



Acknowledgments

Bishop Williams, Lady Williams, and the entire Brighter Hope Christian Fellowship family would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for coming to share and witness what God has done today in this most solemn occasion. Special thanks to Bishop Lynwood Batts, Bishop Willie Littlejohn, and Bishop Brandon Everett, as well as all other program participants, and clergy and ministry gifts who were present. We love you and ask that you keep us lifted in prayer.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

*The Holy Consecration and Elevation
of*

Bishop-Elect Blanzie Williams, Jr.



*Sunday, April 23, 2017
4:00 pm*

*Brighter Hope Christian Fellowship
385 Slate Top Road
Clayton, North Carolina 27520*

*Bishop Lynwood Batts, Chief Consecrator
Bishop-Elect Blanzie Williams, Jr., Pastor*



Bishop Willie Littlejohn

Co-Consecrator



Bishop Willie Littlejohn was born September 17, 1949 in Gaffney, South Carolina to the late Charles and Alethia Woods Littlejohn.

Bishop Littlejohn graduated from Camp High School in Shelby, North Carolina in 1966. That year proved to be even more important. Bishop accepted the call into the ministry.

Bishop served in the United States Army from 1968-1971. After completing his military duties and receiving an Honorable Discharge, he attended the Cleveland Community College in Shelby, North Carolina. Bishop graduated with an Associates Degree in Business Administration and Industrial Management.

Bishop married the love of his life, the former Patricia Ann Mintz in 1975. The Lord blessed them greatly with three children, Charles, David and Emily, his little princess, and two beautiful grandchildren..

Bishop Littlejohn was ordained as Elder in 1972 at Divine True Holiness Church in Blacksburg, South Carolina. Being led by the Holy Spirit, Bishop joined the General Assembly Church of the First Born in Charlotte, North Carolina in 1979. He serves as the Presiding Elder and Chairman of the Executive Board. In 1981, Bishop was ordained pastor of Mt. Calvary Holiness Church in Wake Forest, North Carolina where he presently serves. In April 2006, Bishop Littlejohn was consecrated to the office of Bishop. The ministry's name was changed in July, 2010 to Mt. Calvary Worship and Praise Ministries.

Bishop Littlejohn believes wholeheartedly, that, "if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature. Old things are passed away and behold all things become new." 2 Corinthians 5:17





Bishop Brandon Everette *Co-Consecrator*



Bishop Brandon M. Everette is the son of Deacon Matthew and Mother Shirley Everette of Lucama, NC. He is a 1994 graduate of Hunt High School in Wilson, NC. Upon his graduation, he attended Fayetteville State University (FSU) where he majored in Music Education. During his matriculation, he was a musician and a choir director for United Voices of Praise, the FSU Gospel Choir.

Bishop Everette received the gift of salvation at age 9 at First Missionary Baptist Church of Lucama under the pastoral leadership of the late Rev. Dr. Odell Forte. He has always had an ear for music. In his formative years, he began to play piano and became a church musician, as well as a choir director.

Upon leaving Fayetteville State University, he relocated to Winston-Salem, NC where he attended Macedonia True Vine

Pentecostal Holiness Church of Deliverance, (now known as Macedonia Worship Center) under the shepherding of Apostle S.D. Johnson, Senior Pastor and Presiding Prelate of the International True Vine Churches of Deliverance (ITVCOD). It is here where Bishop Everette had a true Pentecostal experience, apostolic teachings and experienced the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

In 2001, Bishop Everette returned home to Wilson and in 2002 the Lord elevated him in ministry at Healing & Deliverance Ministries. In 2003, he was ordained an elder by Bishop Robert L. Gorham, Senior Pastor of Wilson Chapel Church and the Presiding Prelate of the Believers In Christ Empowerment Fellowship.

