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Envisioning The Future Ministry Of Criminal Justice Exceptionally Ephesians 4:1-6

Harold & Doris Simmons, National Commissioners

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HAROLD L. SIMMONS

Harold L. Simmons is a born again Christian who loves the Lord. He is a man who lives and exemplifies Christ in his everyday life. He is totally committed to the Biblical Manhood Ministry of working with Men and Boys.

In January 2015, Dr. Jerry Young, President of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., appointed Harold L. Simmons, "National Commissioner" of the "National Baptist Criminal Justice Commission". Prior to this appointment, he served fourteen (14) years as the President of the National Baptist Laymen's Movement, an auxiliary of the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. He has actively served in various capacities in the Laymen Movement for over forty years. Harold served on the Kansas State level as: Laymen President, Special Assistant, Treasurer, and various positions in the Kaw Valley District Association.

Harold L. Simmons has been a member of the Eighth Street Baptist Church of Kansas City, Kansas for fifty (50) plus years. He has served in many positions at the Church; Laymen President, Secretary of the Deacons Ministry, Church Administrator, Sunday School Teacher and many other Servant Leadership positions. He is currently Chairman of the Deacons Ministry.

On Simmons professional level, he retired from the Kansas City, Kansas Police Department after more than twenty-nine (29) years of service. He worked in various positions within the Police Department: Assistant to the Police Chief as the liaison to the Community, Director of Community Relations, D.A.R.E Instructor, Homicide, Juvenile, Assaults, Robbery, Fraud, and Community Policing, to name a few. He has received extensive training from Law Enforcement Schools and Seminars.

Harold L. Simmons has been the recipient of many outstanding achievement awards such as: Kansas City, Kansas Outstanding Leadership 2000 Alumni Award, Dorothy B. Davis Outstanding Citizen Award, Outstanding Man of the Year by the Fifth Episcopal District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and many others. One of Simmons most valued achievement is the John L. Webb award that honors the National Baptist Laymen's Movement Outstanding Laymen of the Year. He is also a life member of the NAACP.

Harold L. Simmons is a graduate of Wyandotte High School in Kansas City, Kansas; Kansas City, Kansas Community College with an Associate of Liberal Arts Degree; and Western Baptist Bible College in Kansas City, Missouri with the degrees of "Bachelor of Religious Studies in Biblical Interpretation" and "Master of Religious Studies in Biblical Interpretation". He has completed other Religious Course Work from Midwestern Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Missouri and Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia. Harold was also conferred an "Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters" from Western Baptist Bible College in Kansas City, Missouri.

Harold L. Simmons is married to Doris W. Simmons. They have twin daughters and three grandchildren: Heidi (Charles) Harris grandson Asa and granddaughter Aubrey; Paige Shelborne and granddaughter Payden; and one nephewson, Amanual Winfield (Ebonia) and grandson Kylen.