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MOUNT CALVARY HOLY CHURCH of WINSTON-SALEM

The Bishop-Designate's Edition



The newsletter team dedicates this issue to Bishop-Designate Hanchell and his family, for their tireless work in ministry. We open this edition with a one-on-one interview with our incoming Bishop and our Co-Pastor.

What process did you go through to receive this honor?

The only process I can point to is serving. I have been faithful in serving our great organization in whatever capacity I have been given. I have served as a college/young adult pastor, assistant dean of Calvary Bible Institute, International Youth/Young Adult President, General Secretary, and as a Senior Pastor. I always teach that God honors faithfulness, and my life is a reflection of that. I have served faithfully at whatever my hand found to do, and God has chosen to honor that faithfulness. I am extremely grateful for the opportunity to serve.

What impact do you hope to make as you are being elevated?

I hope to continue making an impact on the lives of individuals in the local church as well as on the national level. One of the things I am grateful for is that I am not just being elevated to a title - but to a function. I will be consecrated as the Bishop of Administration for MCHCA, which will allow me to help shape some of the administrative processes for our national and international work. It is a great responsibility and a great honor. I am truly humbled that God - through our Presiding Bishop - selected me for this honor.

What do you think is the greatest challenge for the 21st century Bishop?

A bishop in the 21st century faces unique challenges and opportunities. We are living in a very pluralistic, multicultural, postmodern society that does not readily accept the teachings of the Bible, so 21st century bishops must be bold in proclaiming and protecting the faith, while also being open to new ways of reaching those who may have no family or traditional connection to the Church. This also presents an opportunity because, with the advent of social media, the 21st century bishop has an opportunity to minister to the masses unlike any generation prior.

The laws seem to be changing daily, what we can't control it would seem we legalize; from gay rights, marijuana and the recent health care initiative...how will you encourage the church to

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maintain what God says verses what the world says?

We must continue to uphold the biblical standard - regardless of the winds of political persuasions or popular opinions. When we keep Christ at the center of our ministry, we have a firm foundation on which to stand. Having said that, the Church must be careful that we do not shut ourselves off completely from the world. We cannot effect change if we are not willing to engage. When we engage the culture, we can help change the culture.

How do you not compromise your core values, as you are being elevated to a higher authority within the body of Christ?

I do not believe that elevation is a threat to my core values at all. Elevation does not change our identity, it only changes our assignment. My core values will not be compromised because of my elevation. In fact, I am being elevated partly because of my core values.

As leaders in ministry, if you could embark upon this journey all over again? What would you do differently to show proficiency in leading others in Christ?

I don't know that there are many things I would do differently. We have been blessed to lead a vibrant congregation for over eight years now. When we got here the church had been wounded and was struggling. There were only about 40 people in worship on a Sunday, and there was little to no money in the church coffers. Now, nearly nine years later, we see many signs of positive growth. We average nearly 3 times the amount of people in weekly worship than when we got here, and by God's grace and the help of a committed congregation, we have been able to achieve some great things.

Instead of focusing on what we could have done differently in the past, I get excited thinking about what we can achieve in the future. I believe that God has poised our church for amazing growth and to make a tremendous impact in our community and beyond. We truly are becoming "The Church Committed to Do MORE", and I do believe that the best is yet to come!

How will your understanding of personal and professional boundaries affect your practice of ministry; as well as your elevation into the office of Bishop?

Boundaries are an important part of any leader's life. I try to maintain proper boundaries in my professional as well as in my personal life. These will not change with my elevation to the bishopric. I understand that my first priority is my relationship with God, then my family. Everything else is a distant third - including ministry. As I often tell other pastors, "Your marriage is more important than my ministry, and my children are more important than your church." I try to live by these words and make sure that my family know that while I am called to be a pastor, I was created to be a husband and a father. This cannot be done successfully without setting and maintaining proper boundaries.

Co -Pastor Victoria, as Bishop Designate Hanchell prepares himself for this elevation, how will you help him in the balancing act of life- Father, Husband, Bishop, Author, Chaplain, Speaker, Preacher, etc?

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Pastor Hanchell and I have been married through several transitions including his transition of holding a masters degree t to earning a Ph.D., transitioning from an elder to senior pastor, from a senior pastor to the General Secretary of our organization (MCHCA, incorporated), and as the International Youth and Young Adult President for MCHCA. Throughout these transitions he has maintained his employment as a chaplain, became an author of two books, all while being a father to his children and a wonderful spouse to me. As I have done in the past, I will continue to flourish as his help-meet. I will assist him by helping him meet the needs of whatever he faces because he is my husband.

