

# *R. Alexis Thornton-Pearson*



Compassionate. Honest. Professional. Loving. Knowledgeable. These are only a few words to describe this great woman of God, R. Alexis Pearson.

A native of Southern California, Alexis has obtained her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Communication from the University of Memphis (Memphis, TN) and the Master of Business Administration with an Emphasis in Human Resource Management from Touro University (Merced, CA). Further coursework in Public Law and other business related disciplines have been completed at California State University and The University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Institute of Government.

In May 2005 she was appointed the first African American to head a Department with Cleveland County Government. Alexis brought a wealth of knowledge and experience to that position as Director of Human Resources. Presently, she is a Human Resources Manager for a Fortune 100 Company.

In addition to these responsibilities, Alexis has served as: President: North Carolina International Personnel Management Association; Treasurer: Shelby Rotary Breakfast Club; President: Cleveland Public Administrators Association; President (2006-2007): Cleveland Industrial Relations Association; Member: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.; Spotlight Feature in Today's Cleveland Woman Magazine; Keynote Speaker The Broyhill School of Management: Gardner-Webb University; Member: Society for Human Resources Management (SHRM); Board Member: Cleveland County Dover YMCA; Member: International Public Management Association for Human Resources (IPMA-HR); Member: North Carolina IPMA Chapter.

Alexis and her husband, Pastor A.T. Pearson will celebrate 14 years of marriage this year and they are the proud parents of two girls: Madisyn 11 and Carrington, 10. Together, the Pearson Family serves at the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church of Mt. Holly, NC.

