

## Dr. Dara Rutley (of Berea Family Tabernacle of Faith church)

Affectionately known as Dr. D., Dr. Dara Rutley was born and raised in Pontiac, MI. She graduated from Pontiac Catholic High School and went on to attend Madonna University. It was during her collegiate years when she met and married the love of her life, Rosezell Rutley, in 1978. Since then, she has served in many positions in corporate America.

In 1991, Dr. Rutley stood with her husband as he was moved by the Lord to start a ministry (Berea Family Tabernacle of Faith) and, in 1996, she was ordained as assistant pastor. In 2012, she received her Doctorate of Divinity from Destiny Christian University and has been a member of the American Association of Christian Counselors (AACC) since February 2014. After studying Marriage and Family Counseling, she received her certificate of completion from Light University in 2015. Dr. Rutley has also served as Dean of BCFBS-DSM for four years.

Her labor of love and dedication to advancing the Kingdom of God has touched the lives of many. She has served as sisterhood chairperson, Christian women and marriage counselor, hostess/facilitator, keynote speaker of annual women's conferences and "Women's Day" Services, and served as church administrator for 20 years, all while teaching God's Word.

Dr. Rutley celebrated another milestone with the publishing of her first book entitled "The Secret to Successful Relationships", which was released February 9, 2013. It created a platform for international exposure through various radio and television interviews, capturing audiences on TCT (Total Christian Television), Michigan Alive, Atlanta Live and The Word Network.

On August 13, 2015, Dr. Rutley became a licensed Real Estate Agent with the State of Michigan. She's also begun to write her second book, which is designed to help those struggling to heal internally. Dr. Rutley and her husband Bishop Rutley passed the mantle to one of their son's, and his wife, on December 28, 2015 and stepped down from the Pastorate.

Dr. Rutley is married to "the wind beneath her wings", Bishop Rosezell Rutley. She is the mother of five adult, God-fearing sons, "mother-in-love" to three lovely daughters, grandmother of six beautiful grandchildren and a godmother to a host of godchildren. She resides in the metropolitan area of Detroit with her family.

After 20+ years in ministry, Dr. Rutley has no thoughts of slowing down. Inner healing is her lifelong passion. She has experienced God's healing power and knows, first-hand, about the power of prayer and intercession. Therefore, she carries a burden and mandate to aid the entire body of Christ in the healing of broken relationships.