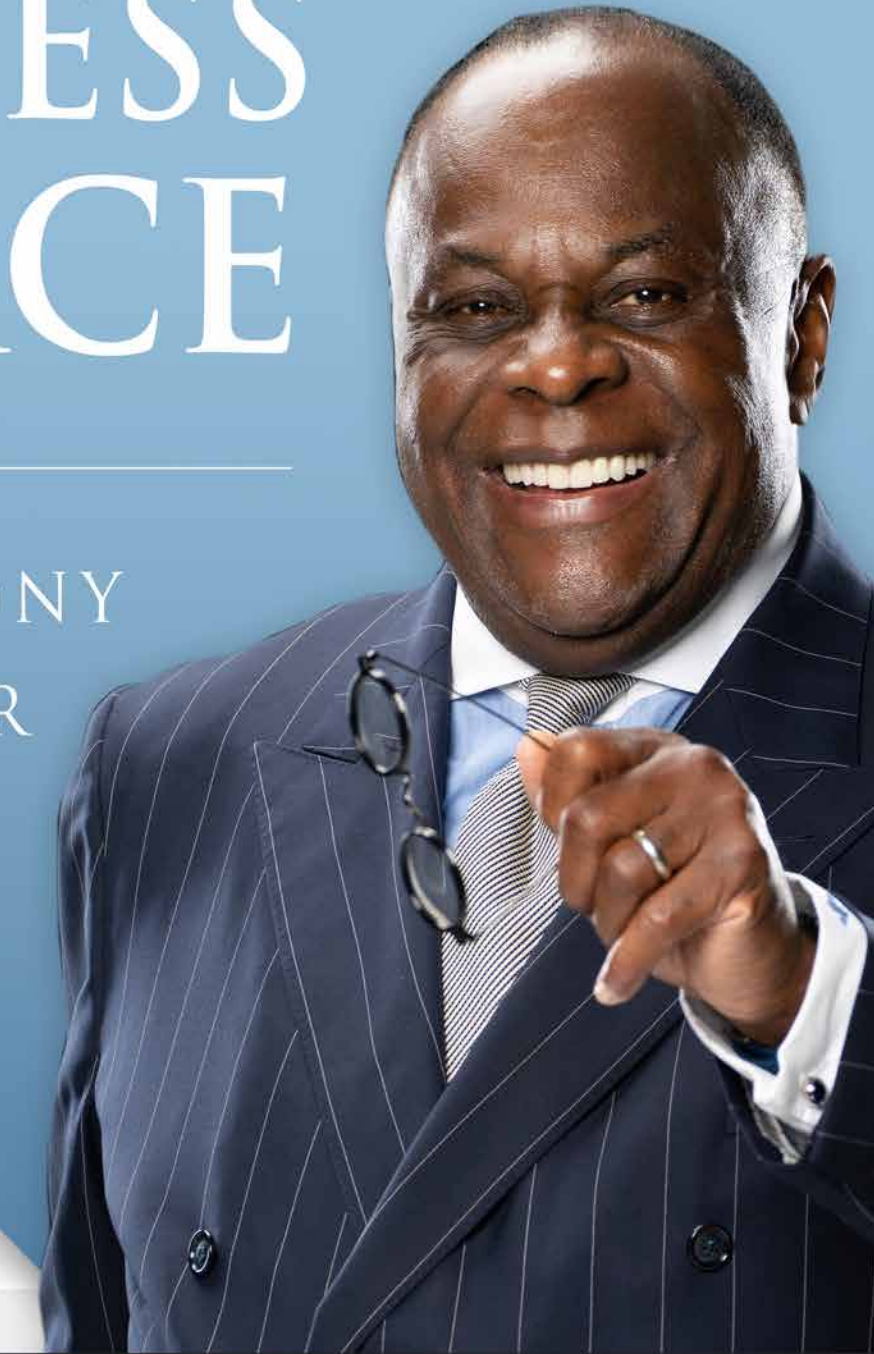


# WITNESS *to* GRACE

A TESTIMONY  
OF FAVOR



## DR. W. FRANKLYN RICHARDSON MEDIA KIT

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# REVIEWS

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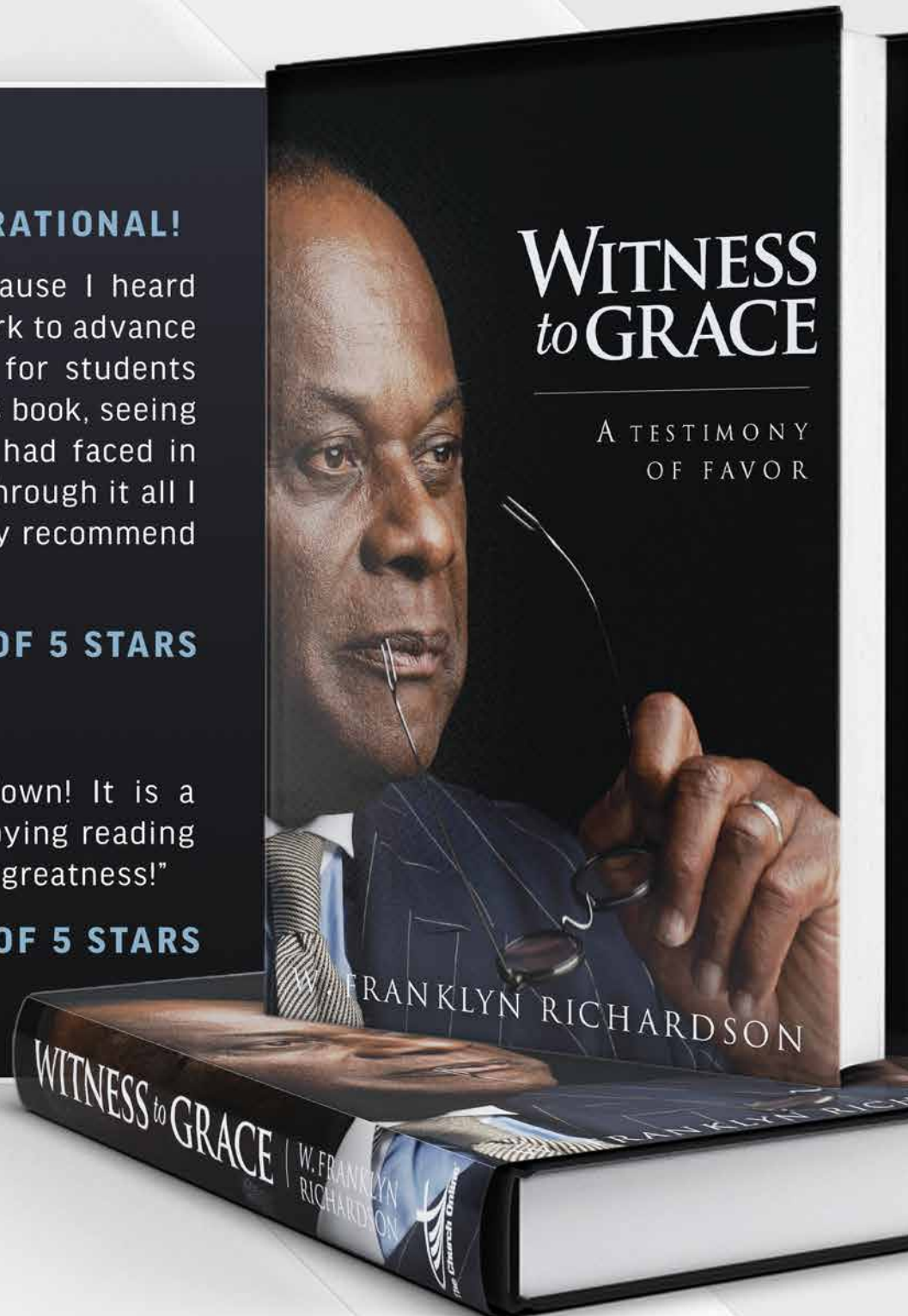
"I bought this book because I heard about Dr. Richardson's work to advance education opportunities for students of color. After reading this book, seeing the great challenges he had faced in his life and how he got through it all I was very inspired. I highly recommend this book!"