Bishop Everette is widely known for his in-depth teaching, unique preaching style, and prophetic anointing. In 2004, the Lord allowed Bishop Everette to birth R.H.E.M.A. International Ministries, and evangelistic ministry that is designed to speak to the specificity of your situation so that you can discover the diagnosis of your destiny. This ministry is charged to prophetically evangelize the Body of Christ into wholeness, totality, and abundant living. Bishop Everette has also birthed Lighthouse Cathedral of Praise, a church that believes that it is a safe place to change. Bishop Everette also serves as the Chief Executor & Overseer of Evangelism and Outreach for the Southern Jurisdiction of the Universal Churches of Prayer and Deliverance, Inc. where the presiding prelate is Bishop Allie V. Jones.

Bishop Everette is married to his soul mate and partner in ministry, Evangelist Lady Cateshia J. Everette. They are the proud parents of four beautiful children, Tahirah, Tyeshia, Demarkus, and Brandie.



Bishop-Elect Blanzie Williams, Jr.



Reverend Blanzie Williams, Jr., was the fifth child born to the late Isa Mae Williams and the late Blanzie Williams, Sr. in Wake County, North Carolina. He attended Wake County Public Schools and graduated from W. G. Enloe High School in Raleigh, North Carolina. He later attended Clark University in Atlanta, Georgia, where he received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Early Childhood Education.

Pastor Williams taught 4th grade in the Wake County Public School System for 14 years. He served as a mentor for the Wake County School Community Helping Hands Project which was a program designed to help underachieving black males.

Pastor Williams has always had a love and a special zeal for teaching and sharing the Word of God. He officially answered his call into the Gospel ministry and was ordained in 1991 at Elevation Baptist Church in Raleigh, North Carolina. He served there by assisting the pastor, counseling parishioners, and teaching God's word. First Missionary Baptist Church in Clayton, North Carolina, needed a shepherd and after much prayer, God placed him there to lead His people where he served as pastor for 9 years. God richly blessed his ministry there.

Pastor Williams is a graduate of Faith Bible Institute, a three-year diploma program headquartered in Monroe, Louisiana. He has earned a Doctorate of Theology degree from Bible Faith International Seminary located in Smithfield, North Carolina. Pastor Williams is continuing further study at Andersonville Theological Seminary located in Camilla, Georgia.

Pastor Williams founded Brighter Hope Christian Fellowship in 2005. God has blessed this ministry tremendously under his leadership. His teaching, preaching, and counseling ministry has been a blessing not only to the local body, but the community and the body of Christ. He is also the dean of Hope Bible Institute, a certificate program where classes are held at Brighter Hope.

Pastor Williams is married to the former Sharon Perry and they have 3 children: Brian, Ashley, and Ebony, a daughter-in-law, Felicia and four grandchildren: Quashawn, Kevin, Olivia, and Paityn.





THE STATEMENT OF PURPOSE



Since the days of the apostles and throughout the scriptures, God has used sacred offices and ministries to guide the Church to the fulfillment of its earthly purpose. The earliest records of ancient Christian writers have included Holy rituals that have given the Christian Church its character and majesty. The Old and New Testaments contain depictions of God's design and relationship to the Church. The New Testament in particular, gives fine points that outline the character and duties of the post-Resurrection Church. The scriptural models highlight the orders of ordained ministries that give expression to the character of the Christian church. The New Testament Scriptures outline the use and purpose of these sacred offices.

Scripture declares, **"if a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good thing."** It also declares that he must be vigilant, sober, of good behavior, given to hospitality, apt to teach. These scriptures help us to understand the orders of the bishop. The orders of Bishops are those who are called to lead, oversee and unite the Church.

The Church recognizes those who are capable and called of God to ordain them to the work of the ministry. Their ability and gifting is acknowledged through ceremonial prayer and the laying on of hands. Those who are called are forever associated with the redemptive plan of God for peace and reconciliation in the world. The act of consecration is a public affirmation of this servant's call and pledge of lifelong commitment to the cause of Christ and the church.

