

Biographical Sketch

The Reverend Shaun Ellison Jones

The Reverend Shaun Ellison Jones is ninth Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries for the Baptist General Convention of Virginia, where he provides statewide leadership for over 1000 churches and 30 associations in Virginia. Prior to serving at Baptist General Convention Reverend Jones served as the Minister of Children & Youth Ministries for the Mount Hope Baptist Church, Fredericksburg for 4 years and the Saint Mark Baptist Church, Maidens for 2 years.

Rev. Shaun Ellison Jones is a native of Saint Louis, Missouri, born to the Reverend Dr. Sammie Earl and Sandra Elaine Jones. Reverend Jones accepted Christ as his Lord and Savior at an early age and grew up in the Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church-Christian Complex where his father serves as the Senior Pastor. Reverend Jones was licensed at the tender age of seventeen to preach the gospel in 1999 and ordained in 2005.

Reverend Jones graduated from the Cardinal Ritter College Prep High School in the city of Saint Louis. He received his Bachelors of Arts in Religious Studies & Philosophy from Virginia Union University. While at Virginia Union, he was blessed with many worthwhile accomplishments. He was inducted into the Community of Scholars, served as Vice-President of the Student Government Association, recorded an album as a member of the Virginia Union University Concert Choir, and was heavily involved in campus ministry.

In 2007 Reverend Jones received his Master of Divinity from the Samuel Dewitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University. Reverend Jones serves a faculty member for the National Baptist Convention USA Inc.'s Congress of Christian Education; he is also proud member of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated, the Richmond Minister's Conference of Richmond and Vicinity, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the Young Alumni Society of Virginia Union University, and the Historic Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church in the city of Richmond.

Since his arrival at the Baptist General Convention of Virginia, the convention has developed in partnership with Virginia Union University a ten thousand dollar scholarship for incoming students from Baptist General Convention member churches, established the E.M.P.I.R.E. Student Leadership Program, and implemented several new annual events; the I'm Worth It: a Teen Abstinence conference, the Stomp the Yard: College Fair & Forum, and the Young Adult Conference.