

Charles Harrison Mason (1864-1961)

Woodson Principles Applied

The Woodson Principles were developed from 40 years of experience working with effective grassroots groups that have transformed struggling neighborhoods and empowered the people within them.

Here is a list of Bob Woodson's 10 Principles:

Competence	Innovation
Integrity	Inspiration
Transparency	Agency
Resilience	Access
Witness	Grace

In thinking about the life of Bishop Charles Harrison Mason, consider the following Woodson Principles. How do they relate to the life of Bishop Mason?

Integrity

It is important to get to know people and build trust before trying to help them change. Make sure you are doing things for the right reasons and are willing to stick around and keep your promises. Look for other people who have the same values and can be trusted to work with you.

Witness

The best people to help others through hard times are people who have been in similar circumstances. Knowing someone else who has achieved what you are working for can give you the confidence to believe you can do it, too! For example, those who are in recovery from an addiction are living proof that recovery is possible.

Inspiration

You can learn nothing from studying failure except how to create failure. People are inspired to improve when they can see a goal that is possible, instead of just a problem to be avoided. Give people tools to work towards their dreams. Then, look for ways to celebrate even small steps forward.