

## **PROFILE**

Doug Walker, M.Div. serves as the Senior Pastor at Tyer Temple United Methodist Church, and Executive Director for the Tampa Bay Center for Community Transformation. A master facilitator, and trainer he promotes hope and healing for congregations and communities across the country through a message of genuine reciprocal relationship with those directly impacted by crime and the criminal justice system.

Doug is currently pursuing a PhD in Public Policy at Union Institute & University in Cincinnati, Ohio, where his area of interest is social and policy change through bringing Martin Luther King's concept of the Beloved Community to bear on public safety.

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# DOUGLAS Walker

Pastor/Executive Director

# **EDUCATION**

# **Union Institute & University**

July 2014 – December 2020 [expected] **Degree**: Ph.D. Interdisciplinary Studies

**Concentration**: Public Policy & Social Change **Specialization**: Martin Luther King Jr. Studies

# **Wesley Theological Seminary**

August 2011 – May 2014 **Degree**: Master of Divinity

Specialization: Urban Ministry, Urban Ministry Fellow

Awards: 2014 Margaret Pittman Award for Excellence in Urban Ministry

# **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# Tyer Temple UMC - Pastor

July 2018–Present

Responsible for spiritual formation of members and administration of church affairs.

# Tampa Bay Center for Community Transformation - Executive Director April 2016–Present

Coordinate all functions and activities of community education and awareness NPO. The Center serves FBO's through training in Trauma-Informed Ministry using the proprietary Resilient Congregations framework.

# General Board of Church & Society (United Methodist Church) National Coordinator for Criminal Justice Reform

October 2013-December 2016

Coordinate national grassroots strategy to reform criminal justice policy at national, state, and local levels. National presenter/trainer of the Healing Communities prison ministry framework for the United Methodist Church