### **Facilitators and Animators**



# Gregory C. Ellison II, Ph.D. artist

An Atlanta native, Ellison is an associate professor of pastoral care and counseling at Emory University's Candler School of Theology. He earned his undergraduate degree from Emory, and holds M.Div. and Ph.D. degrees in pastoral theology from Princeton Theological Seminary. Ellison is author of Fearless Dialogues: A New Movement for Justice and Cut Dead But Still Alive: Caring for African American Young Men and founder of GE II & Associates and Fearless Dialogues.



## Rev. Kyndra Frazier

#### Trauma Specialist -Healer

Rev. Kyndra Frazier, was recognized by the Root 100 as one of the Most Influential African-Americans in 2020 for breaking down barriers and paving the way for future generations in the field of mental health. She is a licensed social worker and a Baptist clergywoman. Kyndra is the CEO of KYND Consulting Inc., a mental wellness boutique that supports individuals, couples, and organizations in thriving through therapeutic services, spiritual direction, and trauma-informed training. She has been featured in multiple print and digital publications including Vice



Magazine, New York Times, and Sojourners Magazine. Kyndra holds a Master of Divinity from Candler School of Theology, Emory University, a Master of Social Work from Columbia University, and a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from North Carolina A&T State University.

## **Dustin Mailman**

#### artist--Thurman specialist

Rev. Dustin Mailman is a native of South Florida, who has lived throughout the Appalachian region. He has a BA in Religious Studies from Appalachian State University and an MDiv from Candler School of Theology at Emory University. Dustin's. He is the Associate Pastor of Trinity United Methodist in Asheville, North Carolina.

Dustin's deepest calling sits at the intersection between unconventional faith communities, social enterprise, and contemplative praxis.



## Charles Peterson activist

Charles Peterson is a proud graduate of Benjamin Elijah Mays High School in Atlanta Ga and Bethune-Cookman University. Very early in life, Charles discovered he had a gift for using carefully chosen words to inspire and uplift those around him. This gift has served him well as an advocate for youth and families living in underrepresented communities, for nearly a decade. With the wisdom of his elders and the strength provided through his faith, Charles believes he is called to help communities activate their power to dream beyond their lived experiences and live into their desired reality. His experience includes Youth Development Coordinator and Community Facility Manager with



the City of Atlanta Department of Parks and Recreation, Program Manager for the At Promise Youth Centers, and Equity Consultant for the Partnership for Southern Equity.

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He currently serves Fearless Dialogues as Lead Animator, and he is co-host of the FIRM (Fathers Inspired Restored and Motivated) Podcast. Charles is a devoted husband and father of four.

## Theodore "Ted" Florence activist

Theodore "Ted" Florence is a C-Level finance executive with significant experience in budgeting, business strategy, deal negotiations, financial reporting, financial modeling, and operations. Ted has served as the business partner to the President, CEO, or Executive Director of a myriad high-profile corporations and non-profit organizations. He has nearly twenty years of senior level finance and operations experience, including over a decade as the CFO and COO of an entertainment company in which he had full P&L responsibility and provided comprehensive financial leadership. Ted is a Magna Cum Laude and Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Fisk University, has earned an MBA degree from Harvard Business School and



an MPA from Georgia State University. He resides in Buckhead and loves the arts, exercise, reading and tennis.