

MIDYEAR 2025

Rev. Dr. Edward L. Foggs



General Director Emeritus, Church of God Ministries

Rev. Dr. Edward Lewis Foggs, a Kansas City, Kansas native, was married to Joyce Delores Stone (deceased, 2020). Together, they raised five children, all college graduates engaged in Christian service. A graduate of Sumner High School (1952), he earned a B.A. from Anderson College (University) and pursued graduate studies at various seminaries, including Anderson University School of Theology and Princeton Theological Seminary. He holds two honorary degrees: Doctor of Divinity from Anderson University (1984) and Doctor of Humane Letters from Warner Pacific College (1999).

Dr. Foggs' career began as a janitor at Delco Remy before serving as pastor at Sherman Street Church of God (1959-1969). He held leadership roles in the Church of God, including Director of Urban Ministries, Associate Executive Secretary, and General Secretary/CEO of the Leadership Council (1988-1999). He served as interim pastor at Sherman Street Church of God in 2009-2010.

A distinguished leader, Dr. Foggs held numerous professional and civic positions, including Chairman of the Indiana Ministerial Assembly and President of the National Inspirational Youth Convention. He was involved with the Rotary Club, NAACP, and United Way, and served on various boards, such as the National Association of Evangelicals and the World Relief Corporation. Dr. Foggs' global influence is evident in his leadership of international conferences, including those in Kenya, Korea, Germany, and Australia.

Dr. Foggs has authored articles and books, including Christ Compels Us (1996). His contributions have earned numerous recognitions, including the NAACP's William B. Harper Award, the Urban League's Family of the Year Award, and the Church of God Ministries' National Treasures Award (2003). He received the Raymond S. Jackson Distinguished Service Award (2003), the Anderson University Heritage Award (2011), and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Association of the Church of God (2018).

In retirement, Dr. Foggs consults with pastors, congregations, and emerging leaders and continues his dedication to ministry and community leadership.

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