

CENTRAL CONNECTICUT EMPOWERMENT CONFERENCE



Rev. Gervais Barger &
Rev. Phyllis Barger
Peace Missionary
Ministries



Bishop Rha-Sheen and
Pastor Brigitte Brown
Right Now Ministries

**Friday January 19, 2024-
Sunday January 21, 2024**



Friday January 19, 2024 7pm
BISHOP MELVIN SANCHEZ
SPEAKER

**“CULTIVATING LEADERSHIP SKILLS
FOR STRONGER IMPACT”**

Services and workshops will
be held at:
South Church, 90 Main St.
New Britain, CT 06051



Sunday January 21, 3pm
APOSTLE SUZZETTE MYLES
SPEAKER

All day conference on Saturday from 9am-4pm



Rev. Paul Hylton
Shiloh Christian
Church



Pastor Paul Boakye-Dathey
Graceland Church



Minister Isaiah Diaz



Glenn Gerhard



Pastor Chris Bracett
Fountain of Life Church



Min. Amara Reberio
Rehobeth Church of God



Saturday January 20, 2024 2pm
APOSTLE PATRICA WILEY
SPEAKER



Rev. Jonathan Counts
Spottswood AME Zion



Pastor Devin Johnson
Walk of Faith Word Center



Rev. Meredith Payton
Christian Community
Outreach Ministries

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Central CT Empowerment Conference

Cultivating Leadership Skills for Stronger Impact!

Saturday, January 20th

Continental Breakfast/ Registration: Cooper Hall **8:00 – 9:00 AM**

Introduction: Bishop Rha-Sheen Brown **Main Sanctuary** **9:00 – 9:15 AM**

Worship:Damaris Ortiz Sanchez **9:15 – 9:45 AM**

Emotional, Physical, and Spiritually Healthy-Pastor Brigitte Brown, LCSW **9:45 -10:30 AM**

Breakout Session 1:

10:30AM – 11:15AM

The Heart of a Worshipper-Amara Roberio and Damaris Ortiz Sanchez **Main Sanctuary**

Spiritual Assignment- Min.Isaiah Diaz **Library**

Finding our Place in Leadership- Elder Glen Gerhard **Cooper Hall**

Back to the basic in your personal walk as a leader-Pastor Devin Johnson

Re-group **Sanctuary** **11:20AM - 12:05PM**

Teaching, Teachers for Spiritual Enlightenment- Pastors Gervais and Phyllis Barger

Lunch: **12:00 – 1:00 PM**

Re-group **Sanctuary** **1:05 – 1:50 PM**

Becoming a Healthy Leader- Pastor Paul Dattey

Main Sanctuary

Breakout Session 2:

1:50 – 2:35 PM

Outreach as Ministry- Pastor Gary Derosa / Pastor M. Payton

Library

The Ministry of Helps- Rev.Jonathan Counts

Cooper Hall

International Leaders in Missions-Pastor Paul Hylton

Main Sanctuary

Re-group

Sanctuary 2:35 – 3:35 PM

Praise and Worship-Pure Worship Praise Team

Leadership- Building up leaders in the House of God- Apostle Patricia Wiley

Central CT Empowerment Conference
Cultivating Leadership Skills for Stronger Impact!
Saturday Workshop Speakers and Topic Descriptions
Saturday January 20, 2024

Master of Ceremony

Bishop Rha-Sheen D. Brown-Bishop of Right Now Ministries, Inc.



Bishop Rha-Sheen D. Brown has been the Pastor of Right Now Ministries Inc since 2005. He was released to open up Right Now Ministries in New Britain, CT. Together with his wife Brigitte Brown, of 24 years and his 7 children, Bishop Brown manages many hats with the church, as a college student finishing up his Bachelors in Music, and managing his businesses. Passionate about empowering and mobilizing low to moderate-income residents, Bishop Brown utilizes both the pulpit of the church and the streets of New Britain to effect positive change. His passion and mission is simply to make someone else's life better! His mission is to Love God, Love His people, and make disciples. Committed to community engagement, Bishop Brown collaborates with churches, businesses, and the education system, contributing to the building and safety of the New Britain community.

