

Biography - Pastor Stephen Andrew Tillett I



Stephen Andrew Tillett was born and reared in Washington, D.C. He graduated from St. John's College High School in Washington. He received a B.A. from the School of Government and Public Administration at The American University, and attended the Howard University School of Divinity and received the Master's of Divinity degree.

He has served as the pastor of First United Methodist Church (UMC), Bradbury Heights in Washington, D.C. (1990-96) He also served as the pastor of Petworth UMC also in Washington. (1992-96)

After serving these two churches, Rev. Tillett was appointed as pastor of Mt. Zion UMC in Baltimore, MD in July 1996.

Pastor Tillett was commissioned as a Chaplain in the Air National Guard in December 1996. Lt Col Tillett served as the Wing Chaplain for the 113th Air Wing, which is located at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland, where he functioned as the senior pastor for a "congregation" of over eleven hundred men and women. In May of 2012, Lt Col Tillett transferred to the US Air Force Reserve as an IMA (Individual Mobilization Augmentee) to the Wing Chaplain at the 4th Fighter Wing at Seymour Johnson AFB in Goldsboro, NC. In 2013, Chaplain Tillett was assigned as the Senior IMA Chaplain in a Special Duty Assignment at Arlington National Cemetery, where he served until his retirement on 1 January 2017.

In July 2004, Rev. Tillett was appointed as the pastor of Asbury Broadneck UMC in Annapolis, MD. During his tenure he has served as the president of the Annapolis Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance (AIMA) and president of the Anne Arundel County Branch of the NAACP. He was also selected to be one of three members on the Community Editorial Board for the *Capital/Gazette Newspaper* in 2014.

His first book, *Stop Falling for the Okeydoke: How the Lie of "Race" Continues to Hinder Our Country* is scheduled for publication this year.

He has been blessed by God with three children, Drew (Stephen A. II) an aspiring musician and music producer, and Lena (Charlena), who is a reporter and weekday morning news anchor for WRAL Fox 50 in Raleigh, North Carolina. He and his wife, Sherita, are the proud parents of Sophia Grace.