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True Life Ministries, Inc.

Presents

"Ministry Through the Ages"

A Multi-Generational Conference Experience

Friday, June 19, 2026

Hosted by:

Christian Renewal Church of St. Simons
St. Simons Island, GA



"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today, and forever."

Hebrews 13:8



Conference Overview and Purpose

The purpose of the “Ministry Through the Ages” conference is to celebrate God’s faithfulness across generations, equip every age group for effective service, and strengthen the bond between generations so that the mission of Christ continues with power, unity, and purpose.

The conference will offer an interactive experience designed to unify children, youth, adults, and seniors in a shared understanding that ministry is a lifelong calling. By examining biblical models and practical application, we aim to equip each generation to serve faithfully while building bridges of mentorship and spiritual legacy and carrying the Gospel forward.

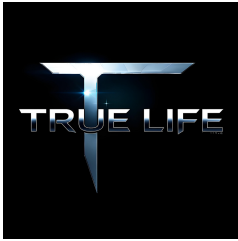
Rooted in Hebrews 13:8, we affirm that the same God who worked yesterday is working today and will work tomorrow.

Conference Facilitators: Pastor Gregory Hughes and Pastor Osei Hawkins



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Conference Agenda

Moderated by Pastor Osei Hawkins and Elder Kevin Bembry

9:00 AM – Opening Prayer and Unified Worship - Elder Bembry

9:30 AM – Welcome and Occasion with Session Descriptions - Pastor Hawkins

9:45 AM – Move to Breakout Sessions

Children's Track (ages 5-11) with Elder Sandra Bembry and Dr. Soyini Hawkins

Theme: "God Uses Kids Too!"

Scripture focus: 1 Samuel 3 The boy Samuel ministered before the LORD under Eli.

Youth Track (Ages 12-18) with Elder Sirilar Stokes

Theme: "Set the Standard"

Scripture focus: 1 Timothy 4:12 Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

Young Adults Track (Ages 19-35) with Pastor Justin D. Lee

Theme: "Building While Believing"

Scripture focus: Colossians 3:23 And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men.



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Adults Track (Ages 36-59) with Pastor Mike Murray

Theme: "Faithful in the Middle Years"

Scripture focus: Ecclesiastes 3:1 To everything there is a season, a time for every purpose under heaven.

Seniors Track (60+) with Elder Roan Henley

Theme: "Legacy and Wisdom"

Scripture focus: 1 Timothy 4:7 I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

11:15 AM – Roundtable Discussion with Breakout Group

12:15 PM – Lunch

1:00 PM – Panel Discussion

moderated by Pastor Ronald Jackson

(All ages reunited in the sanctuary)

2:00 PM – Prayer of Blessing Over All Generations - Pastor Hawkins

2:15 PM – Closing Charge and Benediction- Pastor Hughes

Joel 2:28 – And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh: Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions.

Our Speakers



Pastor Gregory Hughes serves as Pastor of True Life Ministries, Inc. in East Point, Georgia, and Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Crawfordville, Georgia. The third of eleven children born to Sharon and Samuel Hughes, he was shaped early by values of humility, hard work, and compassion. He is the proud father of daughters

Sheree and Taylor Hughes and devoted grandfather to six grandchildren. A product of the Atlanta School System, Pastor Hughes graduated from C.L. Harper High School in 1984 and pursued Psychology at Piedmont College. His professional journey included a foundation built at Wells Fargo before founding "By Grace," his own restoration business specializing in vehicles, trucks, planes, and boats, which he has successfully operated for over 18 years.

Pastor Hughes' faith journey began at St. Stephens Overcoming Church of God, where he served faithfully for 20 years. Ordained in 1992, he launched a 4:00 a.m. Bible study at Grady Hospital while working as a night shift supervisor. That humble gathering grew into True Life Ministries, Inc., where he has led with vision and purpose for 27 years. In 2018, he expanded his calling to Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

His ministry extends far beyond church walls. He has served as keynote speaker at events including Morehouse College's "Future Doctors of America Association," created "Joshua's Walk" to support Morris Brown College's reaccreditation, and for 27 years has hosted an annual National Baptism in Brunswick, Georgia, baptizing over 2,000 individuals. He remains committed to feeding and clothing the less fortunate.

Steadfast in faith and purpose, Pastor Hughes simply summarizes his journey as "Saved and Purposed."

Our Speakers



Pastor Osei Hawkins is a husband, father, pastor, entrepreneur, author, speaker, and community leader dedicated to helping people discover purpose, strengthen their faith, and live out God's calling for their lives. He serves as Pastor of True Life Ministries under the spiritual oversight of Pastor Gregory Hughes and is a senior leader

of TheBaptism.org and the Annual Open Water Baptism — a multi-church outreach movement uniting believers and families nationwide for nearly three decades. With more than twenty-two years of ministry leadership, Pastor Osei is passionate about discipleship, evangelism, and teaching practical biblical principles that equip people to walk confidently in God's purpose.

