Pastor Lisa Smith-Reid

Pastor Lisa Smith Reid’s motto is found in Proverbs 3:5-6, “Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your path.” Pastor Smith Reid matriculated at Oakwood University in Huntsville, AL where she completed a Bachelor’s degree in Theology. She continued her studies at Andrews University Theological Seminary, Berrien Springs, MI completing the Masters of Divinity degree. Following graduation, she served as Assistant Youth Director for the Southern California Conference. She went on to serve as Senior Pastor for two churches in conference until she was called to serve in the Allegheny East Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, becoming the first female pastor in the Regional Conferences. Currently, the Senior Pastor of the historic First Church of Seventh-day Adventists in Washington, DC, she is the first female to serve in that capacity.

Pastor Smith Reid’s pastoral ministry has spanned over thirty years in churches in California, Washington, DC, Maryland, and Virginia. Additionally, she has traveled domestically and internationally sharing her passion for Christ, preaching at evangelistic meetings, churches and conducting week-of- prayer meetings.

A living testimony that the blood of Jesus Christ has the power to totally and completely cleanse, heal, direct, and set you free if you accept Him as your loving Savior, Pastor Smith Reid enjoys sharing hope and compelling others to make Jesus the center of their lives. She was happily married to the late Pastor Armando Reid and blessed with two children, her greatest gifts, Armando IV and Elizabeth.