

# Harvey Church of Christ

Senior Pastor: Franklin Florence II

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Ministering Evangelist Franklin Florence II is a native of West Palm Beach, Florida. He is the grandson of the Late Clifford Payne Sr. Minister Florence spent his formative years in Rochester NY, where he received his fundamental teaching under the tutelage of his father Franklin Florence Sr. He attended St. John Fisher College, Colgate Divinity School, and Rutgers University. He studied bible, political science and is certified as a drug and alcohol counselor.

Minister Florence had the distinction of being the Executive Director of the State of New York's first adolescent drug and alcohol clinic. In 1997 Minister Florence was called to serve as the Senior Minister at the Kingsley Terrace Church of Christ in Indianapolis, Indiana. Kingsley Terrace Church of Christ experienced phenomenal growth under his teaching and preaching ministry.

Minister Florence currently serves at the Harvey Church of Christ. Harvey is a congregation with vision and purpose. Using the precepts and principles found in Acts chapter 2, Minister Florence developed and designed the Five Fold Ministry of the church: Worship, Fellowship, Discipleship, Benevolence, and Education. Under the direction and vision of Minister Florence, Harvey has a Dress for Success Program that provides clothing for the poor, the Exodus program; a 12 step program using Godly principles for drug and alcohol rehabilitation, Women in the Word; an annual women's conference, and Band of Brothers; a program for men of all ages.

Minister Florence is a compassionate visionary committed to God, His Church, His Cause and His Christ. He is anointed to teach and train the church to move from believership to discipleship by equipping saints with relevant tools to operate in their God-given purpose. He is community driven and understands the responsibility of the Church towards community. He believes that God never intended for social services and red feather agencies to be the beacon light of hope in our communities; therefore he equips the church to take an active role in helping those who are in need and in doing; the Church provides a bridge for teaching the Word of God to our neighbors.

Many lives have been touched and changed by the insightful and powerfully delivered lessons of Minister Florence. His lessons are both practical, and applicable.

Minister Florence has spoken before Mayors and Governors and is a nationally known prognosticator of the Gospel of Christ. He has been the keynote speaker at National, Regional, State and Collegiate Lectures and conferences. God has used him mightily to bring lost souls to Christ across America and abroad, and to carry a word of encouragement and strength to the Body of Christ. He is a member of the Board of Directors for the Midwest Lectureship, and serves on the Philanthropic Arm of the Board of F.I.G.H.T. Village (Freedom, Integrity, God, Honor, Today), an organization founded by Franklin Florence Sr. that has given over a quarter of a million dollars to churches, community groups and other worthy causes. He was instrumental in gaining national financial support for the Jamaican Lectures held annually in Montego Bay, Jamaica, and along with a team of other ministering evangelist the message of the gospel is

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spread to our Caribbean brothers and sisters through workshops and preaching. Minister Florence had the honor of being asked to speak at the renowned and The Historical Apollo Theater in Harlem NY, in 2009, during an interview Minister Florence was asked how he felt about the experience and he replied, "I was both humbled and honored to do what I love to do: and that is to brag on Jesus!"

Minister Florence's motto is "God's Direction is Our Protection" .

