**CURRICULUM VITAE**

**REV. DR. WILLIAM J. BARBER, II**

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**EDUCATION**

D.Min. Drew University, Madison, NJ 2001  
 Pastoral Care and Public Policy

M.Div. Duke Divinity School, Durham, NC, 1989

B.A. North Carolina Central University, Durham, NC, 1985

Major: History and Public Administration

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Professor in the Practice, Yale Divinity School, 2023-present

Founding Director, Center for Public Theology and Public Policy at Yale Divinity School, 2023-present

Co-Chair, Poor People’s Campaign: A National Call for Moral Revival, 2018-present

Bishop, College of Affirming Bishops, 2017-present

President, NC NAACP, 2005-2018

Founder and President, Repairers of the Breach, 2015-present

President, NC NAACP, 2005-2018

Pastor, Greenleaf Christian Church, 1993-2023

Moderator, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in North Carolina

Executive Director, North Carolina Human Relations Commission

Adjust Professor, North Carolina Central University and Duke University Divinity School

Pastor, Fayette Street Christian Church, Martinsville, VA, 1989-93

**BOARD MEMBERSHIP**

College of Affirming Bishops, TFAM

National Board of Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

**PUBLICATIONS**

*White Poverty: How Exposing Myths About Race and Class Can Reconstruct American Democracy,* with Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove(Liveright, 2024)

*We Are Called To Be A Movement* (Workman Press, 2021)

*Revive Us Again: Vision and Action in Moral Leadership,* with Liz Theoharis and Rick Lowry (Beacon Press, 2019)

*The Third Reconstruction: Moral Mondays, Fusion Politics, and the Rise of a New Justice Movement* (Beacon Press, 2016), with Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove

*Forward Together: A Moral Message for the Nation* (Chalice Press, 2014), with Barbara Zelter

Southern correspondent for *The Nation*.

Regular op-ed contributor to the *New York Times,* *Washington Post*, CNN.com, TIME.com, *The Guardian*, and many other publications.

A comprehensive list of recent articles can be found here: https://www.breachrepairers.org/articles

**PRESENTATIONS** **(selected)**

Yale University, Harvard University, Princeton University, United Auto Workers, National Association of Educators, Parliament of World Religions, the Riverside Church, the National Cathedral, Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, Children’s Defense Fund, Netroots Nation, Daily Kos, National LGBTQ Alliance, Congressional Black Caucus, Democratic National Convention, President Biden’s Inaugural Prayer Service, Pontifical Academy (Vatican City)

**FELLOWSHIPS**

Kettering Senior Fellow (2024)

MacArthur Fellow (2018)

MIT Mel King Fellow (2010-2011)

Union Theological Seminary (Sabbatical Fellowship, 2014)

St. Johns University Vincentian Chair for Social Justice (2019-2020)

Auburn Senior Fellow

**AWARDS (selected)**

Human Rights Campaign’s National Civil Rights Award, Clara M. Hale Humanitarian Award, The 48th Annual Arnold M. Dubin Award, Tar Heel of the Year (*News and Observer*), Humphrey Award from the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, The Nation/Puffin Prize for Creative Citizenship, Four Freedoms Award (Freedom of Worship), Fellowship of Reconciliation’s Martin Luther King Award, NAE’s Martin Luther King Award, Order of the Long Leaf Pine (State of North Carolina’s highest honor).

Honorary doctorates from Lincoln University, Drew University, North Carolina Central University, CUNY Law School, Wheaton College, Occidental College, Bard College, Wesleyan University, Loyola University, Shaw University, Christian Theological Seminary, and Bethany Seminary.

Bishop Barber is also honored to have been arrested for nonviolent direct action during Moral Mondays, Fight for 15 actions, Democracy Spring, Fire Drill Fridays, and Poor People’s Campaign actions.