

Pastor Ramon G. Powell, Sr. Biography

Bishop Ramon G. Powell, Sr. is the Pastor and Founder of God's Family Christian Center (GFCC) Ministries in San Antonio, Texas. Bishop Powell was ordained a Bishop and elected as an Executive Director for the United Pastors' Alliance International in February 2010. Bishop Powell has been serving faithfully in ministry since 1992. He has been involved in many facets of ministry: assistant pastor, children, youth, men's Bible study, Sunday school, church administrator, treasurer, and many other duties with several churches. He received much of his training while serving at the chapel services at Elmendorf and Bolling Air Force Bases. He was licensed by the Agape Worship Center in Anchorage, Alaska in 1999. He met the ordination board in February 2002 and was formally recognized and ordained by the governing board of Pastors with the Apostolic Ministries International, Incorporated. Bishop Powell is a gifted leader, manager, and administrator with a myriad of talents and spiritual gifts. He loves serving people by ministering to their spiritual and physical needs. He is an avid supporter of ministries seeking to win the lost at all cost. He believes that all believers are born to be lenders and not borrowers. In 2001, Bishop Powell created the Managing Money God's Way, a living Debt-Free Bible study, to teach believers the importance of tithing, budgeting, and being good stewards of the all the things God has blessed them with. His multiple workshops opened the eyes of many believers and have impacted their lives by the many testimonials he received.

While born and raised in the Church, he knew that God had great plans for him. On a Wednesday night in 1988, while in prayer, Bishop Powell received a divine revelation of who the "true" God really is. God revealed to him a holy calling that he will never forget. He ran with the Word with great zealously and diligence, until a wilderness experience left him faithless and despondent. The God that once held his heart, to him, had become distant and unimportant. He had lost his hope and became a run-away; searching for answers in the world instead of the Word. After several years of looking for God in places He could not be found, he purposed in his heart to turn back to his first love and rekindle the fire and passion of a God who had protected him from the snares of the enemy. He chose God instead of the world and vowed he would not let go of God again. God allowed him to overcome the test and battles of the devil and promised him every place and everything he touched would become gold. He was reminded of all the promises and truths of the Word of God and wanted to act on each of them. He accepted the purpose and will of God for his life and has been running for Jesus Christ ever since.

In December 1997, while sitting in the living room of his house, the Holy Spirit spoke to him and informed him to go back to school and finish what he started 15 years prior. The very next day he enrolled at Wayland Baptist University to pursue completion of his undergraduate studies. Two years later in 2000, he earned an undergraduate degree in Business Administration. He did not sense the Spirit leading him to stop; therefore while awaiting graduation ceremonies he enrolled in a master's program at the University of Laverne in California. In May 2001, he successfully completed his graduate degree in Business Organizational Management and Human Resource Development. He taught collegiate courses as an Adjunct Professor at Central Texas College, while obtaining additional training in ministry development, program management, information management, church leadership, pastoral methodologies and theories, and pastoral care and counseling.

Bishop Powell received his early education in the public school system in Nashville, Tennessee. After graduation in 1983, he attended Tennessee State University (TSU) on an academic scholarship, majoring in Engineering. After attending TSU for three years, he became bored of school and decided to leave school to serve his country, thereby enlisted in the Air Force in May 1986. Bishop Powell served 20 years in the United States Air Force—retired in June 2006. He traveled abroad to many countries and shared the gospel with many nationalities. He is diverse in many cultures and understands the purpose for which he is now called. The military further enforced discipline in him and helped garner the values instilled in him by his mother—Grace Powell.

In 1980, he met a beautiful young lady that caught his attention who seven years later would become his wife—Renette Williams. He has been married to Lady Renette Powell for 23 1/2 years and they have three children: LaQuisha (26), Ramon, Jr. (22) and Chaya (5).