

Letter from Elder Frank Robinson

I know Presiding Bishop Charles E. Blake quite well. I was ordained under his father, General Board member Bishop J.A. Blake, Sr. I served for years at West Angeles COGIC as Bishop Blake's trusted right hand, then 15 years as a Pastor, 10 as both a District Superintendent and Regional Superintendent. I finished a term on the Jurisdiction's Board of Directors. I am a son, a brother and a friend.

The COGIC is intact, leadership and membership widely respect and support Presiding Bishop Blake. He is a man of high integrity, an excellent steward of time and resources. He is creatively progressive, forward thinking, a great manager, thinker, writer and minister, full of good works and skill in public AND private, a great and godly leader.

It seems clear that Mr. Carter did not like being corrected for inappropriate, vulgar, homophobic statements from the pulpit. Bishop Blake did address those things wisely and with clarity. The published "manifesto" may be slander, it may be out of order and may lack humility, but why would any Christian consider it?

One sees why Paul instructed Timothy: "Do not receive an accusation against an elder except from two or three witnesses," (1 Tim 5:19). Where are this man's witnesses? Yet this was published and carried about, in spite of what scripture teaches. A recent letter from Pastor Eugene F Rivers of Boston was written in response to Mr. Carter, another from Bishop Jones. This? Shameful it is put out there as if it has any weight to it at all. It should not be received or respected by any.

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