

## MEET OUR PASTOR



Rev. Dr. Alvin L. Jackson was born in Columbia, South Carolina on May 7, 1955 to Ms. Deloris Jackson. At age 4, he moved to Augusta, Georgia where he spent his childhood years. In 1973, he graduated from The Academy of Richmond County. After graduation, he entered the United States Army in June 1973. He was united in marriage on January 31, 1975 to Evelyn Smith. God has blessed this union with two daughters, Yulanda Jackson and LaTonya Weems, and two grandchildren James Luckey and Charity Weems.

Pastor Jackson accepted his call into the ministry on March 20, 1977 and was licensed by the Unity Missionary Baptist Church, Copperas Cove, Texas under the Pastorate of the late Rev. Connis R. Jackson. On April 6, 1979, he was ordained by the same church. Rev. Jackson became Pastor of the Meisau Backhome Worship Service, Meisau, West Germany from April 1979 to February 1982. He became the Pastor of the National Baptist Service, Fort Hood, Texas in 1983 to December of 1985. Pastor Jackson returned to West Germany in 1986 where he served as an Associate Minister at the Grace Missionary Baptist Church. He served as Secretary for the General Baptist Association of West Germany and as Chairman of the Evangelical Board of the General Baptist Association of West Germany from March of 1987 to January of 1989.

In 1989, Pastor Jackson united with the St. Luke Baptist Church under the Pastorate of the late Rev. A.F. Jones. He was called as pastor of the St. Luke Baptist Church in September of 1993.

Pastor Jackson retired from the U.S. Army in July of 1993. While serving, he received the Four Chaplain Legion of Honor Membership, a Bronze Star, (4) Meritorious Service Medals, Army Achievement Medal and (6) Good Conduct Awards.

Pastor Jackson received his Associate Degree in General Studies in May of 1984 from the Central Texas College. He received his bachelor's degree in Criminology from St. Leo College in July of 1995, his teaching certification from Armstrong Atlantic State University, and his master's and Doctorate degrees in Christian Education from Trinity College of Religion. Pastor Jackson is a retired educator. He spent twenty-two years teaching in the Liberty County School System. He is an instructor at Trinity College of Religion in Hinesville, Georgia. His community service includes being the president of the Liberty County Martin Luther King, Jr. Observance Association, member and past president of the Liberty County United Ministerial Alliance, vice president the Wayne County Ministers Coalition, president of the board of Directors for the Liberty County Manna House, President of the Global Ventures M2820 and a life member and past vice-president of the Liberty County NAACP.

Rev. Dr. Alvin L. Jackson is the author of the book, *Evangelism: The Priority of the Christian Church*.