

# Pentecostal Bishop Unpacks Conflicts in Hutchins' Church

In a recent Instagram Live session, Bishop Brandon B. Porter, a respected figure within the Pentecostal Christian community, addressed the ongoing conflict surrounding Bishop Derrick Hutchins' church. The discussion was sparked by a call from Pastor D, who happens to be Bishop Hutchins' brother. However, it was Bishop Hutchins Jr. who took to Instagram Live to express his grievances about a disagreement with his uncle regarding the church. During the enlightening live session, Bishop Porter shed light on the situation and provided an explanation based on documented evidence left behind by Bishop Hutchinson Sr., which entrusted the church to the brother instead of the son.

As Charisma News reported, Bishop Hutchins Sr. passed away in December of 2022 at the age of 65.

Throughout the conversation, Bishop Porter subtly hinted that the son had insinuated political motivations behind his uncle's support, coinciding with the upcoming COGIC elections. Despite the strained relationship between the son and the brother, Bishop Porter expressed his love for both individuals and acknowledged their differences.

Bishop Porter clarified that his primary intention in visiting the church was to mediate and attentively listen to both sides, rather than imposing his own judgment on the matter. Unfortunately, the situation has escalated to the point of a court case, which has deepened the complexities of the conflict. Bishop Porter brought up the important matter of a key man policy, particularly in relation to the church mortgage. He mentioned that, if he were to pass away today, Pastor J. Drew Sheard would assume the pastoral role, with the national church organization assuming control. This decision

was made because his own sons are not yet prepared to shoulder such a significant responsibility.

During the church meeting, the son chose to share the ongoing situation with his father's church on Instagram Live. Bishop Porter emphasized the importance of credibility and various other qualities required to effectively run a church. He acknowledged that Bishop Hutchins Sr. had not anticipated his untimely passing and had plans for retirement rather than a sudden departure. In light of this, Bishop Porter called for unity among family members to honor and preserve Bishop Derrick Hutchins Sr.'s legacy. He shared a personal moment when his own son advised him to release the burden of the fight, as it was no longer his to bear. This emotional revelation prompted Bishop Porter to declare that he would no longer engage in discussions about the matter.

YouTube personality King Jives uploaded a video featuring Bishop Brandon Porter's poignant live session. In the video, Bishop Porter expressed his disappointment at witnessing the division within Bishop Hutchins Sr.'s family and the potential impact on his church and legacy. He urged Bishop Hutchins Jr. to exercise patience and recognize that his father had taken care of them both. Bishop Porter also revealed that the church's financial stability was maintained through wise investments made by Bishop Hutchins Sr., including several leases generating a minimum monthly income of \$25,000 before tithes and offerings.

During this challenging situation, our thoughts and prayers are with the church congregation as they navigate through the conflicts and uncertainties. We hope that the right decisions will be made to protect the church and its members.

Bishop Porter acknowledged that the Instagram Live session conducted by Hutchins Jr. had transformed into a heated argument, emphasizing the necessity for a more constructive

and respectful approach to resolving the conflicts at hand.

By the conclusion of the live session, Bishop Porter made it evident that, based on the documentation left behind by Bishop Hutchins Sr., he believes that the church should be under the leadership of the brother at this time. However, he also subtly implied that the son should further develop his character and credibility before assuming such a significant role.

Finally, Bishop Porter emphasized the deep understanding that Bishop Hutchins Sr. had of his own son, drawing a parallel to his own understanding of his son.

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