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MAAFA

Journey of Remembrance

During the month of February, as the nation celebrates Black History Month, Trinity UCC takes this time to inform, educate and . . . remember, the Maafa. Derived from the Swahili work for “*disaster, terrible occurrence or great tragedy*,” Maafa was first introduced into the African American lexicon by Mirimba Ani’s book **Let the Circle Be Unbroken: The Implications of African Spirituality in the Diaspora**.

Some academics, Maulana Karenga among them, prefer the term “African Holocaust” to describe the horrible circumstance of the African slave trade because of the implications of intention, others favor Maafa, because it speaks to the “continual, constant, complete, and total system of human negation and nullification” inflicted on Africans and Africans in diaspora.

- During the Trans-Atlantic slave trade, 90% of those enslaved were sent to the Caribbean or South America
- The Trans-Atlantic slave trade reduced the population of men in Africa by about 20%
- Studies and analyses typically state that around 13 million slaves were shipped from Africa and around 11 million arrived at ports throughout the Americas and Caribbean, but . . . While those numbers indicated 2 million died in transit, that number is woefully low:
 - “As many as 8 million Africans may have died, in order to bring 4 million slaves to the Caribbean islands.” (Jan Rogozinski, *A Brief History of the Caribbean*)
 - David Stannard, in *American Holocaust*, estimates that 30 to 60 million Africans died while being enslaved
 - Frederic Wertham claims that 150 million Africans died as a result of the slave trade

What does this death, disruption, and depopulation mean to Africa? The stripping of product labor, of intellectual capacity and cohesive societies combined with colonialism to stifle potential and created many of the structural challenges African continues to struggle with today!

*NOTE: An excellent source of information, www.africanholocaust.net.



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Listening Assistance: As we endeavor to maintain a sacred worship experience, please return listening devices following the Benediction. An Audio Technician is available in the sound room for 15 minutes following each service for the return of your device.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

February 8, 2015

ORDER OF WORSHIP - 7:30 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.

Opening Song "Come And Let Us Sing"
Hymn of Praise "Enter Into Jerusalem"
Unison Scripture Psalm 107:1-3 (KJV)

PLEASE REMAIN STANDING FOR THE READING OF THE WORD

Invocation
Parish Concerns
 Visitor Recognition/Passing of the Peace
 The Pastor's Word
The Service of Communion
 Confession of Sins
 Communion Collect
 Distribution of Elements
 Assurance of Pardon
 Words of Institution
The Service of Giving
 Offertory Sentences
 Tithes/Offerings/Imani Village
Altar Call (7:30 a.m.) "I Need More"
Altar Call (11:00 a.m.) Selected
Sermon "Redemption Song"
Hymn of Invitation
Benediction

ORDER OF WORSHIP - 6:00 P.M.

Opening Song "Come And Let Us Sing"
Ministry of Music "Your Presence Is Heaven To Me"
Sermon "Redemption Song"
Hymn of Invitation
The Service of Giving
 Offertory Sentences
 Tithes and Offerings
The Service of Communion
 Confession of Sins
 Communion Collect
 Distribution of Elements
 Assurance of Pardon
 Words of Institution
Altar Call/Benediction

[Once the sermon has begun, parishioners may not enter or re-enter the first floor sanctuary.]

**The Order of Worship is subject to change, at the dictation of the Holy Spirit...

ENTER INTO JERUSALEM

VERSE 1

Enter into Jerusalem,
Let us go to God's house.
With the healthy and the sick,
With the worker and the weak,
Let us go to God's house.
Enter into Jerusalem,
Let us go to God's house.
Come and run with the wind
With the God who reigns in peace,
Let us go to God's house.

REFRAIN

We go celebrate, we go celebrate,
We go celebrate, O Israel.

Enter into Jerusalem,
Mek wi walk-a-dung dere.
Wid di young and di old
And di likkle and di large,
Mek wi walk-a-dung dere.
Enter into Jerusalem,
Mek I walk-a-dung dere.
Swaying to the breeze
with the God who reigns in peace,
Mek wi walk-a-dung dere.

UNISON SCRIPTURE

PSALM 107:1-3 (KJV)

¹O give thanks unto the Lord, for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever. ²Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy; ³And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.

We invite You into the house today, Lord.

We seek to set the atmosphere for Your arrival.

May You, God, support us all the day long, till the shadows lengthen and the evening comes, and the busy world is hushed, and the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in Your mercy, may You give us a safe lodging and a holy rest and peace at the last.

May Your Holy Spirit fill this house and cover the pulpit and the pew.

Bless the choir, Deacons, and the Preacher.

Give the preacher an anointing that makes preaching easy, and the congregation a heart that makes listening and doing real.

We thank You, today.
We thank You, today.

We thank You, today, for Your son, Jesus, and the blessing of life.

We wait with tiptoe anticipation on how You will show up today and bless Your children.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen, Amen, and Amen.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Beautiful are the WORKS of God!

Congregation: Beautiful also are the SKINS of my people!

