

BIOGRAPHY OF THE REVEREND DR. DARRELL LARUE ARMSTRONG



The Rev. Darrell L. Armstrong is only the 3rd Pastor in the last 118 years (out of 142), of the Shiloh Baptist Church in Trenton, NJ, Trenton's first Black Baptist Congregation.

He is deeply committed to advocating for issues of justice, equity, diversity, inclusion, and access. Based on his early educational experiences of integrating public schools in Los Angeles, CA and his early childhood experiences of foster and kinship care through Los Angeles County Welfare System, he has cultivated a deep conviction to strengthen marginalized communities.

His policy training at Stanford University (BA in Public Policy), theological training at Princeton Theological Seminary (Masters in Divinity), and his clinical training at The College of NJ (postmasters Ed.S. In Marriage & Family Therapy) has made him a respected voice in the national and international child and family well-being communities.

He is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Social Work at the University of Southern California, where his research focuses on the intersectionality of trauma, resilience, hope, faith, religion and spirituality, and the elimination of racism in our nation's child welfare system!

He is the former Director of NJ's Division of Child Abuse Prevention and Community Partnerships (2006-2009) and the former Chief Administrative Officer to the United Nations for the Baptist World Alliance (2016-2022). He is founder and Board President of F-A-A-I-T-H (Faith-leaders Against Abuse In The Home), a new global NGO working to help houses of worship around the globe become trauma-Informed/responsive, resilience-minded, strengths-based, family-oriented, centers of hope and mindfulness!

He is currently the Vice-Chair of the Board of APSAC (American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children), one of the country's leading multi-disciplinary, multi-sectoral membership organizations advocating for healthier child & family well-being.

