



## Deacon Carl Williams Layman President

Deacon Carl Williams is a member of Old Elam Baptist Church, the second oldest church established in Montgomery County, a church rich in history and the service of the Lord. He is a family man that leads by the precepts founded in Proverbs 22:6, Joshua 24:15, and Hebrews 6:10. Deacon Williams grew in the service of the Lord with humble beginnings as a door keeper, but the Lord showed favor and elevated him to the positions of Deacon, Amour Bearer, and Sunday School Superintendent. He came to Montgomery through his

distinguished Air Force military service of 20 years, after attaining the rank as a Senior Non-Commissioned Security Forces Officer. He enjoys people, understands and appreciates how God can mold and make a man into what he needs him to be to bring Him glory. He is youngest of eleven children and knows how tough life can be when one needs a helping hand. He is married to Alfreda Screen Murdock, who serves as the secretary/clerk for Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, Pike Road; the first Baptist church to be established in Montgomery County. She is a member of the Deacon Wives, Matrons, and is an active member in the Waugh, Mt Meigs and Pike Road communities. Their two children, Kiesha and Kiel Murdock have led exemplary lives both in the church and community.

For the past eight years and to present, Deacon Williams served as Crusader Counselor at his home church and the Montgomery Antioch District Association (MADA) Crusader Counselor President under Moderator Wagstaff until his recent appointment by same as MADA Layman President under the advisement of MADA 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Moderator, Pastor Anderson Ayers.

He accepted the Layman position with the intent of making the MADA a district that brings glory to God. It is his prayer that God will bless the Montgomery Antioch District Association with unity, helps, and brotherly love. Above all, he prays for the establishment of a mission to reach and keep other brothers in Christ that are entering a crucial time in their life. Satan desires to sift our young men as wheat and they might not otherwise stay on the straight and narrow path that leads to life. Those more seasoned laymen know this all too well. The years between ages eighteen and twenty-five are key for building upon a firm foundation, which is critical to being successful in life, well-rounded and rooted in the truth-Jesus the Christ. So, let us build our hopes on things eternal as we hold to God's unchanging hands.