Minister: Beautiful is the MIND of God!

Congregation: Beautiful also are the HOPES of my people!

Minister: Beautiful is the HEART of God!

Congregation: Beautiful also are the SOULS of my people!

Minister: God made the heavens and the earth!

Congregation: And my people built the pyramids and the world's first civilizations.

Minister: God made the Seven Seas!

Congregation: And my people were the first to sail them!

Minister: God made us; and God made all nations which dwell on the face of the earth!

Congregation: It is He that hath made us and not we ourselves!

Minister: With His blood He has saved us. By His Power, He has raised us!

Congregation: To God be the glory for the things He has done!

Minister: And always remember, my Father's children, that God is GOOD...

Congregation: ALL THE TIME!

ALL: This is the Lord's doing and it is marvelous in our eyes!

CONFESSON OF SINS



Almighty and Most Merciful Father, we come before You, acknowledging our sins, our shortcomings, and our breaking of our Covenant with You.

Not only have we done things we ought not to have done, said things we ought not to have said, left undone so many things we ought to have done and been silent when we should have witnessed for You.

Not only are we guilty of that, O Lord; but we have also closed our eyes and pretended not to see the injustices, the racism and the evil which pervade our everyday lives.

We have shut our ears and pretended not to hear the cries for liberation which come from the lips, lives and hearts of the oppressed – even our own Black brothers and sisters!

Forgive us, O Lord, renew our courage and faith, and keep us ever mindful of Thy great sacrifice. Hear us, we beseech Thee, as we come to You in love and worship giving Your Name the praise forevermore.

To All Our Visitors ... To all who mourn and need comforting ... To all who are friendless and want friendship ... To all who are oppressed and need liberation; and to whosoever will come, Trinity opens its doors. Thank you for coming, and may God bless you.

February 8, 2015



Come And Let Us Sing

Enter Into Jerusalem

Written by Richard Ho Lung
(Taken from the Hymnal of the Church
in the Province of the West Indies)

Baianidade Nagô

(Refers to the special African-rooted,
specifically, Yoruba, way of being
of the people of Bahia)

Dandalunda

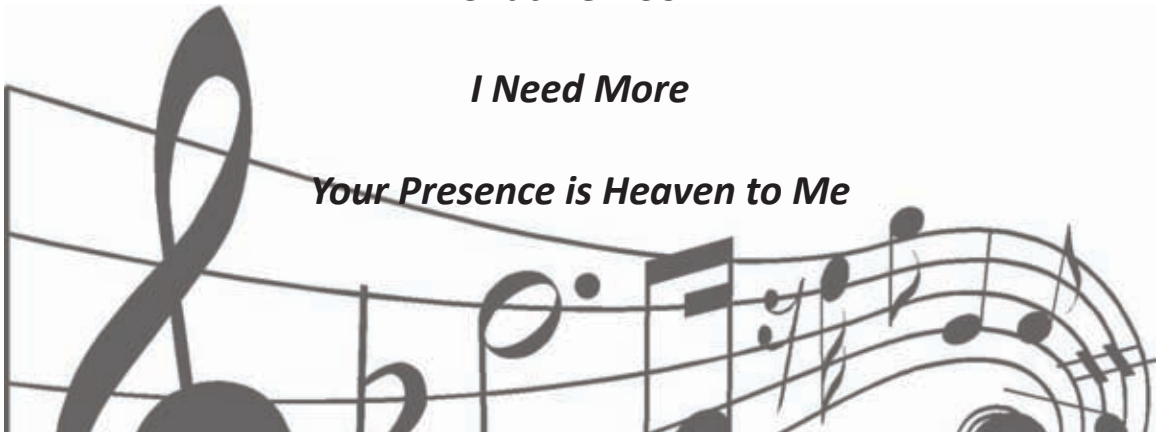
(Tribute to the orixá Oxum, the spirit
that governs fresh bodies of water,
female fertility, and beauty)

Caribbean Praise – O La Le

Shut De Door

I Need More

Your Presence is Heaven to Me





LUCIANO ANTONIO, A force in the Brazilian music scene... Luciano transcends all borders and time through his soulful renditions of some of Brazil's greatest compositions and his own original works and collaborations. Luciano was born into a musical family in rural Iretama, Parana, Brazil's southern region. From this melodiously rich environment, he learned first how to sing with his mom, Luiza Maria. By age 14, he took the violão (acoustic guitar) as a self

taught instrument and continued his musical pursuit through the study of classical guitar at the age of 17. Luciano's music journey next led him to the University of Missouri-Kansas City (UMKC) where he received a bachelors degree in music performance. After successfully completing his education at UMKC, he relocated to Chicago where he has since established himself as a popular Brazilian jazz artist, having recently performed at the Jakarta International Jazz Festival and completed a mini-tour of Japan. Luciano collaborates with many great fellow artists; and, through his own project, continues to invigorate the Chicago Latin and Jazz scene. Luciano's most recent accomplishment is the release of his debut album of original music, "Vida De Artista - An Artist's Life." Make no mistake; Luciano has placed his stamp on the Brazilian music scene in Chicago.



