



Pastor Dennis K. Butts, Sr.
Senior Staff Pastor, The House of the Lord

Bishop F. Josephus Johnson, Senior Pastor
Presiding Bishop, the Beth-El Fellowship
of Visionary Churches

PASTOR OF VISITATION & SPECIAL MINISTRIES

Personal

He was born and raised in Akron, Ohio to the late Rev. L. Butts Jr. and Mrs. Betty Butts.

He accepted Jesus Christ as Savior at the age of eight.

Grew up in Holy Trinity Church of God in Christ, where his father was founder and pastor.

From a small child to adulthood, he was actively involved in the C.O.G.I.C. on the local, district and state levels.

He has been married 34 years to his childhood sweetheart, Jewrusha Butts. Jewrusha presently works right along her husband in ministry and is intricately involved in Women's Ministry (WWTIC) at The House of The Lord.

They have two adult married sons, Paul Butts (Kena) and Dennis Kelsey Butts, Jr., (Millicent), and two grandchildren, Makaya and Dennis III.

Pastor Butts enjoys gospel music, singing, traveling, skiing, racquetball and conducting seminars in the area of marriage and family, men's retreats, and personal leadership development. But most of all he loves the Lord, his family, the people of God, preaching and teaching the Word of God, experiencing genuine worship and ministering to hurting people at their level of need.

Education

- Graduated from Akron Public School System.
- Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology from Baldwin Wallace College
- Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communication Disorders from Baldwin Wallace College
- Pi Kappa Delta Forensic Honor Fraternity
- Master of Bible Theology from International Bible Institute & Seminary
- Certified Associate Staff trainer with Leadership Dynamics International in the areas of
- Personal Leadership Dynamics, Team Building, and Church Faith Planning.
- Certified by Psychological Publishing to administer the Taylor-Johnson Temperament Analysis
- Certified Grief Recovery Specialist

Ministry

Pastor Butts acknowledged his call to the ministry in August of 1974. In August of 1975, he and his wife joined The House of the Lord, which at that time was a small ministry started by Pastor F. Josephus Johnson, AKA Pastor Joey Johnson. Pastor Butts was ordained as a minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ in April of 1978. In January of 1980, he left his job in the secular world to work full time in the ministry as a staff pastor at the House of the Lord.

Presently, Pastor Butts' pastoral responsibilities at The House of the Lord include: preaching, teaching, counseling, funeral ministry, hospital and home visitation, baptisms, baby dedications, community relations and outreach, men's ministry, fellowship, conference and seminar speaker. He also serves as the Executive Director of Beth-el Fellowship of Visionary Churches where Bishop F. Josephus Johnson serves as the Presiding Bishop.

Over the years, Pastor Butts' ministerial duties have also included the following:

- Head Teacher of Partners In Christ Married Couples Class
- Worship and Praise Leader
- Pastor of Care Group Ministry
- Instructor at Logos Bible Institute

In the community, Pastor Butts serves as the Vice Chairperson on the Board of Directors of Love Akron.

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