

Rev. Dr. Earl A. Bland

Dr. Bland is the Pastor of the Charleston Presbyterian Church, (ECO) which was founded in December of 2014. He had previously served as the Senior Pastor of the James Island Presbyterian Church. Prior to moving to Charleston, he had been the Pastor of the Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church in Lawrenceville, Georgia. He has also served as Pastor of the Morrow Presbyterian Church in Morrow, Georgia.

Dr. Bland holds a Bachelor of Music Composition and a Bachelor of Music Theory from the University of Missouri-Kansas City. In 1989, he graduated with a Master of Divinity from Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary. In 1992, he completed a Doctor of Ministry from Columbia Theological Seminary on Lay Witness in the Church.

Among the many accomplishments of over 30 years of ordained ministry, he has begun 2 college ministries working with Campus Crusade, (CRU). He has held renewal services in Methodist, AME, Baptist, and Presbyterian Churches, started a church plant in Charleston, and is the President of “Time of Renewal Ministries,” (501c3) which broadcasts to millions of potential hearers on Wilkins Radio stations across the country. Since becoming an official ECO congregation in only 10 months (October, 2015) after the founding of the church plant, Charleston Presbyterian covenant partners have since increased during the first 4 years.

He is married to the former Laura Ann Williamson, and they have 5 children: Craig, Shaun, Rebekah, Scott, and Maddie. Earl and Laura have 8 grandchildren. Earl enjoys playing guitar, singing in church, and walking their Great Dane, Maggie.