YAASHA ABRAHAM is the Educational Programming Coordinator for Planeta Azul Band and Passistas Samba Dance Group, tailoring cultural educational experiences on the elementary, secondary, and university levels. She also works as a samba dance instructor in collaboration with years of dance. Years of choreographing for Passistas Samba Dance Group, and years of teaching within the high risk youth sector have given Yaasha the tools necessary to run a successful program. Past and current affiliations include Changing Worlds, Cicero School District #99, The Town of Cicero, Old Town School of Folk Music, Brazil In Chicago, Quilombo Cultural Center, Columbia College, Purdue University Calumet, University of Tennessee Knoxville, and Murray

State University. Yaasha strongly believes that cultural dance should be as informative as it is entertaining, and that both students and audiences deserve to have an experience that enriches them with more knowledge about its origins. She doesn't just teach her students, she reaches them, helping provide needed skills to achieve both inside and outside of her classroom.

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TODAY'S MUSIC GUESTS



BOMBA CON BUYA is a Chicago-based ensemble with a traditional, yet innovative approach to Afro-Puerto Rican Bomba. Developed during the 18th century among the island's African descendants, Bomba is Puerto Rico's oldest surviving music and dance form. Buya means "good spirit" in Taino. Bomba con Buya strives to embody this idea through high-impact performances and community-centered workshops, including artistic dialogue with historians in Puerto Rico and collaborative projects with groups such as Jarochicanos (Mexico), Laruni Hati (Belize), and Tamboula (Haiti). The ensemble celebrated its fifth anniversary last November; however several members of Bomba con Buya have been committed to studying and sharing the Bomba tradition for over twenty years.



TO DO JUSTICE



Jon Burge . . . Police Commander Jon Burge . . .

A man sworn to serve and protect the citizens of Chicago, instead, led a reign of terror at Area 2 police headquarters, where, under his watch and supervision, over 110 African American men and women were tortured into confessing to crimes. Electric shock, sexual abuse, suffocation, and beatings were the tools used in their “police work.”

The city of Chicago has acknowledged the torture – Mayor Emanuel has even apologized for it. The issue was taken before the United Nations, which found that the U.S. had violated the Convention Against Torture, citing the Burge police torture cases, and has called for redress.

Twenty-three years after Burge and his henchmen ended their 19 years of torture, their victims are mostly without compensation, assistance, or recourse.

In October, 2013, an ordinance was introduced in the Chicago City Council that would recognize the people who were tortured and provide financial compensation and support for survivors and their families. Even with the support of 27 Aldermen/women, the ordinance has languished in the Finance Committee, chaired by Ald. Edward Burke.

It is time to make the **Reparations for the Chicago Police Torture Survivors** Ordinance law! This ordinance calls for:

- A formal apology to the survivors
- A commission to administer financial compensation to survivors
- A medical, psychological, and vocational center on the south side for survivors and family members
- Free enrollment in City Colleges for the survivors and family members
- A history lesson about the cases to be taught in Chicago Public Schools
- City funding for public memorials about the cases; and
- \$20 million to finance this redress (The \$20 million is equivalent to the dollars spent to defend Burge, other detectives, and former Mayor Richard M. Daley in the police torture cases.)

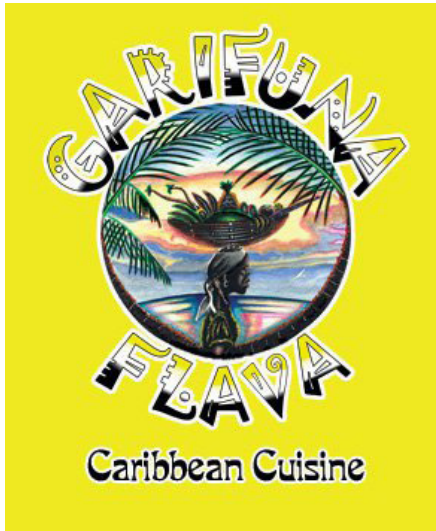
Let your alderman/woman know that you support this ordinance by calling or emailing their office. Also, call Mayor Emanuel (312-744-3300) or tweet him @RahmEmanuel, and ask him to pressure the Council to move this ordinance forward.

Help us to bring this tale of real life terror to a just conclusion.

Daryle Brown

Trinity UCC Justice Watch Team

Two sources for more, and ongoing, information: <http://rahmreponow.tumblr.com/> and www.chicagotorture.org



GARIFUNA FLAVA CARIBBEAN:

A TASTE OF BELIZE
2516-18 West 63rd Street
Chicago, IL

TODAY'S MENU

Belizean Stew Chicken
Jamaican Jerk Chicken
Rice and Beans
Fried Ripe Plantains
Steamed Cabbage
Beef Patties
Caribbean Juice/Sodas
Sweet Potato Cake



JOURNEY TO RESURRECTION

Our Journey to Resurrection (the Lenten Season) begins with Ash Wednesday, February 18th, culminating with our Risen Christ on Easter Sunday, April 5th. In your prayers leading up to Ash Wednesday, please begin to consider your regimen of fasting, prayer, and, additionally this year, fitness.



