



The Rev. Dr. Jawanza Karriem Colvin is the sixth pastor of Cleveland's Olivet Institutional Baptist Church. As servant-leader of this 4,000-member congregation, Pastor Colvin follows in its historic tradition of community builders, preacher-scholars and social activists.

Pastor Colvin has sought to integrate personal devotion and critical reflection into a ministry of social action and transformation. He has been a voice in the pulpit and activist in the community on matters of justice, equity and reform.

Committed to service in the public sphere, Pastor Colvin serves on the boards of the Cleveland Museum of Art, the Greater Cleveland Food Bank, the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation and St. Luke's Foundation. He was also a founding co-chair of Greater Cleveland Congregations, the largest multiracial, interfaith social justice coalition in Northeast Ohio.