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About our speaker...

Eric Anthony Joseph, Ph.D. (Ed.D.), was born and raised in Los Angeles, California. On 16 August 2010, he became the Vice President For Strategic Initiatives and the first African-American executive administrator in the history of Mid-America Christian University (MACU) in south Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. This newly created position by the President addresses environmental trends articulated by previous Strategic Planning Councils. His principal duties include, but are not limited to assisting the President in directing, monitoring, updating and revising the annual university strategic planning process,



as well as helping to shape: campus diversity initiatives as the Chief Diversity Officer. He shapes community engagements; church partnerships; environmental trends; government relations; recruitment of donors and students, faculty, and staff. He also works with the Vice President for Academic Affairs (Provost) in implementing various academic initiatives, accrediting criteria, programs, and institutional effectiveness. He serves as a member of the President's Executive Cabinet and has the academic rank of Full Professor in both the College Of Adult and Graduate Studies and College of Arts and Sciences. In 2013, Oklahoma City Mayor Mick Cornett appointed Dr. Joseph to serve on the Oklahoma City Civic Center Foundation Board of Directors. In 2014, Oklahoma Governor Mary Copeland Fallin appointed Dr. Joseph to serve on the Oklahoma State Advisory Group Board on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. In 2015, newly elected US Senator James Paul Lankford invited Dr. Joseph to represent the nearly 4 million Oklahomans at President Barack Obama's sixth State Of The Union Speech in the U.S. House Chamber at The Capitol in DC.

Before arriving at MACU, Dr. Joseph was Associate Dean/Director and Chaplain of the Dr. John William and Dr. Annie Laurie Coleman Heritage Center at the state's only historically black college and university, Langston University, in Langston, Oklahoma. In August 1997, he began his full-time faculty responsibilities in the school of education and arts/sciences, and honor programs. He also served Langston's fourteenth president as a senior advisor and consultant for special assignments, which involved quality initiatives in faculty development, chaired endowed lectureship series, curriculum review and assessment, student and religious life, chaired the Coleman scholarship committee, and representation of Langston University at government, community, and civic functions.

Dr. Joseph was one of the youngest graduate students to receive his Ph.D. (Ed.D.) with honors in Inter-Cultural Education; a Master of Divinity in Biblical Exposition with a minor in New Testament (Koine Greek) Languages; a Master of Arts in Christian Education; and a Bachelor of Arts in Communications, with a concentration in Radio, Television, and Film, all degrees were earned from Biola University in La Mirada, CA. He received a graduate diploma from the Evangelical Teacher's Training Association of Wheaton, Illinois. In addition he received two diplomas from two defunct fine arts institutions: Carolina Leonetti School of Performing Arts, L.T.D. and The National Broadcasting School, both in Hollywood, CA.

Dr. Joseph's acclaimed dissertation by The Association for the Study of Higher Education was titled: "Mandate For Diversity: A Comparative Analysis of the Black Studies Movement at San Francisco State University and the Afrikan-American Experience at Biola University." This research moved him into the forefront as a recognized expert in the field of diversity and other anthro-cultural related issues. His thematic research gave rise to the chief diversity officers and challenged nearly ninety evangelical institutions of higher learning to examine the implementation of diversity curriculum upon their respective Christian College Coalition (now CCCU) campuses. Although there have been numerous dissertations and other literature written on the Black studies and diversity movements in higher learning, his research was one of the

first written from the perspective of how Black studies at secular universities (SFSU) could be used as a means to achieve ethnic diversity (multiculturalism) at evangelical colleges. He received accolades from two of the late mothers of the modern civil rights movement Mrs. Rosa Louise McCauley Parks and Mrs. Coretta Scott King for his innovative research on presenting Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. as an agent of change for secular and sacred college diversity. Dr. Joseph has given thousands of presentations throughout the United States and abroad. His notoriety grew as an expert consultant and commentator on several high profile media events: "Race" and the 2008/2012 Presidential Race Of Barack H. Obama Jr., Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr: Has the Dreamed Change 40 Years After His Death?, the 2005 Hurricane Katrina Matter, *The People of California vs. Orenthal James (OJ) Simpson matter*, the 1995 Million Man March, the April 1992 Civil Unrest of Los Angeles, 1991 Los Angeles (O.G.) Gang Truths, *1991 Supreme Court Nominee Clarence Thomas vs. Anita Hill matter*, to name a few. He has also served with the United States Department Of Justice to resolve racial conflicts in public schools. He served as a consultant to nearly every branch of our local, state and federal government agencies, as well as, teaching NASA's Pre-Conference Teachers how to implement diversity in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. He also presides on and consults several boards across the nation. Dr. Joseph comes from a family of world class athletes. In 1985, as a student-athlete he was voted the recipient of the distinguished *Bob Wheeler Award* as the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) Male-Athlete-Of-The-Year in Track & Field. He was recognized for his highest standards of Christian (moral) character, athletic achievement, and campus leadership. This honor is equivalent to the NCAA's Heisman trophy or the Bob Wooden award. He ended his college career as a two time NCCAA champion and ten-time NCCAA All-American in only two years. He retired in 1998. Prior to MACU, Dr. Joseph has taught at Langston University (1997-2010), The University Of Phoenix (2007-2010), Azusa Pacific University (1993-1997), and his alma mater Biola University (1985-1994). He has taught managing diversity in several European countries: London (Popular), England; Gumpoldskirchen (Wien), Austria; Büsigen am Hochrhein, Germany; and Schaffhausen, Switzerland.

