

**Greater Tabernacle Baptist Church** began as the “Goodwill Community Circle” in 1953 in the home of the late Rev. J. W. Tate. In 1954, Rev. J. W. Tate was elected Pastor and we began our regular Sunday Worship Services at 1:00pm in the building of a local church. Rev J.W. Tate retired a year later but remained our spiritual advisor until February 13, 1962 when the Lord called him home from labor to reward. On January 3, 1965, God answered our prayer for a place of worship that we could call our own and we moved to our present location at 340 Convent Avenue, in the heart of Harlem, New York.

During these many years of Christian service, we have been led by the following God-fearing, spirit-filled Ministers of the Gospel: the late Rev. J.W. Tate (founder), the late Rev. J.C. Noble, the late Rev. S.D. Herring (son of our Church), the late Rev. Felix Norris, the late Rev. William E. Lee, Rev. James B. Barnwell, Rev. Rodney L. McLaughlin and our current spiritual leader, Rev. Jeffrey M. Crenshaw.

Today our Church family includes Pastor Crenshaw, Minister Patricia Wilson, Minister NiKisha Turner, Minister Clement James, Jr., and the following ministries: Diaconate, Trustee, Missionary, Ushers, Prayer Band, Scholarship and Education, Pastor’s Aide, Food Pantry, Community Outreach, Nurses, Special Forces Youth Ministry, Christian Education, Praise and Worship Team, Praise Dance Teams, and a music ministry which includes the Voices of Tabernacle, John Howard Male Chorus, Women’s Ministry Choir, and Youth Choir.

We thank God for smoothing out the rough road, lowering the high mountains, raising the low valley, and making our dark path bright. Today we lift our voices and our hearts in praise, honor, love, and gratitude to a faithful God.

It is our prayer that we will conduct ourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that we may stand firm in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel (Philippians 1:27) as we, the Pastor and members of Greater Tabernacle Baptist Church continue to glorify God in our worship, our work and our witness.

**To God Be The Glory For The Great Things He Has Done, Is Doing  
And Shall Do In And Through The Greater Tabernacle Baptist Church Family!**