

## *Reverend Derrick Rice*

Reverend Derrick Rice is founding Co – Pastor of Sankofa United Church of Christ, an intentionally Afrikan-centered Christian Ministry. He is developing a diverse and distinguished career as a pastor, community activist and civic leader. Pastor Derrick works daily to embody the philosophy of the West Afrikan Sankofa symbol which purports the wisdom to ‘go back and retrieve.’ His intention as a minister is to; rely on God, who has forever been with our ancestors and whom is present with us now, to remember and reclaim our history and in so doing, reinforce our future, as we move forward following the footsteps of Jesus the Christ. ‘There is no task more sacred than the liberation of our people!’



Pastor Derrick, a native of Chicago, Illinois, received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia and the Master of Divinity from the Interdenominational Theological Center. While studying at the ITC, Pastor Derrick was recognized as an honors student, a member of the Dean’s list, Who’s Who Among College and University Students in America and Theta Phi International Honors Society. He has been invited to preach and teach throughout country.

Derrick is a member of several community, pastoral, civic, theological and educational organizations and Boards of Directors such as; National Coalition Of Blacks for Reparations in America, Samuel DeWitt Proctor Pastors Conference, Kilombo Pan African Institute and the Henderson/E. Stanley Jones Chair for Missions and Evangelism.

Reverend Rice is a husband and father. He is married to the Lorri S. Rice, formerly of Chicago, Illinois. He is the father of three young ladies; Jaelyn, Kylan and Zionn.