

**DM 902 Foundations for Ministry Leadership:
Scripture, History, and Theology
Beulah Heights University
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I was born in 1952 to the late Mr. Sim and Florine Dill II of Wilkes County. I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior at a very young age. I have one sister, Mrs. Barbara Latimer who resides in Suwannee, Georgia and a brother, Mr. Sim Dill III (Lisa) who resides in Washington, Georgia. Two bonus sisters, Dr. Gwendolyn Carter and Dr. Carolyn Thompson. I have one nephew in North Georgia, Mr. Kevin Latimer, a nephew in Texas – Mr. Sim Dill IV, a nephew and niece in Northeast Georgia – Mr. Marcus Sim Dill and Miss Synita Dill, a grandson – Master William Joseph James, a goddaughter - Miss Sierra Portis, twin girl god granddaughters, Miss Kambree and Miss Karsyn Lewis, and two daughters from my marriage of twenty-five years to the late Mr. Joseph King. Mrs. Letitia K. James resides in Newnan, Georgia with her husband, Pastor Tony P. James and Miss Jenny King resides in Tucker, Georgia.

I left a corporate career in 1994 due to call to full time ministry. I earned certification as a Christian Counselor in 1994. I was then blessed with a ministry under the name of *Nouthesia Ministry of Restoration*, which has birthed “You Are Not Alone”, serving as encouragement to the widow and widower. I received Certification as Chaplain to the Incarcerated in 1995, received Certification as Coweta County Citizen Sheriff in 2007 and received Clinical Pastoral Education certification from Emory Crawford Long Hospital in 2009. I have experienced much joy serving as Chaplain and has been a published poet for several years.

I graduated magna cum laude, Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Education in 2003 from Beulah Heights University, conferred magna cum laude Master of Ministry in Leadership in 2005, earned Pre Doctorate certification from Southwestern Christian University in 2006, while continuing the leveling process to the doctorate program with Oral Roberts University received a Master of Divinity equivalency in 2008, and is currently completing Doctorate of Ministry. I was licensed as Minister of the Gospel as unto to the Lord Jesus Christ in 2001 and Ordained in 2005.

I have served as Therapeutic Support for Emotionally Behavior Disordered children, and I have worked as Substitute Teacher in the Coweta County School System for eight years. I served at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church until adulthood, then transferring membership to Liveoak Baptist Church for thirty years plus prior to connecting with the Kingdom of God International Ministry accepting the charge of Direction of Children’s Church. I have served as a member of the Kingdom of God International Ministry under the leadership of Pastor Warren L. Henry Sr. for approximately twenty years. I currently serve as Elder under the leadership of Pastor Tony P. James with Trinity Life and Worship Center in Newnan, Georgia as well as Friendship Baptist Church under the leadership of Pastor Felton James. I continue in association with the Kingdom of God International Ministry as Director of Seniors Ministry as well as Women’s Ministry with Harvest Community International in Fayetteville, Georgia.

Some of the gifts that God allows me to operate in are healing, exaltation and mercy. I am specifically charged with **speaking** healing particularly into the emotionally damaged including the person and situation embracing the sentiment of the prophet Joel in Joel 2:25a i.e. encouraging others to allow God to restore what the locust has eaten. He (Jesus) heals the broken in heart and I have been called to do the same. (Luke 4:18, Psalm 147:3)

I embrace the promise of Osmer's "Practical Theology" designed to equip leaders with theological integrity. I strive to operate in theological integrity while preparing a sermon to preach or to live it out with my life. Foundations for Ministry addresses scriptural, historical theological and practical implications of ministerial leadership which will enable me to excel as an intentional wholistic servant of the Most High God, as I matriculate through the doctorate program and building my required dissertation. This course will serve as it is described as a foundation not only for this initial course but for my entire doctorate of ministry tenure.

I must relate to the Bible as I write the Dissertation with this being a professional degree undergirded by scripture. Being concerned with past events, including history as I write will keep the writing project balanced and in proper context. DM being a part of Religious Studies would have to include holy and divine matter in the study material also with my findings needing to be evidenced-based as I conclude the Dissertation, in other words, my end results should equal practical certainty. My objective to become a professional researcher whose findings would always help the situation addressed places me in good company with Jesus and Paul who both operated in excellence and my goal is to be remembered in this same light. This Doctorate of Ministry position and degree will support the call on my life to speak healing into persons and situations.