The chronicles of these ancient offices date back to the first century. Each bishop receives their consecration through the laying on hands. This act confers upon the recipient the history and the purpose of the office. Bishops are consecrated by other Bishops who are qualified to confer upon the recipient the rights and responsibilities of the office. This ministry is a blessing from God for the edifying, nurturing and sharing of the Gospel throughout the world. Those, whom God calls, are publicly set apart for a special work. God in His own time has chosen to elevate His servant to the office of Bishop. We come on this occasion to set apart one who through speech and exemplary lifestyle and one who through the preaching and teaching of the Word of God, has sought to protect God's people from spiritual enemies and doctrinal heresies. We have come on this occasion to set apart who has sought to promote the spiritual development of God's people and to equip them to fulfill the Great Commission. It is for this reason that we are gathered here today. Bishop-Elect Williams joins a long-standing tradition of those called to serve the greater Church.



Bishop Lynwood L. Batts
Chief Consecrator and Homilist



"And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding." Jeremiah 3:15

Bishop Lynwood Batts is bi-vocational in that he is the Senior Pastor of Vaughn's Chapel Church located in Elm City, North Carolina and employed by Cisco located in Research Triangle Park. He has been the Pastor of Vaughn's Chapel for 27 years, where teaching God's word is his passion and leading God's people to a closer walk with Him is his desire. He enhances the lives of the people through marriage counseling, enrichment, leadership seminars, community outreach, and by the power of his own testimonies.

Bishop has achieved a Masters in Biblical Studies from Trinity Theological Seminary and he is currently finishing a Masters in Leadership through North Eastern University. Bishop Batts is being led by the Spirit of the Lord to combine the two disciplines of study to teach God's children how to develop leadership skills God's way.

Bishop Batts, by grace, has risen to a level of anointing that feeds the sheep and nurtures the lambs in the pastures of life. Under his direction the children of God learn how to **Grow in Spirit, Knowledge, Unity, Build the Temple, Execute the Dream and, Do it better together.** An humble servant who brings to life **"without vision the people shall perish"**, Bishop Batts leads by example, and not only teaches the word of God, but lives the word of God.

Bishop Lynwood E. Batts also founded Arc of Faith Church in Raleigh, North Carolina under the umbrella **"Learn the Word Ministry"**. Our Lord has blessed him with a wife, Darlene, of 35 years, 3 children and 3 grand boys.

Bishop Batts favorite scripture verse is Philippians 4:9, **"Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you."**



The Act of Consecration

The Bishop-Elect will kneel and receive impartation by the Lord through the laying on of hands. God has brought you to share in the high priesthood of Christ. May He pour out upon you the oil of sacred anointing and enrich you with spiritual blessings. As kings and prophets were anointed, even as Moses hallowed Aaron, and Samuel anointed David, and the Most High didst anoint His only begotten Son with the oil of gladness, that thou mayest be blessed and established over this people whom the Lord thy God hath given thee to rule and govern to shepherd and to lead.

The Prayer of Consecration and Laying on of Hands

Bishop Lynwood Batts, Chief Consecrator

Bishop Willie Littlejohn, Co-Consecrator

Bishop Brandon M. Everette, Co-Consecrator

All other guest episcopates and ministry gifts

*The Gifts to the Bishop..... Reverend Tiffany Bennett-Cornelous
Associate Minister, Brighter Hope Christian Fellowship*

The Benediction Bishop Blanzie Williams, Jr.



Holy Consecration Service
The Consecration and Elevation of
Reverend Dr. Blanzie Williams, Jr.

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THE ORDER OF HOLY CONSECRATION

The Prelude Brighter Hope Christian Fellowship Music Ministry

The Seating of the Senior Servants

The Anthem of Praise..... Brighter Hope Christian Fellowship Music Ministry

The Visiting Bishops and Apostles

The Visiting Ministerium

The Family of the Honoree

The Episcopal Acolytes

The Ministerium—Lay Ministers

The Presbyters

The Homilist & Chief Consecrator

The Episcopal Officer

The Bishop-Elect

*The Call to Worship..... Bishop Lynwood L. Batts
Pastor, Vaughn's Chapel Church, Elm City, North Carolina*

*The Invocation Bishop Joseph Whitley, Jr.
Faith Assembly Christian Center, Durham, North Carolina*

*The Scripture Bishop Ken Curry
New Horizons Christian Ministry, Franklinton, North Carolina*

