



Shelton T. W. Gibbs, III

Bro. Gibbs was born in Ardmore, Oklahoma, January 27, 1951. He is the son of the late Dr. S.T. W. Gibbs, Jr. and Thelma L.(Morgan) Gibbs. His father served as minister of the Stop Six Church of Christ for over 50 years. He is the grandson of the late S.T. W. Gibbs, Sr., a great pioneer preacher baptized by the legendary Marshal Keeble. He is also the grandson of another pioneer preacher, the late C.C. Morgan. Brother Gibbs, III has two brothers who are preachers, Joe D. Gibbs, Sr., of Fort Worth, Texas and Dwight A. Gibbs of Houston, Texas and one sister, Camilla L. Woods of Fort Worth, Texas.

Academically, Brother Gibbs, received the A.A. Degree from Southwestern Christian in 1971, B.A. Degree from Abilene Christian College in 1976 and M. A. Degree from amber University in 1984. He has one additional study at the American Bible College/Seminary in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Southern Christian University in Montgomery, Alabama. In 1997, he received an Honorary Doctor of Divinity from The National Academy of Christian Studies at Fort Worth, Texas. In 2004, he received an Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Southwestern Christian College.

Brother Gibbs served as Director of Admissions at Southwestern Christian College during the years of 1974-1982 and during this time SWCC accomplished record enrollments.

Brother Gibbs has diligently served the Lord preaching for the past 38 years. He has served as minister to churches in Clarksville, Mineral Wells, Abilene and Edgewood, Texas. his first full-time work was in Metropolis, Illinois in 1972. He has done evangelistic work throughout our nation and campaigns in Jamaica.

Presently, Brother Gibbs serves as the minister of the Greenville Avenue Church of Christ in Richardson, Texas. While serving as minister, the congregation has grown from 140 members in 1981 to over 2000 members in 2008. Brother Gibbs also serves as an Associate Professor in Bible at Southwestern Christian College. Brother Gibbs serves on the Board of Directors of Southwestern Christian College and the Development Board of Lifeline Chaplaincy.

He is married to the former Jeanette Godwin of Jackson, Tennessee, a school teacher in the Public School District of Terrell, Texas. They have four children, Shawnell T.W. (Gibbs) Bradshaw, a teacher in the Public School District of Wylie, Texas. Brother Gibbs has two other daughters, Shalon T.W. (Gibbs) Bond, a teacher in Dallas Public School District, Sherilyn T. W. Gibbs, a Social Worker in Abilene, Texas. Shelton T.W. Gibbs, IV, a Lawyer working for the District Attorney's Office of Kaufman Texas. They have five beautiful grandchildren, one girl and four boys.

In 1975 and 1976 Brother Gibbs was nominated as one of the "Outstanding Young Men of America". In 1984, he was selected to the "National Dean's List" for outstanding academic work.