What has changed about you since you first became the Pastor/Co-Pastor of MCHCWS?

Well, one thing is that I have a few more gray hairs on top of my head :-)

On a serious note, I don't know that I can point to any one area in which I have changed. I can only say that overall I have grown, and growth equals change. I heard a quote recently from Winston Churchill that says, "To grow is to change, and to perfect is to change often."

Co-Pastor Victoria's Response:

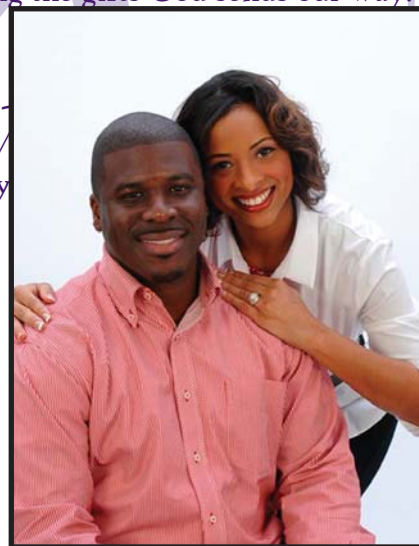
One thing that has changed is my ability to slow down in my method of implementation. When we first came to Winston Salem, NC we had a plan of action for one month, three months, six months.. etc..When we arrived, we quickly tossed the plan aside because we had to learn and love on the people of rather than focus on the implementation of a six-month action plan. I am very task-oriented in my leadership approach, both in ministry and in the secular arena, but I have slightly(:) enhanced my leadership approach to become somewhat more relationship-driven.

If you had the ability to instantly change on thing about the ministry what would it be?

One thing we constantly strive to do better with is our discipleship and retention. I would love to see us strengthen our follow-up procedures and do a better job of retaining the gifts God sends our way.

Co-Pastor Victoria's Reponse:

We would be on TV for a weekly broadcast! We would have the appropriate lighting, duplication of our services, voiceover for the intro/outro and more! The ability to televise our services both nationally and internationally would be what I would instantly change. Our pastor is a phenomenal preacher and the world must hear his voice. I believe TV is part of the way to communicate the message that the Lord has given to him and win more souls to Christ.



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Co-Pastor Victoria Reflects



Years ago, while a member at Greater Mount Calvary Holy Church in Washington DC, our International First Lady Co-pastor Susie, made the following statement that is forever etched in my mind: “It is one thing to attain, it is a totally different thing to maintain.”

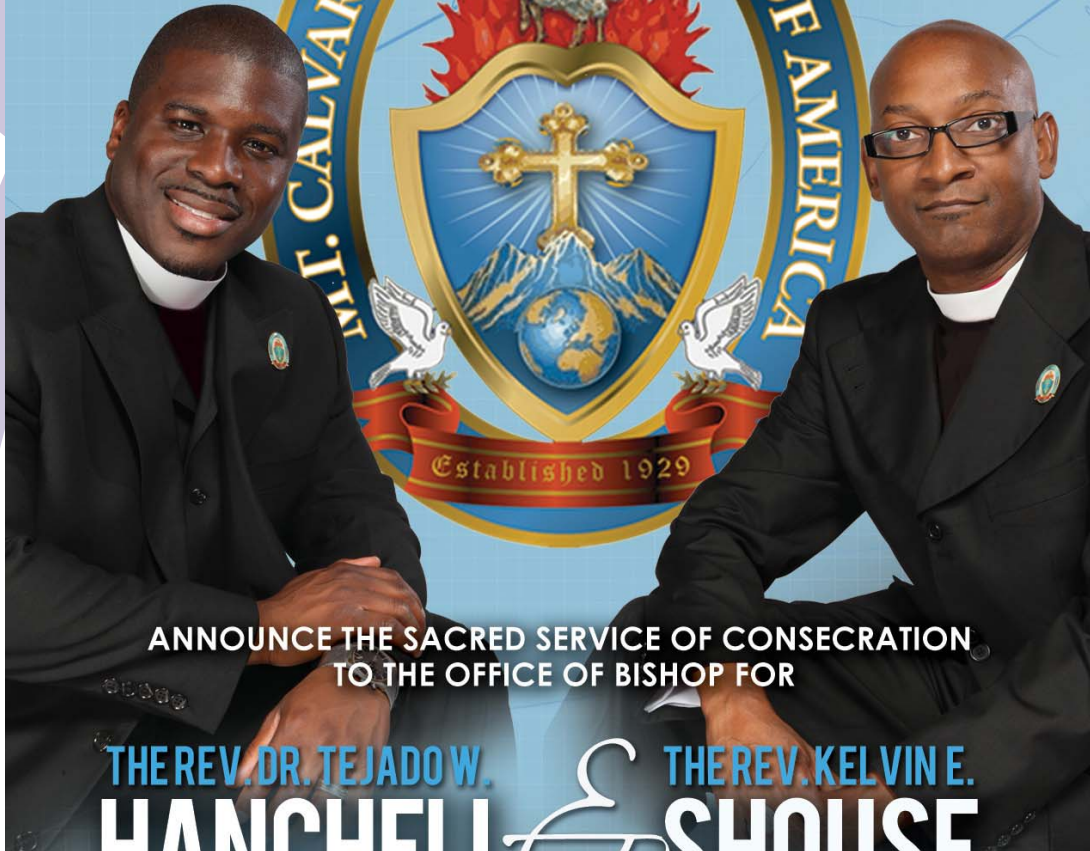
As the Lord has afforded Pastor Hanchell and I with several opportunities of elevation, it has been customary for me to look forward with excitement, but to dedicate more time to reflection. With elevation there should be reflection. For me, elevation is a time to look back over the previous lessons learned because God has allowed me to attain certain levels, but it is through knowledge and wisdom that I am able to maintain that which I acquire.