TRINITY UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST PARTICIPATES IN

SOULS TO THE POLLS!

WHAT IS “SOULS TO THE POLLS”?

Churches across the city of Chicago are coming together to get “Souls to the Polls” and vote early in the municipal elections. Our churches are non-partisan, and we do not endorse candidates, but we want to make sure that—no matter who you’re voting for—you get out and vote on the issues that matter to your community!

Sunday, February 15, 2015

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

19th Ward, Mount Greenwood Park

3721 W. 111th Street, Chicago, IL

(Early voting sites are open Monday-Saturday, February 9 - February 21, from 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. The municipal election is on Tuesday, February 24, 2015. For information on the upcoming election and a listing of other voting sites, visit www.chicagoelections.com)

Make your voice heard in the Chicago election:

- Stop police brutality and misconduct
- Invest in community-based violence prevention programs
- Create good jobs and affordable housing for all neighborhoods
- Stand up for a democratic and elected School Board

BLACK LIVES MATTER, ALL NEIGHBORHOODS MATTER, ALL VOTES COUNT!



TRINITY UCC AND
THE CHICAGO PARK DISTRICT'S ROBICHAUX PARK
PRESENT



**Boot Camp is now
at Robichaux Park.**

**Tuesdays, 6:00 p.m. - 6:50 p.m.
Robichaux Park
9247 South Eggleston Ave.**



SAVE THE DATE! LADIES NIGHT OUT



**AN EVENING WITH
REV. DR. RENITA J. WEEMS**
Co-Pastor, Ray of Hope Community Church
Nashville, Tennessee

**Friday, February 27, 2015
7:00 p.m.**

We extend a special invitation to all women of faith to gather with us, as our First Lady, Mrs. Monica Brown Moss interviews Rev. Dr. Renita J. Weems, a prolific theologian, scholar, and expert on women's spirituality and wholeness. You do NOT want to miss this awesome moment in the lives of women here at Trinity UCC – Bring your mothers, grandmothers, sisters, aunts, daughters, and girlfriends!

Register for the 2015 Women's Conference "Even Greater Things"

Friday, May 15 – Saturday, May 16, 2015
Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center
Schaumburg, Illinois

ANNOUNCEMENTS



SAVE THE DATE! 2015 WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Even GREATER Things

John 14:12-14, The Message

EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION - ONE DAY ONLY!

Today, Sunday, February 8, 2015

Early Bird Registration: \$90/per person (No online early bird registration)

Registration fee after February 8, 2015: \$100/person



CONFERENCE DATES:

Friday, May 15 – Saturday, May 16, 2015

Renaissance Schaumburg Convention Center
1551 Thoreau Drive North, Schaumburg, IL 60173

To register, stop by the Women's Conference registration table following all worship services. Spread the word – invite your mothers, daughters, sisters, and friends! For information, Call Letitia Johnson, 773-962-5650.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE HOTEL RESERVATIONS

Call 847-303-4100 (Mention Trinity UCC Group)

or reserve online: <https://resweb.passkey.com/go/TrinityUnitedChurchofChrist>

RENAISSANCE SCHAUMBURG CONVENTION CENTER HOTEL

1551 THOREAU DRIVE N, SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173

STANDARD RM: SINGLE: **\$107**; DOUBLE: **\$124**; TRIPLE: **\$141**; QUAD: **\$158**;

SUITES: SINGLE: **\$182**; DOUBLE: **\$199**; TRIPLE: **\$216**; QUAD: **\$233**;

HOTEL ROOM/SUITE RATES EXCLUDE TAX. Breakfast included for hotel guests only.



TRINITY UCC MARRIED COUPLES MINISTRY
BLACK MARRIAGE DAY DINNER DANCE

"Keeping The Music Playing"

Saturday, March 21, 2014

6:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.



Tinley Park Convention Center
North Pavilion Ballroom
18451 Convention Center Drive
Tinley Park, IL 60477
(Black tie optional)

Early Bird Tickets: \$70 per couple (Through Sunday, February 1st)

\$75 per couple (After February 1st)

To reserve your seats, stop by the MCM registration table
Following the 7:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services
or visit <http://tinyurl.com/TUCCMCM2015DANCE>

The mission of the Trinity UCC Married Couples Ministry is to provide opportunities for enrichment and strengthening of relationships between husbands and wives, as we serve Christ, love the community, and honor our African American culture. To that end, we will join hundreds of organizations around the country in celebrating *Black Marriage Day*, highlighting and promoting marriage in the Black community. Since 2002, the goal of Black Marriage Day has been to strengthen and celebrate marriage in African American communities from coast to coast.

