

Rev. Corey D. Johnson, (B.S., M.A.R., M.Div., BCC)

Rev. Corey D. Johnson is currently serving as the *Director of Spiritual Care* at **Le Bonheur Children's Medical Center** (www.lebonheur.org) and is endorsed by the American Baptist Churches (USA) Inc. Professionally, Rev. Johnson is a Board Certified Chaplain (BCC) recognized by the **Association of Professional Chaplains (APC)**. Rev. Johnson has received specialized training in the area of pediatric chaplaincy and is certified by the **Pediatric Chaplain's Network (PCN)**. Also, the **Crisis Prevention Institute, Inc.**, and the **International Association of Nonviolent Crisis Intervention**, has certified Rev. Johnson as a certified instructor in "*Nonviolent Crisis Intervention*" techniques. Rev. Johnson was awarded the *2008 Outstanding African American Alumni* from **Memphis Theological Seminary (MTS)** for his demonstrated thirst for *theological education, passion for ministry, and commitment to community service*.

From 2003 - 2007, Rev. Johnson worked as the *Associate for International Youth Development* with the **Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention** (www.lottcarey.org). He led youth and young adults, from ages six to thirty-five to explore the world from a global context. As the leader of *International Youth Development*, assisted churches throughout this country *nurture a new generation of world leaders*. Rev. Johnson has worked in ministry efforts in *Canada, Italy, Kenya, Niger and Somalia*. Rev. Johnson led collaboration work for *Lott Carey* with the **National Baptist Convention, (USA) Inc.** on tsunami relief efforts for Eastern Africa in Somalia. Hunger relief work with the **All-African Conference of Churches** in Niger. Rev. Johnson also worked closely with the **National Baptist Convention of America, Inc., (NBCA)** on Hurricane Katrina relief centers in the affected areas in the Gulf States. Also, Rev. Johnson led nonprofit organizational collaborations that operated in various levels of national *fundraising, project monitoring and evaluations*.

In ministry, Rev. Johnson is an ordained Baptist minister of fourteen years. He currently serves as an associate minister at the **Bethlehem Baptist Church** in Memphis, TN. Previously Rev. Johnson served as the *senior pastor* of **Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church** in the urban setting of Canton, OH from 1998-2003. He created and served as the CEO of the nonprofit entity called **Jerusalem Resurrection Ministry** that concerned itself with the holistic spiritual development of the believer and nonbeliever in exchange of common, social principals. Rev. Johnson is the former *Progressive Ohio State president* and has served on the regional board of the **American Baptist Churches of Ohio**. Rev. Johnson served as a *state commissioner* after former Ohio Governor, Robert Taft, appointed him to the *Commission of African-American Males* for a two-year term.

Educationally, Rev. Johnson holds a bachelor's degree in *political science* from **The University of Tennessee at Martin** (1993) and two master's degrees from **Memphis Theological Seminary** (*Masters of Arts in Religion (MAR)* -1995, *Masters of Divinity (M. Div)* – 1997). Rev. Johnson served as *adjunct faculty* at **Walsh University** (www.walsh.edu) and **Malone College** (www.malone.edu) respectively in Canton, OH. He taught and designed courses on *African-American Religion* and *Dr. Martin L. King, Jr.: A Theology of Nonviolence, the Synoptic Gospels, the Gospel of John, and Faith and*

World Views. Rev. Johnson has completed and received his certificate for *Clinical Pastoral Education* (2007) from the **Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare** in Memphis, TN specializing in trauma and pediatric care.

Rev. Corey D. Johnson is married to Lashaunda M. Johnson and they parent four children. Rev. Corey D. Johnson holds membership in Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Rev. Johnson's motto for success in life is "***. . . study hard, work hard, and reach your goals by moving onward and upward toward the Light of Jesus the Christ!***"