

Dr. Milondra B. Coleman

Dr. Milondra Coleman is an inspiring and delightful educator, who has been changing lives through her dynamic teaching, coaching and writing, for several years. From child prodigy to earning one of the highest-level degrees, Dr. Coleman has become an authority in educational training and leadership development. She completed her undergraduate work at Duke University, and holds the following advanced degrees: a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law; a M. Div. from the Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University; a M.A. in Christian Education; a D. Min. from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio; and a M.A.T. from Mary Baldwin College. Additionally, she has received training in clinical pastoral education at the Medical College of Virginia. Dr. Coleman is currently preparing to pursue a Master of Education in Administration and Supervision from the University of Virginia-Richmond Center, which she hopes to parlay into a Ph.D. program in Educational Leadership where her focus would be Teacher Retention in Virginia Public Schools. Dr. Coleman is a member of Pi Sigma Alpha, the Political Science Honor Society and was recently inducted into Kappa Delta Pi, the International Education Honor Society.

Outside of the classroom, Dr. Coleman pursues her love of entrepreneurship, writing and singing. In 2007 founded Equipping Them to Lead, a leadership development company, which is committed to equipping people to do exploits through consulting/coaching, teaching/workshops & seminars, worship/devotion and preaching/motivational speaking. Additionally, Dr. Coleman is the author of five books: *Equipping Them to Lead*, which chronicles some of the experiences that Dr. Coleman has gained in young adult leadership and mentoring; *Love Letters*, a collection of prayers and testimonies; *BLACK OWNED: How the Integration of Public Accommodations Affected Black Businesses in Richmond, Virginia*; and the soon-to-be released *Be Encouraged: The Trials, Tribulations and Triumphs of Self-Publishing, Marketing and Other Major Undertakings* and *Aint 'a That Good News: Motivational Messages for Youth*. She also recorded her first CD, "Worship with Milondra" last fall. Most recently, Dr. Coleman's company, ETL, launched a singing group, Milondra & Sisters in Spirit. In the days to come, they will release Dr. Coleman's second CD, "Still Worshipping".

Dr. Coleman is a Virginia resident, presently teaching in the public schools at the middle school level. She loves to travel, facilitate workshops, and engage in motivational speaking.

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EDUCATION

Mary Baldwin College, Staunton, VA (Richmond campus).

M.A.T., December 2006.

Kappa Delta Pi, International Honor Society in Education.

United Theological Seminary, Dayton, OH.

D.Min., December 2004.

Developed a peer ministry program for African American young adults.

Medical College of Virginia, Richmond, VA.

Certificate in Clinical Pastoral Education, August 2001.

Presbyterian School of Christian Education, Richmond, VA.

M.A. in Christian Education, May 2001.

Virginia Union University School of Theology, Richmond, VA.

M.Div., May 2000.

**University of Virginia School of Law, Charlottesville,
VA.**

J.D., May 1999.

Philip Morris Scholarship.

Duke University, Durham, NC.

AB in Political Science (with Distinction), May 1993.

Magna cum laude; Dean's List with Distinction; Dean's List; Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Honor Society; Philip Morris Scholarship; Jackson Fund Scholarship; Astoria Foundation Scholarship.

CREDENTIALS

Ordained Elder, New Jerusalem International

Christian Ministries, Richmond, VA.

August, 2003.

EXPERIENCE

9/09- **University of Mary Washington, Fredericksburg, VA**

Adjunct for Professional Development

- Co-teach SAT prep courses to college-bound African-American students.

7/07- **Equipping Them to Lead (formerly Milondra Coleman Ministries), Richmond, VA**

Founder

- Equips people to do exploits via consulting and coaching; workshops and seminars; motivational speaking and preaching; and worship and devotional materials.

- Launched an Internet radio show, "Leadership Lessons", that provides listeners with thought-provoking, action-inspiring tips and strategies that help them take their leadership to a higher level.

8/06-

Post Oak Middle School (formerly John J. Wright Middle School), Spotsylvania County, Va.

7th grade Civics Teacher (09-

- Plan for, teach, and assess 7th grade students on Civics topics such as community service, rights of U.S. citizens, and the impact of the media on public opinion.

Grade Level Chair for 7th grade team (09-

- Meet with and tend to the administrative needs of the 7th grade team. Reported directly to and met monthly with the principal regarding 7th grade team.

