

From Pastor

Dear Present and Future Passage Leaders:

It is with great joy that we share with you an amazing vision God gave me nearly 30 years ago. The vision to create a ministry with the sole purpose of pouring Jesus into our youth in every aspect of their pre-teen development until they complete high school. I am grateful for your faithfulness and cooperation as leaders of the Passage Ministry.

God continues to bless us in so many ways and I do not take that for granted and neither should you. I am appreciative to you, the leaders, for your willingness and commitment to pray, study, teach, promote, participate and support the fulfillment of my vision for the Passage Ministry. God is using us individually and collectively for His glory and our good! My prayer is that we would become intentional about seeing and experiencing transformation in our individual lives and in the life of the Union Chapel Church Family collectively!

This is exciting for us and may God richly bless and keep you is my prayer.

*Your Servant Leader,
Pastor O. Wendell Davis*

For more information about the Passage, visit our website:
https://unionchapel-hsv.org/unionchapel/passage_ministry

Passage Leaders

Phase I Boys:

Minister Theromiles Flowers

Phase I Girls:

Ms. Jeanette Eatman
Mrs. Annette Biddle

Phase II Boys:

Minister Harold Weatherly

Phase II Girls:

Ms. Candice Howell
Mrs. Betty Collins

Phase III Combined:

Deacon Kevin McGhaw
Mrs. Mae Martin

Phase IV Combined:

Minister Broderick McDaniel, Jr.
Mrs. Norma Reeves

Phase V Combined:

Minister Marquis Thompson
Ms. Richette Brison-Harris

Passage Ministry Coordinator:

Mrs. Cassandra Pitts, 256-479-5357

Deacons Assigned to the Passage Ministry:

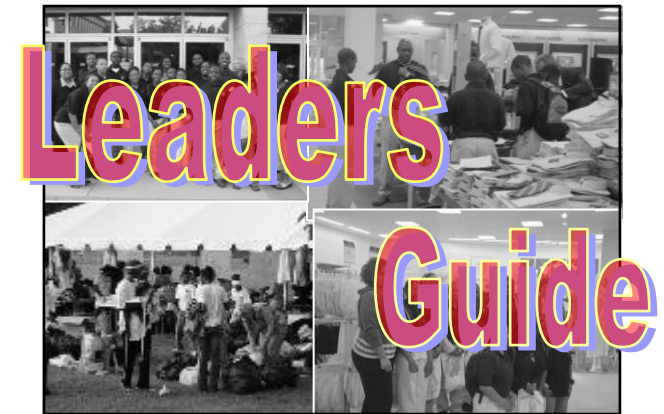
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*Transforming Boys and Girls to
Men and Women*



2023-2024

***Celebrating the Dawn
of a New Season***

What is Passage?

The Passage is the fulfillment of an amazing vision God gave Pastor Davis to challenge, mold and prepare youth for young adulthood. In the vision, Pastor saw Union Chapel youth (referred to in the Ministry as candidates) and their parents or guardians committing to a journey through the *Passage* each year for up to five consecutive years. The journey is filled with fun-learning activities, educational opportunities, and exposure to our city, state and country through discipline and a spiritually enriched curriculum.

Why become a Passage Leader?

One Sunday morning in 2006, Pastor Davis shared his vision from the pulpit to an awaiting congregation. The vision touched the heart of laborers who are committed and dedicated to work with our youth. Through sacrifice and prayer, Pastor created gender-specific and age-appropriate handbooks that are broken down by modules. If you are called and led by the Holy Spirit to work with our youth in the Passage Ministry, prayerfully accept your calling to work in this amazing ministry.

How to become a Passage Leader?

Through prayer and guidance by the Holy Spirit you can become a Passage leader (instructor, worker or coordinator). Once you are burdened to work with the Passage youth, contact the Passage coordinator for additional information.

What are the Leadership Roles?

Instructors and Workers

- Prepare for class by studying the Bible, praying and being led by the Holy Spirit.
- Use the Bible, secondary resource and handbook to instruct the candidates.
- Participate in activities outside of the classroom to develop a relationship with the candidates and their parents.
- Attend meetings called by the Pastor, Deacons, Youth Minister, Instructors, Workers and/or Coordinator.
- Maintain open dialogue with candidates and their parents.

Youth Minister in Relation to Passage

- Responsible for ensuring the activities outlined in the Passage handbooks are followed according to Pastor's vision.
- Provide spiritual guidance and assistance to the coordinator.

Deacons in Relation to Passage

- Responsible for approving and disapproving expenditures and ensuring activities outlined in the Passage handbooks are followed according to Pastor's vision for the Passage.
- Serve as the ministry point of contact for the Pastor.
- Serve as the approving authority on questions and concerns raised in the Passage Ministry.

Coordinator

- Meet annually with Pastor or his designee, and the instructors and workers to understand inspired plans for the upcoming year.
- Develop and maintain an annual Passage-year calendar that highlights class times, activities and events.
- Maintain and update the Passage website.
- Serve as the ministry point of contact for all communications from Pastor, Deacons, Youth Minister, leaders, parents and candidates, and others interested in the Passage.
- Coordinate activities, including trips and pre- and post-Passage ceremony with assistance from the instructors and workers.
- Submit expense reports and budget requests to Deacons.
- Communicate frequently to parents, candidates, and leaders upcoming activities, and timely reminders.
- Order Passage materials (resources, backpacks, shirts, etc.).
- Participate in activities outside of the classroom and develop a relationship with the candidates and their parents.
- Attend meetings called by the Pastor, Deacons, Youth Minister, Instructors and/or Workers.
- Maintain open dialogue with candidates and their parents and be available to answer questions.