Praise & Worship BHCF Praise Team

*The Statement of Purpose..... Bishop Arnell Dunn
Pastor, Evangel Baptist Church, Knightdale, North Carolina*

The Ministry of Music..... BHCF Anointed Voices of Hope

The Ministry of Giving..... Deacon Willie Sanders

*The Introduction of the Homilist Lady Darlene Batts
Vaughn's Chapel Church, Elm City, North Carolina*

The Ministry of Music.....BHCF Anointed Voices of Hope

The Message of ConsecrationBishop Lynwood L. Batts

THE EXAMINATION & OFFICIAL ACCEPTANCE
BISHOP WILLIE LITTLEJOHN

My brother, an ancient custom of the founding fathers of the church decrees that a Bishop-Elect be questioned before the people concerning his resolve to uphold the Faith and to discharge his duties faithfully. You are appointed to be a faithful bishop and lead by a wholesome example for the church of Christ. With your fellow laborers, you will share in leadership with this assembly.

Your heritage is the faith of the patriarchs, prophets, martyrs, and those of every generation who have looked to God in hope. My brother, are you resolved by the Grace of God to discharge until the end of your life this office that the Apostles have entrusted unto us, which is now passed on to you by the laying on of hands?

Bishop-Elect: I am.

Bishop Willie Littlejohn: Are you persuaded that God has called you to the office of Bishopric?

Bishop-Elect: I am so persuaded.

Bishop Willie Littlejohn: Will you accept this call and fulfill this trust in obedience?

Bishop-Elect: I will accept this call and fulfill this trust in obedience.

Bishop Littlejohn: Do you resolve to be faithful and constant in boldly proclaiming the Gospel of Christ.

Bishop-Elect: I do so resolve, by the power of the Holy Spirit

Bishop Littlejohn: Will you deny all ungodliness and worldly lusts, and live soberly, righteously and Godly in this present world so that you may show yourself in all things an example of good works unto others that the adversary may be ashamed having nothing to say about you.

Bishop-Elect: I will so do, the Lord being my helper.

Bishop Littlejohn: As a Chief Priest and Pastor, will you encourage and support all baptized believers in their gifts and ministries, nourish them from the riches of God's grace, pray for them without ceasing, and celebrate with them the sacraments of our redemption?

Bishop-Elect: I will by the grace of God.

Bishop Littlejohn: Will you show yourself gently and be merciful for Christ's sake to the poor and needy people and to strangers destitute for help?

Bishop-Elect: I will so show myself, by God's help.

Bishop Willie Littlejohn: Are you resolved as a Godly under-shepherd to seek out the sheep who stay stray and gather them into the fold of the Lord?

Bishop-Elect: I am so resolved, with the help of God.

THE ECCLESIASTICAL & EPISCOPAL VESTMENTS & APPOINTMENTS
BISHOP BRANDON EVERETTE

The Cassock

*Garment of a servant—a witness to the denial of worldliness
(Matthew 23:11)*

The Cincture

*Sign of ready servitude, a witness of the service of Christ, even
as He girded Himself with a towel. (John 13:4-5)*

The Rochet

*Garment of the high priestly office, like the alb, a witness to the
faithful purity of priestly service
(I John 3:3)*

The Chimere

*The mantle of stewardship and service. A long sleeveless robe,
a sign of the embroidered coat of high priestly dignity
(Exodus 28:4; 2 Timothy 4:1-2)*

The Cross

*A witness to the efficacious suffering of Christ and of His high priestly role as intercessor for the
House of God. It is a sign that the wearer is bound to Christ and His service
(Exodus 28:2; 35:27; Galatians 6:14)*

The Ring

*A sign of sonship, authority, and fidelity to watch over the
nuptial bond, even as a man to his wife, and Christ to His church
(Leviticus 15:21-22; Luke 15:22; Ephesians 5:22-23)*

The Zucchetto

*A small, round skullcap of the ecclesiastic worn to show
the covering of Jesus the Christ and how He covers His church
(Exodus 29:6-9)*