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2026
WOMEN'S
CONFERENCE
RALEIGH, NORTH CAROLINA

# Pastor Welcome

## SHARON D. NESBIT

SENIOR PASTOR WAKE CHAPEL CHURCH

Grace, peace, and abundant blessings to each of you!

It is with great joy and a heart overflowing with gratitude that I welcome you to our 2026 HER Essence Conference! This is more than a gathering of women; it is a divine appointment—an opportunity to be renewed in spirit, strengthened in faith, inspired in purpose, and reminded of the extraordinary beauty and power God has placed within each of us.

Every woman has an essence—a God-given identity that is uniquely hers. It is not defined by the expectations of others, the circumstances of life, or the challenges she has endured. Rather, her true essence is rooted in the One who created her, called her by name, and fashioned her for a divine purpose. As Psalm 139:14 reminds us, *"I am fearfully and wonderfully made."* What a powerful affirmation of our worth, our dignity, and our divine potential!

As women of faith, we wear many hats, carry many responsibilities, and often pour so much of ourselves into the lives of others that we neglect to nurture the gifts God has placed within us. Yet, I believe God is calling us in this season to rediscover who we are in Him, reclaim the promises He has spoken over our lives, and walk boldly in the fullness of our calling.

My prayer is that this conference will be a sacred space where burdens are lifted, hearts are healed, friendships are strengthened, and dreams are awakened. May every message inspire you, every encounter encourage you, and every moment draw you closer to the woman God has destined you to become.

Sisters, never underestimate the power of a woman who knows whose she is! You are more than your past, greater than your struggles, and stronger than the obstacles before you. You are daughters of the Most High God—created with intention, clothed in strength and dignity, and equipped to make a difference in your families, our church, and the world.



May you leave this conference not simply inspired by what you have heard, but transformed by what God has revealed. Walk confidently in your calling, embrace the beauty of your uniqueness, and never forget that the essence of who you are is found in the God who lives within you.

**Reverend Sharon D. Nesbit**
*Senior Pastor*
*Wake Chapel Church*

# Schedule of Events

## HER ESSENCE
## WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2026

Presented by Pastor Sharon D. Nesbit and GLOW (Godly Ladies of Worship)

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20TH

*The GLOW Ministry presents:*

### A Night of Worship

MAIN SANCTUARY

OPEN TO ALL: Men, Women & Youth

6:30 pm. – Doors Open for all

7:00 pm – Night of Worship

*Featuring* ***Todd Galberth***

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

### HER ESSENCE Girls

LIFE ENRICHMENT CENTER (LEC)

*Pre-Registration was REQUIRED*

Parent Drop off and Pick up is STRICTLY ENFORCED

8:30 am - 5:00 pm

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST

### Childcare

Pre-Registration was REQUIRED

Parent Drop off and Pick up is STRICTLY ENFORCED

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

## SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21ST
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| 8:00 am | Registration Opens – Life Enrichment Center (LEC)<br>LIGHT Continental Breakfast (optional) & Fellowship – LEC/GYM<br>Vendor Village is Open – West Lobby |
| 9:30 am | Intercessory Prayer - Sanctuary |
| 10:00 am | Session #1<br>Opening Selection – WCC Praise Team<br>Welcome – Pastor Alexis Best<br>Praise and Worship – WCC Praise Team<br>Offering and Introduction of Pastor Sharon D. Nesbit – Sister Shaniece Gamble<br>Opening Charge – Pastor Sharon D. Nesbit<br>Introduction of Pastor Joann Rosario – Sister Tanisha Stevens<br>Pre-Sermonic Selection – WCC Praise Team<br>Guest Speaker – Pastor JoAnn Rosario<br>Maranatha Life Church, Senior Pastor<br>Closing and Transition to Lunch |
| Noon | Lunch<br>Life Enrichment Center (LEC) |
| 1:30 pm | Session #2<br>Welcome Back – Pastor Alexis Best<br>Praise and Worship – WCC Praise Team<br>Introduction of Bishop Jackie McCullough – Sister Tanisha Stevens<br>Pre-Sermonic Selection – WCC Praise Team<br>Guest Speaker – Bishop Jackie McCullough<br>Beth Rapha, Senior Pastor<br>Closing & Transition to DIY Courses – Pastor Sharon D. Nesbit |
| 3:30 pm | Transition and Break |

