

# Voices of Bibles & Beauty

## ROMETHA GILMORE



Rometha Gilmore, renowned as Mrs. Educator, epitomizes resilience and advocacy in public education. With over two decades of service in Marion County Public Schools, she's been a stalwart leader, confronting systemic challenges akin to modern-day plantations with unwavering determination.

As a Black woman in leadership, Rometha's journey from classroom teacher to dean of students and assistant principal reflects her tireless commitment to equitable education. Her academic journey includes a Bachelor's degree in elementary education from St. Leo University and a Master's degree in educational leadership from American College of Education. Yet, it's her personal experiences as an athlete and teenage mother that fuel her mission to empower young girls, particularly of color.

In 2021, Rometha launched Girls on the Rise™, a program supporting Black and Brown girls in 4th grade and beyond with academic, cultural, and emotional enrichment. Beyond her professional endeavors, Rometha finds solace in family, ministry, and personal hobbies.

With a fervent dedication to dismantling oppressive structures and promoting inclusivity, Rometha Gilmore embodies the transformative potential of education. Join her in redefining public education, one empowered mind at a time.