Workshop Facilitator: **"An Emotional, Physical, and Spiritually Healthy Leader"**



Pastor Brigitte Brown, LCSW, and EMDR Certified Trauma Therapist

Senior Pastor of Right Now Ministries, Inc

and Owner of Spirit Soul and Body Clinical Services LLC

"An Emotional, Physical, and Spiritually Healthy Leader" epitomizes a holistic approach to leadership, embodying well-being in mind, body, and soul. Such a leader fosters emotional intelligence, navigating challenges with resilience, empathy, and effective communication. Prioritizing physical health, they inspire others through an active lifestyle, promoting wellness and vitality within the team. Grounded in spiritual principles, the leader embraces a sense of purpose, wisdom, and ethical decision-making, creating a workplace culture that values integrity and connection. This dynamic combination of emotional, physical, and spiritual health empowers the leader to guide with authenticity, compassion, and a profound understanding of the interconnectedness of well-being.

Workshop Facilitators:

"The Heart of a Worshiper"



Amara Reberio-Minister of Music
Rehoboth COG-Bloomfield, CT

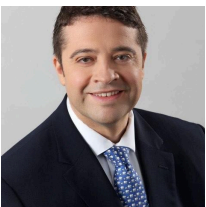


Damaris Ortiz Sanchez- Greater Harvest Church Ministries

"The Heart of a Worshiper" is an immersive journey into the profound essence of worship, exploring the depths of spiritual devotion and connection. This captivating experience invites individuals to delve into the core of genuine worship, transcending mere rituals to uncover the authentic expression of one's heart and soul. Through music, prayer, and reflective moments, "The Heart of a Worshiper" seeks to inspire a transformative encounter with the divine, fostering a profound sense of connection, gratitude, and reverence. This heartfelt exploration aims to awaken the innermost chambers of the worshiper's heart, fostering a deep and meaningful relationship with the divine.

Workshop Facilitator:

"The Spiritual Assignment of a Leader"



**Isaiah Diaz-Ordained minister
and trial Attorney at Carter Mario Law Firm**

Iglesia De Dios - Misión Contra Murallas

"The Spiritual Assignment of a Leader" goes beyond conventional responsibilities, delving into the profound realm of purpose and impact. Such a leader recognizes that their role extends beyond tasks and decisions; it involves a spiritual calling to inspire, guide, and uplift others. Grounded in principles of integrity, empathy, and ethical leadership, they embark on a mission to create a positive and meaningful impact. This spiritual assignment involves fostering a sense of purpose, both within themselves and their team, aligning collective efforts with a higher vision. By cultivating a culture of growth, connection, and shared values, the spiritually attuned leader becomes a beacon of inspiration, influencing not only the success of the organization but also the well-being and fulfillment of those they lead.

Workshop Facilitator:

"Finding Our Place in Leadership"



Glenn Gerhard, Elder
New River Church

"Finding Our Place in Leadership" is an exploration into the dynamic journey of discovering one's unique role and impact as a leader. "Do you sense a call to greater impact through your life? Are you seeking opportunity to use your God-given talents for the Kingdom? Find your place in leadership through the experience of Nehemiah. We'll explore the encounters that transformed a cupbearer into a leader with a purpose-driven mission."

Workshop Facilitator:

"Embracing 'Back to the Basics'"



Pastor Devin M. Johnson-Senior Pastor
Walk of Faith Word Center of Groton CT

"Embracing 'Back to the Basics' in my personal leadership journey involves a return to the fundamental principles that shape authentic and impactful leadership. It's a deliberate focus on simplicity, humility, and the core values that define my role. By reconnecting with the basics, I prioritize genuine connections, self-awareness, and a commitment to continuous personal growth. This approach is not just a step back; it's a purposeful reset, allowing me to rediscover the essence of my leadership and ensure that my actions align with my values. 'Back to the Basics' in my personal walk as a leader is an intentional journey towards a more grounded, purposeful, and authentic leadership style."

