Calvin B. Preston was born and raised in Columbia, South Carolina. He graduated from Oakwood College (now Oakwood University) in Huntsville, Alabama in 1975 where he obtained a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theology. He later obtained a Master of Arts degree in Church Administration from Andrews University in Berrien Springs, Michigan in 1979.

He is currently the Senior Pastor of the West End Seventh-day Adventist Church in Atlanta, Georgia for the past seven years where he delivers the Word of God with great zeal and eloquence. Since being assigned to West End, the Lord has used Pastor Preston to add over 100 souls to the church each year through baptism. He has undertaken a $1,000,000+ church renovation project which was completed in June 2010 and most recently, because of his vision, the church has been blessed to purchase a former Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club building, now known as the West End Family Life & Community Center which is being used primarily for community outreach.

Pastor Preston has been married to his college sweetheart, the former Wynona Wimbish of Akron, Ohio for thirty-eight years. God has blessed their union with three adult children, Devon, DeNeil and DeShawn.

Pastor Preston enjoys meeting people, traveling, reading and sports. His mottos are: "Never give up" and "I will survive." His favorite Bible text is Romans 8:37, "Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us."