

May 5, 2025

Greetings Big Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church Pastoral Search Committee,

I am writing this letter of reference on behalf of Minister James Mercer in support of the ministerial work he has conducted with Thornes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church (TCMBC). Minister Mercer has been a Deacon and Minister with TCMBC since 2008.

He is a passionate, experienced, and dedicated Associate Minister at TCMBC in Rocky Mount, NC. He possesses a heart for ministry, a deep knowledge of the Bible, and a strong commitment to the Baptist faith and values.

As an Associate Minister at TCMBC, he assists 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.

We greatly appreciate the service Minister Mercer has provided to TCMBC. It is spiritual leaders like him that enable the church to accomplish its vision and mission.

Minister Mercer has proven to be dedicated to his church congregation and to serving the Rocky Mount community. I am certain that he will exhibit this same level of dedication and service if chosen to be a Pastor in your church.

If I can be of any further assistance, or provide you with additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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