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Anthony Chambers was raised in Los Angeles, California, the youngest son of a prominent Baptist Pastor and First Lady. Chambers learned at an early age that his journey in life would be quite different from the precepts being centrally taught. He knew his march would be to a different beat – a beat from within. Over the years, he would study the foundations of a myriad of religions and travel the country experiencing life, moving to his own rhythm ultimately realizing the power that drives us all comes from within.

Although meaningful to his destination, his life would pause on an axis that would introduce the challenges of overcoming the death of a child, loss of a wife to drug addiction, single parenting, and falling into drug addiction himself, would settle him on a path that would prove to be most rewarding.

Upon self-recovery, Chambers felt compelled to address the needs of youths who had been orphaned by the parents suffering addictions like his own. He would spend the next several years cultivating the foundation for his legacy to the communities he would serve, the people he would come to love and the work for which he stood.

With dedication, drive and commitment, Anthony founded the High Desert Youth Center in Southern California which later evolved into the first independent Charter school, serving at-risk youth within a community of over 400,000 residents, severely needing a place for reform, direction and attention – the High Desert Academy of Applied Arts and Sciences was born. Over the years leading up to his retirement from the education arena, Chambers donned the reputation of mentoring, counseling and coaching youths, adults, and professionals. Recognized as one of the top ten most influential African Americans in the community, he would build the stage for his new journey to help others across the world. His mission is to elevate the consciousness of our planet, collectively or one individual at a time, to become aware of their intrinsic value and power and through this acceptance, discover joy!

In his dedication to personal development and community, Chambers has established the pathways that are essential for the development of the mind and spirit that have been pinned in his book titled: *Power Up Your Faith and Take Charge of Your Life!* Chambers has taken his passion beyond the four walls and is presenting globally, his message of empowerment, motivating and inspiring parents, families, teens, and professionals in the corporate arena. He has a message for you... just listen...

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COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Dr. Chambers is a former Chair the Student Attendance Review Board (SARB) of the Hesperia School District. Ca.
- Member of the Parental Education and Support Advisory Committee for the Children and Families Commission for San Bernardino County, Ca. 2001,
- Appointed to San Bernardino County's Ad Hoc Advisory Committee 2000-2001 Tobacco Settlement,
- Served on the City of Victorville Parks and Recreation Advisory Board,
- Member of the County of San Bernardino, Ca. Superintendent of Schools, Educational Advisory Commission,
- Served on the San Bernardino County Workforce Investment Board Youth Council,

AWARDS

- 1996, Received recognition from the Victor Valley NAACP for his leadership role in the development of youths in the High Desert community.
- 1999, Received the Outstanding Service to Youth Award from the Juvenile Justice Commission of San Bernardino County,
- Received an Honorary Doctorate of Divinity from the Pentecostal Bible College of Tuskegee, Alabama, West Coast Campus, for his service to the community.
- Received Numerous Proclamations from the City of Victorville, Ca. and other awards from the legislature.

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- 2003, Noted as one of the Top 10 most influential African Americans in the High Desert Community of San Bernardino, Ca.
- 2006, Nominated by the Daily Press readers and was selected as a finalist by the Daily Press staff, as one of the People That Made a Difference, in 2006, as well as Person of the Year.
- 2011, Featured in the Daily Press, during National Black History Month in its Dreamers, Visionaries & Leaders series,

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Victorville Chamber of Commerce	Member
African American Chamber	Member
SVL Lions Club	Member
Kiwanis Club of Victorville	Member
Apple Valley Optimist	Member
U.S. Amateur Boxing Association	Coach
Gang and Drugs Task Force	Advisory Board