Dr. Joseph has served as Guest Chaplain for the Day and opened The U.S. 107th House of Congress in Prayer. He was honored for his life-time career of service on the U.S. House floor on 18 September 2002. He is listed in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*. He served as a non-partisan member of the Oklahoma Marriage Initiative under two Governors: Francis Anthony Keating (R-OK) and Charles Bradford Henry (D-OK). He is certified as a Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program educator to curtail the high divorce rate in Oklahoma. Dr. Joseph's expertise in diversity has been sought after by Oklahoma's first female Governor Mary Fallin, who asked him to assist her in finding qualified applicants to serve on state boards and/or commissions. In regards to Dr. Joseph's evangelical ministry to the White House Office, he was instrumental in the genesis of the Faith-Based and Community Initiatives (Neighborhood Partnerships) and participating in the House—Senate Majority Faith-Based Summit under U.S. 43rd President George Walker Bush. After the 2012 Presidential Election, Dr. Joseph received a phone call of gratitude from U.S. 44th President Barack Obama for services rendered as a member of the National Pastors Conference.

Dr. Joseph has been a public address announcer, play-by-play sports commentator, reality TV personality on *BET's College Hill: Season Two*, popular media and talk show personality for various radio, cable and television stations throughout the country. He is a noted theologian, minister and scholar and has published over 250 articles. He is an active member in the *Alpha Theta Boulé of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Inc.*, and *Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.* Eric is married to **Jill (Redo) Joseph**, his *Proverbs 31* wife and high school sweetheart. Their wedding was featured in *JET Magazine*. She graduated with a B.A. from The Ohio State University in Columbus, OH. She also has her M.S. degree in Speech-Language Pathology (SLP) from Howard University in Washington, D.C. She was a Kodak all-American track athlete, Miss Fitness gymnast, Kansas beauty queen, and Buckeye cheerleader. She is a life-member of The Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and active member of The Oklahoma City Chapter of the LINKS, Inc. She is a practicing Speech-Language Pathologists and Realtor.

The Joseph's Love their Savior & Lord Jesus Christ and attend Crossings Community Church in Oklahoma City, are active philanthropists, charter OKC Thunder season ticketholders, enjoy Track & Field events and reside in the Sooner State of Oklahoma.


Metropolitan Area Youth of the Church of God



Planning meetings for area youth events are held every fourth Monday of the month at 7:00pm via video conference.

You may contact Min. Brian Burton via email at bmbmb314@yahoo.com to be included on the distribution for the video conference invitation.


We're asking for all youth, youth leaders and/or representatives from each church to participate.

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National Men's Ministry (NMM)
President Jerome Chisolm

National Association Women of the Church of God (NAWCO)
President Donna Roddy

2015
Celebration
"We Are Better Together"
Men & Women's Conference

Thursday, October 8 – Sunday, October 11, 2015
St. Charles, MO

Men & Women's Conference T-Shirts are available
Small, Med, Lg & XLarge ~ \$10.00
2X – 4X ~ \$12.00
Deadline for orders and payment is **Tuesday, September 1, 2015.**
Please contact Corlis Hunter, at corlishunter@hotmail.com to place your order.
Enter **"Conference T-Shirt"** in the subject line.

Unity Services

January 31, 2016 – Gathering Place Church of God – Fairview Heights, IL
July 31st, 2016 – Market Avenue Church of God – East St. Louis, IL

PASTOR'S PRAYER FELLOWSHIP

The Pastor's Prayer Fellowship meetings are typically held the first Tuesday of every month. The time (AM or PM) is at the discretion of the host pastor. The next Pastor's fellowship prayer meeting will be held on

Tuesday, September 8, 2015 at 9:00am
at the following location:

Market Avenue Church of God

1505 Market Ave
East St. Louis, IL 62207

Host:
Pastor George Prude

Pastor Anniversary / Appreciation Schedule

April (TBA) Westminster

May (first Sun) Riverview

June (first Sun) Market Ave

July (third Sun) Richmond Heights

Aug (first Sun) Edgemont

Sept (first Sun) Wentzville

Oct (first Sun) Community –Black Jack, MO

Oct (fourth Sun) New Cote Brilliance

Nov (TBA) Gathering Place-Fairview Heights, IL

Nov (third Sun) Kinloch

Dec (first Sun) Madison

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-CHURCH OF GOD AREA CHOIR

-AREA MINISTER / PASTOR

