

L. Shawn DeBerry

L. Shawn DeBerry spent her childhood in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania where she began an eight-year professional modeling career. Soon after High School she entered the United States Army where she served our country as a Petroleum Supply Specialist for six years before being honorably discharged.



Shawn has lived, worked and served in Colorado for over 25 years; preaching, teaching, learning and living the Gospel of Christ under the umbrella's of The COGIC Association beginning in 1989; and the American Baptist Association; where she received her licensing. She now worships at Colorado Christian Fellowship, where the Pastor is Reverend Phillip Smith. She received her formal education from Colorado Christian University with a major course of study in Business Administration and Christian Leadership. She received her ordination through CVTS- Christian Vocational Training School. Shawn has served and collaborated in

social and political issues concerning the overall well being of our most vulnerable citizens for both the cities of Denver and Aurora.

She has served as Diversity Councilwoman for Kaiser Permanente, as well as Community Leader and Facilitator for the Annual *EspeciallyMe* Conference for African American teens girls. She currently serves on several boards and steering committees: i.e., the Board of Directors for *Tumaini Ministries*, (an Orphanage in Kenya), The *Commission on Homelessness* (an appointed position by Mayor John Hickenlooper), and The Denver Exploratory Committee in partnership with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. She has been called upon to present motivational lectures to high school students and has participated in youth mentoring groups. She is currently employed as Community Coordinator for the Denver Rescue Mission, the Mayor's Clergy Council and the Denver Leadership Foundation; a collaborative effort under Denver's Road Home.

Shawn is a certified trainer of trainers, the recipient of numerous awards, recognitions, certifications, appointments and ordination. Her presence exemplifies integrity, excellence and tenacity; she is very passionate about the mission and vision for which she has been called.