The 2014 Dinner Dance was so successful, we outgrew our space. We have chosen a different location, conveniently located off I-80 at Harlem Avenue, in Tinley Park, Illinois. We have also reserved a block of rooms at the adjoining Holiday Inn for \$119 a night. Check-in time on Saturday will be 4:00 pm. To reserve your room, call 708-444-1100, and mention the group "TUC."

Check out our Facebook page for pictures from the 2014 event!

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2015 YOUTH MINISTRY TRAINING INFORMATION

In an effort to provide a safe environment for our youth and in compliance with our insurance company, **all Trinity UCC volunteers and employees (21 years of age and older) must complete the YOUTH MINISTRY TRAINING** in order to participate in youth activities or work with the youth of Trinity in any capacity.

THE NEXT YOUTH MINISTRY TRAINING SESSION WILL BE HELD

Saturday, February 14, 2015
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

All participants MUST bring the following to the training session:

- Valid driver's license or state ID
- \$10 registration fee (includes Continental breakfast)

To register, contact Rev. Michael D. Jacobs (see below),
In person, at the kiosk following worship services,
Or online at <http://tinyurl.com/TUCCYouthTraining>

February 14th Training Schedule

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	CHECK-IN/CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
9:00 AM - 9:15 AM	PRAYER/OPENING SESSION
9:15 AM - 9:35 AM	COMPLETE SCREENING & REFERENCE FORMS
9:45 AM - 10:25 AM	"CHILD, YOUTH & WORKER PROTECTION POLICY"
10:25 AM - 10:40 AM	BREAK
10:45 AM - 11:15 AM	WORKSHOP #4 – BOUNDARIES
11:20 AM – 11:30 AM	CLOSING REMARKS/CLOSING PRAYER

NEXT TRAINING DATE: April 11, 2015

Please watch the bulletin for future dates. For more information, contact Rev. Michael D. Jacobs, 773-966-1541 or MDJacobs@trinitychicago.org.



The Stewardship Ministry Cordially Invites All New Members To Attend Their **BLACK AND CHRISTIAN** New Member Class

We are so happy that you walked the aisle, gave your heart to Christ and your hand to the preacher. So that you may become a full-fledged member of Trinity United Church of Christ you **MUST** complete your new member classes! If you haven't taken both New Member classes (Sessions I and II) the Stewardship Ministry is expecting you! Please don't delay! Completion of the new member process after you have "walked the aisle" is in three stages:

- Completion of Sessions I and II (in that order) of your New Member Classes
- Right Hand of Fellowship on a first Sunday evening. *The "Right Hand of Fellowship" is a requirement for full membership into your new church home, Trinity UCC*
- Actively becoming a member who works in one of the ministries of your church home

The Stewardship Ministry partners are eager to "walk with you" throughout this process and we are looking forward to your attendance.

Adults and Teens
Sessions I and II
Saturday, February 28, 2015
Registration: 8:00 a.m.
Class: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 Fellowship Hall

(Continental Breakfast and lunch will be provided)

Children ages 12 and under
Sessions I and II
Saturday, February 28, 2015
Registration: 8:00 a.m.
Class: 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

(Children must be accompanied by Parent or Guardian)

Receive Right Hand of Fellowship, **Sunday, March 1, 2015, 4:45 p.m.**

Please remember to bring your Bible – if you don't have one, we'll provide one for you! RSVP and CONFIRM your participation! Call the Membership/Ministry Services office, 773-962-5650, immediately! Expect a follow-up call from the Stewardship Ministry. PLEASE NOTE: Your picture will be taken during the Class.



Baptism, Baby Dedication, Right Hand of Fellowship, and more available online at <http://trinityucc.zenfolio.com!>



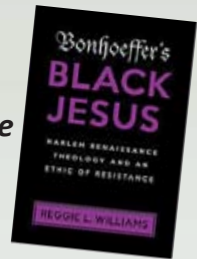
TODAY!!!

MAAFA/Black History Month Lecture Series

TODAY!!!



Dr. Reggie L. Williams,
featured lecturer and author of
Bonhoeffer's Black Jesus:
Harlem Renaissance Theology and An Ethic of Resistance



TODAY, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2015
3:00 p.m. – WRIGHT CHAPEL

Book signing immediately following lecture

*In **Bonhoeffer's Black Jesus**, author Reggie L. Williams follows Bonhoeffer as he defies Germany with Harlem's black Jesus. The Christology Bonhoeffer learned in Harlem's churches featured a black Christ who suffered with African Americans in their struggle against systemic injustice and racial violence – and then resisted. In the pews of the Abyssinian Baptist Church, under the leadership of Adam Clayton Powell, Sr., Bonhoeffer absorbed the Christianity of the Harlem Renaissance. This Christianity included a Jesus who stands with the oppressed rather than joins the oppressors and a theology that challenges the way God can be used to underwrite a union of race and religion. **Bonhoeffer's Black Jesus** argues that the black American narrative led Dietrich Bonhoeffer to the truth that obedience to Jesus requires concrete historical action. This ethic of resistance not only indicted the church of the German Volk, but also continues to shape the nature of Christian discipleship today.*

Dr. Reggie Williams is Assistant Professor of Christian Ethics at McCormick Theological Seminary. He has a particular interest in how the Western-world understanding of Christian has been calibrated to a false ideal that corresponds with racialized interpretations of humanity, morality, and Jesus.

