

Simone Oliver

Biography

Simone Oliver is a passionate preacher, educator, life coach and advocate for women whose pragmatic, earthy style reaches the heart of an issue. Simone has lived from tragedy to triumph and is committed to the spiritual care of women and girls. She brings healing to wounded hearts by the power of God's grace and seeks to uncover the root of gender-based violence through prevention and awareness education. Simone is a powerful preacher of the Gospel and a gifted empowerment speaker and facilitator.

Simone's avid interest in reading and the power of language led her to complete her undergraduate education at New Jersey City University earning a BA in English/Literature. She taught English and Reading in the public-school system and was a featured educator on New Jersey Classroom Close-up. She received her Master of Divinity degree from Princeton Theological Seminary with a certificate in Women's Studies and was the recipient of the John Allen Swink Award for Excellence in Preaching.

Simone, along with her husband Allen, founded ReVision Ministries (formerly New Day Ministries) in 2012. They work to empower women and girls to reach their highest potential while educating houses of worship on ways to fully embrace feminine gifts and become safe spaces free of harassment and abuse. ReVision Ministries offers a variety of workshops to women and religious leaders, including Domestic Violence Awareness and a SAFE Worship Spaces program. In addition, she hosts ReVision Women, an online women's support group and facilitates local and online Bible studies.

Simone is the author of *The Pearl of God's Eye, From Grace to Grace: A Prayer & Healing Journal*, and has written for the blogs *For Harriet* and *Blessed Chix*. She has co-authored three anthologies, *Gumbo for the Soul: The Recipe for Literacy in the Black Community*, *In Realitea, She is Me* and *God Said I Am Battle Scar Free*, an Amazon Best Seller. She was an honored recipient of the Phoenix Award from Harambe Social Services for her work in the field of domestic violence. Simone is a member of the Women of Color Network, NJ State Coalition to End Domestic Violence and the National Council of Negro Women; however, her greatest joy is life with her husband and daughter.

Quick facts about Simone Oliver:

- Survivor
- 15 years as a public-school educator
- M. Div. from Princeton Theological Seminary
- 15+ years of experience in Women's Ministry/Pastoral Care of Women
- Certified Master Life Coach, American Union of Neuro-Linguistic Programming
- Certified in The Use of Technology to Stalk, the National Stalking Resource Center
- Certified Danger Assessor, Johns Hopkins School of Nursing
- Certified DVVRT (Domestic Violence Victim Response Team) and SART (Sexual Assault Response Team) Crisis Counselor, State of New Jersey