As Founder of I Am Empowered 360, he hosts a national virtual men's Bible study every Thursday evening, reaching men across the United States and internationally. He also brings nearly thirty years of entrepreneurial experience and, alongside his wife, Dr. Soyini Hawkins, co-owns Fibroid and Pelvic Wellness Center of Georgia — one of the Southeast's leading gynecological and minimally invasive surgical centers, attracting patients from across the nation and around the world.

Pastor Osei and Dr. Hawkins are raising their two sons, Osei Jr. and Omari, modeling a life built on faith, service, and love. His greatest passion remains seeing lives transformed through Jesus Christ and Kingdom living. His favorite scripture is Matt 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Our Speakers



Elder Kevin Bembry was born on March 6, 1973, and raised between Detroit, Michigan, and Atlanta, Georgia, where the values of hard work, discipline, faith, and service were instilled early and have guided every chapter of his life. His guiding scripture, Zechariah 4:6, "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts," remains the foundation of his purpose and vision.

An accomplished student and athlete, Kevin excelled in both football and baseball, earning an athletic scholarship to the University of North Carolina, where he graduated in 1995 with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and a minor in Forensic Science. He later pursued graduate studies at Georgia State University. His professional career has been rooted in hospitality and service, spanning retail, restaurants, hotels, and management, all of which deepened his belief that true leadership is demonstrated through meeting the needs of others.

In 2010, Kevin married Sandra Sims, and together they are blessed with a daughter, Azalea. Fatherhood continues to inspire his commitment to integrity, legacy, and faith. Ordained as a Minister in November 2014 and elevated to Elder in 2016 by Pastor Gregory Hughes of True Life Ministries, he serves through ministry, mentorship, discipleship, and community outreach.

In December 2018, Elder Bembry founded BeLux Driving Black Car Service, a premier luxury transportation company based in Atlanta, now recognized across the United States and abroad for professionalism, reliability, and exceptional service.

He remains a devoted servant leader, entrepreneur, husband, father, and minister, living fully by the Spirit of God.

Our Speakers



Elder Sirlilar J. Stokes, a native of Brooklyn, New York, is the daughter of the late Sam and Welchia Stokes. She earned an Associate of Arts degree from New York City Community College and was an active member of Berean Missionary Baptist Church before relocating to Baltimore in 1977.

In Baltimore, Elder Stokes continued her education, earning a BA in Special Education from Coppin State University and a Master's in Reading Disorders from Johns Hopkins University. She dedicated 30 years to the Baltimore City Department of Education as an Intensity IV teacher, retiring in July 2011. During that time, she founded the Y2K (Youth to the Kingdom), the largest after-school Bible club at Rognel Heights Elementary/Middle School.

Since joining Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church in 1980, Elder Stokes has been a tireless kingdom-builder, serving as Sunday School Superintendent, Youth Ministry Director, Dean of the GTBC Bible Institute, Non-denominational Chaplain of the University of Maryland Rehabilitation & Orthopedics Institute, and Founder and Director of the 29-year-old GTBC Summer Day Camp, among many other roles.

Licensed to preach in 1997 by her pastor, Bishop Reginald L. Kennedy, Elder Stokes was ordained in 2009 upon her appointment as hospital chaplain and now serves as Director of the Ministerial Staff at GTBC. A proud and blessed mother to her daughter, Sirlilar Jewelle Stokes, she is lovingly known among the children of the church as "Auntie Lo-lo." Her life and ministry are anchored in her favorite scripture, Colossians 3:17: "Whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by Him."

Our Speakers



Pastor Justin D. Lee, the son of Engel and Donna Lee of College Park, Georgia, was born on September 11, 2000. He received his education in the Fulton County School System, graduating in 2019 from Westlake High School in Atlanta, Georgia. Justin accepted Jesus Christ at a young age and was baptized in 2008 by his pastor, Dr. Gregory L. Pollard of Enon Baptist Church.

In 2017, Minister Lee accepted the call to preach the gospel and was licensed on February 9, 2020, under the tutelage of Dr. Pollard. In August 2020, he became the youth minister of College Park Baptist Church in Savannah, Georgia, under Pastor Charles O'Berry. While matriculating at Savannah State University, majoring in business management, Minister Lee served as Freshman Class President, became a member of Collegiate 100 Black Men of America, Inc., and was selected as the youngest member of SSU's Quality Enhancement Program, focused on social and campus life development.

