

Rev. Dr. Randy M. Haynes:

Randy M. Haynes is a native son of Greenville, Mississippi. Having relocated to Boston, MA early in life, he graduated from the Boston Public Schools before matriculating and earning a BA, a Master's degree and a Doctorate. Although now retired from pastoring, he is the founding Pastor of Open the Book Ministries, Inc. and continues to serve as Overseer of the merged ministry of Open the Book and The Empowerment Church, now known as The Word Church 2.0, Inc.

Pastor Haynes has served with distinction in ministry leadership over a broad spectrum of years, which includes children & youth, young adult, choral music, senior adults and biblical education. With forty years of ministerial experience, Pastor Haynes has become known as an exceptional teacher-preacher. He is the son of the late Rev. Dr. Michael E. Haynes, formerly Boston's Dean of the Clergy and Pastor of historic Twelfth Baptist Church of Boston, MA.

Before retiring from his secular career, Pastor Haynes had a distinguished career as a criminal justice official, which included an appointment as a Chief of Probation for the Massachusetts Trial Court. As a recognized authority on juvenile delinquency, substance abuse and treatment, and community policing, Pastor Haynes was a frequent lecturer at colleges and universities throughout New England. He also served on the faculty of Curry College in Milton, MA as an adjunct and taught criminal justice courses in the sociology department.

For thirty four years he has been married to a dynamic woman of God, Lisa J. Haynes, and they are the parents of eight adult children, and a growing tribe of grandchildren. Their youngest child, Rev. Michael E. Haynes II, serves as the Youth Pastor at Christian Fellowship Church in Ashburn, VA, and he is the proprietor of an exciting Christian youth curriculum business called, "G-Shades."