

## **BIOGRAPHY OF REV. KAYE C. COATES**

Rev. Coates is the wife of Earl C. Coates, the mother of two daughters, the grandmother of eight, and the great-grandmother of two.

Born and raised in Knoxville, Maryland, she is one of eight children parented by the late George C. and Minnie L. Hardy. She attended Brunswick Elementary and High schools, graduating in 1969. Rev. Coates has attended Frederick Community College, Maple Springs Baptist Bible College and Seminary, and is a successful graduate of an intensive one-year Federal management training program.



A former employee of the U.S. Department of Energy, she retired in January 2004 to pursue full-time ministry. During her long career at the Department of Energy, she received many awards for exceptional service, including the "Bronze Award," one of the highest Departmental awards given for Exceptional Career Service.

Rev. Coates is a long-time member of Ebenezer-Brunswick. She has a servant's heart and readily does the work of the Lord. This is evident by the many capacities in which she has served her church since her conversion in 1982. She was ordained in 1999 as a Local Deacon by Bishop Vinton R. Anderson at the 49th Session of the Washington Annual Conference of the A.M.E. Church in Washington, D.C.

From the time of her ordination, Rev. Coates served Ebenezer as an associate minister. Since 2006, she serves as the Associate Pastor, currently assisting Pastor Louis M. Kelly. Rev. Coates teaches Bible Study and Sunday Church School, serves as the Quarterly Conference Secretary, and facilitates "The Gathering," a bi-weekly meeting of the Ebenezer sisterhood. In conjunction with her customary duties, she is the author and coordinator of Ebenezer's Strategic Plan and the designer and publisher of the Church's Website. She is also writing a devotional book that was inspired by her father.

Rev. Coates is a multi-talented individual who unselfishly uses her gifts and talents to the benefit of others. The generous outpouring of herself and her resources is legendary. As a result, her compassionate and giving spirit has left its indelible mark on the lives of family, friends, and community.

Rev. Coates is a visionary and an anointed preacher and teacher of the Word of God. She has been an invited preacher, motivational speaker, facilitator, and/or teacher at various church services, conferences, and retreats in Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Pennsylvania, Washington, D.C., New Jersey, and Florida.

Community wise, she has served as a Hospice volunteer, and until June of 2010, served on the Board of Directors for the Brunswick Medical Center. She is also the Founder and President of K.C. Ministries, Inc., a non-profit corporation organized to encourage and promote spiritual and personal growth and development, especially in women. True to her calling, Rev. Coates is a faithful servant to her local church and community, but her overarching ministry is global by far.

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