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## **Press Release**

May 2, 2011

The Rev. Dr. Clyde D. Carnegie was installed as the Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church on Sunday, May 1, 2011.



Rev. Carnegie has been a member of Friendship for over 44 years and an Associate Minister for over 25 years. He served as the President of the Church's Layman League, a member of the Deacon Board and Scholarship Committee, and a Sunday School and Vacation Bible School teacher. As the Senior Associate Minister, he was appointed as the Interim Pastor upon the death of Rev. Lester D. Stone in March 2010. Rev Carnegie is the seated Pastor for Friendship Baptist Church in the Chain Lake Missionary Baptist District Association.

Rev. Carnegie holds three degrees from Michigan State University; BS in Biological and Physical Sciences, MA in School Administration; and a PhD in Administration and Higher Education. He is a member of Phi Delta Kappa and elected to the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

Rev. Carnegie was an educator with the Lansing School District for over 36 years serving as a teacher, and the principal of Walter French Junior High School and at J W Sexton High School for 22 years. He served as a Michigan Commissioner for the North Central Accreditation Association and was an instructor at Lansing Community College and Olivet College.

Rev. Carnegie has been involved in many community organizations, serving as President of the Lansing Rotary Club; Rotary District Governor; Rotary International Zone Officer; President of the Paul Harris 711 Club at the Rotary International Headquarters in Evanston, Illinois; Senior Chaplain for the Lansing Police Department for 20 years; Interim Chaplain for the Lansing Fire Department; President of the Chief Okemos Council of the Boys Scouts of America; President of the Greater Lansing Foundation; member of the Old Newsboys Association; Board of Directors for the Mid-Michigan Chapter of the American Red Cross; and a member of the Advisory Boards for the City of Lansing Human Resources Department, WKAR-TV, Michigan State University Museum, Volunteers of America, Capital Area United Way, and Lansing Community College Admissions Office.

Rev. Carnegie received the Boys Scouts of America's Whitney M. Young Award for service to urban scouting and the National Silver Beaver Award. He is the recipient of the highest Rotarian award, the Distinguished Service Award; and the Citation for Meritorious Service and Service Above Self-Award from Rotary International.

Rev. Carnegie is a Life Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., and served as the Chaplain for the International and Mid-Western Region, and Chaplain for the Lansing Alumni Chapter.

Rev. Carnegie is a native of Benton Harbor, Michigan. He has been married to his wife, Cynthia, for over 47 years and they have two daughters and seven grandchildren.

Friendship Baptist Church looks forward to the spiritual leadership of Rev. Carnegie as they celebrate 76 years in the community.