

Apostle Sarah Ann Kelley, Chief Apostle, Presiding Bishop, Pastor & Founder of Faith, Hope, and Love Ministries, and Another Chance Ministries.

Apostle Sarah A. Kelley is a native of Charlottesville, Va., a member of First Baptist Church, (Main St.), and the Founder/Pastor of Faith, Hope, Love International Healing and Deliverance Center Inc. in Charlottesville. Apostle Kelley has been in ministry for over 40 years and this past September, celebrated 41 years as a Pastor and is still going strong.

As an Evangelist, Apostle Kelley has had the opportunity as a foreign missionary to take the Gospel of Jesus Christ to several nations of the world such as Africa, Japan, The Holy Land, and Italy. As stated in Ephesians 4:11-12, *“He gave some Apostles, and some Prophets and some Evangelists and some Pastors and some Teachers; For the perfecting of the saints for the work of the ministry, and the edifying of the body of Christ.”* Apostle Kelley has been walking worthy of the vocation in which she has been called.

Apostle Kelley is the wife, for 65 years, of Pastor & Deacon Raleigh C. Kelley Jr. They are the parents of two children, a son, Raleigh C. Kelley the 3rd (who is present with the Lord), and a daughter, Sarona Rea Kelley, a retired Deputy Sheriff, who lives in North Carolina. They have three grandsons, three granddaughters-in-law, and 13 great grandchildren.

She is a retired Computer Programmer by profession and an LPN by vocation. On April 6th of 2019, Apostle Kelley was recognized by the University of Virginia as a Hidden Nurse and has received a certification and full university alumni status. She has been a volunteer, leading the Prison Fellowship Bible Study at the Fluvanna Women’s Correctional Center for 27 years and Albemarle Regional Jail for 45 years. She has served as a Chaplain at the UVA Hospital and Piedmont House and a Lay Chaplain at the Fluvanna Women’s Correctional Center. On January 23rd of 2019, she received the 7th annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Award from UVA Health for being the first black Chaplain at the Hospital. She has also carried the gospel into the Nursing Homes since 1976.

Apostle Kelley has and will go where the Lord leads and directs her. Since her youth, she has been a trailblazer and activist for justice. In Jeremiah 1:5 the Lord spoke, *“Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.”*

In the year 2011, she founded the Another Chance Ministry Thrift Shop and Used Christian Book Shop, allowing items including clothes, Christian books, and household goods to receive another chance. In 2018, she founded the Another Chance Healing House, where she housed women released from prison, allowing *them* to receive another chance.

She has fought for equity by knocking on closed doors, making her the first in many things including: the first African American Nurse at Martha Jefferson Hospital hired as a Cardiac Specialist and helped set up their first Cardiac Unit, the first African American in the Chaplaincy Program at the UVA Hospital, the first African American & Female Computer Programmer at the

UVA Medical Center, the first African American & female hired on the Professional Staff of the Virginia Highway Department as a Computer Programmer, First African American female Computer Programmer at Centel Telephone Company, she broke the barrier at the LIONS Club as the first African American to sing and perform at Lane High School, and the first female to be licensed and ordained and to preach at Galilee Baptist Church.

Apostle Kelley is active in several organizations and has several Certificates, Diplomas, and Degrees from Vocational, Professional, and Religious studies. She remains active in the community and serves on the Board of The Haven, Abundant Life, and IMPACT. She is the former President of the Charlottesville & Vicinity Ministerial Council, and the former President of the Charlottesville Clergy Collective, and is the current Treasurer of the African American Pastor's Council. She also serves as a Docent and on the Advisory Committee for Beloved Community, is on the NAACP Religious Committee, and is working with Trinity Episcopal Church's White Feather's Project.

She remains on fire for the Lord, teaching, preaching, and training up in righteousness according to the Word of the God.

In her youth and in her many years of ministry, she has held on to the words from the Children's book, *The Little Engine that Could*, going from, "I think I can," to "I *know* I can." Her great-grandmother would tell her, "Don't ever say what you can't do." Apostle lives according to God's promise to her in Philippians 4:13 that she can do *all things* through Jesus Christ who is her strength.