Minister Crystal Wiley-Perry was born in South Bend, Indiana. She is a retired veteran of the United States Air Force with 24 years' service. As the first reservist to deploy to the Middle East as the Superintendent of Chapel Operations, at the Victory Chapel, in 2009, and the Functional Manager of Combined Air Operations Command in 2015, Senior Master Sergeant Wiley-Perry (retired) paved the way for future senior reserve members to serve in lead positions down range.

In July 2004, Minister Crystal moved to Richmond, Virginia with her family. She accepted her call to preach in October 2004 and immediately began to serve as a minister-in-training at the St. Paul's Baptist Church. She did her trial sermon November 2008, and was licensed by Pastor Lance D. Watson. Minister Crystal graduated Magna Cum Laude from Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology, Virginia Union University, in 2013. In seminary, she discovered a call to international mission ministry. By God's strategic design, she met and worked with Reverend Shirley Wilkins to complete the interview portion of her senior paper. Minister Crystal was inspired to join Mt. Gilead by Holy Spirit while serving in the Middle East in 2015. She has been serving in Helps Ministry and on the mission field from the onset. She has served on the Prison Ministry, Fine Arts Ministry (Dance and Acting), Military Ministry, and International Missions Ministry. She currently serves as a Ministerial Team Lead and a Steering Team Leader in the Mentor-in-You (MIY) ministries. Her heart's desire is to use everything that God has placed within her to inspire others to be saved, freed and elevated to experience the abundant life Jesus suffered, died, and rose for them to live.

Minister Crystal is a professional Screen Actor Guild (SAG) actor, and she has worked in theater, film, voiceover and TV. She enjoys doing inspirational, faith-based, true story and monologue projects. She loves to laugh, spend time with family, worship, study the Word of God, do missions outreach, beautify her home and travel. Minister Crystal and her husband, Rodney, are a blended family with three children and six grand-children.