



JABARI BUTLER

Jabari Butler is a visionary and innovator. His strong values and belief in God are what fuels his passion and belief that person and organization should seek to display innovation, both in technology and in communication.

JB was born and raised in the Bay area, of the sometimes-challenging neighborhoods and streets in the Oakland area. Through many life lessons, high and lows, JB pressed his way to pursue his bachelor's degree at Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia. JB pressed his way into excelling in college and his profession in technology. Ambitious and determined, with advice from wise teacher and advisors, he pressed on to a career in technology. Through various career stints at Fortune 100 companies, including being an integral part of a technology project team whose contributions in the field are published in Bill Gates' book: *Business @ the Speed of Thought*, Jabari finally accepted his call to ministry. Combining his love of both God and technology, he focuses his message on the power of innovation and the power of God's creative and intentional Word. JB's life and career is a witness to this power and has developed into an excellent communicator, speaker and leader in technology.

As a minister and an entrepreneur with successful businesses across a number of industries including wellness, healthcare and higher education technology in the United States and Africa, JB continues to have a passion for the technology-challenged. Through his personal experiences of overcoming technology and math challenges, he strongly believes in the power to change any situation and to turn it around. He is a walking miracle and is focused on accomplishing his life's purpose with passion.

JB holds a Bachelor of Science from Morehouse College and a Masters of Divinity from the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC). He was named one of ITC's Distinguished Alumni in 2015 and was named to the 2009 list of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. In 2020, JB became a member of the Forbes Technology Council, an invitation-only organization for senior-level technology executives where he has been quoted on several expert panels and he is a published blogger in VIP Magazine.

Butler currently resides in Lithonia, GA and serves as an ordained associate Minister at the Ray of Hope Christian Church, where the Rev. Dr. Cynthia L. Hale is the Senior Pastor. He currently serves as a Regional Elder with The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Georgia and he serves on several boards as a trustee including the Georgia Regional Board where he was the moderator for the State of Georgia; the National Benevolent Association and the Pension Fund. He is a former board member of the General Board of The Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) serving the United States and Canada. He was also a board member with TalkBLACK, Atlanta's premier African-American discussion group that was previously featured in Black Enterprise. He is married with one child.