

OUR PASTOR

Verdell R. Griffin, Jr., is the Senior Pastor/Teacher of Wheeler Street Church of God located in St. Marys, Georgia. Prior to moving to St. Marys, Georgia, he served as Senior Pastor of Bethel Church of God, Macon, Georgia, Lake City Spirit Life Church of God, Lake City, Georgia, and House of Refuge Ministries, Riverdale, Georgia.

A native of St. Marys, Georgia, Pastor Griffin was born October 16, 1957 as the only son to the proud parents of Bishop and Sis. Verdell R. Griffin, Sr. Pastor Verdell R. Griffin, Jr., was reared in St. Marys, Georgia, where he attended Matilda Harris Elementary School. He is a 1975 graduate of Camden County High School, St. Marys, Georgia. Upon completion of High School, Pastor Verdell R. Griffin, Jr., attended Savannah State University where he received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration in 1981.

Shortly there after, Pastor Verdell R. Griffin, Jr., joined the United States Army and served 8 years as a Supply Sergeant. His military career awarded him with several distinct honors and awards such as: The Army Achievement Medal, The Florida Meritorious Service Ribbon, and The Florida Commendation Medal.

Pastor Verdell R. Griffin, Jr., accepted the call of God to ministry in October of 1998. He served as an Associate Minister at Travelers Rest Missionary Baptist Church, Rex, Georgia from 1999-2003.

Pastor Verdell R. Griffin, Jr attended Faith Christian Center, Smyrna, Georgia to continue his ministerial studies in Laymen I & Laymen II Bible courses. Upon completion of his Laymen studies, Pastor Verdell R. Griffin, Jr., matriculated at Luther Rice Seminary and received his Master of Arts in Ministry from Luther Rice Seminary, Lithonia, Georgia where he graduated in May 2004. In addition, Pastor Verdell R. Griffin, Jr., recently received his M.D. (Master of Divinity Degree in Christian Ministry) from Luther Rice Seminary & University, Lithonia, Georgia, May 2012.

Pastor Verdell R. Griffin, Jr., is married to a devoted Woman of God, whom he loves dearly, Evangelist Dianne Rawls-Griffin. They presently reside in Kingsland, Georgia. He is the proud Father of one daughter, Whitney Nicole Griffin, Atlanta, Georgia and one son, Reginald Herring, St. Marys, Georgia. He is also a proud Grand Daddy to Tristan Herring, 10-yrs old, Jyziyah Herring, 7-yrs old, Trevyn Herring, 1 ½ yrs old, and one granddaughter, Jordalyn Herring, 4-yrs old.

Pastor Verdell R. Griffin, Jr., enjoys preaching, teaching, reading, studying, traveling and spending time with his family. He is definitely a man of God who truly understands that his mission is to win the lost regardless of past life experiences. As long as Jesus is seated on the throne of God, anyone can be saved. The question is? "DO YOU WANT TO BE SAVED?"