In November 2023, Minister Lee was elected to become the next senior pastor of the Hickory Log Missionary Baptist Church in Canton, GA. Minister Lee holds the word of God close to his heart and works endlessly to embody the characteristics of Christ.

His favorite verse is in Colossians 3:23–24: “Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for human masters, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward; it is the Lord Christ you are serving; His goal as a disciple, Minister, and Pastor is to “Help build the kingdom of God, make disciples fit for use, and promote Christ throughout our communities.”

Our Speakers



Pastor Mike Murray is the Senior Pastor of St. Simons Christian Renewal Church and president and founder of Mike Murray & Company Accountants. He was raised in church and began playing guitar on the worship team at the young age of six and has been involved

in music ministry ever since that time. He was Minister of Music at Christian Renewal Church, Brunswick for many years before assuming the role of Senior Pastor at St. Simons Christian Renewal Church on January 1, 2010.

He began his Accounting Practice in November 1990 and employs a full staff of Accountants and Bookkeepers servicing local Businesses and Individuals as well as those around the entire Country.

Pastor Mike and his wife, Crystal, have been married forty-one years and have a son and daughter and four grandchildren.

Pastor Mike has a passion for helping people in their spiritual growth as well as their financial growth.

Our Speakers



Dr. Roan Henley is a teacher, minister, mentor, and servant leader whose life reflects an unwavering commitment to spiritual, personal, and professional development through faith-based service. A native of Buffalo, New York, he earned his bachelor's degree from SUNY Buffalo before building a distinguished career spanning public service, education, healthcare, youth

development, and community leadership. His professional roles have included positions with Harlem Hospital, the New York State Division for Youth, the Salvation Army, Atlanta Street Academy, Fulton County Juvenile Services, the State of Georgia Rehabilitation Center, the IRS, and the Maryland Developmental Disabilities Administration.

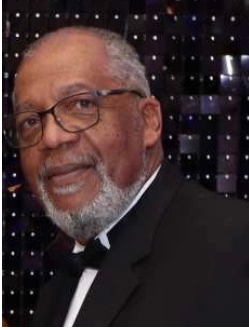
Compelled by a passion for biblical education, Dr. Henley earned a Doctoral Degree from Baltimore Bible School and is also a certified CPR and First Aid Instructor through the American Red Cross.

Dr. Henley is a member of the clergy at Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church, where he has faithfully served in a wide range of ministry roles, including Prison Ministry, Hospital Ministry, Street Warriors Ministry, and Drug Rehabilitation Ministry. He also serves as a Bible School Instructor, Sunday School Teacher, Lead Baptizer, and mentor to both church members and fellow ministers. His dedication to discipleship and biblical teaching has impacted countless lives within and far beyond the local church.

For seven years, he has also led Men's Fellowship and Bible Study with I Am Empowered 360, strengthening the faith, spiritual maturity, and Kingdom relationships of men across the country.

Dr. Henley and his wife, Cynthia, together model a life wholly devoted to advancing God's Kingdom and proclaiming the transforming power of Jesus Christ.

Our Speakers



Pastor Ronald Jackson, Sr., serves as the Pastor of East Bay Bible Church (EBBC) in Oakland, California, where he is charged with shepherding his congregation to live purpose-driven lives through five imperatives: Worship, Fellowship, Discipleship, Ministry, and Evangelism.

Born and raised in Oakland, Pastor Ron was introduced to Christ at an early age under the guidance of his parents. His faith deepened through consistent participation in weekly Bible Study and Sunday School, commitments that would shape his entire ministry journey. As a charter member of EBBC, he spent more than 25 years under the mentorship of Pastor Emeritus Dr. M.D. Reedus, eventually serving as his Assistant. Under Dr. Reedus' guidance, Pastor Ron earned a Certificate in Biblical Studies from Bay Cities Bible Institute, was ordained as a Minister of the Gospel, and preached his first sermon in December 2003.

Pastor Ron brings more than two decades of experience in Sunday School instruction, weekly Bible Study, and ministry leadership, having led the Men's Ministry, Deacon's Ministry, and Married Couples' Ministry. He also played an integral role in teaching EBBC's Discipleship Institute across multiple courses, and sings with the EBBC Men's Chorus. He received his ministerial license in January 2012 and was officially installed as Pastor of EBBC on November 18, 2012. For the past five years, he has humbly co-pastored alongside his nephew, Pastor Derek L. Jackson.

Pastor Ron has been happily married to his wife, Jann, for 47 years. Together they are blessed with three children, five grandchildren, and a loving son- and grandson-in-law. His favorite scriptures are Romans 8 and Psalm 150.

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