

Meet the 2017 CMCA SUMMIT SPEAKERS



Dr. W. Wilson Goode, Sr. is the President and CEO of Amachi Incorporated, which mentors children of incarcerated parents, and Chairman and CEO of Self Incorporated, serving the homeless. Dr Goode is an ordained Baptist Minister at the First Baptist Church of Paschall. Dr. Goode was an officer in the U.S.Army, the first African American Chairman of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, and Philadelphia's first African American Mayor, serving two terms. He has earned a B. A., an M. A., and a Doctor of Ministry degree.



Dr. Ed Stetzer is the Chair of Evangelism at Wheaton College, a speaker, an author, Director of the Billy Graham Center for Evangelism, and publisher of Evangelical Missions Quarterly. Ed has served in numerous capacities over the years, including Executive Director of Lifeway Research and Senior Fellow of the Billy Graham Center for Evangelism. He has two master's degrees and two doctorates. He is a prolific author and well-known conference and seminar leader. Ed has trained pastors and church planters on six continents.



Yasmine Arrington was born and raised in Washington, DC. She graduated from Elon University with a Bachelor of Arts in Strategic Communications and History. Yasmine is currently pursuing a Master's of Divinity at Howard University. While in high school, Yasmine, the child of a prisoner, founded the non-profit ScholarCHIPS, providing college scholarships and mentoring to high school seniors who have a parent(s) in prison. Yasmine is a poet, blogger, motivational speaker, model, and is featured in magazines and on ABC7 News.



James Ackerman serves as President and CEO of Prison Fellowship. Amid a 25-year global career in media and entertainment, Ackerman's first exposure to Prison Fellowship in 2004 inspired him to serve long-term as a volunteer. He spent 10 years mentoring prisoners and former prisoners. Ackerman and his wife, Martha, have also served as local coordinators for PF's Angel Tree. James was mentored by Prison Fellowship's founder, the late Charles Colson.