**5.0 OUT OF 5 STARS**

## MARVELOUS!

"I can't put the book down! It is a marvelous book! I'm enjoying reading the journey of favor and greatness!"

**5.0 OUT OF 5 STARS**





# PEOPLE ARE LOVING WITNESS TO GRACE

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## TRUTH AND JUSTICE

“What a great read about Reverend Dr. Richardson’s life explored within the the context of the societal challenges for America! His life encompassed so many amazing people and places. His stories bore witness to the favor and grace upon his life. Most evident throughout this book was his passion for truth and justice for all. It is an easy read and covers many serous topics. Well done!”

**5.0 OUT OF 5 STARS**

## AN INSPIRING MUST READ!

“A Witness to Grace – Reverend Dr. W. Franklyn Richardson strings together precious onyx stones of God’s grace, Black leadership, Black mentorship, and the Black church with his memoir. It is intimate, inspiring, and charges all Christians and allies to see the favor of God in our lives; then push for healing, equality, and opportunity for the Black and marginalized communities in our society.”

**5.0 OUT OF 5 STARS**

## IT’S A CONSTANT REMINDER THAT IT’S NOT HOW YOU START BUT HOW YOU FINISH.

“A Witness To Grace, is an excellent read and very inspiring. It sheds light on the importance and significance of HBCUS (historically Black colleges and universities), still today. It’s a constant reminder that it’s not how you start but how you finish. It reinforces the belief that everyone should stand up for their beliefs, even where their beliefs are unpopular or go against the grain. There are many life lessons to be learned from reading this book. For a person who was on the brink of losing my faith, Dr. Richardson’s words and testimonies helped to restore it. This book is a friendly reminder that God has a plan for everyone, and even when you think God isn’t at work, God is behind the scenes piecing the fabric of our lives together. But, one must be patient and FAITHFUL, if he/she too, wants to be a witness to grace. This is a MUST READ!!!”

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At a time in America's history that we need increase common understanding and respect, Reverend Richardson gives us a look through his eyes and heart with the guiding light of God's grace, at a future of justice and possibility encompassing all people, and he makes the case. His life story places him among the contemporary living heroes of our country, and what a gift that he wrote this book, a must-read.

”

**HOWARD TEICH**

*THE HOWARD TEICH NETWORK*

“

Witness to Grace is a testament to his remarkable journey. As chairman of the board of the National Action Network, he has gone to jail and to the White House, while bearing the historic mantle of the Black church's involvement in the pursuit of justice.

”

**REVEREND AL SHARPTON**

*FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT, NATIONAL ACTION NETWORK,  
AND HOST OF POLITICS NATION WITH AL SHARPTON ON MSNBC*

“

[Dr. Richardson] teaches us how to take a true inventory of grace at work in our lives to recognize that no matter what your station or situation of life, you are the product of grace and therefore have a reason to hope ...

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**DR. HOWARD JOHN WESLEY**

*PASTOR, ALFRED STREET BAPTIST CHURCH, ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA*

## FROM THE DESK OF DR. RICHARDSON

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He is the author of the widely acclaimed, **POWER OF THE PEW**, “**MISSION TO MANDATE**,” in the National Urban League's State of Black America. In addition to such articles, Dr. Richardson's most powerful sermons can be found in publications including, **KEEP THE FAITH** (Welcome Rain Publishers) and **JOY TO THE WORLD** (Simon & Schuster).

