

Biographical Highlights
of

CRAIG E. BROWN

President & Presiding Bishop, Christ Holy Sanctified Church
Overseer (Interim), Western Diocese
Sr. Pastor, Praise Tabernacle Worship Center - Los Angeles, CA



PERSONAL and FAMILY

A native of California, Bishop-elect Craig Edwin Brown was born the oldest of three children to Eugene and Alpha Brown in Los Angeles, CA, March 6, 1957. His entire life has been centered in and around a Christian heritage & environment: his maternal great-grandparents were great evangelists; his maternal grandfather was Bishop Robert L. Searcie; his paternal great-grandparents and grandparents were deacons, mothers, and great evangelists in the church. His father was a bishop and his mother was a wonderful first and elect lady. He is married to Debbie (1978) and they are wonderfully blessed with three children; Gabriel (1979), Yulanda (1982) and her husband, Fabian, and Miranda, (1985).

ECCLESIASTICAL EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

National Director of Music, Christ Holy Sanctified Church (1977 – 1997)
Presiding Elder (Superintendent), So. California – Western Diocese (1992 – 2010)
Assistant Pastor, 1st Christ Holy Sanctified Church, Los Angeles (1995 – 1996)
Senior Pastor, Praise Tabernacle (formerly 1st Christ Holy Sanctified Church (1996 – present)
Assistant Overseer, Western Diocese CHSC (1998 – 2010)
1st Vice-President, CHSC (2008 – 2010)
Overseer, Western Diocese CHSC (2010 – present)
President & Presiding Bishop Christ Holy Sanctified Church (2010 – present)

Bishop Brown has been involved in all areas and aspects of church work since birth. The make-up of his local membership is almost completely changed since his father was pastor. This indicates deliberate and consistent growth under his leadership. After 25 years of the church being in its present location, Bishop Brown and Praise Tabernacle are being obedient to the voice of the Lord and will be moving to its new location by Summer 2011.

ECCLESIASTICAL FELLOWSHIPS, ASSOCIATIONS and MEMBERSHIPS

Local Pastoral Covering:	Bishop Johnny Young, Ph.D. Presiding Prelate, Church of God Pentecostal, Inc.
Member	Inglewood Area Ministers Association Rev. Austin Williams, President
Associate Professor	Ministerial Training Institute Bishop Johnny Young, Ph.D, Chancellor
Member, Board of Directors	Kingdom Builders Ministerial Alliance Bishop Ernestine C. Reems, Presiding Bishop
Member	Los Angeles County Sheriff's Clergy Executive Council Sheriff Leroy Baca and Bishop Edward Turner
Candidate	Los Angeles Police Department Chaplaincy Chief Charles Beck

EDUCATION and EXPERIENCE

California State University Long Beach – Music Major - concentration; Composition
Bachelor of Arts, Organizational and Leadership Development - Biola University, La Mirada, CA
Masters of Theology, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA (in processes – expected start 2011)

HOBBIES

An avid outdoorsman, Bishop Brown enjoys scuba diving, skiing, and as a backpacker, has climbed some of the tallest mountain in the Northern Hemisphere. Bishop-elect Brown loves model railroading and is a member of the Los Angeles Model Railroad Society. He also enjoys playing and listening to music, playing racquet-ball, fishing, and basketball (basically anything outdoors and rugged.) He has completed two L.A. Marathons (his first in 2000) and expects to run several more before his legs give out.