Bio for Reverend Dr. Rufus Smith Sr.

The Reverend Dr. Rufus Smith was born in Newnan Georgia. He attended public school in Newnan. He continue his education at Albany State College. He has degree from:

- Immanuel Baptist College in Peachtree City Georgia receiving a bachelor degree in religion
- St. Thomas Christian College in Jacksonville Florida receiving a Master of Christian Education and a Master of Divinity
- Acts Theological Seminary International in Houston Texas receiving a Doctorate in Theology and a Doctorate in Divinity Gospel Ministry Outreach

He was an ordained deacon at Friendship Baptist Church and served in numerous capacities. Some of his roles were Chairman of Deacon Board, Sunday School Teacher, President of the Choir, Bus Ministry and Jail Ministry. His first public sermon was Sunday February 23, 1975. He was called to pastor his first church in April 1975. He has served as the President of forth District of General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc. He now serve as Moderator of the Western Union Missionary Baptist

Association and the Senior Pastor at New Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church in LaGrange Georgia.

He has been married to Mary G. Smith for 59 years. From this union, they have blessed with four children Rita, Rufus, David and Deborah. They also have seven grandchildren and one great child.