# You are Invited to Gather for:

# "Liberty and Justice For All"

We are called for such a time as this, to stand talk and speak about and confront the evils of racism that are played out in every area of American life - in the criminal justice system, economy, education, and government. Mark your calendar and plan to be present and accounted for!

## OFFICIAL HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

Westin Washington City Center 1400 M Street NW Washington, DC 20005 (202)429-1700

Rate \$139.00 per night

**Code:** Black Methodist Coalition (Effective Wednesday, August 19, 2015)

#### Tuesday, September 1, 2015

Worship Services – 7:00 PM John Wesley AME Zion Church 1515 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20009 202-667-3824 *Parking:* Complimentary Valet (Hosted by the AME Zion Churches)

### Wednesday, September 2, 2015

Press Conference – 10:00 – 11:15 AM National Press Club 529 14<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20045 202-662-7500

(Hosted by the AME, AMEZ, and CME Churches. Supporters are the United Methodist and UAME Churches, the National Council of Churches (and representatives from communions which comprise the NCC), and the Conference of National Black Churches.

## (Tentative) Forum & Briefing - Now To Action! 1:00 - 3:00 PM

The White House – Eisenhower House Office Building Washington, DC

Focus will be on the role of race in......

- 1. Criminal Justice Reform
- 2. Education
- 3. Economic Justice
- 4. Gun Reform
- 5. Voting Rights

"The Male Investment Plan", a toolkit developed at <a href="The Great Gathering">The Great Gathering</a> will be discussed and distributed. It is designed to effectively position African American males ages 5-25 through a rigorous and dedicated Saturday Academy mentoring program with tools to equip them academically, while also teaching them civil responsibility and spiritual enlightenment. "The Male Investment Plan" is a ready made tool to be implemented in churches and organizations everywhere. The only requirement is committed leadership of implementation through to successful effectiveness

#### Sunday, September 6, 2015

### Worship to be Celebrated In Local Congregations and Communities Worldwide:

SPECIAL FOCUS: "Confession, Repentance and Commitment to End Racism Sunday"

Racism will not end with the passage of legislation alone; it will also require a change of heart and thinking. This is an effort which the faith community must lead, and be the conscience of the nation. We will call upon every church, temple, mosque and faith communion to make their worship service on this Sunday a time to confess and repent for the sin and evil of racism, this includes ignoring, tolerating and accepting racism and to make a commitment to end racism by the example of our lives and actions. Every faith leader is asked to preach about racism and our responsibility as people of faith to end racism.

Worship Tools will be available including:

- o A powerful and moving litany by Bishop Adam J. Richardson
- Toolkit rollout "The Male Investment Plan"

Please be in prayer as we begin this effort, asking God to guide and empower us for such a time as this!

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact:

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Let us know that you will participate with an RSVP. Check all that apply:  Worship, September 1 <sup>st</sup> Press Conference, September 2 <sup>nd</sup> White House Forum and Briefing ( <i>Will be required to provide personal information for entry</i> )  NAME:  NAME:				
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