Workshop Facilitator:

"Becoming a Healthy Leader"



Pastor Paul B. Dattey
Graceland Church, South Windsor

"Becoming a Healthy Leader" is a transformative journey that transcends traditional notions of leadership. This pursuit emphasizes the holistic well-being of a leader, encompassing physical, emotional, and spiritual dimensions. It involves cultivating self-awareness, emotional intelligence, and resilience to navigate challenges effectively. Prioritizing physical health and mental well-being, a healthy leader models the importance of vitality and balance. Simultaneously, they explore and integrate spiritual principles, fostering a sense of purpose and ethical leadership. "Becoming a Healthy Leader" is a dynamic process of personal growth, aligning inner well-being with effective leadership practices, ultimately creating a positive and sustainable impact on both the leader and those they guide.

Workshop Facilitators:

"Embarking on the journey of 'Back to Teaching, Teachers for Spiritual Enlightenment in Christ'"



Pastors Gervais and Phyllis Barger-Senior Leaders

Peace Missionary Ministries in New Britain, CT.

"Embarking on the journey of 'Back to Teaching, Teachers for Spiritual Enlightenment in Christ'" is a deliberate return to the core values of education rooted in Christian principles. This initiative underscores the significance of educators not only as mentors of academic knowledge but also as spiritual guides. It involves rekindling the essence of teaching by integrating faith-based perspectives, fostering an environment that nurtures spiritual growth and enlightenment in both teachers and students. 'Back to Teaching, Teachers for Spiritual Enlightenment in Christ' is a dedicated effort to revive the transformative potential of education, aligning it with the teachings of Christ for a more profound impact on hearts and minds."

Workshop Facilitator:

"The Ministry of Helps"



Rev. Dr. Jonathon D. Counts

Pastor of Spottswood AME Zion Church in New Britain, Connecticut.

"The Ministry of Helps" within the church is a vital and selfless service dedicated to supporting the spiritual, emotional, and practical needs of the congregation. This ministry operates behind the scenes, embodying the spirit of servant leadership. From ushering and greeting to administrative tasks and event coordination, the Ministry of Helps ensures the smooth functioning of church activities. Its members, often unsung heroes, play a crucial role in creating a welcoming and supportive atmosphere for worshipers. The ministry is founded on the principle of serving others with love, humility, and a commitment to the greater mission of the church, enhancing the overall worship experience for the entire congregation."

Workshop Facilitator:



"International Leaders in Missions"

Pastor Paul Hylton-Senior Pastor

Shiloh Christian Church, Middletown, CT

"International Leaders in Missions" are visionary and compassionate individuals who lead initiatives transcending borders, driven by a commitment to making a positive impact on a global scale. These leaders navigate diverse cultural landscapes, understanding and addressing the unique needs of communities worldwide. Their mission involves not only practical assistance but also the exchange of knowledge, fostering sustainable development, and promoting unity across nations. With a spirit of collaboration and service, International Leaders in Missions exemplify a dedication to fostering positive change, embodying a shared responsibility for the well-being of people around the world.

Workshop Facilitators:

"Outreach as Ministry"



Gary Derosa-Senior Pastor
Higher Ground Christian Church



Pastor Meredith Payton
Christian Community Outreach Ministries, Inc.-Danbury, CT

"Outreach as Ministry" is a heartfelt commitment to extending compassion, support, and transformative impact beyond the confines of traditional spaces. This approach sees outreach not merely as an external initiative but as a sacred ministry, rooted in the principles of empathy and service. Leaders embracing "Outreach as Ministry" recognize the inherent dignity of every individual and seek to address their unique needs, whether physical, emotional, or spiritual. This ministry is a dynamic expression of love, fostering connection, and making a positive difference in the lives of those reached. It embodies the spirit of community and a shared responsibility to uplift, inspire, and contribute to the well-being of others, transcending boundaries to create meaningful change.

Saturday January 20, 2024 2pm



APOSTLE DR.
PATRICIA ANN WILEY
Oil of Joy Ministries II, Inc.-Brooklyn, NY

Apostle Wiley is the Senior Pastor and Organizer of Oil of Joy Ministries II, Inc., in Brooklyn, New York and the chief presiding prelate of the Oil of Joy Ministries II “Greater Now” International Alliance established in 2015 where she oversees several ministries and ministerial leaders, training and equipping them for service unto the Lord. She is the Founder and CEO of “In the Word Bible Institute” in Brooklyn, New York, where the Word of God becomes a lifestyle. God has given her this vision and she has dedicated herself by the help of the Lord to teach God’s people; thereby equipping them to walk in the power and anointing of God.

