



The Reverend Elder Nancy L. Wilson
Moderator, Metropolitan Community Churches

Rev. Wilson was elected to the position of Moderator of MCC in 2005, following the retirement of the Founder of MCC, Rev. Elder Troy Perry and in July 2010, she was re-elected for a term of six years. Her office is in Sarasota, Florida.

Rev. Wilson obtained her B.A. from Allegheny College, her M.Div. from St. Cyril and Methodius Seminary and is a Doctoral Candidate at Episcopal Divinity School.

She served as pastor of Church of the Trinity MCC in Sarasota, Florida from 2001 to 2005 and was previously pastor of MCC Los Angeles from 1986 until 2001, the church founded by Troy Perry in 1968. Rev. Wilson joined MCC as Associate Pastor of MCC Boston in 1972 at 22 years of age. She served as Pastor of MCC Detroit from 1975 to 1979. She was elected Elder of MCC of 1976 and served as Vice-Moderator from 1993 to 2001.

Rev. Wilson served as Clerk of the Board of Elders for ten years; and became MCC's first Chief Ecumenical Officer, a post she held for 23 years. She has been the official delegate of MCC to the World Council of Churches General Assemblies in Canberra, Australia (1991); Harare, Zimbabwe (1998) and Porto Alegre, Brazil (2006).

Rev. Wilson is an Associate Minister with The Fellowship and in 2011 was appointed by President Barack Obama to the President's Advisory Council on Faith-Based and Neighborhood Partnerships.

Her published works include: *Our Tribe: Queer Folks, God, Jesus and the Bible* (Alamo Press); with Fr. Malcolm Boyd, *Amazing Grace*; and her prayers and poems are included in *Race and Prayer* edited by Malcolm Boyd and Chester Talton (Morehouse Press). She is a popular preacher and speaker; has been honored with the first "Lazarus Award" from the Presbyterian Church and was invited to preach at the Earl Lectures at Pacific School of Religion in 2002.

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