept

responsibility to meet their obligations—to God, to family, to church and to community.

While the theology of the Black Muslim movement is deeply flawed and offers no hope for salvation or eternal life, the Million Man March of several years ago was useful as an appropriate first step of repentance in which many thousands of men acknowledged their failure to properly accept their responsibilities as men. Such repentance is a necessary precursor to any meaningful change: And so we present the Men Empowered mentoring effort acknowledging our need for change and committing our church to be a powerful change agent in the lives of all who will partner with us in shaping men of courage, honor and integrity; men who will commit themselves to grow, learn and perform, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Men Empowered 10 Mentoring Objectives for Your life

1. My Devotional Objective - To have a daily devotional habit, spending time in prayer and quietness before the Lord.
2. My Moral Objective— To walk in morality and sexual purity.
3. My Financial Objective— To handle finances with integrity, according to the principles of God's Word.
4. My Familial Objective— To minister to the needs of my immediate family and extended family.
5. My Personal Growth Objective—To have a committed mentoring relationship, and to submit myself to the mentor that God has sent into my life.
6. My Worship Objective— To be faithful to worship and service in the house of God.
7. My Career Objective— To develop my professional life and career to the glory of God.
8. My Intellectual Objective—To continually feed my mind by continuing my education in some manner, by reading and meditating on profitable information and appropriate entertainment.
9. My Ministry Objective— To serve the Body of Christ by using my gifts and talents to bless the church and touch the world.
10. My Physical Objective— to respect my body, feeding it well, exercising properly and resting when needed, so that I will continue to walk in health to the glory of God.

Why We Must MASTER MENTORING

Across the united States our national leaders have concluded that *mentoring*, and the capacity to influence the thinking of young people is the greatest need in our society today. Civic leaders have concluded that our society as a whole is damaged because of the foolish and dysfunctional thinking of people throughout society. The government's push for *mentoring services* is an admission that many people in our society are lost, adrift in life without reference points that provide functional answers: the result of the loss of our society is widespread drug use, crime, dysfunctional family life and a largely non-productive citizenry. Only now is the government beginning to realize that men of faith and institutions like the church have the only workable answers.

The government now realizes that only the churches have the real answers for the problem behaviors of our young men and our sons!

The goal of mentoring is *preventative* and *directive* as well as remedial: We must identify a productive path for those we serve, we must stop men and boys from doing the destructive things that create their legal, social and spiritual problems. Further, we must serve those who have already made serious mistakes in their lives, restoring them to the right path and influencing them to make good choices in the future.

Why are We Offering Mentoring?

If the church cannot do the job of transmitting wise values and good character to men and youth, then sadly the police departments and the judicial system will be forced to continue to clean up the messes of a lost society. We, as Men Empowered must accept the challenge of mentoring because parents have failed, schools have failed and many churches have failed to capture the minds and hearts of our brothers and sons.

What are Our Specific Objectives?

Our most general objective is to impact society in the name of Jesus, bringing a change to our cities and to our culture at large. Our intention is to make an impact in the lives of men, and by this means to advance the Kingdom of God, for families, cities and the nation as a whole. Once our local men's ministry have thoroughly *mastered mentoring* we will export it to our Shield of Faith Churches around the country.

We will create a mentoring effort that will permit limitless growth and expansion, changing men and boys in a variety of desirable ways. Elements of the mentoring effort will include relevant curriculum, clear goals, trained mentors, effective outreach techniques and progressive development and expansion of our infrastructure as necessary. In addition we must establish criteria for measuring results and documenting successes.

What is the Scriptural Basis for Mentoring?

Scripture tells us that there is safety "in the multitude of counselors" (Proverbs 11:14). Further, it says that we should *restore* (Galatians 6:1) those among us who have made bad decisions and hurt their lives through sinfulness. Further, scripture tells us that we *are* our "brother's keeper," and that we have a God-given responsibility to look for the best interest of our brothers (Genesis 4:9) Lastly, we are described as "the light of the world." (Matthew 5:14). In sum, we are to *counsel* others, to *restore* others, to *preserve* others and to *shine* before others.

Who Are Our Targets for Mentoring?

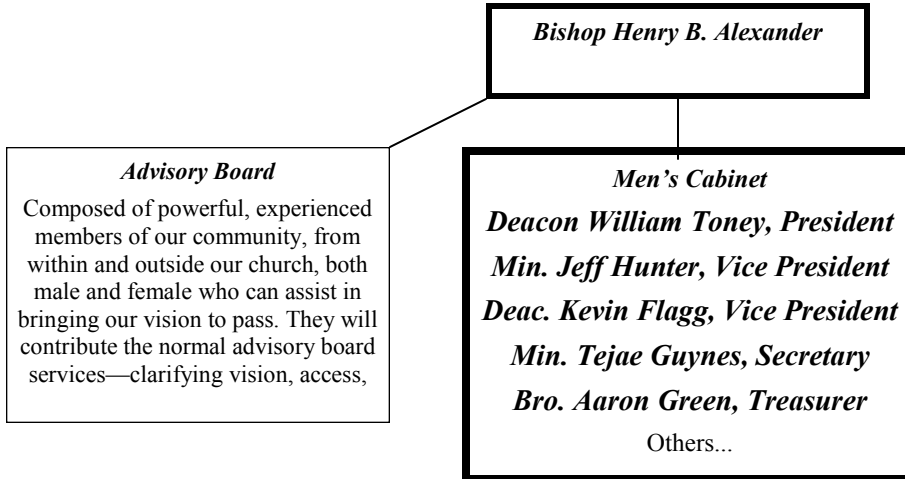
We should expect to serve all men and boys who are members of our church from ages 13 and above. Secondly we should plan to serve men and boys in our community at large, without regard to race or ethnicity. Additionally, we should put a special focus on men and youths who are incarcerated in our jails and prisons, and who need intervention: They have historically been the target of religious groups who have attempted to get them established in false religious ideas.

