

REGISTRATION FORM
2010 Women's Retreat - ARKANSAS
Keynote Speaker: Debra Matthews
August 6-8, 2010

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Pastor Debra Ann Matthews is a native of Tuscaloosa, Alabama. She is the eldest child of David (deceased) & Pearlie Matthews. Along with her sister Theresa, and brother David, she confessed Christ at an early age, and became a member of the Tabernacle Baptist Church where the Rev. Dr. E. J. James, Jr., was the pastor.

Pastor Debra became active in the church at an early age and attributes the "spiritual direction" she received there as the foundation for her personal growth and development. She became a Sunday school teacher at the age of twelve, and considers Christian Education and Spiritual Formation primary aspects of her call to God's Ministry. For her, Christian Education and Evangelism are two sides of the same coin, and she has a zeal for both. She is a preacher, teacher, musician and educator. She considers herself a "Renaissance Woman" who is prepared to use all of her gifts to glorify God.

Pastor Debra graduated from Druid High School in Tuscaloosa, Alabama in 1974, and immediately began her studies at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. She was a communications major, member of the Afro-American Association Gospel Choir, and was inducted into Phi-Tau-Chi, a religious honorary in 1976. Pastor Debra later attended and graduated Summa cum Laude from Memphis Theological Seminary with a Masters of Divinity in May of 2005. She is currently pursuing a Doctor of Ministry at Memphis Theological Seminary, where she is also employed as an Admissions Associate.

Pastor Debra has been blessed with her own "sons of thunder," namely Joshua, David (Latjuanna), and Josiah. She has a beautiful daughter Atia (Jarvis) and is also the proud "Grand-Debra" of Daveon, Derrod, Jarvis, Jamaris, Kabreia, Déjà, Blakely, Janadas and Victor.

"My Soul's Desire," a song recorded by Denise Williams, best describes Pastor Debra's dedication to ministry:

*"My soul's desire, is to serve You Lord
To do Your Perfect will
To work each day and build Your Kingdom
This is my soul's desire."*