



## **D. Robert Kennedy, Ed.D., Ph.D.**

Adjunct Professor of Christian Management and Leadership  
Trinity College of the Bible and Theological Seminary

### **ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS**

Doctor of Education (Religion and Education) - Columbia University, New York; 1984  
Doctor of Philosophy (Religious Studies) - Greenwich University, Hilo, Hawaii, and on Norfolk Island, Australia; 1999  
Master of Education (Curriculum) - Columbia University Teachers College, New York; 1983  
Master of Sacred Theology (Theology and Ethics) - McGill University, Montreal; 1980  
Master of Arts (Religion) - Andrews University and S.D.A. Theological Seminary, Michigan; 1971  
Bachelor of Theology (Theology) - West Indies College, now Northern Caribbean University; 1969

### **CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES**

Certificate of Ordination - -Seventh-day Adventist Church; 1974  
Credentialed by the Allegheny East Conference of SDA, Pine Forge, PA

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Senior Pastor - Central Jamaica Conference of S.D.A: Pastor for 24 churches; 1971-1977  
Associate Pastor - Quebec Conference: Westmont S.D.A. Church, Montreal, Canada; 1979-1980  
Senior Pastor - Greater New York Conference of SDA: Grand Concourse, Tabernacle of Joy, East Elmhurst, Five Towns, and S.D.A. churches; 1980-1990  
Professor of Religion and Theology Department of Religion/Theology - Atlantic Union College; 1991-1994  
Adjunct Professor (Graduate Programs in Religion and Education) - Union Institute and University; 1994-Present  
Vice President for Enrollment Management/Marketing - Atlantic Union College; 1996-1999  
Adjunct Professor (Undergraduate, Graduate and Doctoral Programs in Christian Management and Leadership) - Trinity College of the Bible and Theological Seminary; 1998-Present  
Visiting Professor ("Church and Society") - Andrews University, SDA Theological Seminary; 1999  
Director of the New England Adventist Heritage Center - Atlantic Union College; 1999-Present  
Associate Dean for Alternative College Education - Atlantic Union College; 2000-2003  
Adjunct Professor - Greenwich School of Theology, England in association with Potchefstroom University for Christian Higher Education, South Africa; 2002-Present  
Pastor - Allegheny East Conference of S.D.A: Irvington and Montclair churches in New Jersey; 2004-2006  
Senior Pastor - SDA Church of the Oranges, South Orange NJ; 2006-Present

### **PROFESSIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

Presentations:

"Leadership with Vision: Hiram S. Walters to Adventist Society of Religious Studies" (November 2000, Nashville, TN.).  
"The Contributions of Blacks to Church Growth in the SDA Church" (Presented to the Adventist Society of Religious Studies, November, 2001, Denver CO.)  
"Clergy Renewal and Family," at the African American Leadership Conference – Virginia, 2002  
"Moaning and Groaning: Suffering in Silence," Adventist Society of Religious Studies, Meeting, Toronto, 2002 (Later published in the Annual Papers of the said organization.

“Peace Making,” Address to the Martin Luther King Jr. Annual Celebration, Fort Devens, Massachusetts 2001

“The Souls of Black Folks: W.E.B. Dubois,” Address to the Martin Luther King Jr. Annual Celebration, Fort Devens, 2003

Youth Seminars and Crusade in Peekskill, New York, May, 2002

International Health Missions to Ghana West Africa, May-June, 2003

#### Committees and Organizations:

Sponsor, Black Christian Union (BCU); 1995-Pres.

Biblical Research Institute Comm. of G.C.; 1995-Pres

President: Unity Research Institute; 1999-Present (19 Wesley Court, South Orange, NJ 07079  
UnityResearchInstitute.org)

#### Books:

The Politics of the Spirit, (1996) University Press of America. (Reviewed in “Calvin Theological Journal”, Vol. 33:2, November 1998)

Secret Ingredients for Spiritual Growth: Emulating Mary and Martha, East Elmhurst, New York: Manchester Publishes, (Self-published, (1999)

The Politics of Innocence: Focus on Sexual Morality and Responsibility, East Elmhurst, New York: Manchester Publishes, (Self-published, (1999)

Silence in Heaven: A Study of Revelation 8:1, Bushton, New York: Teach Services, 2001.

Parental Legacy: Parenting the Next Generation, Volume I, Vermont, Brown and Sons, Publishers, 2003, (A collaboration with Dr. Seslie June Kennedy, my wife).

#### Manuscripts Being Completed:

The Silence of the Soul: Listening to the Spirit in a Noisy World

Parental Advocacy: The Challenge of Parenting in a Technological Age

Stripped of Innocence: What Happens When We Hurt Our Children

The Church as a Prophetic Minority: Understanding the Nature, Mission and Message of the Church

#### Manuals for Workshops and Seminars:

Liberative Leadership for the Church, 1996.

Parental Legacy: Understanding Value-based Parenting, 1999-2003

Multicultural Education, 1998

Leadership and Ministerial Confidence, 2002

### **MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS**

Church of the Oranges, Orange, New Jersey

Member of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist

Adventist Society for Religious Studies

American Academy of Religion

Society of Biblical Studies

### **TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Cultural issues in Religion; Theology and Ethics; New Testament Theology; Leadership