

OVERSEER SYLVESTER WILLIAMS



Biography

Overseer Sylvester Williams is a native of Durham, North Carolina. His wife is Barbara Tanner Williams. The couple has one son, Diya, who has an Undergraduate Degree from Wake Forest University and a Master's Degree from Cambridge University. Diya is a Pharmaceutical Technical Writer. The couple has two daughters, Adande, who is a graduate of North Carolina State University and CEO of A.N.D. Consulting, Inc.; and Nanyamka, who is a graduate of North Carolina Central University and a Clinical Monitoring Associate; one daughter-in-law, Anada, and three grandchildren, Josiah, Anaya, and Diya II.

Overseer Sylvester Williams was an Equity Research Analyst II for a Fortune 500 bank. He has over 30 years of equity investment and analytical experience. In this role, he is responsible for quantitative analysis, risk management reporting and equity recommendations. He is also responsible for equity trading, including order execution, soft dollar budgets and broker selection and monitoring. He attended North Carolina Central University and has degrees in Business Administration and Accounting from Durham Community College. He received an Honorary Doctorate Degree from Sharon Bible College. In addition, he was Chair for Economic Development for the Durham Business and Professional Chain and Vice-Chair for Economic Development for the Durham Committee On The Affairs of Black People. He was also a member of the CFA North Carolina Society.

In addition to serving as founding Pastor of The Assembly at Durham Christian Center, Overseer Williams is known to many local residents for his weekly radio ministry 'Christian Perspective'. He has served on the Board of Directors for Durham for Jesus Ministries; he was a volunteer with Meals on Wheels Outreach in Raleigh and Ellison's Rest Home in Durham; Tent Revivalist, in the Raleigh-Durham and New York areas.

Overseer Williams oversea travels include India, The Philippines and Africa. He has preached Christ Jesus the Son of the Living God in several international conferences, crusades and seminars in India and The Philippines, while witnessing the miraculous hand of God heal the deaf and dumb and the lame. Hundreds of thousands have attended meetings where those that were of different religions came to know Jesus as Lord and Savior. The Assembly at Durham Christian Center's international ministry provides continuous support to the Body of Christ overseas such as 1) support for an orphanage in India, 2) building and restoration of churches in The Philippines and 3) supplying Bibles to the Ivory Coast and Ghana.

"As past President of Hayestown Community in East Durham, Overseer Williams has been a spokesman addressing certain public affair issues. He has been proactive concerning the proposed East End Connector -- a highway project that would link the Durham Freeway and U.S. 70 -- on the grounds it would displace a predominantly black neighborhood.

In the late 1990s he urged the Durham Public Schools to stop teaching the theory of evolution. He argued that the theory is racist "because it teaches black students that white students have evolved at a far greater pace than they have." He also served on the Youth Advisory Board, Durham County; and the Mayor's Advisory Board for Gang Violence in Durham County.