

## **Rev. Dr. Roland Stringfellow**

Rev. Dr. Roland Stringfellow earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Education and a Master of Science degree in Counseling from Indiana University. He later earned a Master of Arts from Grace Theological Seminary and in 1990 became a licensed minister in the Baptist Church. In 2005, Roland was ordained with the Metropolitan Community Church and in 2006 he earned a Master of Divinity degree from the Pacific School of Religion with a certificate in Religion and Sexuality. And in 2016, he earned his Doctor of Ministry degree also from the Pacific School of Religion.

Rev. Dr. Stringfellow is the Senior Pastor and Teacher of the Metropolitan Community Church of Detroit. He is continuing his work in creating dialogs on the topic of LGBT equality with church congregations and in religious institutions in his role as the Director of Ministerial Outreach with the Center for LGBTQ and Gender Studies with the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley, CA. In addition to his work within church contexts, he has also worked in the field of public education in a variety of capacities – teacher, guidance counselor, college advisor, and vice-principal.

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