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Rev. Dr. Cheryl F. Dudley

Regional Executive Minister



The Rev. Dr. Cheryl F. Dudley has been the Regional Executive Minister of the American Baptist Churches of Metropolitan New York since 2015. Ordained in the American Baptist Churches USA tradition in Phoenix, AZ, she has served in various locations and has called New York City home since 2006. She holds degrees from Pomona College (BA in Sociology), Princeton Theological Seminary (MDiv), and McCormick Theological Seminary (DMin in Executive Leadership).

Dr. Dudley has extensive experience in pastoral, community, global, and philanthropic ministries. She has held leadership roles in consulting, religious organizations, and academia, including positions at Church World Service, American Baptist Home Mission Societies, and Bradley University. She has served on multiple national and international boards and is the Board Chair of InspirAction USA. Currently, she supports Project SAFE, advocating for justice for Black women survivors of intimate partner violence and sexual assault, and serves on the board of Flemister Housing Development Fund Corporation.

Committed to strengthening mission, vision, and purpose in changing times, Rev. Dudley emphasizes the need for faithfulness, justice, and hope, especially in a skeptical world. Under her leadership, ABCMNY adopted the Living Our Vision & Values (LOV) strategic plan. She believes in offering both pastoral care and prophetic advocacy, ensuring that all individuals feel valued and supported by God and the church.