

Carey Casey

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Carey Casey is Chief Executive Officer of the Kansas City-based National Center for Fathering, joining the Center in March, 2006. Through his work across the country, Casey has earned a reputation as a dynamic communicator, especially on the topic of men being good fathers. He's known as a compassionate ambassador, particularly within the American sports community. He is also author of the book, *Championship Fathering* (2009).



In 2009, Carey was asked to serve on the White House Task Force on Fatherhood and Healthy Families. He also serves as a member of the National Fatherhood Leaders Group, which promotes responsible fatherhood policy, research, advocacy and practice.

Casey joined the Center after 18 years in various roles with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, where most recently he was president of the FCA Foundation, gaining significant leadership experience with a large, successful, national nonprofit organization. His career has also included serving as chaplain at the 1988 Summer Olympic Games in Seoul, South Korea, chaplain for the Dallas Cowboys under Hall of Fame Coach Tom Landry, and chaplain for the Kansas City Chiefs. He continues to speak on life issues for numerous professional and college sports teams across America.

Carey also served for five years as co-pastor of Lawndale Community Church—the inner-city church in Chicago's west-side recognized by the George H. W. Bush Points of Light Foundation. At Lawndale, Carey helped empower the community with health care, housing, education and economic growth.

Carey has also served as a lecturer at the World Congress on Sports, the college football Senior Bowl, the National Association of Basketball Coaches Convention at the Final Four, and the Super Bowl. He has been featured in many local and national publications and broadcasts, including *the New York Times*, *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, *Los Angeles Times*, *Kansas City Star*, *Chicago Tribune*, Focus on the Family's radio broadcast and webcast, *Ebony*, *Christianity Today*, *Sharing the Victory*, "Fox and Friends," ESPN.com and ESPN's "Quite Frankly" with Stephen A. Smith, "The Hour of Power" with Dr. Robert Schuller, and *Leadership Magazine*.

In high school, Carey played in the 1971 Virginia State Championship football game—the game that was later dramatized in the award-winning movie, *Remember the Titans*. Carey is still friends with former Titans coach Herman Boone and many of the other people who were portrayed in the movie.

Carey received his bachelor's degree from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill. As a running back, he helped lead the school's football team to the Atlantic Coast Conference Championship in 1977. Carey was inducted into the Alumni Hall of Fame in his home town of Salem, VA, and was Alumnus of the Year at Northeastern Oklahoma A&M College. Other honors include being listed in Who's Who in Black America as well as being a past recipient of the Dallas NAACP Juanita Craft Award. In recognition of his work among fathers, Carey has been awarded Keys to the City in both Laurel, MS, and Jackson, MS, and a President's Medallion by Midwestern Baptist Seminary in Kansas City.

Carey and his wife Melanie live in Lee's Summit, Missouri. They are parents of four children and have two grandchildren.