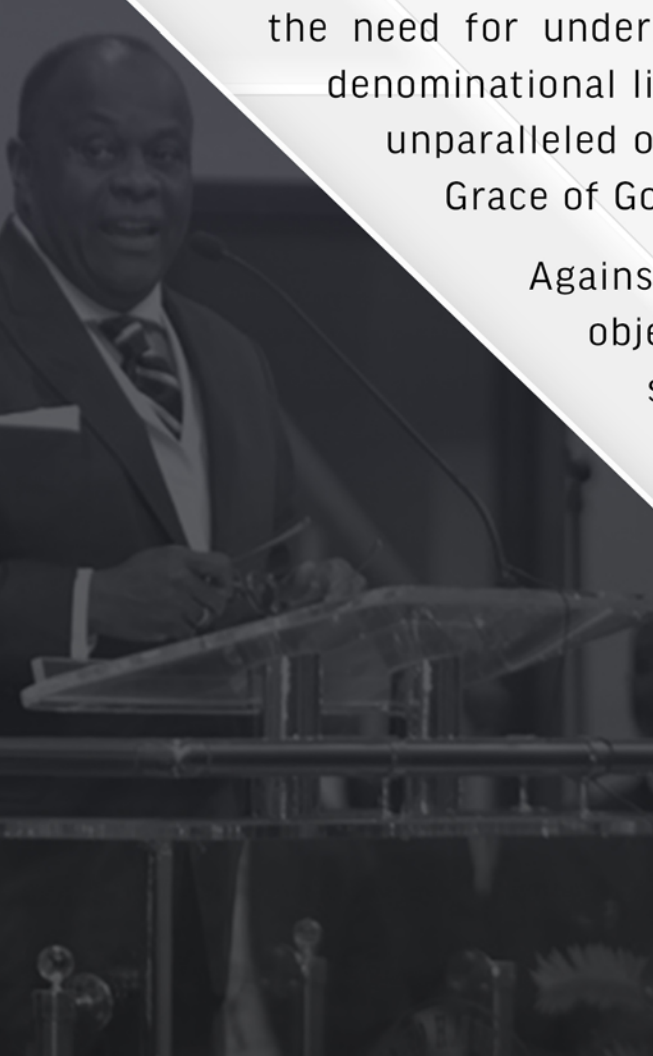


# — SYNOPSIS —

**WITNESS TO GRACE: A TESTIMONY OF FAVOR** is a poignant true-life story that chronicles the remarkable journey of W. Franklyn Richardson. Grace, as divine unmerited favor given freely by a loving God, is shown time and time again throughout each season of Richardson's life. From humble and challenging beginnings to honored positions of power and global influence, Witness to Grace gives an intimate portrayal of the rise of one of the most respected religious and civil rights leaders of our time.

Richardson bares his heart as he reflects on the gut-wrenching disappointment of loss, the unforgivable oppression of a people, the need for understanding, humility and unification across denominational lines and the power of education to provide unparalleled opportunities through the all-encompassing Grace of God.

