



SIMON EDWARD III

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Elder Simon Edward Richardson, III is the pastor of The Grace Center located in Newport News, Virginia. A native of Hampton, Virginia, Pastor Richardson has served diligently in ministry since his childhood. His ministry is based on the scripture, *"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God:"* (Ephesians 2:8). Pastor Richardson is committed to winning souls for Christ and believes that no one is excluded from God's grace and His mercy. The scripture that guides his life and orders his steps is, *"In everything, give thanks. For this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you,"* (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

Elder Richardson was ordained an elder in The Church of God in Christ on August 6, 2012, and appointed Pastor of Gospel of Grace Church of God in Christ (now known as The Grace Center) in July of 2015.

He is a gifted musician and singer who has faithfully served as minister of music in a number of institutions within the Hampton area. He has traveled all over the United States, throughout Europe, Korea, and South Africa ministering the *gospel of grace* through music. His anointing and experience has gifted him with an ability to help young Christians and connect with those seasoned in Christ.

His desire is to build on the foundation that his father, the late Dr. Simon E. Richardson, Jr., laid as pastor and to inspire and motivate others to not settle for mediocrity, but to live in the abundant life that God promised according to John 10:10.

Elder Richardson is a 2004 graduate of Bethel High School in Hampton, Virginia. He has also attended Thomas Nelson Community College & The John Leland Center for Theological Studies. He currently studies Business and Biblical Studies at Regent University; with an anticipated graduation date of 2021.

Most importantly, he, like his father, wants the world to know that he was simply and humbly a *sinner...saved by grace*.