

Historical Civil Rights Path Restored

Prominent Black Christian Leaders Endorse The AND Campaign

ATLANTA, GA, UNITED STATES, March 30, 2023 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Throughout the country, many Black Christian leaders believe its voice has been muted and co-opted since the height of the civil rights movement decades ago. In response, prominent Black Christian leaders around the country have endorsed the [AND Campaign](#) as a credible representative of their socio-political perspective. Some of the endorsing leaders include Dr. Barbara Williams-Skinner-Former Executive Director of the Congressional Black Caucus, Bishop Claude Alexander-Pastor and Civic Leader, Dr. Cynthia Hale-Pastor and prominent leader, Chris Broussard-Fox Sports, Benjamin Watson-Former NFL Player, Chantelle Anderson-Former WNBA Player, Trenee' McGee-Connecticut Representative, and Yolanda Flowers-Democratic

Candidate for Governor in the state of Alabama. Over ninety (90) Black Church leaders have already signed the AND Campaign's statement about their view of American politics. The AND Campaign is focused on equipping the church through Gospel-centered educational content, public representation, coalition-building, advocacy and leadership development.



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Justin Giboney, Co-Founder & President of the AND Campaign

"Historically, in the Black church's public witness you see grace, but you also see tenacity. Grace can be seen in the refusal to hate or return evil tactic for evil tactic. Tenacity, to be able to look your oppressor in the eye and demand justice." states Justin Giboney, President and Co-Founder of the AND Campaign. "Our divided country, both the right and the left, would benefit from studying and following the Black church's public witness." says Giboney.

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Bishop Timothy J. Clarke	"First Church of God "The City"	Columbus, OH
Bishop Claude Alexander	The Park Church	Charlotte, NC
Dr. Barbara Williams-Skinner	Skinner Leadership Institute	Washington, D.C.
Dr. David R. Peoples	President of PNBC	Lexington, KY
Dr. Cynthia Hale	Ray of Hope Church	Atlanta, GA
Dr. John Jenkins	First Baptist Church of Garden	Upper Merions, MD
Dr. Woodrow Walker	Cross Culture Church	Lithonia, GA
Dr. J. Elvin Satter	AME Zion Church	Matthews, NC
Yolanda Flowers	Former Al. Candidate for Governor	Birmingham, AL
Dr. Charles Harper	Parade Missionary Baptist Church	Atlanta, GA
Dr. Jacqueline Rivers	Southern Baptist	Scottd, MA
Rev. Dwight McKissic	Cornerstone Baptist Church	Arlington, TX
Dr. William Phipps Sr.	Greater Pine Grove Baptist Church	Atlanta, GA
Justin Giboney, J.D.	AND Campaign	Atlanta, GA
Rev. Chris Butler	Chicago Embassy Church Network	Chicago, IL
John Richards, J.D.	A Better Gyon	Little Rock, AR
Dr. C.J. Rhodes	St. Helm Baptist Church	Jackson, MS
Amos Jones, J.D.	The Amos Jones Law Firm	Washington, D.C.
Elah B. Henderson	A Better Gyon	Brunswick, GA
Pastor Michael Clayton Harris	First Baptist Church of Palestine	Cookeville, PA
Bishop Tyrone Cooper	Church of the Living God PCF	Decatur, IL
Charlyn Holloway	Pro-Black Pro-Life	Elyria, OH
Pastor Debralee Hardman	Light of the World Christian Tabernacle	Stockbridge, GA
Pastor Kevin Colon	First Missionary Baptist Church-Goodsville	Nashville, TN
Lisa Fields	Jude 3 Project	Washington, DC
Chris Broussard	K.I.N.G. Movement	South Orange, NJ
Dr. Charles Dahn	Progressive (Salem Baptist Church	Chicago, I
Bishop Swan Madden	Church of the Living God PCF	Dallas, TX
Pastor Angel Maldonado	The Park Church	Atlanta, GA
Trenee McGee	CT State Representative	Wood Haven, CT
Jason C. Reynolds	Emanuel Baptist Church	San Jose, CA
Rev. Watson Jones	Salem Baptist Church	Chicago, IL
Rev. Dr. K. Edward Copeland	New Zion Baptist Church	Rockford, IL
Steven M. Harris	Center on Faith & Justice Georgetown Univ	Washington, D.C.
Pastor Philip Finckney	Radiant Church	Charleston, S.C.
Arnold Lewis	AND Campaign	Atlanta, GA
Reazon Barry	Our Daily Bread	Brooklyn, NY

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The AND Campaign will lead a launch event, [“Heirs of Action,”](#) to revive the voice of the Black church in the public square. The event will be held on Thursday, April 13, 2023 at Ray of Hope Church in Atlanta, GA. Confirmed hosts include Bishop Timothy Clarke, Dr. Cynthia Hale, Bishop Claude Alexander, Dr. Barbara Williams-Skinner, Dr. Elvin Sadler and Bishop Vincent Mathews. “Heirs of Action” is a faith event hosted by Black Church elders to publicly endorse the AND Campaign. “Heirs of Action” itinerary includes prayer and devotion, a press conference, and an evening session with a panel of influential Black Christian leaders. The event is free and open to the public.

