

THE BIOGRAPHY OF +APOSTLE CHAUN LEVELLE JOHNSON, PhD



"There is no excuse for failure in life." "Don't just survive, SUCCEED!" These are some of the famous words of Pentecostal Church of Holiness' pastor, Apostle Chaun L. Johnson. To Apostle Chaun, the previously mentioned quotes are more than just motivational statements; they are his personal philosophy that he has carried throughout his life. Before his birth, Chaun's mother, the Late Evangelist Dr. Carolyn L. Johnson, and father, Elder Henry J. Johnson, Jr., dedicated his life to the ministry work of the church. As his mother had done with his two older brothers Christopher and Henry, she prayed and promised God that her youngest child would also grow up and serve God and His people. While attending Bradley University in Peoria, Illinois, Chaun became a certified teen drug and alcohol counselor, an FCC licensed disc jockey, a licensed minister under the Full Gospel Holiness Mission Churches and the Church of God in Christ, and a member of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators. After receiving his Bachelor of Science in History Degree from Bradley University, Minister Chaun's older brother, Pastor Christopher Johnson, received his calling to pastor his own church. After his brother received his calling, he informed Minister Chaun and asked him to be his Assistant Pastor

of the newly founded Pentecostal Church of Holiness. He accepted the position with these words: "As long as you follow Christ, I will follow you."

Elder Chaun took on new spiritual endeavors; he also took on new career endeavors as well. Following in the exact footsteps of both of his parents, he became a schoolteacher and received his master's degree in Inner City Studies Education from Northeastern Illinois University. Since then He has served in education as an elementary, secondary, and post-secondary school teacher, a Dean of Students, a Social Science Department Chairperson, and school principal. He is the author of pastoral help books. His premier publication is Sermons 4 Unorganized Preachers: Help it's an Emergency! Elder Chaun completed his master's degree in educational leadership from Concordia University Chicago and Doctoral Degree in Ministry from Midwest Apostolic Bible College, where he earned an additional Bachelor of Arts Degree in Christian Ministries. He received his Doctor of Divinity and Doctor of Philosophy Degree from Metropolitan Christian University. In September 2009, under the auspices and leadership of Dr. Christopher L. Johnson, Elder Chaun was chosen to pastor the Pentecostal Tabernacle Bible Church. In 2010, Pastor Chaun established Pentecostal Tabernacle Bible Church South at its present location. In 2011, Pastor Chaun heeded the voice of God and changed the name of the location to PENTECOSTAL CHURCH OF HOLINESS, where in 2014 he was consecrated Jurisdictional Bishop in the Love Fellowship International Churches.

By the leading of the Holy Spirit, the laying on of hands, and guidance of Late Bishop BJ Williams (FGHMC), Bishop Christopher Johnson (NTAC), Bishop GE Patterson (COGIC), Bishops Reese Price, D. Rayford Bell, and JE Moore (PCAF), Apostle Willie Cleveland, Bishop HE Bellinger (CCFM), Apostle FW Cullins (KCIFM), and Richard Roberts (Oral Roberts University), Bishop Chaun Johnson heeded the call to inaugurate the Pentecostal Churches of Holiness International Ecclesiastical Fellowship, a non-denomination fellowship of churches and ministries in 2012, to which he was affirmed Chief Apostle. God continues to grant Apostle Chaun favor with men. He served on the Bradley University Advisory Council for Student Leadership and Public Service Board. He was awarded membership with Cambridge's Who Registry of Executives, Professionals, and Entrepreneurs. He is the Chancellor of Pentecostal Bible Institute and Metropolitan Christian University Chicago. Above all, Pastor Chaun is saved, sanctified, and filled with the precious gift of the Holy Ghost. As an example of a man of integrity, Pastor Chaun "practices what he preaches" in terms of being successful for God. He loves and cherishes his Nephew-Son Jordan and Daughter-Niece Gena Surmounting his many accomplishments was joining his wife, Natalie in Holy Matrimony. His most sincere desire is to serve, minister, and motivate God's people to be their absolute best in their Christian walk and in life, as he himself walks humbly before God.

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SCHOOL & DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Illinois Association for Regional School Superintendents, Maywood Illinois 2024 – Present
School Improvement Specialist

Implementing strategies and initiatives in Chicago Public Schools to enhance the educational experience and outcomes for students and staff.

- Provide individualized support (both on-site and virtual) to 10 schools in Chicago Public Schools (CPS), focusing on specific needs and challenges in implementing their School Improvement Plan (SIP) and effective school improvement processes and practices.
- Work closely with school leadership teams (SLT) to align improvement initiatives with the school's overall vision and SIP goals. Develop and communicate timelines for all SLT meetings and coaching sessions.
- Lead job-embedded leadership coaching to build the capacity of leaders to sustain continuous improvement initiatives (both on-site and virtual).

Legacy Charter School, Chicago, Illinois 2022 – 2024
Middle School Instructional Leader (2022)/Middle School Principal (July 2023)

Cultivated a rigorous curricular, instructional, and assessment system of leadership that resulted in improved outcomes for teaching and learning.

- Delivered innovative and transformational 21st century-professional growth opportunities and strategies to increase student and staff performance.
- Identified and monitored learning management and academic intervention programs to enhance student performance data.
- Created and developed a Middle School Leadership Academy that embraced learning communities, fostered student-teacher relationships, and prepared scholars to be college and career ready.