Grade Level Co-chair for 8th grade team (08-09)

- Responsible for meeting with and handling the administrative needs of the 8th grade team. Reported directly to and met monthly with the principal regarding 8th grade team. concerns.

Principal selection committee (07)

- Selected by 8th grade teachers to be a member of the committee that was responsible for selecting our new principal.

8th Grade World History Teacher (06-09)

- Plan for, teach, and assess 8th grade students in World History topics such as Ancient India, China, Rome, and Greece.

James Farmer Scholar sponsor (06-

- Work with University of Mary Washington-sponsored program that prepares competitively selected, African-American students for college.

6/06 - 8/06

West Point Elementary School, West Point, Va.

4th and 5th grade Summer School Teacher

- Teaching Language Arts and Math concepts to fourth and fifth grade students in an effort to help them increase their end of the year Benchmark scores.

11/05-6/06 John J. Wright Middle School, Spotsylvania, Co, VA

8th Grade World History Long Term Substitute

- Plan for, teach, and assess 8th grade students in World History topics such as Ancient India, China, Rome, and Greece.

6/05 - 8/05

West Point Elementary School, West Point, Va.

5th grade Summer School Teacher

- Taught Language Arts and Math concepts to fifth grade students in an effort to help them increase their end of the year Benchmark scores.

11/04-12/05

Poplar Springs Hospital, Petersburg, VA.

Chaplain

- Responsible for providing Sunday services for youth and adults. Incorporate music, dance, readings, and various other intelligences in the services. Invite residents to share in presenting readings, songs, and other forms of expression during the services. Have also invited friends to come and share their gifts and talents during the Sunday worship experience.

10/03 - 6/05

New Deliverance Christian Academy, Richmond, VA.

Director

- Responsible for scheduling, training and supervising 25+ faculty and staff members, providing curriculum guidance and appropriate curriculum supplementation for 180+ students, working with and managing \$850,000 budget, working with students and parents, and assisting with various programs including creating curriculum for summer program.
- Promoted from Assistant Director to Director after working at Academy for six months.

1/02 - 7/03

Earlham College, Richmond, IN.

Campus Ministry Associate for Diversity and

Religious Leadership

- Worked for a Lilly Endowment grant with a faith, leadership, and vocation focus.
- Responsible for creating ties between the Earlham community and local African-American churches; helping nurture the spiritual lives and development of interested students, but especially African-American students.
- Served as an advisor to several minority student groups including the gospel choir.
- Provided opportunities for students to deal with issues that pertain to faith and vocation such as discussions on dating and discernment, a retreat on various aspects of African American religious life, and sponsoring a graduate school outing for African American students.
- Coordinated all aspects of bringing a national gospel recording artist to campus.

- Worked with various departments on campus and alumni off campus to raise over \$17,000 in order for the gospel choir to take its first East Coast tour.
- Served as an academic advisor to students.
- Taught numerous classes on issues pertaining to religion and spirituality as well as classes on how to be a successful college student.

1/03 - 7/03

Interim Faculty in Residence

- Responsible for promoting the intellectual tone of the residential experience by sharing my teaching and research interests, encouraging discussion of important issues, serving as a mentor to students, getting to know students in the residence hall, being available for informal interactions with students, meeting monthly with Area Director to discuss issues related to community development, programming and student support, eating 3 to 5 meals each week in the dining hall, interacting with student staff, and making referrals to campus resources when appropriate.
- Told by Director of Residence Life that my presence in the residence hall caused a one hundred and eighty degree turn for the better in the two residence halls to which I was assigned.

Project Burning Bush, Montreat, NC and Richmond, VA.

7/03

Workshop Leader

- Created a workshop for gifted youth who are active in their churches on the spiritual disciplines and how they might use them to take care of themselves as they take care of others.

6/02

Facilitator

- Facilitated small group session for fourteen gifted youth who have been targeted as having an interest in ministry as vocation.
- Used artwork, videos, music, talent show, arts and crafts, and small group discussions to help students look more closely at various Biblical concepts as well as their particular call to ministry.

10/00 - 1/02

New Jerusalem International Christian Ministries,
Richmond, VA.

Director of Christian Education

- Responsible for creating curriculum, teaching adults, selecting and preparing teachers to teach children and youth, scheduling guest lecturers, and designing intergenerational devotional activities and learning centers in an African-American church.