Apostle Wiley was an educator for the New York City Department of Education. She received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education/Sociology and a Master of Science Degree in Education, specializing in Early Childhood Education from Hunter College. She received an honorary Doctorate of Ministry Degree and a Doctorate of Theology Degree from Anointed by God Ministries Alliance and Seminary. She also received an honorary Doctorate Degree in Divinity from Saint Thomas Christian College. God has sent her into numerous areas of teaching, bringing her back to the areas of early childhood education. She believes and exemplifies that we should work as unto the Lord, glorifying Him in all that we do.

Apostle Wiley has been on several radio and television shows throughout this country, as well as numerous news segments. She has written articles in many publications and is the author of two books entitled “Time to Change”, which is a daily devotional; and “Private Prayers Made Public”, which is a compilation of prayers written by Apostle Wiley and her class from In The word Bible Institute. Apostle Wiley joined LifeZone Television where she is featured every Tuesdays at 12:00 noon and is a host for the “Hallelujah Hour” segment monthly.

Apostle Wiley travels extensively throughout the city, country and internationally, preaching and teaching God’s word; teaching is her heart. God had brought her a long way. He has given her gifts to share and she is willing to do it to her fullest potential. She loves Him for His love to her and knows that she can do all things through Christ who strengthens her as she continues to humble herself in His sight; she knows that He will lift her up. Her faithfulness and obedience to God is an example for others to follow. She praises God for her many accomplishments, but her main endeavor is to please Him. To God be the Glory for the things He has done.

Friday January 19, 2024 7pm



Rev. Melvin Lewis Sanchez

Full Gospel Interdenominational Church-Manchester, CT

Rev. Melvin Lewis Sanchez was born and raised in Hartford, CT. He gave his life to Christ and was called to preach the Gospel as a young teenager. He immediately answered the call of God and began to preach everywhere – in his high school, college, his neighborhood, in local parks and to his family and friends. The burden to see souls saved was so strong in his life that a great number of teenagers from his school gave their lives to Christ. From there he grew quickly in his home church, was established in various outreaches and God began to promote him and elevate his ministry.

Rev. Sanchez went on his first mission trip to Liberia, Africa when he was 19 years old. There he was used mightily by God through teaching in various churches, being the guest speaker at the University of Liberia, and preaching Christ to the Armed Forces of Liberia. This would only be the beginning as in the years to come he would set foot in many nations impacting countless churches, ministries and thousands of people through the power of God and his anointed ministry. He was honored and made bishop in Lusaka, Zambia and a made Pastor over the nation of D.R. Congo. As a director of World-Wide Lighthouse Missions Inc. (WWLM), he has helped to plant churches, facilitate feeding programs and build schools for poor and orphaned children. He has also taught in the prisons and preached in various pastors and leadership conferences.

Rev. Sanchez is the recipient of various honors from Connecticut Governor Dannel Malloy as well as other prestigious awards from Senator Richard Blumenthal and Senator Chris Murphy for his missionary and evangelistic work. In New Haven, Connecticut, a day has been named in his honor for being an ‘unsung hero’ that continues to positively impact humanity with the compassion of Jesus Christ. In 2019, Rev. Sanchez received an honorary Doctorate of Divinity, and in 2020 he received an honorary Doctorate of Theology, representing over 35 years of evangelistic and humanitarian work as well as domestic and foreign mission endeavors. Rev. Sanchez is one of the assistant pastors at the Full Gospel Interdenominational Church and one of the missions directors for WWLM, Inc. both located in Manchester CT. Rev. Sanchez is a devoted family man. He has a beautiful wife, Minister Abigail Sanchez, and also three wonderful sons, Melvin Jr., Isaiah and Joshua.