What are our Numerical Goals?

We must aim for maximum impact throughout the community, not permitting ourselves to be satisfied until several hundred men and youth are consistently involved with our mentoring program. Our goal will be to *leverage* our resources, so that each newly mentored man becomes a source of mentoring for the next "generation."

Men Empowered Organizational Chart

*Organizational chart in development
December, 2007*



Academic Education
Pastor Byron Walters
This block will seek to get as many young men in college, on scholarships, etc. as possible

Mentoring
Minister Jeff Hunter
This block will develop men in accordance with the Ten Commandments of Men Empowered—and will disciple those who are members of our church

Spiritual Growth and Devotional Life
Brother Damon Blount
Everyone associated with Men Empowered should be born again and have a regular devotional life and a prayer partner

Job Training and Career Development
This block focuses on job-training, job placement and career advancement

Revenue and Income
Pastor Darren Madkin
This group will identify our budget figure and identify ways to raise it, collect funds, balance our books, etc.

Publicity and Community Outreach
Brother Kent Davis
This block will assure that everyone in the Inland Empire knows of the mission and existence of Men Empowered

Transition and Recovery Resources
Minister Myron Cox
This block will assist guys leaving incarceration to reenter society successfully, and also with help men with substance abuse

Health and Fitness
Brother Aaron Green
This block will seek to improve and sustain the physical health of men and boys. It will encourage good nutrition and physical fitness.

Fathering Our Sons
Min. Miseur Dennis
This block will identify and execute strategies to meet the diverse needs of the many boys whose fathers abandoned them

Men's Homes Training Centers
Min. Voice Goldsmith
This block will locate, organize, execute and refine operation of homes

Youth Activities
Minister Jason Scott
This block will address specific issues for young men, especially teaching them respect for elders

Data Management
Brother Oscar Strange
This function will assure that we have excellent records for contact for all men and boys in Men



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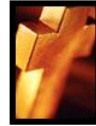
"Hear ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding"
Proverbs of Solomon 4:1



*Dr. W. Jim Jimerson
Captain, US Army
Retired*



*The Bishop Henry B. Alexander
Senior Pastor, Shield of Faith*



*Bishop J. Newman
Missionary
US Air Force, Rtd*



*Dr. Ernie Smith
Professor of
Linguistics*

Men Empowered Men's Ministry *facilitates* **THE SHARING OF WISDOM FROM ONE GENERATION TO ANOTHER**



*Mr. Richard Gordon
Author, playwright,
poet, lecturer*

Sunday, Jan. 6th at 6pm



*Deacon William
Toney
President,
Men Empowered*

Join us as we meet to listen to the distilled wisdom of men who have been trailblazers for us. No panelist is less than 50 years of age: Each has a treasure trove of insights and experiences that must be appreciated, captured and transmitted to the young men and boys who will produce greatness in the years to come.



Everyone is warmly invited. Discussion and questions will be permitted and shared fellowship over dessert will complete the evenings events.



*Dr. Luther Guynes
Professor of Business
Administration, engineer*

Also speaking
Dr. Greenwood
Professor of
African-
American
Studies

Also speaking
Mr. Henry
James
Businessman,
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**Changing the World,
One Man at a Time!**



**Helping the Men Empowered
Dream to become Reality**

The Vision is very broad—and the need is very Great! The Men Empowered Mandate includes the creation of Men's Homes, widespread advertising and publicity to obtain a high public profile, the constant costs of communications and materials and men other things. Because we have a great vision to carry out, Men Empowered invites you to make a financial commitment of support. The vision and activities that we have embraced, and the cause we are addressing warrant your financial participation. There are a variety of ways that you can give. We appreciate any form of support that you choose.

Automated Giving is
Highly Recommended

In order to establish consistency, Men Empowered is recommending that each person who is able will choose to participate in our program of Automated monthly debits. We can assist you in making ar-

rangements for monthly deductions directly from your bank account so that there is no opportunity to forget, no chance of good intentions that are not followed up.

We would ask that you make a selection as to the categorical amount of monthly support that suits your circumstances: Suggested categories are

- \$100 per month _____
- \$ 50 per month _____
- \$ 25 per month _____
- \$ 10 per month _____
- Other amount \$ _____
- One Time Gift \$ _____



Sign-up forms are available to you today. You will be asked to prayerfully complete a form, if the Lord impresses you to become an ongoing supporter of this ministry.

Thank you for considering a gift to support this ministry. We know that the Lord will richly and faithfully bless you for giving so that the needs of others may be met.

Calendar of Upcoming Events

**First-Sunday Monthly
Men's Ministry**

6-8:00PM

- January 6th
- February 3rd
- March 2nd
- April 6th
- May 4th
- June 1st
- July 6th
- August 3rd
- September 7th
- October 5th
- November 2nd
- December 7th

Men Empowered

2008 Men's Conference

Each year in February Men Empowered presents our annual three-day Men's Conference. This year's date is not yet established but will be supplied in the days just ahead as our church calendar for 2008 is finalized

**An Evening With
Our Elders**

Sunday evening, January 6th at 6PM is a time to share the wisdom of past generations. All men, youth and boys are invited!

Monthly Prayer

4th Friday of each month—8PM-2AM



**Various Fellowship
Events**

In the course of the year Men Empowered will offer a variety of fellowship events. Past activities include fishing trips, NBA basketball games, Dodger and Angel games, men's retreats and other times of fellowship

Mentor Group Meetings

The 2nd and 4th Sunday evening of each month, from 2:30-4:00PM is our time to talk as men and grow in God.