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Together Rev. Williams and Mirikitani, his wife, have led San Francisco’s Glide Memorial Church toward profound social change for the past half-century. In *Beyond the Possible: 50 Years of Creating Radical Change in a Community Called Glide*, they share stories that reveal how Glide became the spiritual soul of San Francisco – and one of the city’s most generous providers of social services.

With a membership of over 11,000 and located in the heart of San Francisco’s toughest neighborhoods, Glide is one of the fastest growing United Methodist churches in North America. People of all races, ethnic backgrounds, cultures, social classes, ages, faiths, and sexual orientations join together at every Sunday Celebration to experience the energy of spiritual liberation coupled with the fusion of jazz, blues and gospel performed by the renowned Glide Ensemble choir and the Change Band.

In 1986, Rev. Williams became the Chairman for the Northern California Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Observance Committee at the request of Mrs. Coretta Scott King. Reverend Williams was the recipient of the 2008 National Caring Award presented by the Caring Institute in Washington, D.C. Williams’ innovations, such as HIV testing during services, have been praised by Bill Clinton, Oprah Winfrey, and Warren Buffett.

Rev. Williams delivered Dominican’s 2006 commencement address. He also received an honorary doctor of humane letters degree during the ceremonies.

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