Rev. Sanchez continues to be a highly sought after preacher for leadership conferences, youth revivals and tent meetings globally. Each meeting is always accompanied by the presence of God that breaks yokes, shifts atmospheres, alters destinies and transforms lives forever.

Rev. Sanchez has conversed with African kings, presidents and various government officials. He has also been and continues to be a prominent leader in teaching, training and mentoring pastors, leaders and ministers throughout the US and in various countries around the world. In addition, his powerful messages have been broadcasted over several radio stations, national Christian television networks and countless viral media outlets.

Rev. Sanchez has always been a man of faith and a living epistle of the manifestation of God’s mighty power. With the heart of a pastor and the fire of an evangelist, Rev. Sanchez delivers life-changing messages that will truly stir your hearts and inspire you to take your place in the Kingdom of God. Rev. Melvin Sanchez is a firm believer that with God nothing shall be called impossible!

Sunday January 21, 2024 3pm



Apostle Dr. Suzette M. Myles

Senior Pastor of For His Glory Church Ministries, INC

Dean of North Carolina Bible Institute New England

Founder of Building Heir's LLC

Apostle Dr. Suzette M. Myles was born in Reading, Berkshire, England. She was raised by her grandmother, who originated from Barbados. As a teenager, Apostle Myles immigrated to the United States. She married at an early age, built a family, and became the mother of three children.

In 2000, Apostle Myles sent out letters to the pastors in Hartford, CT and neighboring cities for the purpose of coming together in the power of prayer against the violence in the city of Hartford. This resulted in Apostle Myles's prayer group called 'Shackle Breakers.' Her prayer meetings were held at the Salvation Army in Hartford, CT. In 2001, the Lord called Apostle Myles to found For His Glory Church Ministries, INC, a nondenominational Sabbath Church, in Hartford, CT. Through the power of shackle breaking prayer, Apostle Myles's ministry grew in size and impact, branching out and birthing more ministries including the Glory House, a temporary housing facility for women, and a bible college.

Apostle Myles's ministry is dedicated to community outreach. Every summer when the weather breaks, her ministry hits the streets to preach the word of God and hold events to minister to the community in various ways including back to school events for the youth. Apostle Myles received her Doctor of Theology degree in 2012 from North Carolina College of Theology in Wilmington, NC. In 2013, Dr. Myles established her own satellite college called North Carolina Bible Institute New England, in Hartford, CT. Many men and women have received a biblical education from Apostle Myles's college to equip them for the work of ministry. Apostle Myles has remained steadfast in preaching and teaching the Word of God. She is a firm believer in not just "knowing the Word" but "learning the Word" so that one can truly know the will of God for their life and the power they possess. It is an accredited college and the highest degree that one can obtain is a doctorate.

Apostle Myles is a powerful woman of God that operates heavily in the prophetic anointing to bring deliverance and healing. Many have been healed and delivered of ailments and conditions from HIV to cancer through shackle breaking prayer. Apostle Myles was first called by God to the office of a prophet, then was called to pastor, and she continues to walk in the anointing and power of God, pushing forward as the Holy Spirit leads her to establish more ministries for the building and advancement of God's kingdom. Apostle Myles truly believes in the power of prayer and that it is the heartbeat of every ministry.

Apostle Myles was ordained as an apostle on January 6th, 2023. She has since raised up more ministers to go forth in the work of the kingdom. She is dedicated to raising up of the next generation of leaders and ordaining the five-fold ministry. Apostle Myles is raising up a "Joshemiah generation"; that is a generation of prophets and warriors like Joshua and Jeremiah. By way of technology (i.e. Social media, YouTube, Zoom and phone) people are able to receive the Word of God. Here you can attend service, bible study, receive classes on how to pray effectively, and have access to a prayer line for those who desire prayer. Her vision is to establish a place that can greatly service the community for the betterment of the lives of men, women, and children.

Apostle Myles believes that it is not about religion, but a relationship with God the Father through Christ Jesus, and teaches her congregation that "For His Glory" is not just a name, but a way of life, and that one must live his or her life for the glory of God in all things. For more information on Apostle. Myles's ministry, please visit For His Glory Church Ministries website at www.fhgcminc.org.