I have always prayed that as God opens doors for Bishop - Designate Hanchell and I, that we will maintain that which God places in our hands. God has honored My request. So upon arrival to Winston-Salem, NC, we attained a church that had a few dollars in savings and an average of 40 church attenders. Over the course of 8 years we see an average of 125-150 persons per Sunday, never missed a mortgage payment on the church, we have 4 persons on staff, and been able to maintain our property while making several upgrades in our facility (parking lot pavement, AV equipment, etc...). God has allowed us to attain and maintain.

While maintaining the ministry here in Winston-Salem, there are personal growth lessons I have learned... So many lessons in fact, I have written a book that will be launched in May 2014 called WOW: Women of Wisdom -24 Karat Nuggets of Wisdom. This is a book that I detail nuggets of wisdom and lessons learned that were illuminated in my mind during personal times of reflection. One lesson included in this book is, “Listen with your left ear”- this means criticism will come and yes you should listen to some critics...but only listen partially (listen with your left ear) because you never want to take all of the negative comments into “both ears” because it could paralyze your productivity... And ain’t nobody got time for being paralyzed in our productivity!

So when elevation comes, reflection is key because it helps to mentally sort “how we got over”, and how we overcame, so as we ascend to the next level we can be elevated with the confidence of knowing that if God allowed us to maintain in our previous level, that he will do the same and even greater in the next season we are walking into! I give God all of the glory for which he has done and what he will do through us!

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Like Father Like Mother

Interview with Bishop Walt and Elder Minalee Hanchell

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Thank you for taking time out of your schedules to answer a few questions about Bishop-Designate Hanchell!

The Bible tells us “Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is older, he will not depart from it.” Clearly, your son and our Bishop-Designate are living proof that you have done just that. He is a man of faith and walks in love daily. You must be very proud of him. It would seem that he has truly dotted all the i's and crossed all the t's perfectly from the selection of Co-Pastor Victoria, two beautiful children, well educated and well rounded, as well as having a thriving ministry. As parents, I would think this is very pleasing to you. As he is elevated, we wanted to just take this time to get to know a little more about the man behind the robe and get some insight on how you feel about his current elevation. (JK. McRae)

What are your hopes and dreams for the future of the first family?

We see their gifts continuing to make room for them and doors opening up for them around the world.

When did you first realize Bishop-Designate Hanchell had a call on his life?

When he was 4 years old, he came home from school and said that he accepted Jesus as Lord of his life. When he was 7, we were at a church service and the preacher said that she felt led for a young person to come up and minister to people who were sick. Without any delay or prompting by anyone, he went up and began touching people's foreheads and they were falling out under the power of God! Afterwards, we got testimonies that people of people being healed whom he prayed for!

What's the funniest moment you can remember from his childhood?

This is not a moment in particular, but our son always liked to dress up! No matter where he was going as a child, he was dressed to impress. There was one thing in particular that he felt like he always had to add to his outfit.....cowboy boots! He wore those cowboy boots EVERYWHERE, even at home.

What do you remember about Bishop Designate Hanchell's 1st sermon and how did you feel as a parent.



