

Dr. Lesley Francisco McClendon Bio



Dr. Lesley Francisco McClendon serves as the senior pastor of C3 Hampton in Hampton, VA. She teaches with vigor and passion and aims to deliver powerful, life-altering messages with her simple, easy-to-comprehend delivery. She has a passion for bridging generational gaps and loves speaking to a broad range of audiences. Lesley holds a Bachelor of Arts from Oral Roberts University, a Master of Divinity from Regent University and a Doctor of Ministry from Duke University.

In addition to pastoring, Dr. Lesley also serves as an instructor for Duke Divinity School in Durham, NC and an adjunct professor of preaching at two seminaries. In 2022, Dr. Lesley founded Herstoric, Inc., a non-profit organization and emerging leadership group that helps women of faith discover, recover, or refine their voice. Together with her husband Caleb, she also co-founded McClendon Media Group, a multimedia company that specializes in graphic design, voiceovers, podcasts, and short courses. As a hybrid leader, Dr. Lesley believes in leveraging all her gifts and talents to make a positive impact in the world and encourages others to do the same.

In addition to her other responsibilities, she loves helping leaders cut through the noise of their own self-doubt, find their most authentic voice and live with confidence. Witty, spontaneous, comedic, and ever-evolving, Dr. Lesley seeks to be both rooted and relevant- staying on the cutting edge, while remaining true to and standing firm upon the solid foundation of the Christian faith. She is married to Pastor Caleb McClendon, and they are the proud parents of one son, Jackson Alexander and one daughter Skylar Andrea Naomi McClendon.