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Bishop Nominee

Michael Traylor

Vision

My vision is to proclaim an extravagant hope of the loving, life-giving, liberating movement of Jesus and empower, equip, and inspire disciples, leaders, and churches in Holy Spirit-led collaboration.

Skills

- **Enneagram:** 7 with 8 wing
- **Strength Finders:** Strategy, Intellection, Learner, Ideation
- **MBTI:** ENFJ
- **APEST:** Apostolic and Prophetic orientation with Teaching gifts
- **Theological Influences:** Wesleyan-Arminian, Justice-informed, Evangelical-Liberational approaches

Experience

- Superintendent, The River Conference of the FMCUSA (2018–Present)
- Pastor of Discipleship, Garfield Memorial Church, Cleveland, OH (2016–2018)
- Lead Pastor, New Hope Free Methodist Church, Rochester, NY (2008–2014)
- Lead Pastor, Christ Community Fellowship, Twinsburg, OH (2000– 2008)
- Assistant Pastor, Pentecostal Tabernacle United Holy Church, Cleveland, OH (1998–2000)

Education

- Doctor of Ministry Candidate, United Theological Seminary
- Master of Arts in Theology and Social Justice, Northeastern Seminary at Roberts Wesleyan University
- Master of Public Administration, Cleveland State University Levin College of Urban Affairs
- Doctor of Medicine, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine
- Bachelor of Arts, Oberlin College

Family

Wife: Rev. Dr. Amelia Cleveland-Traylor

Children: Matthew and Michaela