



**Jonathan Wade**  
**2011 Scholarship Recipient**



Jonathan Wade received the Economic Club scholarship in 2011 following his senior year at Benjamin Banneker high school. He went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from Hampden-Sydney College in Virginia and a Master of Divinity degree as well as two certificates in Executive Leadership for Ministers from Howard University. He is an active member of the Economic Club Alumni Leadership Council and mentor to current scholars. When asked the about his connection to the Club as a scholar and alumnus he said, “The Economic Club has been a training ground for me, it has been a foundation and support to get me through college, but still provides support in my growth and development as a leader. The transition from scholar to an alumnus has been meaningful and impactful as it guides me to develop my own leadership skills and continue in community service by supporting other scholars.”

As a mentor and leader, he truly enjoys encouraging others and working youth, faith-based, business, and leadership organizations. Currently, he serves as the Senior Pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church of Baltimore City. Jonathan previously worked as a consultant with the Christian humanitarian organization, World Vision, training youth leaders on new strategic methodologies for youth development. Jonathan also consulted with a sexual assault prevention organization, Men Can Stop Rape (MCSR), where he mentored young men to display positive forms of masculinity to proactively stop sexual assault and violence against women and trained organizational partners with a proprietary curriculum developed by MCSR.

In addition to serving others, Jonathan is an avid reader, drummer, movie-lover, and serial hobbyist always seeking to learn new skills and experience new things.