

Charles H. Lee, Sr. Memorial Scholarship



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As a student, he served as a Methodist Student Organizer and Coordinator at Texas Southern University. Additionally, he was a leader in the First Student Sit-in Demonstration west of the Mississippi and a leader of civil rights groups throughout the southern area of the United States serving as a leader in the Selma to Montgomery march for students at the Interdenominational Theological Center. After the signing of the 1964 Civil Rights Law, he was instrumental with other students during the summer in integrating eating facilities at Milledgeville State Hospital.

Scholastically, Rev. Lee was listed in Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities and was a Crusade Scholar.

Rev. Lee served in the United States Army—Europe, Pacific Far East where he served in the Korean Conflict (Private to Captain – Airborne and Infantry); Chaplain (Major) in the California Army National Guard (Retired).

Rev. Lee also served as Director of the South East Educational Development (S.E.E.D.) Project for the San Francisco Unified School District from 1968 to 1971. S.E.E.D. was a federally funded program implemented to increase the academic proficiency of inner city children.

He has served as Associate Minister of the Trinity Methodist Church, Houston, Texas; Pastor of St. Mary's Methodist Church, League City, Texas; Wesley Methodist Church, Newman, Georgia; Ridge Point United Methodist Church, San Francisco, California; and, was appointed Pastor of Downs Memorial United Methodist Church, Oakland, California in 1971. In 1987 Rev. Lee was appointed as the District Superintendent for the Golden Gate District of the California/Nevada Conference for the United Methodist Church which he served until his retirement in 1991.

It is with great pleasure that LEAP Forward, Inc. sponsors this scholarship in the name and memory of Charles H. Lee, Sr. Rev. Charles H. Lee, Sr. was dedicated to education and the betterment of others.

LEAP Forward, Inc. is also committed to service to others.

May we continue to keep his memory alive in all that we do. LEAP Forward is a not for profit 501 (c)3 organization whose mission is to encourage disadvantaged underrepresented students to Learn, Excel, Achieve, Perform, Explore and Rise!