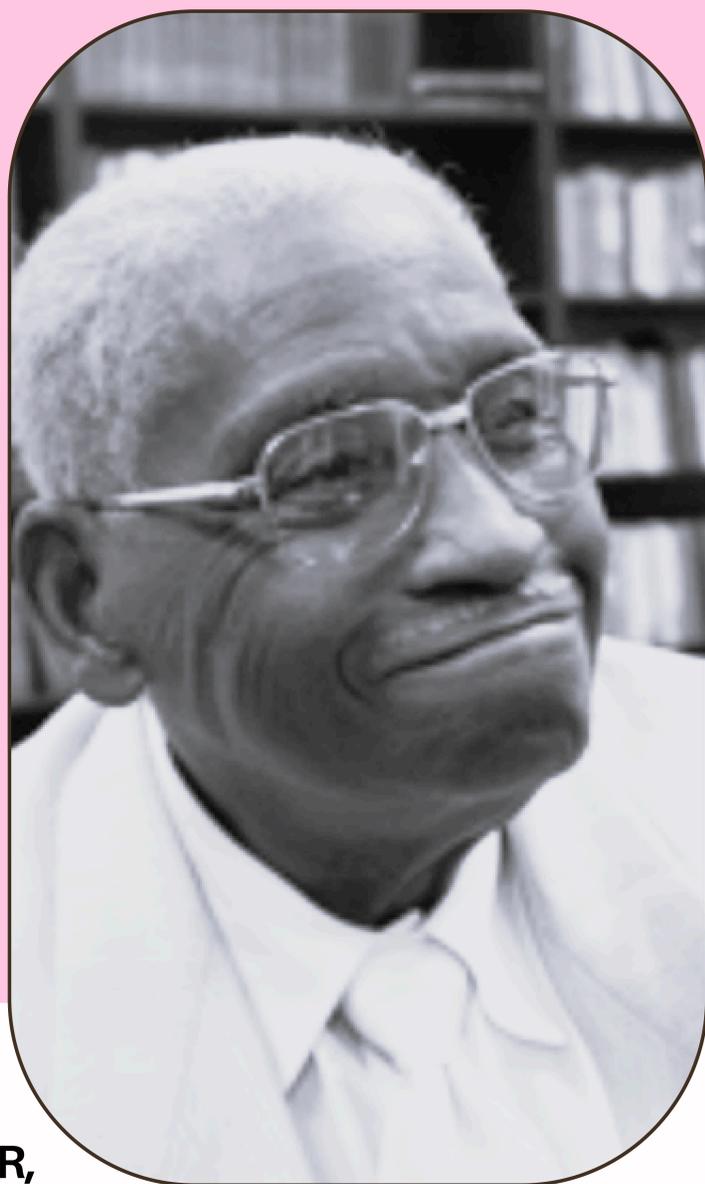


# TYREE TOLIVER



**DR. TYREE TOLIVER WAS A BELOVED PASTOR, EDUCATOR, AND CIVIL RIGHTS ADVOCATE IN BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA. BORN IN PRESCOT, ARKANSAS, HE EARNED A BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY FROM CONRO COLLEGE, A MASTER'S IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION, AND AN HONORARY DOCTORATE FROM ST. JOHN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.**

**DR. TOLIVER PASTORED ST. JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH FOR FIFTY YEARS, GROWING THE CONGREGATION FROM SEVENTY TO OVER 2,500 MEMBERS. HE ESTABLISHED MINISTRIES INCLUDING BIBLE STUDY, SUNDAY SCHOOL, VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, FUNERAL ASSISTANCE, SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNSELING, AND MARRIAGE AND FAMILY PROGRAMS, NURTURING BOTH FAITH AND COMMUNITY.**

**A COMMITTED ACTIVIST, HE MARCHED WITH DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. AND CONTINUED TO HONOR HIS LEGACY THROUGH ANNUAL MARCHES. HE HELPED ESTABLISH THE BAKERSFIELD COLLEGE MARTIN LUTHER KING CENTER, CONTRIBUTED TO THE HOLLOWAY GONZALES LIBRARY, AND SERVED ON THE ADVISORY BOARD FOR CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD. RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF KERN COUNTY'S MOVERS AND SHAKERS, HIS LIFE REFLECTED A DEEP COMMITMENT TO JUSTICE, EDUCATION, AND COMMUNITY.**