## **Denise Strothers, DMin**

Dr. Denise Strothers, along with her husband, serves on the pastoral team at Impact DMV church. Dr. Denise received her Bachelor of Science degree from Lancaster Bible College, Master of Divinity from Regent University, and her Doctor of Ministry from Howard University School of Divinity with a concentration in Church and Community. Dr. Denise has focused her research on Sex Trafficking, where she believes the church, specifically Christian men, should take a front and center role in helping to reach those who drive the demand to exploit women and children. Dr. Denise has released her new book based on her doctoral research, *Christian Men Speak Up For Sexually Exploited Women and Children*, which informs the church on the importance of having needful conversations on human trafficking, sexual abuse, pornography, rape, domestic violence to be effective in ministry inside and outside the church.

As Director of Training with Healing Communities, a faith-based non-profit, Denise has provided educational training to community organizations and churches on how to connect returning citizens to resources that will help set attainable goals for their future; provide spiritual support; foster positive relationships with returning citizens and their families; remove the stigma and extend affirming fellowship with returning citizens; collaborate with family and friends to rebuild relationships; and advocate for political change on a local, state, and federal level. Dr. Denise has also engaged with the US Attorney's Office-DC in providing presentations on Sex Trafficking in the US.

Dr. Denise is a fellow and Board Member with the Center for Public Justice, Washington DC, and serves as the DC Coordinator for Stations of Hope in the DMV area. Dr. Denise is a member of Golden Key International Honor Society, Who's Who in 2020, and the DC Clergy Ambassador Program under the US Attorney's Office's direction where members work to bridge the gap between law enforcement and the community.

Denise is a recording artist, worship leader, prayer ministry leader, preacher, and teacher. She's a wife, a mother, a sister, the daughter of a Pastor, and a friend. Dr. Denise is many things, but she is at the very core of her soul: "I am a worshiper," she says.

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