



EYE OPENER

TALLAHASSEE SUNRISE ROTARY CLUB



June 13, 2022

Meeting Speaker -- Tiffany Baker

(In person only)

Tiffany Baker is an experienced public historian and community advocate with over 20 years in the field. She has been appointed by the Senate President and House Speaker to serve as the Director of the Florida Historic Capitol Museum since 2014. In this executive position, she is responsible for all operations of the Museum and its affiliated stakeholder organizations. Ms. Baker was awarded a Master's degree in Historical Administration and Public History at FSU and her Bachelor's degree in History from American University.



She is an active volunteer, and this year, is honored to serve as Leadership Tallahassee Class 40's Curriculum Chair and as a Knight Creative Communities Institute Community Catalyst. In all of her roles, Ms. Baker hopes to foster strong and engaged communities by demonstrating the importance of connecting the past to our future path through strategic preservation initiatives and innovative programming.

The Four Way Test

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned

Inspiration

June 14

Leanders Harvey

June 21

Dennis Fiorini

June 28

Christopher Campbell

Birthdays

Todd Hallowell

June 14

Deborah Ann Keck

June 16

Crystal Curvey

June 20

William Stuart Chandronnet

June 30

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November 12, 2022

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CART Update

Coins for Alzheimer's Research Trust

Thank you, Sunrise, for funding U.S.-based research seeking a cure for Alzheimer's and other dementia. Please continue to toss your change into the blue bucket on your table at each Tuesday Sunrise meeting. Your small change can make a big difference.



A Project of the Rotary Clubs of North America

CART started in 1996 with Rotarians voluntarily emptying their pockets and purses of change at weekly meetings. As of May 2020 CART had awarded \$9.2 million in 55 grants to recognized US research institutions. CART collection

6/7/2022: \$11.00

Sunrise CART total 2021-2022: \$482.94

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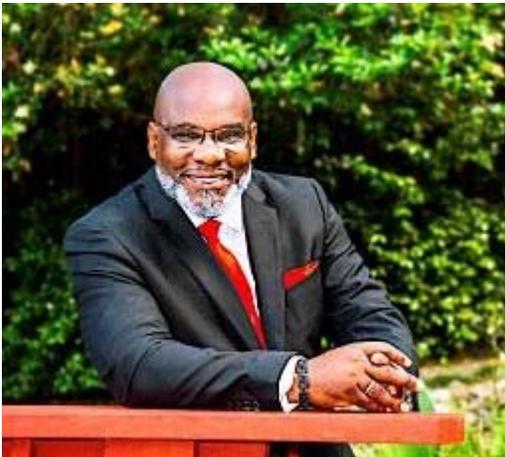
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Sponsor of the Month -- Pastor Rudy Ferguson

Pastor Rudolph L. Ferguson, Sr., was born in Miami, August 2, 1971. After learning the harsh street life of Liberty

City, along with his mother and his three siblings relocated to Tallahassee in 1984. As a teen, Ferguson grew up in the Griffin Heights neighborhood where he attended Griffin Middle and Amos P. Godby High.

They joined New Covenant Holy Temple in 1988 where he has been a faithful member under the spiritual leadership of the late Bishop Reginald K. Peyton, Sr. God saved Ferguson in 1990 from the streets and lifestyle of gang involvement through the watchful eyes and spiritual advice of his pastor, Bishop Peyton.



In 1988, he joined the Tallahassee Urban League's youth mentoring program. His leadership skills began when he was 17 years old as a peer counselor. As the years progressed along with his experience, he became and continues to be a strong voice in for the less fortunate. His devotion captured the attention of the late Florida Governor Lawton Chiles, who appointed him to the Florida Board of Directors for the newly created Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Institute for Nonviolence. In this capacity, he served as the state's sole youth representative as well as the Vice Chairman.

As a result of this appointment, Ferguson travels the country speaking in various forums on nonviolence, including the United Nations "Season of Nonviolence" Conference. He went on to receive the "Citizens of the Year" award from former Florida Attorney General Robert Butterworth. Answering his highest honor to serve in 2010, Ferguson was installed Pastor of New Birth Tabernacle of Praise.

Elder Ferguson believes that there are no bad communities, just neglected communities. Serving God's people should be reflected in the church as well as in the community. Within that belief, Ferguson serves as a member of the Griffin Heights Neighborhood Association; the Leon County Sheriff's Advisory Council; and Chairman of the Citizen's Advisory Council to the Tallahassee Police Department. He is also a member of the Sunrise Rotary Club of Tallahassee; 100 Black Men Chapter of Tallahassee and the Success Academy. He is the founding President of the Frontline Project, Inc., a community action agency for youth and families.

Elder Ferguson has been married to Elect Lady Katrina Ferguson for 30 years. Together, they have four children; Rachel (32); Rudy Jr. (29); Darrington (27) and Jacobe (23) and 5 grandchildren. The Ferguson family is a bible-based, Christian oriented family that believes in the birth, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Ferguson's motto to life: "It courage to climb to tree of success, but it takes faith to go out on the limb to succeed."



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