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| 3:45 pm | DIY COURSES<br>**SIP and Paint** (Sherelle Lennon Graham)<br>LEC Cafe Hallway - 2nd Floor<br>**Pilates and Praise** ( Shannon Parker)<br>LEC Broadway Lounge - 3rd Floor<br>**Candle Making** (Tamikia Edwards)<br>LEC Teen Lounge - 1st Floor<br>**Charcuterie Making** ( Emily McCormick)<br>Fellowship Hall<br>**Alone With God** (Pastor Sharon D. Nesbit)<br>Sanctuary |
| 5:15 pm | Parent Pick up for Childcare and Her Essence Girls |

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22ND

## *Worship Experience*

9:00 am Sunday Morning Worship Service
Wake Chapel Church Central

*Everyone is encouraged to worship together at the 9:00 am service!*

# *Welcome Guest Presenters*

We are privileged and fortunate to have an experienced lineup of presenters to address this year's HER Essence Conference. These guest speakers were carefully chosen to bring our Conference attendees rich and insightful content. We believe you will be blessed with their delivery and ability to rightly divide the Word of God through their chosen gifts.



# *Guest Artist*

# TODD GALBERTH

Todd Galberth, known for his exuberant and contagious musical style, is recognized in the Gospel arena as a passionate praise and worship leader who is changing how this nation worships God. As a seasoned songwriter and vocalist, Galberth has graciously combined his multiple talents to help usher people into God's presence. His sophomore project, Decrease, topped the Billboard charts at #1. BMI Records also awarded him Song of the Year for "I'm Getting Ready."

Understanding his strengths as an actor, Galberth dove into the acting scene, leveraging his abilities in supporting roles to portray troubled, dramatic and comedic characters in several playwrights across the country.

His current ministry assignment is Associate Pastor of Change Church, under the dynamic leadership of Dr. Dharius Daniels. He has served as worship pastor at Relentless Church in Greenville, SC, under the leadership of Pastors John and Aventer Gray, Redemption Church in Greenville, SC, under Pastors Ron and Hope Carpenter's direction, and Potential Church, a large church with multiple campuses worldwide. Prior to that, he was a praise and worship leader at World Overcomers Christian Church in Durham, North Carolina. Galberth also spearheads workshops to train other music leaders in the fundamentals of worship and evangelism.

Galberth hails from Raeford, NC, and currently lives in Georgia with his wife, Vanessa, and their two children, Tyven and Mya. He often says, "God is looking for a worshipper, not a song. A worshipper does not need a song, but a song always needs a worshipper."



# *Guest Speaker*

# PASTOR JOANN ROSARIO

Joann Rosario is an internationally celebrated worship leader, singer-songwriter, author, and pastor whose powerful voice and passionate ministry have impacted lives worldwide. Since her major label debut, More, More, More, she has collaborated with Gospel legends including Fred Hammond, Marvin Sapp, Donnie McClurkin, and Yolanda Adams.

Formerly the National Music Director for Maranatha World Revival Ministries, Joann now serves as Lead Pastor of Maranatha Life Church in Austell, Georgia. Her latest single, Still On The Throne, continues her legacy of authentic worship, with a new musical project anticipated in 2027.

Joann is also the author of Father, Here I Am and Rising After Ruin and The Weight of Worship.

Through music, ministry, and writing, she remains committed to inspiring lives and glorifying God.



# *Guest Speaker*

# BISHOP JACKIE MCCULLOUGH

The Right Reverend Doctor Jacqueline E. McCullough was elevated to the bishopric in August 2015 and is the Senior Pastor and Founder of The International Gathering at Beth Rapha, in Pomona, NY. She is the General Overseer of The Rapha Alliance, a fellowship of 20 churches. Her vision for evangelistic ministry inspired her to establish Precious JEM Ministries, Inc., a non-proNit religious organization, where she serves as President & CEO.

