Dr. Gerald L. Durley is the pastor of the historic Providence Missionary Baptist Church of Atlanta, Georgia. Providence Church is well known for its numerous community outreach initiatives which include programs involving fathers involvement with the family; feeding and housing referrals; alcohol and substance abuse counseling; grief counseling and other programs to enhance human welfare.

Dr. Durley is a psychologist who was deeply involved in the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960's. He was a member of the first U.S. Peace Corp to go to Nigeria, West Africa. Gerald has been a university professor/administrator at Illinois University, Clark Atlanta University, and the Morehouse School of Medicine. He is sought after nationwide.

In 1964, Gerald received a degree from Tennessee State University; a M.S. from Northern Illinois University; a doctorate in psychology and urban education from the University of Massachusetts; and a Master of Divinity from Howard University.

Born in Wichita, Kansas, he grew up in California and Colorado. He is the father of Nia and Hasan and the husband of Muriel Durley. They have four grandchildren.
The Rev. Sally Grover Bingham, a priest in the Episcopal Diocese of California, currently serves as the environmental minister at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco. She is the founder and executive director of The Regeneration Project, whose mission is to deepen the connection between ecology and faith. The Regeneration Project is primarily focused on a religious response to global warming through the Interfaith Power and Light Campaign which has 20 state affiliated programs and one in Washington, DC. Interfaith Power and Light has over 1500 member congregations. Projects based on the IP&L model have been started by religious leaders as far away as Canada and Sweden.

Active in environmental concerns for twenty years, the Rev. Bingham serves on the national board of Environmental Defense, the advisory board of the Union of Concerned Scientists, the board of Environmental Working Group and is the chair of the Diocese of California Commission for the Environment. Rev. Bingham’s sermons often focus on the theological foundations for environmental stewardship, and can be heard live online at gracecathedral.org where she preaches on a regular basis.
Mr. Souleiman Ghali is founder and former President of the Islamic Society of San Francisco, an umbrella organization established in 1991 to administer the largest Mosque in San Francisco, as well as other local institutions. Souleiman is an avid proponent of dialogue between the faith communities and has been working tirelessly to raise consciousness about Islam.

Souleiman truly believes in working to eliminate religiously motivated conflicts and wars and in bridging the widening gap between Christians, Jews and Muslims. Born in Beirut, Lebanon, Mr. Ghali came to the U.S. as a college student. Souleiman holds a degree in Activism and Social Change. He is a husband, father of two boys, Ibrahim and Muhammad, a resident of the Bay Area and a downtown San Francisco business owner. Mr. Ghali believes in advancing the understanding of Islam as a tolerant and just religion through his prominent public speaking and advocacy for American Muslims.

Mr. Ghali has been featured in many articles in the San Francisco Chronicle and has been hosted on radio and television programs both nationally and internationally. He is a regular speaker and lecturer about Islam at many churches, synagogues, universities and businesses. Souleiman has also worked with the Commonwealth Club and the World Affairs Council. In brief, Souleiman is one of the most active Muslims in the Bay Area, working tirelessly to foster a better community for all.
Rev. Charles Morris
Pastor, St. Elizabeth Parish
Detroit, MI


Rev. Morris has a M.A. in Sociology from the University of Michigan, a M.Div. from St. John Seminary, and a Master of Urban Planning degree from Wayne State. Fr. Morris’ church of St. Elizabeth reduced its peak energy demand by 60% in five years. In 2001 St. Elizabeth won the ENERGY STAR® for Congregations award. The St. Elizabeth rectory, partially off of the grid with a hybrid PV/wind turbine solar electric system, has garnered national press. In addition, the St. Elizabeth rectory also has a solar hot water heating system and a solar attic fan.

In 2002 Rev. Morris inaugurated Michigan Interfaith Power & Light [MiIPL], where he serves as director. Now numbering over 120 congregations MiIPL promotes energy efficiency, energy education, renewable energy and related sustainable practices among member congregations. MiIPL has partnerships with companies such as TCP lighting, ABC Warehouse and NativeEnergy™. Through aggregated purchasing and the energy assessments that MiIPL carries out among member congregations MiIPL has saved since the summer of 2004 an estimated lifecycle savings of over $1,000,000 among members, a lifecycle
offset estimate of over 9,000 tons of CO₂, over 35 tons of SO₂, 18 tons of NOX, 1300 lbs. of particulates, and .241 lbs. of mercury.
Rabbi Daniel Swartz
Scranton’s Temple Hesed
Scranton, PA

Rabbi Daniel Swartz serves as the rabbi of Scranton's Temple Hesed, which, founded in 1860, is the city's oldest synagogue. For the past decade, he has served a variety of functions at Temple Shalom of Chevy Chase, most recently as Family Educator.

Rabbi Swartz has also worked in the social justice field for the past decade, having just completed two years as the Coordinator for Greater Washington Interfaith Power and Light, which works with congregations and other religious institutions in the Washington area to address moral and practical dimensions to energy use. GWIPL works with congregations on providing simple ways to save energy and money, buy clean, renewable energy, educate congregants about climate change, social justice, and religious ethics.

Before coming to GWIPL, Rabbi Swartz was the Executive Director of the Children’s Environmental Health Network, Associate Director of the National Religious Partnership for the Environment, and Director of Congregational Relations for the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism.

He has also published op-eds in national papers, as well as studies of religious traditions and environmental values, including To Till and To Tend: A Guide for Jewish Environmental Study and Action, published by the Coalition on the Environment and Jewish Life, and several essays in Ethics for a Small Planet, published by the Biodiversity Project. Swartz is also a published children’s book author, including Bim and Bom:
A Shabbat Tale. In addition to ordination and his MHL, Rabbi Swartz holds degrees from Brown University in Geological Sciences and in Environmental Policy. He has received numerous academic honors, including prizes Scholarship and Scholastic Excellence from the Hebrew Union College, the Senior Prize in Environmental Studies from Brown, and election to both Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi. The most important thing in his life is his marriage to Roya Fahmy Swartz and their daughter, Alana.