

271 Cottonwood Road  
Nashville, NC 27856  
May 1, 2025

Sir/Ma'am:

I am forwarding my resume and cover letter for your review. I truly hope it will be viewed favorably. I have the knowledge, skills, and ability to perform the duties of the position, Pastor of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church.

My most recent experience working as a Deacon and Associate Minister at Thornes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Rocky Mount, and working with children and veterans, and The Mercer Foundation, Inc., uniquely qualifies me for this opportunity and position.

I am a passionate, experienced, and dedicated Associate Minister at Thornes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Rocky Mount, NC. I possess a heart for ministry, a deep knowledge of the Bible, and a strong commitment to the Baptist faith and values. As an Associate Minister of Thornes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, I assist the Lead Pastor in providing biblical preaching, spiritual guidance, and leadership for our church family, while helping us grow in our mission to serve God and our community.

I currently serve as the Director of Military Studies for North Carolina Wesleyan University. I currently perform professional and administrative work in recruiting, preparing, implementing the U. S. Army ROTC leadership training program of instruction.

I am a retired Lieutenant Colonel (Lt. Col.) in the United States Army. I am also the Founder and CEO of The Mercer Foundation, Inc. (TMF), a non-profit and social enterprise providing a children's feeding program and a transitional housing program for homeless veterans in Nash and Edgecombe Counties. I am also the founder and CEO of Mercer Officials Apparel, LLC.

I have an AA in Criminal Justice from Nash Community College and a BA in Behavioral Science from Shaw University in Raleigh, NC and a Master's in Non-Profit Management from the Grace College and Theological Seminary in Winona Lake, Indiana. I am a Doctoral candidate and have completed my second year at Andersonville Theological Seminary, and I am scheduled to graduate in June of 2026 with a D.Min.

I would welcome an opportunity to further articulate my qualifications. I can be reached on 252.955.7004 cell or at home at 252.459.9444.

Sincerely,

*James Mercer*

James Mercer, LTC, (Ret) USA