NEW AKIBA STORE HOURS

Tuesday - Thursday, 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Friday, 3:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday, after each Worship Service

(773) 962 - 5660 • www.akibabookstore.org





Black History in Progress...

ATTENTION!!!

Parents, Students and Counselors:



HISTORICALLY BLACK COLLEGE FAIR

Friday, February 13, 2015

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

South Shore Cultural Center

7059 S. South Shore Drive

Chicago, IL 60649

ALL HBCU Alumni are encouraged to attend!

- Endeleo is progress, growth and development ●

February 8, 2015



TODAY 2/8

400 W. 95th Street

- 7:30 a.m. MAAFA Worship Service – SA
- 9:30 a.m. Bible Discovery Hour - WC
- S.A.L.T. - Serving and Learning Together - 203
- Affordable Care Act/Canvass and Enrollment Event - NII
- 11:00 a.m. MAAFA Worship Service – SA
- 1:45 p.m. Justice Watch Meeting - 120
- 2:00 p.m. Member in Discernment Meeting - 203
- 3:00 p.m. MAAFA Lecture and Book Signing - WC
- 5:00 p.m. Healing Ministry - 203
- 6:00 p.m. MAAFA Worship Service – SA

MONDAY 2/9

400 W. 95th Street CLOSED

TUCC Village Center - 1947 West 95th Street

- 5:30 p.m. Music Theory and Vocal Class - W-307
- 7:00 p.m. Green Committee - W-301

TUESDAY 2/10

400 W. 95th Street

- 10:00 a.m. Male Health Forum - A
- 5:00 p.m. Boot Camp - Robichaux Park (RBX PK)
- 5:30 p.m. Wedding Coordinators - BR
- 7:00 p.m. Adult Drama Ministry Meeting - 202
- Leadership Council - A
- Men's Chorus - WC
- Photography Ministry - 102
- Women's Chorus - SA

TUCC Village Center - 1947 West 95th Street

- 10:00 a.m. Big Mama House Quilting Class - W301
- 5:30 p.m. Tangeni - W301

WEDNESDAY 2/11

400 W. 95th Street

- 11:30 a.m. Prayer Service - WC
- 12:00 p.m. Immabasi Family Caregiver Support Group - 102
- 5:00 p.m. Immabasi/Memory Loss - BR
- 6:00 p.m. Praise Team - FH
- 7:14 p.m. Wednesday at the Well - SA

THURSDAY 2/12

400 W. 95th Street

- 6:00 p.m. HBCU Banquet - A
- 6:30 p.m. Drill Team Rehearsal - NII
- Immabasi - BR
- Tangeni Rehearsal - NII-East
- 7:00 p.m. Media Ministry - 102
- Servant Leadership - 202
- Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - SA

FRIDAY 2/13

400 W. 95th Street

- 11:00 a.m. Free N One - 202
- 12:30 p.m. Active Seniors & Friends - A
- 2:30 p.m. Big Mama's House Knitting & Crochet Class - 120
- 7:00 p.m. Chaplains Meeting - BR

SATURDAY 2/14

400 W. 95th Street

- 7:30 a.m. Yoga Ministry - NII
- 8:00 a.m. Zumba Fitness Class - A
- 8:30 a.m. Youth Ministry Certification Training - FH
- 9:00 a.m. Confirmation Class - BR
- S.A.L.T. Teen Class - 203
- Saturday Bible School: Adult Class - WC
- Saturday Bible School: 1st -2nd Grade - 120
- Saturday Bible School: Pre K-Kindergarten - 116
- Saturday Bible School: 3rd-6th Grade - 202
- Ministers In Training - SA
- 10:00 a.m. Tangeni Executive Board Meeting - 207
- 10:45 a.m. Little Warriors for Christ/Imani Ya Watume' - WC
- 11:00 a.m. Math Tutorial - 202
- Kujichagulia - 102
- 12:00 p.m. MAAFA Griots - SA
- Isuthu - (Ashante' Nation) - BR
- 12:30 p.m. Walaika Rehearsal - WC
- Drill Team Rehearsal - NII East
- New Orleans Indians-Youth Workshop- Guest Clinician - SA
- 1:00 p.m. Greeters Coordinators and New Officers - 203
- 1:30 p.m. Justice Watch Team - 116
- 2:00 p.m. Drug and Alcohol Revival Committee - NII
- HIV/AIDS Support - 120
- Isuthu - 102
- 2:30 p.m. Isuthu - Black History Musical Celebration - SA
- 3:00 p.m. Pre-Marital Counseling - 202
- Voices of Trinity - WC
- 3:30 p.m. Married Couples Ministry - FH

