

## **Dr. Elliott Cuff**

Reverend Elliott Cuff is the senior pastor of the Lincoln Heights Missionary Baptist Church, Woodlawn, Ohio. Dr. Cuff is known as a visionary leader who builds his ministry around transforming the lives of the disadvantaged, the disenchanting and the distressed masses through an anointed message of the gospel that promotes liberation, empowerment, and deliverance; especially for families and individuals broken through the power of sinful displacement. He is a strong advocate for economic self-sufficiency, for community based education and educational reform, as well as for the involvement of private and governmental partnerships in restoring moral, economic, social integrity and wholeness to depressed communities.

Since coming to Lincoln Heights, Dr. Cuff has founded and organized the Voices of the Valley, a consortium of pastors in valley churches whose concern, goals and interests is to impact and effect the total community. He is leading his church in a comprehensive vision program entitled, "Covenant 8," which includes the Isaiah Oasis community development project which envisions lifting the hopes of the next generation of families and children in the community and abroad. He is the founder and visionary for Camp Hope, an empowerment education partnership to help young people attain excellence in education that partners the Princeton City School District, the Village of Lincoln Heights, and Lincoln Heights Baptist Church.

Dr. Cuff, as a part of a mission team from Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention, has preached and taught in Nigeria, 2003 and South Africa 1999. He works and serves faithfully in the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc., and its Congress, contributing particularly to the Christian education ministry. Dr. Cuff has preached extensively in churches, conventions, colleges around the nation, as well as in several nations in Africa. Dr. Cuff also serves as the Dean, National Baptist Congress of Christian Education, National Baptist Convention, USA, Incorporated, Dr. Julius R. Scruggs, president. He gives leadership to several special assignments in Christian Education that involve collaboration with the Sunday School Publishing Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

Dr. Cuff is a graduate of Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and the New York Theological Seminary, where he earned the Master of Divinity Degree, and the United Theological Seminary in Dayton Ohio where he earned the Doctor of Ministry Degree in Social Justice Preaching. Dr. Cuff is also a life member in the NAACP and holds joint membership in the American Academy of Religion and the Society of Biblical Literature. He has written many articles and essays for Christian publications, including his sermon work in the African American Pulpit published by Judson Press and his essay on African American preaching published in the Jubilee Bible by the American Bible Society. In April 1999, Dr. Cuff was inducted into the distinguished Board of Preachers, Martin Luther King, Jr. Chapel, Morehouse College, in Atlanta Georgia. Dr. Cuff is married to the lovely, vivacious and charming Virginia E. Cuff. They are the proud parents of their daughter, Lorell E. Cuff. Dr. Cuff's preaching motto is, "**Be Radical, Be Relevant, but most of all, Be Right!**"