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The Business Connect Brunch is the ultimate brunch designed for aspiring entrepreneurs, business owners, and leaders. Join us to expand your network, learn from industry experts, and take your business to the next level.

This year's event emphasizes the importance of forging vital connections through comprehensive educational resources, expert mentorship, and robust accountability partnerships. Our goal is to ensure participants leave with essential knowledge and networks to succeed in their entrepreneurial endeavors.

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PROGRAM

CONFERENCE OPENING - GREETINGS

BISHOP JOSEPH W. WALKER, III
HOST: DANIELLE LEDBETTER

BUSINESS ASSESSMENT TAX REMINDERS

NASHVILLE PROPERTY ASSESSOR VIVIAN WILHOITE

BLESSING OF THE BRUNCH

PASTOR DIAMOND GANTT

BRUNCH/LIVE PERFORMANCE

MUSICAL GUEST : WILLIAM DAVENPORT

POWER LAB SESSION I

MARKETING MOMENTUM - MONCHIERE HOLMES - JONES

POWER LAB SESSION II

SCALING SMART - DERRICK MOORE
& BISHOP JOSEPH W. WALKER, III

BREAK

POWER LAB SESSION III

BISHOP JOSEPH W. WALKER, III

MAKING MONEY IN YOUR SLEEP - DIGITAL PRODUCT

PASTOR DIAMOND GANTT

POWER PANEL Q&A

HONOREE RECOGNITION

ENTRESCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENT

CLOSING REMARKS

NETWORKING SESSION

BELLE MEADE ROOM #1

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BRUNCH MENU

SLICED SEASONAL FRUITS (GF) (V)

ASSORTED YOGURTS AND CEREALS (GF)

BANANA MUFFINS (VEG)

STONE GROUND CREAMY CHEDDAR GRITS

SOFT SCRAMBLED EGGS (GF) (VEG)

SMASHVILLE HASH

BUTTERMILK BISCUITS & SAUSAGE GRAVY

BONELESS FRIED CHICKEN

CRISPY BACON

TURKEY BACON

VEG - Vegetarian | V - Vegan | GF - Gluten Free



BISHOP JOSEPH WARREN WALKER, III

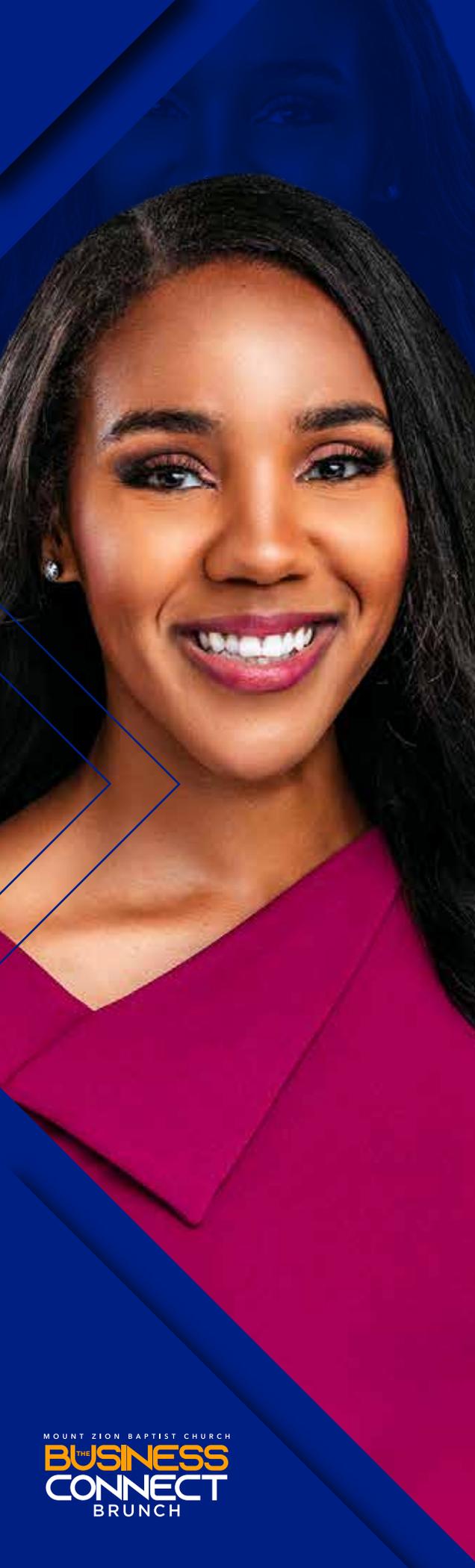
HOST

Bishop Joseph Warren Walker, III, is the senior leader of the historic Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Nashville, Tennessee. He was born in Shreveport, Louisiana to Deacon Joseph and Mrs. Rosa Walker.

Bishop Walker received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Southern University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana; a Master of Divinity degree from Vanderbilt University and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Princeton Theological Seminary. He holds three honorary Doctorates from Meharry Medical College, Southern University, and Kentucky State University, respectively.

Dr. Walker is also a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and the Kappa Kappa Psi Band Fraternity.

