



Biographical Statement

Rev. Lambert N. Rahming, Jr.

Lambert Rahming was born in the sunshine archipelago of The Bahamas. Raised in a Caribbean Christian household, he regularly attended Believer's Bible Ministries, a nondenominational church pastored by his uncle. At this very same church, Lambert was first exposed to the call God had for his life: to be one of preaching and pastoring.

Lambert attended Morehouse College, a prestigious HBCU (Historically Black College and University) in Atlanta, Ga. There, he avidly studied music composition, toured with the Morehouse College Glee Club, and participated in multiple social justice movements. During his time in Atlanta, Lambert was also a staff singer at the historic Ebenezer Baptist Church.

After receiving his Bachelor of Arts Degree, in the summer of 2011, Lambert moved to Boston, where started his professional career as a music teacher in the Boston Public Schools. There, he taught general music education and performance at a K-8 school in Roxbury. Outside of BPS, Lambert was the music director of Trinity Education for

Excellence Program (TEEP), a summer program sponsored by Trinity Church in Copley Square. After a full academic year and summer of teaching, Lambert transitioned from being a teacher back to a student. Near the same time, he discerned and accepted the call to ministry.

Combining a newfound summons to ministry and a passion to pursue higher education, Lambert enrolled at Boston University School of Theology. There, he channeled his energies in diverse capacities as the President of the Association of Black Seminarians, Worship Intern for Community Worship, Retreat Leader for the Spiritual Life Office, M.Div. Student Representative for the Community and Spiritual Life Committee, and as the Community Life Coordinator.

The summer before he received his Master of Divinity degree, Lambert embarked upon an exciting adventure. For three months, he interned at the Wesley Foundation on the campus of the University of Hawaii at Manoa. As the Summer Seminarian, Lambert was mainly responsible for putting together Concrete Christ Service Project, a series of community service activities for United Methodist high schoolers.

The 2015 winner of the Garner Prize for Preaching and Excellence in Homiletics, Lambert holds an acute affection for proclaiming the Good News through a millennial lens. A proud son of Allen, Lambert is a licensed preacher in the African Methodist Episcopal Church and is passionately pursuing itinerant elder orders. At his home church, Charles Street AME Church, Lambert functions as the Director of Liturgical Life, a creative capacity in which he crafted litanies, prayers, call to worships and other liturgical materials for Sunday services.

Lambert is especially excited to begin his post seminary life at Sanctuary UCC as her Community Minister. He is not only charmed by Sanctuary's eclectic appeal, but also challenged by its mission to welcome the stranger, companion the marginalized, and extend compassion to the forgotten. Lambert envisions this role as a platform to engage, enhance, and enliven the social and spiritual capital of Sanctuary UCC. These two qualities are inextricably bound, as *being* sanctuary is the radical act of loving our neighbor, both in the four walls of the church and the four corners of the world.

With ample zeal, Lambert looks forward to growing in this community of committed Christ followers. Moreover, Rev. Lambert Rahming is a person who loves God, loves people, and strives to prove it.

