Letter of Recommendation for Minister James Mercer

May 5, 2025

I am honored to write this letter of recommendation for Minister James Mercer, whose dedication and spiritual leadership have profoundly impacted our community. I have had the privilege of working closely with Minister Mercer for over seven years in his capacity as Deacon and Associate Minister at Thornes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. Throughout this time, he has demonstrated outstanding commitment to spiritual guidance, social justice, and community development.

I am highly recommending Minister James Mercer for the Lead Pastor position at Big Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church.

Minister Mercer possesses qualities that define an effective and compassionate minister. His integrity, communication skills, and vision have empowered individuals to overcome adversity and strengthen their faith.

Among his many accomplishments, he spearheaded the Food pantry at Thornes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church for over 5 years, which provided critical food and nourishment to underserved communities. His ability to unite people of diverse backgrounds and foster a spirit of collaboration has been truly inspiring and instrumental in driving positive change.

I am confident that Minister Mercer will continue to serve with distinction and make meaningful contributions in any role entrusted to him.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 252.883.9460.

Sincerely,

Rev. Richard Joyner

Pastor

Conetoe Baptist Church