**African American Clergy Withstanding Occupational Stress**

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Assignment #3 – Essay Draft

Begin work on Assignment #4 Research for 21st Century Paper (see below):

1. In preparation for Assignment #4, choose a scholarly topic of interest. Type the topic on

the title line on the cover page and the first page of the paper. Explain your reasoning for

choosing the topic in the introduction section (after the title and before the first Level 1

heading) of the paper. Use your best academic voice, correct sentence structure, tense,

and punctuation. In the rest of the introductory paragraph, preview three points you

would address in an essay about your topic with ideas that came from your sources.

2. Develop a list of search terms and phrases that pertain to the subject chosen and

include these immediately following the first Level 1 heading. Give the list a name and

use the name as the Level 1 heading (use the heading styles in the template and the

APA 7 Manual or Guide provided in the hyperlinks in this syllabus). Present the list in a

complete sentence or a bulleted list with an opener (e.g., Search terms related to the

topic of this paper are as follows:). Use correct punctuation.

3. Continue building the Works Cited list you began in Assignment #2. Locate a minimum

of two books (minimum of one published in the last five years) relevant to your chosen

topic and develop an APA reference for each book. Insert the properly formatted

references in the Works Cited section of the paper.

4. Locate four primary research journal articles relevant to your chosen topic; three articles

must be less than five years old. Develop a reference for each journal article and insert

the references into the Works Cited section. Put your 10 references in alphabetical

order.

As an African American Pastor and church planter, my interest in stress related trauma in this vocation, is intriguing and both enriching subject matter to study. The subject matter can bring light to the traumas that I and other clergy face. Opening an analytic window to these traumas may cause a dialogue amongst peers that may well cause actionable steps and create a systematic solution and therapy to overcome these types of traumas. This trauma was exacerbated with the Covid – 19 Crisis pastors experienced compassion fatigue, negative reactions, come on collection and all other sorts of occupation related traumas.

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Search terms related to the topic of this paper are as follows:

* Occupational Stress
* African American Clergy
* Spiritual Well-Being
* Stress Management

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