

## **REV DR. RODNEY COLES SR. PERSONAL BIO HISTORY**

Pastor Rodney Coles Sr was born in New York City. As a youth growing up in New York, Pastor Coles served in various ministries in his home church St. Matthews Baptist Church.

Pastor Coles became focused on building God's kingdom, God's community, and God's people.

He relocated to Greenville, North Carolina in 2006 and God called him to begin his own Ministry. In January 2007 he founded The Children of God in Christ Church located in Greenville, NC.

In the fall of 2007, he had vision to share with the people of God. The vision of Churches Outreach Network a 501 © 3 Non-Profit organization was born. It is focused on the people in the community, especially those who were not part of the body of Christ, and those who were not attending a church. We provide a network of community referrals, resources, assistance and help to those in need

Pastor Rodney Coles Sr has been blessed with his help mate Debra L Coles whom he has been married to for 18 years and known for 48 years. Together they have a blended family of 8 children, Mark Coles, Rodney Coles Jr., Sean Brown, Alyssa Lee, Corina Coles, Tyrese Lee, Desiree Coles, and Destinee Coles. Through those 8 children they have 5 beautiful grandchildren: Makiyah Coles, Mariah Coles, Anastasia Brown, Jayden Ward, and Sean Brown Jr.

Pastor Rodney Coles Sr. has confessed that there is, and there could never be a greater blessing in his life than that of the angels that the Almighty God has given him, his wife, his children, and his grandchildren.

## **REV. DR. RODNEY COLES SR. ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS BIOGRAPHY**

### **Educational Achievements and Teachings:**

#### **June 1987**

Riverside Seminary theological school, NY License to preach the gospel.  
New York, NY

#### **September 2004**

St. Luke Baptist Church, NY, NY, Ordained to preach the gospel under Baptist Bylaws  
Late Dr. J. G. McCan

#### **August 2014**

Covenant Theology Seminary, Greenville NC, Ministerial Doctorate degree  
Late Dr. Max Flynn

### **Accomplishments:**

#### **Churches Outreach Network founded.**

#### **November 2006- Present**

Mission is to aid the community through feeding the hungry and providing resource and educational assistance to those in need.

**Interfaith Clergy, founded by Rev. Dr. Rodney Coles Sr.**

2014-Present

Mission: Standing for the community

**Community Feeding our children, founded by Rev. Dr. Rodney Coles Sr.**

2015-Present

Mission: To maximize the effectiveness of resources including churches, schools, charities and other community businesses and organizations to directly impact children's hunger during the Holiday by providing holiday boxes to children in need

**Crossing the Bridge, founded by Rev. Dr. Rodney Coles Sr.**

2019-Present

Mission: Crossing the Bridge Mentor Program is committed to giving our children and youth leadership and entrepreneurial, development skills, and emotional and social skills to succeed in life.

**Covid Mask donation to the community, Churches outreach network, in partnership with United Way of Pitt County**

July 2020

**Community unity Network Resource Center Opened**

Mission: To provide resources and products to area non-profits, businesses, or organizations

June 2015 – Present

**Martin Luther King Jr. Yearly Event, Interfaith Clergy**

Mission: Commitment of unity and peace of all nations to come together in service as all of God's Children by seeking Peace and Justice for all humankind

2014-Present

**Blessing of the Badge Yearly Event, Interfaith Clergy**

Mission: To Honor our first responders by praying for them

2018 –Present

**OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

**Toys for Tots Coordinator**

Coordinator to distribute toys to counties to needy children

August 2014-Present

**January 15, 2018**

Governor Roy cooper

Churches outreach network Petitioned the Governor's office to receive a Proclamation that the State of North Carolina be proclaimed Dr. Martin Luther king, Jr. Day on January 15, 2018

## **Awards:**

### **June 16, 2012**

Sandra's Tons of Love Day Care  
Shared commitment of excellence

### **2013 Hometown Hero**

WIDU Radio & TCP Magazine  
Hometown Hero in Greenville NC  
Honored for his unselfish love, commitment to God, man, and lost souls

### **September 2014**

Substantial magazine  
2015, Substantial Award  
Influential Community member

### **May 16, 2015**

Mayor Allen Thomas  
Proclamation  
The City of Greenville appreciates Churches Outreach Network efforts to strengthen and unite our community

### **June 2015**

Outstanding award from Food bank of Eastern and Central NC

### **February 15, 2017**

Pastor Gregory V. Black and Evangelist Patricia Black, St. John Missionary Baptist Church  
Great Community leader  
Providing much needed services and resources to the community and leading people to Christ

### **February 25, 2017**

Human Relations council  
Best-Irons Humanitarian Citizen Award  
Commitment and Exemplary dedication to the advancement of Human Rights, Human Dignity, and Equality for all citizens

### **April 13, 2018**

ECU School of Social Work  
Appreciation of years of service as a field supervisor and ongoing commitment to social work education

### **April 20, 2019**

TFBU Foundation  
Volunteer award

In recognition of generous volunteer efforts and valuable contributions in our community

**November 14, 2019**

House of Representatives, Madam Speaker

Presented by: Hon Gregory F. Murphy, M.D. of North Carolina in the House of Representatives

Congressional Record

To Honor an incredible public servant, faithful servant of our Lord Jesus Christ, and Personal Friend

**November 19, 2020**

Omega Psi Phi fraternity, inc.

Community service award

**March 22, 2022**

Greenville Chamber of Commerce

Citizen of the year award

**February 25, 2023**

Human Relations council

Best-Irons Humanitarian Organization award/ Interfaith Clergy standing for the community.

Commitment and Exemplary dedication to the advancement of Human Rights, Human Dignity, and Equality for all citizens