SATURDAY 2/14 cont.**400 W. 95th Street**

- 4:00 p.m. Baby Dedication Class - SA
Internal Security - BR
Greeters Ministry Meeting - A
- 5:30 p.m. Baby Dedication Ceremony - SA

TUCC Village Center - 1947 West 95th Street

- 9:00 a.m. ACT Test Strategies - W301
9:30 a.m. Women's Conference Committee Meeting - W307
11:30 a.m. Tennis Committee Meeting - W305
1:00 p.m. Grandparents Ministry Meeting - W301

CHURCHWIDE EVENTS

BLAINE DENYE LIBRARY Ministry partners invite you to visit our library and explore the volumes on Bible study, African American history and culture, The theme for the month of February is African American History Month, *Glory Days: Inspired Moments in African American History*, by Janus Adams; *Land of Hope: Chicago, Black Southern, and the Great Migration*, by James Grossman; *I, Too, Sing America: African American Poetry*, by Catherine Clinton; *In Our Own Image*, by Patrik Henry Bass; *North Star to Freedom: Story of the Underground Railroad*, by Gena Gorrell, The library is located on the 2nd floor, Library hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Wednesdays, 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. and Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

CENTER FOR AFRICAN BIBLICAL Studies, Did you miss any of the Wednesday@TheWell? Did you walk away wanting to learn more? Come have an in-depth discussion and recap and still get a drink from the Living Water, Tuesday evenings, 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., Information, Call 773-966-1500 Mailbox 4507 or email cfabs@trinitychicago.org

DIVINE IMAGINATION CALL Join Pastor Moss for his monthly Divine Imagination telephone message, 11:55 a.m., Thursday, February 12, Dial 605-562-3102 and enter passcode 206047; press the “#” key

EMMAUS “GRIEF WORK” Ministry, Thursday, February 26, 7:00 p.m., Wright Chapel, This month’s topic: “How Dim Is Your Light?” Information, Contact Deacon Dr. Herbert Goodman, Jr., 773-966-1500 Mailbox 2320 or email Emmaus@trinitychicago.org

S.A.L.T. TEEN BIBLE STUDY Class meets Saturdays and Sundays, 9:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m., Room 203, Inviting all teens, ages 13-16 years old

SAVE THE DATES! Women’s Conference fitness event, Friday, April 17, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., Atrium, Teen Zumba event, Saturday, March 21, 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

WOMEN’S CONFERENCE VENDORS needed! Vendor fee \$200/vendor, great opportunity for local businesses to showcase their products, services, or business, To reserve your vendor spot or for information, stop by the Women’s Conference table to speak to a vendor committee representative following all worship services, Vendor application deadline, Sunday, April 12, Information, email womensretreat@trinitychicago.org

COMMUNITY EVENTS

BLACK FACE, WHITE PLACE, Thursday February 26, 7:00 p.m., IIT, 3201 S. State St., discussion with Lena Waithe, producer of the award-winning film, Dear White People, We will explore the themes raised in the film as they relate to the Illinois Tech community, as well as the dynamics

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created by the intersection of other identities, including sexual orientation, country of origin, religion, and more, Information, Contact Brianna Jones, bjones22@iit.edu, RSVP <http://tinyurl.com/BlackFaceWhitePlace>

BLACK HISTORY MONTH Intergenerational celebration, "Changed My Name," an African American Spiritual Cantata, Thursday, February 26, 6:30 p.m., Chicago Theological Seminary, 1407 E. 60th St., Stories, in song, of Harriet Tubman and Sojourner Truth, written by Linda Twine, Special guests, the Chicago Community Chorus and the Marian Catholic Gospel Choir

BLACK HISTORY MONTH Preaching Clinic, Tuesday, February 17, 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m., "Prophetic Preaching," Rev. Dr. Jeremiah A. Wright, Jr., McCormick Theological Seminary, 5460 S. University Ave., Information and RSVP, Call 773-947-6310 or email prodriquez@mccormick.edu

CANCER PATIENTS, SURVIVORS and Caregivers free massage therapy sessions, Mondays, February 9, March 9, April 6, 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Fernwood UM Church, 10057 S. Wallace, Designed to empower the survivor and the caregiver to feel better, reduce the stress of illness, and become more whole, Must attend all sessions, Sponsored by Chicago State University Master of Public Health program and the Chicago Southside Cancer Disparities Initiative, Information, Call Gina Curry, 773-932-5000 or g-curry@csu.edu

CHICAGO URBAN LEAGUE 2015 Black History Month Film Festival and Panel Discussions, Thursday, February 12, "Afraid of Dark," Tuesday, February 17, "Smile," Tuesday, February 24, "The Homestretch," All showings at 6:00 p.m., Chicago Urban League, 4510 S. Michigan Ave., RSVP to

RSVP@thechicagourbanleague.org with the film title in the subject line, Information, visit www.thechicagourbanleague.org

