



Hartford Memorial Baptist Church

Making a difference in our community



DR. CHARLES G. ADAMS

Pastor of Hartford Memorial Baptist Church in Detroit since 1969.

BIOGRAPHY:

Charles G. Adams is an accomplished scholar and renowned preacher. Since earning his Bachelor of Divinity degree from Harvard University in 1964, Adams has worked in both congregational ministry as well as academia. Adams served as pastor of the historic Concord Baptist Church in Boston, MA from 1962 until 1969 when he accepted a position as pastor of Hartford Memorial Baptist Church in Detroit. In Detroit, Adams has remained committed to establishing social, educational, and recreational programs for this congregation of more than 10,000. Defined by his dedication to urban revitalization through economic, educational, and social initiatives, Adams' positive impact reaches far beyond the walls of his church. Adams is nationally known for his work with social justice. As part of his effort to promote justice for all individuals, he has spoken before the World Council of Churches on confronting racism, the United Nations on South African apartheid and in 1994 he was invited to accompany President Bill Clinton to Jordan to witness the signing of the peace accord between Jordan and Israel. Before joining the staff at Harvard Divinity School in July of 2007, Adams taught courses at Boston University, Andover Newton School of Theology, Central Baptist Seminary in Kansas City, and Iliff School of Theology in Denver, Colorado. He is published locally and nationally in scholarly journals and newspapers. His sermon "Drunk on the Eve of Reconstruction" was included in the Winter 2001-2002 edition of *The African American Pulpit*.