

Marsha Scipio tapped to lead Baptist World Aid

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Marsha Scipio has been named director of Baptist World Aid, the community development arm of the Baptist World Alliance.

Scipio, who was born in Trinidad and Tobago, currently serves as associate minister and youth pastor at Berean Baptist Church in Brooklyn, New York. She is also the founder of Women Who Minister, an ecumenical conference dedicated to the “spiritual rejuvenation” of women in ministry.

She is a graduate of the Georgetown University Law Center, where she earned the public service award from the Office of Public Interest and Community Service. While she was at Princeton Theological Seminary earning her master of divinity degree, she won awards in history and practical theology.

“We are blessed to welcome Rev. Scipio to the BWA team, and we prayerfully champion her leadership as she builds upon BWAid’s century of kingdom impact to guide it toward a strategic future,” said Baptist World Alliance general secretary Elijah Brown in a statement.

In the same statement, Scipio expressed her desire to use her new role to walk alongside her brothers and sisters who are in crisis.

“I am a firm believer in the Micah mandate—to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God. To respond to the call of the BWAid Director role is an invitation to exercise this mandate on a global scale,” she said. “Therefore, I said, ‘Yes. Yes to God. Yes to BWA. And yes to those who still find themselves on or in the margins of the 21st Century Jericho roads.’”