CIVIL RIGHT TRIP FOR EDUCATORS The People of Color in Independent Schools in Chicago (POCIS) is sponsoring a four-day Civil Rights trip, June 23-26, beginning in Memphis and traveling on to Birmingham, Montgomery, and Selma, Open to elementary and secondary school educators and administrators, Cost and information, email David Harris, pocis.chicago@gmail.com

HEALTHCARE OPEN ENROLLMENT ends February 15, Christian Community Health Center Outreach offers free enrollment assistance, Information, Call 773-233-8524, Ext. 3180 or 3304

HURSTON HUGHES WRITERS An Afternoon with the Authors, Sunday, February 22, 2:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m., Wright Chapel, Featuring Ms. Marcie Hill, author, writer, blogger, discussing how authors can use social media to promote their works and advance their writing careers, Trinity writers with published books, join us for this afternoon with the authors, reserve your space now! Information, Call Sandra Hall, 773-966-1500 Mailbox 2330 or hhwriters@trinitychicago.org

TWO TRAINS AND A SIDECAR stage play by August Wilson, Wednesday, March 11, 6:00 p.m. Pre-show reception with 60's cocktails and diner-inspired hors d'oeuvres, Show, 7:30 p.m., Goodman Theatre, 170 N. Dearborn, Scenemakers Board fundraiser supporting New Play Development at Goodman Theatre, Tickets, visit www.goodmantheatre.org, promo code: SIDECAR



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Churchwide Theme for 2015

Renew, Reclaim, Restore, Reconnect

Renew Our Relationship with God

January (Worship)

Zechariah 1:3 (NIV)

Therefore tell the people: This is what The Lord Almighty says: 'Return to me,' declares the Lord Almighty, 'and I will return to you,' says the Lord.

February (Prayer)

Deuteronomy 4:29 (NIV)

But if from there you seek the Lord your God, you will find him with all your heart and all your soul.

March (Bible Study)

Psalms 119:105 (NIV)

Your Word is a lamp for my feet, a light for my path. I have taken an oath and confirmed it that I will follow your righteous laws.

Reclaim Our African Heritage

April (African Origins of Christianity)

Psalms 68:31 (NLT)

Let Egypt come with gifts of precious metals; let Ethiopia bring tribute to God. Sing to the God you kings of the earth. Sing praises to the Lord.

May (Black Religion)

Isaiah 19:19-21 (NLT)

In that day there will be an altar to the Lord in the heart of Egypt, and a monument to the Lord at its borders. It will be a sign and a witness that the Lord of Heaven's Armies is worshipped in the land of Egypt. When the people cry to the Lord for help against those who oppress them, he will send them a savior who will rescue them.

June (African Diaspora)

Zephaniah 3:10 (NIV)

My scattered people who lived beyond the rivers of Ethiopia will come to present their offerings. On that day you will no longer need to be ashamed for you will no longer be rebellious against me.

Restore Justice and Mercy

July (Prophetic Mission of the Church)

Zechariah 7:9 (NIV)

This is what The Lord Almighty said: 'Administer true justice; show mercy and compassion to one another.'

August (Black Liberation Theology)

Leviticus 19:34 (NIV)

The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt. I am The Lord your God.

September (Social Justice/Activism)

Psalms 82:3 (NIV)

Defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.

Reconnect to Our Community

October (Evangelism)

Acts 1:8 (NIV)

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria and to the ends of the earth.

November (Hospitality)

Hebrews 13:2-3 (NIV)

Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it.

December (Servanthood)

II Corinthians 3:2-3 (NIV)

You yourselves are our letter, written on hearts, known and read by everyone. You show that you are a letter from Christ, the result of our ministry, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.

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Dare To Imagine Church
Philadelphia, PA

MARCH 19

St. Paul Baptist Church
West Chester, PA

MARCH 26

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February 1st

Come along to Africa, as we venture to Ethiopia, Mali, and Ghana, then, through the Middle Passage Voyage. Special guest musicians include: Fred "FredO" Onovwerosuoke, Chief Bokulaka, and Uche Omoniye. At 3:00 p.m., our Black History month lecturer, Dr. Reggie Williams, Assistant Professor of Religious Ethics at McCormick Theological Seminary, will discuss and sign his recently-published book, *Bonhoeffer's Black Jesus: Harlem Renaissance Theology and an Ethic of Resistance*.

February 8th

Venture to the slave plantations of the Caribbean, with stops in Jamaica and Cuba. Special guests include: Bomba con Buya and their brand of Afro Puerto Rican music; Yaasha Abraham, Brazilian dancer and choreographer; and Brazilian singer, Luciano Antonio.

February 15th

Witness the ports of New Orleans and the rich culture and heritage of our ancestors. Your experience will be enhanced by our guests, the renown Guardians of the Flames Indians of New Orleans, Tracey Miles' jazz creations, and Professor Roxanne Stevenson and her Brass Ensemble.

February 22nd

Our journey concludes with the Great Migration to the industrial north where we met new challenges that continue today in Ferguson, in New York, in Cleveland, and in Chicago.



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