He is married to Dr. Stephaine Hale Walker, a health and beauty entrepreneur, a community leader, and a retired Neonatologist. They are the proud parents to their daughter, Jovanni Willow, and their son, Joseph Warren Walker, IV.



DANIELLE LEDBETTER

EMCEE

Danielle Ledbetter is an award-winning journalist and on-air anchor at WSMV4 in Nashville, where she brings clarity, credibility, and warmth to daily news coverage in one of the country's fastest-growing markets.

Prior to joining WSMV4, Danielle served as a morning anchor at FOX54 in Augusta, Georgia, anchoring a five-hour weekday morning newscast. She played a key role in launching the station's 9 a.m. newscast, hosted a weekly lifestyle segment, and covered major national events including the 2020 Masters Tournament and the 2021 World Series.

Throughout her career, Danielle has anchored and contributed to extended live coverage of severe weather and breaking news, including Nashville's deadly tornadoes in 2023. She also played an integral role in WSMV4's coverage of the Antioch school shooting, demonstrating calm leadership and journalistic excellence during sensitive, high-stakes moments.

A graduate of Howard University, Danielle earned her degree in Broadcast Journalism, laying the foundation for her dynamic on-camera presence and commitment to excellence.

Beyond the newsroom, Danielle regularly represents her station at community events and is also passionate about mentorship, having guided students and interns pursuing careers in media.

She is a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, and the National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ).

MONCHIERE HOLMES-JONES

PANELIST

A Cultural Economist! Turning heritage into capital. Monchiere' is a trusted and transformative leader known for driving change at the intersection of culture, tourism, everyday business, and community impact. A visionary leader helping others to lead authentically and reshape the cultural economy.

22+ years storybook career working in community, ad agency, and amplifying top brands in major industries like tourism, historical, automotive, museums, housing, gaming, healthcare, wireless, historical black colleges and universities, tech, quick service restaurants.

National award-winning business leader known for amplifying brands that amplify culture and communities that they impact. She became the CEO of MOJO Marketing + PR in 2014, helping to merge business innovation, creativity, and servant leadership. MOJO thrives on amplifying culture and impact with market takeovers in media exposure, energetic integrated campaigns and memorable experiential events for our clients. Most recently announced her second impact driven brand, Destination CULTURE as a game changer for the travel and tourism industry.

Her claims to fame range from civic leadership, community ecosystems, while curating national brand campaigns for New Orleans Multicultural Tourism Network, Frist Art Museum, Harvard MGB, Tennessee Titans, NIH CEAL, Sigma Gamma Rho, Sorority, National Museum of African American Music (NMAAM), Cares ACT campaign with The Equity Alliance, Tennessee State Parks, MetroPCS, United States Postal Service, HCA Healthcare, Hiller Plumbing Heating Cooling & Electrical, Mr. Roof and many more. Monchiere' understands that effective leadership demands authenticity. She brings her full self to the table, embodying the values of integrity, inclusivity, and purpose-driven work. By staying rooted in her identity as an empathic leader, entrepreneur and a culture preservationist.

Monchiere' is a trusted entrepreneurial advisor and speaks around the U.S. as university guest lecturer, energizing panels and conferences about her journey to be seen as a top creative leader, her passion to revitalize Black-owned business districts and brands that the world needs.

DERRICK MOORE

PANELIST

Derrick Moore is an accomplished business leader and strategic visionary with over 15 years of experience in business development, operations, and strategic growth. Throughout his career, Derrick has demonstrated a remarkable ability to transform ideas into impactful results, leading organizations to new heights in market expansion, operational efficiency, and brand recognition. His career reflects a relentless drive to innovate, execute, and deliver on ambitious objectives.

In his current role as a key executive, Derrick has been instrumental in scaling a prominent restaurant brand into a multi-state enterprise. He has overseen franchise operations, developed comprehensive business strategies, and forged essential partnerships with stakeholders, including investors and suppliers. Under his leadership, the brand expanded its market footprint while maintaining its commitment to quality and customer satisfaction.

Before excelling in the restaurant industry, Derrick co-founded a regional moving and storage company. As a hands-on leader, he built the business from the ground up, designing operational frameworks, recruiting skilled teams, and introducing resource optimization strategies. His efforts resulted in significant market share growth and culminated in a highly profitable acquisition.

Recognized for his leadership and achievements, Derrick has received numerous accolades, including being named a James Beard Award Semi-Finalist, one of Nashville Business Journal's Top 40 Under 40, and a Legacy Award Honoree. These honors reflect his commitment to excellence, innovation, and his ability to inspire teams to achieve their full potential.

Derrick's expertise spans multiple facets of business, including site selection, supply chain optimization, financial forecasting, and marketing strategy development. He has led cross-functional teams to execute complex initiatives, such as streamlining operations, reducing costs, and designing customer-centric solutions.

A graduate of Tennessee State University with a Bachelor of Science, Derrick continues to bring a growth-oriented mindset and collaborative leadership style to every opportunity. He remains passionate about leveraging his skills in strategic planning, operational efficiency, and team leadership to create lasting value for organizations and the communities they serve.

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