

Apostle Dr. Curtis T. Crosland Jr., PhD, DD

Senior Pastor • Educator • Author • Community Leader

Called by God and anointed for the work of the Kingdom, Apostle Dr. Curtis T. Crosland Jr. is the Founder and Senior Pastor of New Life Perfecting Praise Ministries in Jacksonville, Florida, and Pastor of New Life Temple Bethel in Fairfax, South Carolina. As Assistant General Superintendent of Grace Temple Fellowship of Churches Worldwide (GTFOC), he stands as a mentor and strengthener to ministry leaders, laboring faithfully to build up the Body of Christ.

A native of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Apostle Crosland was raised in Zion House of God, where his spiritual foundation was firmly laid. There, a holy reverence for God, a deep love for the Scriptures, and a servant's heart were planted within him — seeds that have grown into a lifetime of faithful ministry.

A Voice for the Word

Firmly rooted in the Apostolic faith, Apostle Crosland boldly proclaims the oneness of God, salvation through Jesus Christ, a life of holiness, and the transforming power of the Holy Ghost. His ministry is marked by fervent prayer, intentional discipleship, and sound, uncompromising teaching of the Word. His burning desire is to see people know God intimately, discover the purpose for which they were created, and walk boldly according to His Word.

A Teacher at Heart

Apostle Crosland carries a passion to teach that reaches from the pulpit to the classroom. As an educator, campus director of adult education, and author, he finds profound joy in opening minds and unlocking potential. A lifelong learner, he embraces every season as both student and teacher, convinced that growth never ends for those who hunger for truth. His writings explore salvation, the atonement, spiritual growth, marriage, and personal accountability, equipping readers to walk in wholeness before God.

A Heart for the Hurting

His compassion extends far beyond the four walls of the church. Through coaching, Christian counseling, trauma counseling, and feeding those experiencing homelessness, he brings encouragement, practical help, and Christlike care to people in their hardest seasons. He longs for every hurting soul to feel seen, heard, and valued — and to know that their struggles do not erase their worth or cancel their future.

For Apostle Crosland, ministry is not confined to the pulpit. It lives in a listening ear free of judgment, a shared meal, a word that lifts a weary heart, and a steady presence beside someone rebuilding their life. He is driven by a holy passion to restore hope, strengthen families, and remind every person that they never have to face life's battles alone. He believes the love of Christ must be both preached in word and proven in deed.

Husband, Father, Shepherd

Above every title and accomplishment, he is a devoted husband to First Lady Keira S. Crosland and a loving father. He treasures strong families, healthy marriages, and a life anchored in faith and love.

Together, Apostle and First Lady Crosland open their arms to all, welcoming people into a church family where Spirit-filled worship, biblical truth, discipleship, and compassionate service transform lives. Their ministry stands on one unwavering conviction:

“Effective Grace Changes Lives.”