Bishop McCullough, a native of Kingston, Jamaica, was awarded her Doctor of Ministry from Drew Theological Seminary and also holds a Master of Arts in Philosophy from New York University. She has also engaged in postgraduate study at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Dr. McCullough currently serves as the President of Beth Rapha Christian College & Theological Seminary, Inc.

She laid the foundation for formal biblical studies in her bookstore in Brooklyn, NY, where she developed a curriculum in theology, the works of the Holy Spirit, prayer, and missions.

Dr. McCullough is also the author of four books: a devotional entitled Daily Moments with God: in Quietness and ConNidence; 105 Days of Prayer; Satisfaction of the Soul, The Other Side of This, “I Hate My Life” and her latest book “The Lockett”. Along with her books, she has released two praise and worship CDs entitled “This is For You Lord,” and “A New Sound.”

Bishop McCullough spearheads the Word Alive Medical Mission, an international evangelistic effort that has provided free healthcare and medical services to the Island of Jamaica, and Monrovia, Liberia, since 1995. The mission has serviced over 35,000 people in both countries.

Through her Teaching Conferences, she currently travels throughout the New York Metropolitan area expounding upon the doctrines of Salvation, SanctiNication, Adoption, and JustiNication. Her commitment to the next generation is reNlected in her mentorship and regular instruction of the Remnant Men and Women in her local ministry.

Bishop McCullough is widely recognized for her love and passion for teaching and preaching the unadulterated Word of God and maintaining its integrity in a wicked and idolatrous generation.

She is humbled to be acknowledged as one of the leading preachers and teachers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Ladies and Gentlemen, please prepare your hearts to receive the Word of God from His Handmaiden, Bishop Jacqueline E. McCullough.



# *Sip & Paint*

## SHERELLE LENNON GRAHAM

Mixed-Media Artist | Creative Visionary | Licensed Esthetician & Instructor

Sherelle Graham is a mixed-media artist, creative visionary, and licensed esthetician whose artistic expression is rooted in faith, culture, and connection through hands-on experiences.

Her artistic journey began in elementary art class with a painting of Van Gogh's Sunflowers and grew through significant milestones, including contributing to the 2013 Wake Tech North Campus Mural, exhibiting artwork at the Cary Art Museum in 2014, and being accepted into UNC Charlotte's Visual Arts Program in 2015. Her background in traditional art eventually evolved into digital media, design, and branding.

At the heart of it all is her faith. Sherelle believes her hands and visions are gifts from God and that creating art is one of the ways she communicates with Him and brings His ideas to life.

Since 2018, Sherelle has led paint-and-sip experiences that encourage women to explore creativity, connection, and self-discovery. Through these experiences, she hopes to inspire people to discover new parts of themselves or reconnect with parts they may have forgotten.

Above all, Sherelle desires that every gift, creation, and experience ultimately brings glory to God.



# *Pilates & Praise*

# SHANNON PARKER

Shannon Parker helps women thrive in faith, food, and fitness. Shannon coaches women who want to feel their best, eat clean on the go, and do life with a Sisterhood. She offers vibrant wellness experiences and dynamic fitness accountability with her Sisterhood membership platform. Shannon also offers a deep-dive body reset with her four-week Nourish program.

Shannon Parker is a finance executive, faith-based lifestyle mentor, and founder of Faith Wins, LLC. With over a decade in executive leadership, she has built high-performing teams, managed multimillion-dollar budgets, and led financial strategy for ministry and community impact.

Her work is deeply shaped by her own journey of navigating hypothyroidism and Hashimoto's disease.

Shannon figured out her own body's unique triggers through nourishing foods and lifestyle changes. She discovered that health is uniquely personal and absolutely tangible! Shannon reversed significant symptoms of thyroid dysfunction and autoimmune disease.

Find inspiration, encouragement, and recipes at www.shannonparker.org and connect with Shannon right now on Instagram or Facebook @foreverfinesse



# *Candle Making*

# TAMIKIA EDWARDS

Tamikia Edwards is a lifelong creative with a passion for helping others discover the joy of handcrafted products. With years of experience as a crafter and former owner of Martha Jane Aromatics, a candle and fragrance business, she has created beautiful, high-quality products using simple techniques and premium ingredients.