Director of GED program

- Responsible for coordinating all aspects of a GED program at my church.

Vacation Bible School Teacher

- Taught basic Bible concepts to second, third, and fourth grade students.

9/00 - 8/01

Bluefield College, ***Richmond, VA.***

Core Faculty Member

- Taught adult students various criminology courses ranging from Professional Development and Management to Statistics.

6/94 - 8/94

Hunton & Williams, ***Richmond, VA.***

Summer Associate

- Prepared memorandum for litigation, corporate, public finance, and health care teams. Drafted

neo-natal care regulations for the health care team and participated in a firm sponsored mock trial.

SKILLS

- Speaking, reading and writing ability in Spanish, French, Italian, and German.
- Software on IBM and MAC computers, including Microsoft Word, and Publisher
- Type 70 words per minute
- Leadership development, teaching, writing, public speaking and group process skills.

INTERESTS

- African-American history, gospel music, foreign languages, films, facilitating small groups, and singing.

WORKSHOPS,

CONFERENCES

AND

PRESENTATIONS

1/09

Kingdom Publishing Group Incorporated's Christian Writer's Workshop, "Marketing and Public Relations segment", Richmond, VA

- Provided workshop participants with advice about marketing and promoting their God-inspired books.

11/07

Kingdom Publishing Group Incorporated's Princess Ball Classes "The Art of Public Speaking"

- Co-facilitated a session that was designed to give pre-teen and teenage girls public speaking strategies and practice.

7/07

Kingdom Publishing Group Incorporated's Kimmie's Book Club, "Peer to Peer Ministry", Richmond, VA

- Conducted a workshop for pre-teen and teenage girls that provided them with strategies for becoming more effective peers to their counterparts.

2/06

Reveille United Methodist Church, "Tending to Your Spirit", Richmond, VA.

- Created a workshop for active women, ranging in age from 25 to 80, that taught them practices they can use them to take care of themselves as they take care of others.

3/05

New Jerusalem International Christian Ministries, "Doing Effective Youth Ministry", Richmond, VA.

- Presented pastors, elders, ministers, youth ministry leaders, and other members who were interested in working with youth with verbal and written information on how to do effective youth ministry.

11/02

Career Development Professionals of Indiana, Inc. Fall 2002 Conference, "Vocational Discernment, Not Just Job Placement", Conner Prairie, Indianapolis, IN.

- Challenged Career Development professionals to open their minds to a broader notion of vocation as it relates to career development and participants received a number of strategies and resources that would enable them to meet the above challenge.

10/02 **Religious Emphasis Week Luncheon, "Doing Effective Youth Ministry", Earlham College, Richmond, IN.**

- Presented pastors, college faculty and students with verbal and written information on how to do effective youth ministry.

8/02 **Faculty Retreat, "Tell Me Something Good: Tools You Can Use in Your Students' Journey Toward Vocation", Earlham College, Richmond, IN.**

- Explored the idea that one's own story and the stories of others could be helpful in vocational discernment, introduced Gardner's theory of multiple intelligences and participants received a folder of resources.

COMMITTEES

AND

BOARD

MEMBERSHIPS

2/02 - 7/03 **New Member Representative, Executive Committee, National Association of College and University Chaplains.**

- Responsible for contacting and welcoming new members to organization, planning activities for opening gathering for new members at annual national meeting, and attending semiannual Executive Board meeting.

11/01 - 1/02 **Faculty Search Committee Member, Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA.**

- Responsible for helping to select candidates to be interviewed for a chaplain position at the Medical College of Virginia.

Information Sheet

The company

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Published Novels

Equipping Them to Lead	Kingdom Publishing Group Inc., February 2007
Love Letters	Kingdom Publishing Group Inc., November 2007
BLACK OWNED	Kingdom Publishing Group Inc., December 2009
Be Encouraged	Kingdom Publishing Group Inc., Summer 2010
Ain'ta That Good News	Kingdom Publishing Group Inc., Summer 2010

CD's

Worship with Milondra,	Greg Mitchell Productions, Summer 2007
Still Worshipping, Worship with Milondra pt II,	Kingdom Publishing Group Inc., Summer 2010

Radio shows

Equipping Them to Lead presents "Leadership Lessons with Coach and Consultant, Dr. Milondra Coleman"