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a spirit of excellence, passion for souls, he is a student of the Word, and a person of order and discipline. Furthermore, he is an intercessor and has compassion for the hurting and the youth. It was our job as parents to train him up in a godly manner and we are grateful to God that these characteristics were instilled in him. We are blessed with an amazing son.

We are just so grateful to God for the example we see him setting as a wonderful husband and father. Ministry begins at home and he takes great care of his family. We admonish him to continue his wonderful balance. Son, we are excited about what God is doing and will do in your life. We love you.



He delivered a powerful sermon on dreams. It was a very proud moment for us because he was young and focused.

How do you feel about him being elevated to the position of bishop?

We are very grateful to God. We feel great joy, celebration and excitement about what God has done and what He is about to do. We know that this elevation is only because of God. I see God honoring faithfulness because he is very diligent and passionate about what he does. He's an example of how God honors faithfulness.

Dad- As a pastor yourself, how does it make you feel to see your son following in your footsteps?

I am very proud of my son and thankful that God is using him so mightily. To God be the glory!

As a mom what spiritual characteristics do you see in your son that you definitely know come from your husband and which come from you?

It's hard to distinguish because my husband and I possess many of the same spiritual qualities. Therefore I will say some of the qualities I think that he gets from both of us. We are blessed to see that he has wisdom,

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The Voice Of Wisdom Elder Catherine France, Speaks

by Latasha Barr



From the first time I met Bishop Designate Hanchel, I could sense that he had the same spirit as our church founder, the late Bishop Brumfield Johnson.

I have always marveled at the level of wisdom he possess to be such a young man. Over the years, I have seen him grow in his spiritual life and in the level of revelation in his preaching. He is not only a preacher, he is also a Pastor. He has such a caring heart and thinks with the best interest of the people in mind. Having a Pastors heart also makes him a great leader.

I think the time is right for him to be elevated and I truly believe he is a deserving candidate. I fully support his elevation and I stand behind him 100%. I would like to see us all encourage and support him by following his vision. It is my prayer that God will give him strength for the next stage of his journey.

A Letter From "THE BEV" our very on Minister Beverly Miller



"And I will give you shepherds according to my heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding."
Jeremiah 3:15

Congratulations, Pastor Tejado Walter Hanchell, on your elevation to Bishop. I thank God for you. For eight years, I have seen you grow in all aspects of a shepherd, teacher, mentor, Intercessor, father and more. I have learned so much from your teaching and preaching. Your messages have given me the stability to fight and the desire to maintain the word in my heart, mind and soul. You have inspired me to stand in spite of all obstacles in my life and press onward in the assignment that God has given me.

I am grateful for the compassion that you have shown me and my family. I thank God for your commitment to the ministry. You have been there for me in good times, bad times and the hard times. During those times you encourage me to go on and not to give up. Thank you for allowing me to do ministry in this local assembly and for providing the tools and training for me to do it in the spirit of excellence.

I pray that this next level of your journey will take you deeper into the things of God and the fullness of his promises concerning your life. I pray that the Holy Spirit will lead, guide and inspire you to do great things for the ministry. Continue to teach, preach, inspire, mentor, and most of all continue to LOVE the people of God.
God Bless You always.

The Hanchell Children Speak on the Office Of Bishop

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Anyone who knows Pastor Hanchell knows that he holds his family near and dear to his heart. He takes the role of being a husband and father very seriously. From the weekly family nights, to an annual Valentine's Day Dinner with his Princess Zaria, or lunch with his Prince Zion, Pastor Hanchell makes sure that his wife and children are his top priority.

As Pastor Hanchell prepares himself for his elevation into the position of Bishop, his Princess Zaria and Prince Zion wanted their dad to know how proud they are of him and what he means to them. So in a combined interview with Minister Nathan Munford and me, the Hanchell siblings were able to share their feelings.

Sister Sohanna: What makes your dad a special guy?

Zaria: *He's a Man of God and he writes a lot of books. He's the best dad in the whole world. My daddy works a lot but he still has daddy time with us.*

Zion: *Having lots of money. (He smiled during this answer ;-)) He's the best dad in the whole sea.*

Sister Sohanna: Why do you like being his daughter?

Zaria: *He loves on me. I know that he really cares for me*

Sister Sohanna: Why do you like being his son?

Zion: *He takes care of me and treats me special*

Minister Munford: How do you feel about your dad becoming a Bishop?

Zaria: *Good. We have to go to the store to get a lot of things*

Zion: *Good*

Minister Munford: What else do you want your dad to achieve?