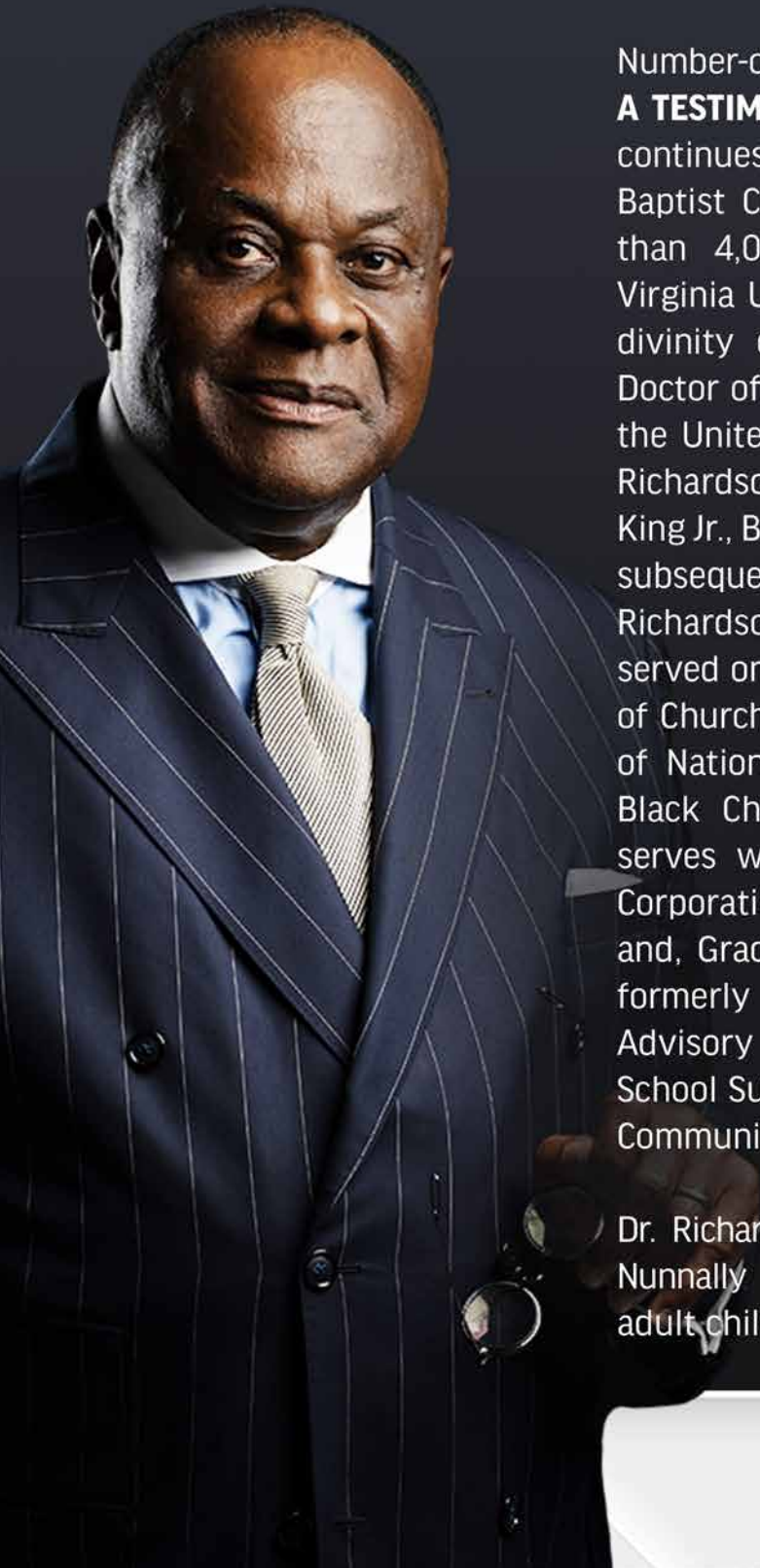
Against all odds, Richardson found himself the object of God's favor as he leaned on God for strength and direction. If you have ever questioned the value of your purpose, the significance of your future and what you have the capacity to overcome, this book will shift your perception of life and give you a renewed path forward.





# ABOUT

## W. FRANKLYN RICHARDSON



Number-one best-selling author of **WITNESS TO GRACE: A TESTIMONY OF FAVOR**, Dr. W. Franklyn Richardson continues to preside over the thriving, historic Grace Baptist Church with three locations, including more than 4,000 members nationwide. A graduate of Virginia Union University, Dr. Richardson received his divinity degree from Yale Divinity School and his Doctor of Ministry as a Wyatt Tee Walker Fellow from the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio. Dr. Richardson has been inducted into the Martin Luther King Jr., Board of Preachers at Morehouse College, then subsequently into its International Hall of Honor. Dr. Richardson has preached across the world and has served on the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches. Dr. Richardson is Chairman of the Board of National Action Network, Conference of National Black Churches, and Virginia Union University. He serves with many organizations including Comcast Corporation and NBC Universal Joint Diversity Council; and, Grace Community Development Corporation. He formerly served as a director for Pepsi Cola (Ethnic Advisory Board) and the Harvard University Divinity School Summer Leadership Institute for Church-based Community and Economic Development.

Dr. Richardson resides in New York with his wife Inez Nunnally Richardson. They are the parents of three adult children and the grandparents of five.

# HIGHLIGHTS



## LEADER

Dr. Richardson is a well-respected leader, Civil Rights advocate, and highly sought speaker

## AUTHOR

Number-one best-selling author of *Witness to Grace: A Testimony of Favor*\*



## PASTOR

Senior Pastor of the historic Grace Baptist Church with three locations, including more than 4,000 members nationwide

## GRADUATE

A graduate of Virginia Union University & Divinity degree from Yale Divinity School



## HALL OF HONOR

Inducted into the Martin Luther King Jr., Board of Preachers at Morehouse College, then subsequently into its International Hall of Honor

## WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES

Dr. Richardson served on the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches



## CHAIRMAN

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## MEMBER

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