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## Rivers Taylor Board Member Bio

Rivers S. Taylor, Jr. Is a lifelong Hampton, Virginia resident. Graduating from Pembroke High in 1969. After completing his BS in business and education at Norfolk State University. He started teaching in the Hampton City Public Schools. After teaching for approximately 12 years he went back to school and received his masters in counseling education at which time he started working in the Norfolk Public Schools as a counselor.

Also during this time he was called into the ministry and is currently pastoring at Bethlehem Judah Ministries. Along with pastoring a church, he presently does volunteer work with both Newport News Public Schools and Hampton Public Schools.

Presently BJM (Bethlehem Judah Ministries) volunteers in 3 different schools sharing knowledge on social emotional learning, financial Literacy, virtues, project and homework assistance.

He works with the non-profit organization Hampton Roads Services and Support who have been housing homeless Vets, returning citizens and community service board clients.

Mr. Taylor also hosts a weekly radio broadcast. The title is "Harvest for the World." It is a community show that addresses community issues and having courageous conversations. It can be heard on <u>WTJZ 104.9 FM.</u>