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**82<sup>nd</sup> Pastors and Leaders Conference Banquet  
OF The**

**General Association of Baptists In Kentucky**

Marriott Louisville East Hotel  
1930 Embassy Suite Blvd  
Louisville, KY

Monday, February 16, 2026  
6:30 p.m.

Moderator  
REV. DR. MICHAEL RICE

Guest Preacher  
Rev. Dr. Philip Pointer, Sr.  
Saint Mark Baptist Church,  
Little Rock, Arkansas

## ***Dr. Michael Rice - Moderator***

Call to Worship.....Dr. Phillip Suber  
2nd Vice Moderator, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky

Welcome.....Sis. Veronica Sharber Buckner  
President - Baptist Women's Educational Convention

Scripture.....Rev. Mary Pauline Owens  
President, Baptist Woments Missionary Auxiliary

Selection.....Annissa Burton-Clayton,  
Minister of Music – Pleasant View Baptist Church Louisville

Prayer & Blessing of Food.....Bro. Tony Scisney  
President, Kentucky Baptist Laymen Auxiliary

### ***Dinner is Served*** Presentation

Introduction of Guest Preacher .....Dr. Michael Rice,  
**Moderator, General Association Of Baptists In Kentucky**

Selection

### ***The Preached Word*** ***Rev. Dr. Philip Pointer, Sr.***

Saint Mark Baptist Church, Little Rock, Arkansas

Invitation to Christian Discipleship.....Dr. Brian Hogg  
4th Vice Moderator, General Association of Baptists in Kentucky

Selection

### ***Preview of the Week*** ***Closing Prayer***

## ***Rev. Dr. Philip Pointer, Sr.***

The Rev. Dr. Phillip L. Pointer, Sr. is the Senior Pastor of Saint Mark Baptist Church, one of the largest Baptist churches in the state of Arkansas. Raised in the Greater Washington D.C. area, Pastor Pointer would become a fourth-generation Baptist pastor, coming from a dual line of Baptist pastors that runs on both sides of his family.



Having now served as a Senior Pastor for 20 years, Pastor Pointer's journey as a pastor began in October 2002 with an assignment at St. John Baptist Church in Alexandria, Virginia. In conjunction with fostering the spiritual growth and advancement of St. John, Pastor Pointer earned a Master of Divinity Degree with honors from The Samuel Dewitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University in Richmond, Virginia.

After ten rewarding years of leadership at St. John, Pastor Pointer received his next call from God that brought him to his current assignment at Saint Mark Baptist Church. Shortly after uniting with Saint Mark, Pastor Pointer completed his Doctor of Ministry Degree from the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, OH. He currently leads a Doctoral Cohort at United

As senior pastor at Saint Mark, Dr. Pointer has led the ministry in its growth by leaps and bounds, including major initiatives in community outreach offerings such as job fairs, financial stewardship classes, record expungement seminars, and food drives. Dr. Pointer led the formation of the Tendaji Community Development Corporation in 2016, which provides outreach programs and initiatives that support the entire Little Rock community such as Program IMPACT, an after-school program for elementary students, and Reclaiming Scholars, an alternative suspension program for middle and high school students.

Dr. Pointer served as Chair and Associate Professor of the Department of Philosophy and Religion at Philander Smith College in Little Rock, Arkansas, from August 2019 to December 2022. Dr. Pointer believes in solid, biblical, and practical teaching of God's Word in a way that helps the hearer with introspective growth in their relationship with Jesus Christ. His sincere desire to remain true to the explanation and exhortation of the Bible is a product of his earnest seeking of wisdom, clarity and study.