Zaria: *making lots of money and writing a lot of books so that he can buy me one hundred dolls*

Zion: *I want my dad to preach good and buy stuff for me.*

Sister Sohanna : As your dad becomes a Bishop, what special words would you like to tell him?

Zaria: *I love you and you are really special*

Zion: *You are a great Bishop and I know you will do a great job!!!*

As you can tell from the interview, Zaria and Zion love and adore their father. They know the importance of his role as a father and role model. The smiles on their faces as they talked about their dad spoke volumes to their love and respect for him. Zaria and Zion want their dad to be successful in all areas of life and I know Pastor Hanchell wants the same for them.



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Tamaila Talks Brotherly Love



What is your most memorable, touching moment you can share as his sister?

Wow. It's hard to only choose one! I have so many great memories with my big brother! Please oblige me as I share two touching moments. The first moment I will share occurred when I had a medical complication after a routine surgery. I was living in Louisiana at that time. Without me even asking or hinting that he come to be with me, he drove NON-STOP from North Carolina to Louisiana to look out and take care of his little sister! He's always there when I need him! Another memory is when he mailed me a signed copy of his #DearSingleSister book and I also saw that he dedicated the book to me! I burst into tears! That really touched me because I value what hesays so much.

Can you share his family nickname?

Well my parents (but mainly my dad) call him Bo (pronounced Boe). I prefer to call him "Ma-ma's boy." HA!

Share your thoughts about your brother being elevated to the position of bishop?

Simply put, I'm proud. God has honored him for his faithfulness and I am very excited to witness this elevation in his life! He has accomplished so much by God's grace at such an early age. I'm looking forward to celebrating with him!

Having a brother and not being close to him, I marvel at the relationship you two have...what are some key reasons you feel that relationship is so solid for you two?

Our parents have done an outstanding job at teaching us the importance of family. We never lost that value so physical distance has not altered our love and care for each other. Besides that, we tease and laugh at each other a lot. There's so much fun when we get together! Humor and love keeps us united despite our distance.

Final Thoughts

I'm truly honored to be the little sister of such an exceptional man of God! His integrity speaks for itself and his wisdom is far beyond his years. I have looked up to my big brother all my life. I know that God will continue to elevate him because he is humble and has a heart for God's people. The best is now! I love you "big bredda!"



Consecration Weekend At-A- Glance

Pre Consecration Service

Date & Time: Friday, March 28th @ 7:30 pm

Location:

**Mount Calvary Holy Church of Winston Salem, NC
930 East 14th Street, Winston Salem, NC 27105**

Speaker: Arch-Bishop Alfred A. Owens

Attire: Church Attire

Consecration Service

**The service will be held at: Union Baptist Church, 1200 North Trade Street Winston-Salem, NC 27101 Phone
336.724.9305**

Time: Processional Begins at 10:30, Services begins promptly at 11:00

**IMPORTANT: Arrive early special seating will begin at 9am. No seating will be allowed during the major proces-
sional at the beginning of the service.**

Attire:

First Ladies: All White with White Hats

Clergy: Hi-Attire Choir Dress (Those Persons participating in the ceremony should wear High Attire)

Guest and friends: Conservative – Church/Business Attire.

Induction ceremony

***NOTE: There will be an Induction Ceremony prior to the Consecration Service. This is a private ceremony bish-
ops, pastors, elders, ministers and family ONLY.**

Time: 9:00am, seating will begin at 8:30am.

All clergy should be dressed in civic attire.

Banquet

Location:

**Embassy Suites Hotel Winston-Salem
460 N Cherry St, Winston-Salem, NC, 27101, US**

Time: 3pm

Ticket Price:

\$50.00 Per Person

\$400 Table of 8

Attire: Conservative – Church/Business Attire.

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OVERCAME HIM BY THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB AND
BY THE WORD OF THEIR TESTIMONY....."

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Calendar of Events

MARCH 9TH

Family & Friends' Day. Invite guest to join us during our 10am worship and our 4pm Old Skool Concert!

MARCH GLADNESS 12-14TH @ 7:30pm.
Dynamic lineup of speakers you don't want to miss.

MARCH 16TH

Baby Dedications will be performed during our 10:00am worship

MARCH 28TH

PreConsecration service @ 7:30pm with guest speaker Arch-Bishop Alfred Owens

MARCH 29TH

Sacred Consecration services for Bishop-Designate Hanchell at 11am. Services will be held at Union Baptist Church.

MARCH 29TH

Consecration Banquet @ 3pm. Tickets on sale for \$50. Final purchase date is March 21st.



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