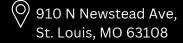


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Presiding Elder, Rev. Richard S. McDuffie

BIOGRAPHY

Pastor Richard McDuffie is a native of Bradenton, Florida. The son of Eddie and Martha McDuffie and the youngest brother of fifteen brothers and sisters. He is a graduate of Manatee High School in Bradenton, Florida, a graduate of Miles College in Birmingham, Alabama and the Phillips School of Theology a part the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia.

Pastor McDuffie has served in the pastoral ministry of the CME Church since 1983. Pastor McDuffie has served as an adjunct instructor at Miles College in Birmingham, Alabama, Calhoun Community College in Decatur, Alabama, and the Huntsville Bible College in Huntsville, Alabama.

Pastor McDuffie pastored nine C.M.E. churches. His pastoral leadership includes Friendship C.M.E. Travers Florida, New Grace CME Church Plant City Florida, Mays Chapel CME Church Sipey, Alabama, Saint Mark C.M.E. Church, Edgewater, Alabama, Gardner Memorial C.M.E., Decatur, Alabama, Metropolitan C.M.E. Church, Birmingham, Alabama, Phillips C.M.E. Church, Huntsville, Alabama, and Saint John C.M.E. Church, Akron, Ohio. In August of 2014 was assigned to the Lane Tabernacle C.M.E. Church in Saint Louis, Missouri. In June 2025 pastor McDuffie was appointed the Presiding Elder of the Missouri District, in the Kansas-Missouri Region.

Pastor McDuffie is married to Lady Toni Rochelle Bankhead Evans McDuffie. Pastor McDuffie is the father of seven children, fifteen grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.

Pastor McDuffie's vision for Lane Tabernacle C.M.E. Church is to build on the work of the dedicated ministers who have given stellar leadership to this congregation and community. This work includes positioning the congregation for kingdom building through vibrant worship, the study of God's word, and community outreach. The Bible calls us to serve this community, and by the power of God's Spirit, we will commit ourselves to this goal.

Pastor's McDuffie's theme for doing ministry can be summed up in this verse of Scripture from Micah 6:8: "He has told you, O mortal, what is good: and what does the Lord require of you, but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"