

# **Bishop Clarence E. McClendon, Ph.D.**

## **Biography**

Clarence E. McClendon was born and raised in Decatur, Illinois and began preaching at age fifteen. He assumed his first pastorate at age nineteen and today serves as the Senior Pastor of Church of the Full Harvest International, a rapidly growing global, multi-cultural congregation. Under the “umbrella” Clarence E. McClendon Ministries (C.E.M.M.), Inc., Dr. McClendon is Founder and President of the Siloam Bible College and Clarence E. McClendon Leadership Institute, dedicated to “Empowering 21<sup>st</sup> Century Leaders of Today With a Vision for Tomorrow;” and The Full Harvest Network of Church Ministries and Entrepreneurs. C.E.M.M. is an enterprise that encompasses weekly national and international broadcasts and international ministry crusades. Currently more than 160 million homes have access to C.E.M.M. broadcasts through North America, Europe, Africa, South America and the Middle East. Bishop McClendon also hosts Gathering Force Crusades – annual conferences held in major cities across America that draw in excess of 10,000 people to each location throughout the year.

Dr. McClendon serves on the Bishop’s Council of the Full Gospel Baptist Church Fellowship in charge of Fellowship Relations, and he has accepted a seat on the College of Bishops of the International Communion of Charismatic Churches, both of which are interdenominational fellowships where he continues to build a reputation as a force for reconciliation and harmony across ethnic, denominational, generational and geographic lines. He also serves as a board member of the [Do Something Foundation](#), a think-tank of some of America’s top young leaders, and as a California Regent for President Bush’s Faith Based Initiative Faith Center. As a voice of authority regarding some of society’s most pressing issues, he has appeared on the CBS Evening News with Dan Rather, Nightline on ABC and Black Entertainment Television.

As an accomplished author, he has penned *The X Blessing* and *And When You Pray: The Key to Accessing the Presence of God* with other book projects forthcoming. His musical accolades include the Stellar Award nominated CD “Shout Hallelujah” which debuted on the Billboard’s top ten listing for Gospel music.