

Apostle Emanuele Cannistraci, Founder of Gateway City Church San Jose, Has Passed Away

A pioneering Christian leader, the founding pastor of the Gateway City Church in San Jose, Apostle Emanuele Cannistraci, has passed on to heaven.

The church made an announcement about “Apostle C” on Facebook saying, “His unwavering faith, visionary leadership, and deep love for God have left an immeasurable impact on our church and communities around the world.”

Cannistraci’s apostolic gifting equipped him to be a church planter and to become a pioneer over many decades in the Apostolic and Prophetic Movement—which are two of the church governing gifts listed in Ephesians 4:11.

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That Bible verse reveals the five New Testament church leadership gifts, explaining that Jesus Christ “gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers.”

“Apostle C dedicated his life to spreading the Gospel, mentoring leaders, and pioneering the Apostolic and Prophetic Movement. His legacy will continue to inspire generations,” the church stated.

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The Good Life Hawaii reported in 2020, "During his decades of ministry to the nations, Apostle C has traveled to over thirty countries. Most recently he ministered at the Prophetic World Congress in Guatemala to a crowd of over 12,000 men and women."

His wife Shirley LaNell Cannistraci, lovingly known as "Sister C," also passed into eternity earlier this year on May 7, 2024, surrounded by her family. She was 86 years old.

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