

*The Senior Pastor*



Rev. Sean Henderson McMillan is the Senior Pastor of Giant Steps Church, an Interdenominational Christian Community located on the south side of Chicago. Rev. McMillan is a native of New York City and is a graduate student at the University of Chicago in the area of moral philosophy. He is a graduate of Wagner College and the Lutheran School of Theology where he earned his Bachelors and Masters Degree, respectively. Pastor Sean is also the Executive Director and a member of the teaching faculty in the Doctor of Ministry Program at McCormick Theological Seminary.

Sean McMillan is a dedicated and innovative leader; so much so that Pastor Sean was featured in the 2005 summer issue of the African American Pulpit as one of the nation's most promising preachers in the magazine's "Twenty to Watch" salute to gifted young African American preachers. The preaching ministry of Pastor Sean centers the psychological, spiritual, and social implications of love. For him, love is more than just an emotional exchange between two people; it is, in fact, the occasion for everything we believe as Christians. Love is the necessary condition for the possibility of grace and the aim of Christianity as such. Pastor McMillan's message is not simply that we should love one another, but is rather, a call to hope, social transformation, and existential freedom through the often strange and mysterious transactions of love. In short, love is not about how we feel; it is about how we live. It is the means by which we come to live for something greater than ourselves and the very substance of a committed life.