In this interactive body butter workshop, Tamikia will guide participants through the process of making a rich, nourishing body butter while sharing practical tips on ingredients, fragrance blending, and skincare. Her relaxed, encouraging teaching style makes the class enjoyable for both beginners and experienced crafters alike.

Tamikia believes creativity is a gift that brings people together, inspires confidence, and creates opportunities to bless ourselves and others. She is excited to share this experience as part of Women's Day and looks forward to creating something beautiful with each participant.



# *Alone With God*

## PASTOR SHARON D. NESBIT

Pastor Sharon is a multifaceted gift to the world. With sheer charisma, she delivers a message of hope among many people from every walk of life. Her polished art of public speaking, unmistakable love for helping people, practical wisdom and insightful teaching, has positioned her as a highly sought after 21st century presenter.

Pastor Sharon's comic timing and affable nature make her an audience favorite at venues large and small. Her more than 30-year tenure as a public speaker began with local engagements, before exploding onto the national stage at arenas and on international platforms overseas such as Bermuda, London, Jamaica and Barbados. As her popularity grew, Pastor Sharon's was featured on local TV media outlets, including a national appearance on Trinity Broadcasting Network (TBN).

As an ordained minister, and passionate dedication to her Christian faith, Pastor Sharon's approaches her new assignment as the Senior Pastor of Wake Chapel Church with a respect for the legacy of the Ministry and the opportunities in the future. Wake Chapel Church feels the blessings for this moment. This is truly an ordained season for our community. Pastor Sharon's steps were ordered to shepherd this flock.

Pastor Sharon's ministerial training was obtained from Aenon Bible College in East Orange, NJ, and Telion Bible Institute in Brooklyn, NY. She obtained a BS in General Psychology and an MA in Pastoral Counseling at Liberty University. Dean's practical, yet powerful delivery continues to inspire, impact, and empower many, young and seasoned alike.



# Charcuterie Making




Emily McCormick is the Founder and Creative Director of **GCharles Events & Catering**, a North Carolina-based luxury catering and hospitality company specializing in elevated grazing experiences, artist hospitality, green room management, and unforgettable event experiences.

With more than 20 years of experience in event planning, hospitality, and business operations, Emily has built a reputation for transforming food into an experience through creativity, intentional design, and exceptional service. Her signature brand, ***The Art of Graze***, combines beautifully curated charcuterie boards and grazing tables with hands-on workshops that inspire creativity, connection, and community.

Emily has provided artist hospitality for the **North Carolina Museum of Art Jazz Series** for the past four years and recently provided a luxury grazing table for the Mantle Conference in Orlando, serving Apostle Joshua Giles and distinguished ministry leaders.

Professionally, Emily also serves as a Business Operations Manager with Lenovo while balancing her passion for entrepreneurship. She is a devoted wife, mother, caregiver, and advocate for family caregivers.

Emily is excited to lead ***The Art of Graze*** workshop for the women of **Wake Chapel Church**, sharing practical techniques for creating beautiful charcuterie boards while encouraging creativity, fellowship, and connection.

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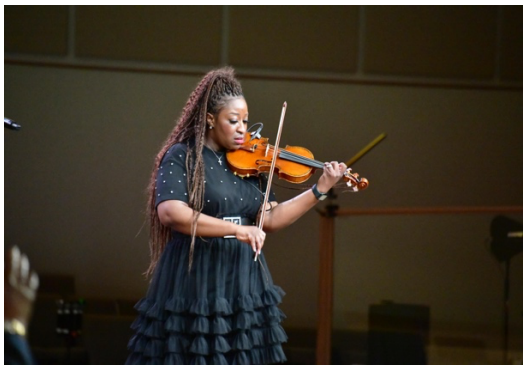
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Our sincerest appreciation for all the people behind the scenes who helped make this conference a resounding success.

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# *Stay Connected!*

Keep in touch with your fellow HER Essence family. Look for events through the year and special opportunities to network and grow.

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in all our ways to remain linked.

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