JOHNSON CONSULTING GROUP, Chicago, Illinois 2017 – Present
Educational School Consultant

Contract with schools and groups to provide strategic school guidance and educational consulting services to improve student/teacher retention and overall academic success within institutions.

- Created strategic plans during senior principal transition for Chance Light, a leading provider of behavioral health, therapy and education solutions for children and young adults.
- Consulted for Promise Academy Peoria Startup & Ombudsman Educational Services leveraging skills in educational products, research, and synthesizing and applying information from a variety of resources.
- Facilitated and implemented effective teacher training programs to empower teachers and cultivate leadership skills.

HOLY ANGELS CATHOLIC SCHOOL, Chicago, IL 2018 – 2021
Assistant Principal

Fostered an academic and instructional leadership environment to include supervising a team of education professionals, paraprofessionals, and support staff while ensuring high-quality and equitable instruction.

- Delivered significant student achievement gains by resolving issues of school management, student activities and services, community relations, personnel, and curriculum instruction.
- Implemented overall school vision on student achievement and character development through creation and execution of school improvement plans that increased student achievement and attendance rates.
- Utilized data and resources to ensure the alignment of an instructional program with the approved curriculum
- Supervised crisis prevention and safety protocol training for teachers and staff.

WAUKEGAN PUBLIC SCHOOLS CUSD 60/THOMAS JEFFERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL, Waukegan, IL 2016 – 2017

Lead Principal

Provided managerial oversight of the middle school in accordance with state statutes, board policies & district regulations. Supervised a high-performance instructional team of one hundred (100) members while leading instructional functions.

- Boosted the level of parent and community engagement through re-establishment and support of the Parent Teacher Organization to keep parents informed of school activities and other relevant information.
- Spearheaded capital improvement projects for the gym and the locker system, while creating middle school cadet corps and a leadership academy, as well as leading the encore honors program.
- Co-authored and received the Magnet School Grant & oversaw implementation with a focus on future sustainability.
- Improved the student and school staff climate through providing strategic professional development for teacher leadership and growth. Facilitated student NWEA growth & developed a Discipline Board in response to SB-100.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES OF AMERICA 2012 – 2016

Founding Senior Principal – Chance Light & Ombudsman, Chicago, IL (2013 – 2016)

Contributed to the development and implementation of Ombudsman Chicago in the Northwest, South, and West Options Schools. Managed a high-performance instructional team of 150 members with responsibility for hiring and termination.

- Revamped the educational improvement plan to enhance the quality of education and provide a more meaningful learning experience that resulted in 100% of students being accepted to a college.
- Produced a 96% graduation rate by establishing an effective learning climate involving addressing all areas of improvement and improving quality of academic programs to increase climate of academic achievement.
- Implemented and maintained an integrated curriculum unit design while also developing effective strategies for faculty retention and student credit recovery.
- Promoted professional development of all staff members and orchestrated a professional learning environment.
- Built a high-performance instructional team members and fostered staff retention.
- Managed a multi-site \$22.4M budget while creating a collaborative, inclusive learning environment for all.

Founding Director/Principal – Ombudsman, Rockford, IL (2012 - 2013)

Founded a middle and high school with responsibility for supervising staff and encouraging shared decision-making.

- Exercised leadership in school-level planning, instructional improvement and student achievement that involved creating and implementing strategies for faculty retention and student credit recovery.
- Developed and implanted new curriculum and led team through a successful deployment of new educational strategies and initiatives that instilled a professional learning environment.
- Implemented continuous improvement programs focused on raising academic levels of students, improving educators' teaching skills & coaching principals towards high impact achievement.

CATALYST SCHOOLS HOWLAND CHARTER, Chicago, IL 2009 – 2011

Principal – Howland School

Coordinated efficient school and academic operations and led a team of qualified teachers to meet the needs of all students.

- Championed the school to an 11-point gain on the Illinois Standard Achievement Test by initiating a personalized learning plan, assisting teachers with strategic planning, and fostering a professional learning environment.

- Pioneered and launched a parent university, and expertly drove the middle school team to become the first Chicago Charter Middle School to receive the AVID certification.
- Provided functional educational leadership that resulted in a 4-year charter renewal without restrictions. Co-created an internal dashboard/compliance that boosted school advancement and educational achievement.

EDUCATION

METROPOLITAN CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY, Louisville, KY Doctor of Divinity (**DD**), 2019.

Doctor of Philosophy (**PhD**) - Christian Leadership, 2021.

MIDWEST APOSTOLIC COLLEGE, Chicago, IL Doctor of Ministry (**DMin**), 2008; Bachelor of Arts (**BA**) – Christian Ministry, 2003.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY, River Forest, IL Master of Arts (**MA**) – Educational Leadership, 2008; Supt. Endorsement (Educational Specialist Degree), 2024

NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, Chicago, IL Master of Arts (**MA**) – Inner City Studies Education, 2004

BRADLEY UNIVERSITY, Peoria, IL Bachelor of Science (**BS**) – History, 2000

CERTIFICATIONS & LICENSURE

Illinois State Board of Education Certification in Educational Administration (K - 12)

Illinois Licensure Testing System - Superintendent

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

Association of Supervision and Curriculum Development, *General Member*

Bradley University Center for Student Leadership and Public Service, *Advisory Board Member*

Crisis Prevention Institute – *Trainer*

Illinois Principals Association, *General Member*

National Association of Secondary School Principals, *General Member*

North Lawndale Learning and Family Center, *Design Team Member*