



# About Omega Lamplighters

**The Lamplighters Program**, is a mentoring group founded in 1995 by the late Bro. Basileus Sherman B. Whites & Dr. Richard J. Strachan of the Sigma Alpha Chapter (Miami) of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc..

The theme, *"Reach One, Save One"* was a part of their mission to cultivate academic excellence, community service, and brotherhood to young men between the ages of 12-18.

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**Tuesday, September 15, 2008** the Omega Lamplighters Club was founded by Bro. Basileus Royle King II (Upsilon Psi chapter, FAMU) & Bro. Simeon Nelson (Chi Omega chapter) in Tallahassee. It was a combination of the Omega Sparks program created by the Theta Alpha Chapter (Dallas) of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. & the Lamplighters program from Miami. The program was piloted with 12 young men from the Big Bend area. Six from Wakulla H.S., two from Godby H.S., two from Lincoln H.S., one from Florida H.S. & one from Leon H.S.

**Sunday, February 15, 2012** the first official class, *"Optimus 20"*, of Omega Lamplighters was inducted into the program. During this time, the official logo, colors & shield design was adopted.

### Principles:

#### Leadership, Academics, Maturity & Perseverance

*Perseverance* is a shared principle with Omega Psi Phi due to it's nature of never giving up & the idea that you will succeed as long as you never quit.

### The Mission:

*"To work with and establish productive relationships with young men & equip them with high leadership & academic skills. To offer support, mentorship & guidance while assisting them in their transformation into Manhood"*

### Program Colors:

Purple & Silver

### Alternate Colors:

Black, White & Green

The colors were chosen so that the program could stand alone, separate Omega Psi Phi but still have a recognized link to the fraternity. The chosen colors are represented on the official fraternity shield.

### Nickname:

Light Team (#OLL)

**Motto:** *"Turning Good Young Men Into GREAT Young Men. It Takes A Village"*