The AND Campaign recently released the docuseries, [“How We Got Over”](#) which examines the historical role of devout faith and orthodoxy in the Black Church. The AND Campaign also established “Churches Helping Churches Initiative,” which raised nearly \$1.5 million for churches in low income communities during the pandemic. The AND Campaign has created a large coalition of Black faith leaders who are interested in social justice and moral order.

“Today, our country is deeply divided in ways that are unhelpful and frustrating for those wanting to live out a faithful public witness. In the legacy of Black social action, our current circumstances call for Christians who believe in the authority of Scripture and care deeply about social justice to reassert our public witness by speaking into the moment at hand.” states Giboney.

About the AND Campaign:

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Pastor Derrick Puckett	Renewed Church of Chicago	Chicago, IL
Benjamin Watson	Former NFL Player	Atlanta, GA
Nona Jones	Open Door Ministries	Gainesville, FL
Pastor Tanessa Watkins	Paradise Baptist Church	Atlanta, GA
Pastor Bobby Manning	First Baptist Church of District Heights	District Heights, MD
Tiffany Carol Brown	Metropolitan City Church	Atlanta, GA
Pastor Eric V. Thomas	St. Peter Missionary Baptist Church	Atlanta, GA
Pastor Terence Galles	St. Olive Baptist Church	Stockbridge, GA
Pastor Philip Spahn	St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church	Atlanta, GA
Dr. Al Hallie	Youth Pastor Green Forest Baptist Church	Decatur, GA
Pastor Paul Little	St. Mt Zion Baptist Church	Macon, GA
Dr. Robert Charles Scott	St Paul Missionary Baptist Church	Charlotte, NC
Pastor Christopher Scott	Flat Rock Baptist Church	Simpsonville, SC
Pastor Aaron Bishop	Grace Christian Church	Columbia, SC
Lawrence Adah	Watch God Work	Dallas, TX
Krista Brown	Producer, Holistic Wellness Advocate	Atlanta, GA
Pastor Muthu Lingbo	The Brook Miami	Miami, FL
Pastor Matthew Watter	Kingdom Fellowship AME Church	Columbia, MD
Pastor Kippie Brown	Matthew Baptist Church	Florence, SC
Pastor Lacie Jones	Round O Baptist Church	Darlington, SC
Dr. Lance Watson	The St. Paul's Baptist Church	Richmond, VA
Dr. Colvin Greg Watson	Oliver Grove Baptist Church	Floella, GA
Pastor Troy Manion	Travelers Rest Missionary Baptist Church	Monroe, GA
Rev. Dr. Nicole Martin	Christianity Today	Baltimore, MD
Rev. Ronald Williams	The Progression Church	Chicago, IL
Rev. Rocky Brown		Chicago, IL
Dr. Marcus Jenkins	Resurrection Baptist Church	Silver Springs, MD
Dr. Morita Norwood	Blissway Ministries International	Atlanta, GA
Pastor Mark Harris	New Life Church	Atlanta, GA
John Omeshokola	Author of We Go On	Atlanta, GA
Pastor Isaiah Robertson	Hope in Christ Community Church	Compton, CA
Pastor Lisa Saunders	Associate Pastor at Emmanuel Church	Portland, OR
Vince Barber	Wheaton School of Haymarket	St. Louis, MO
Christopher J. Harris	Crossover Church/DiverseChurchJobs.com	Tampa, FL
Karl Poynter	AND Campaign	Washington, D.C.
Pastor James Robinson II	The Bridge Church NYC	Brooklyn, NY
Charnelle Anderson	Former WNBA Player	Los Angeles, CA
Dr. Charles E. Goodman	Tabernacle Baptist Church	Augusta, GA

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Pastor George L. Parks, Jr.	New Hope Baptist Church	North Little Rock, AR
Dr. Phillip L. Frazier, Sr.	St. Mark Baptist Church	Little Rock, AR
Pastor Lorraine Crump	Renovation Church	Atlanta, GA
Dr. Clayton Lee Jr.	Mount Calvary Baptist Church	Fairfield, GA
Bishop Rudolph W. McKeeck Jr.	The Bethel Church	Jacksonville, FL
Preston Perry	Christian Artist and Evangelist	Atlanta, GA
Dr. Addison Canady	The Promise Land Church	Atlanta, GA
Apostle Darryl Winston	Greater Works Ministries	Atlanta, GA
Pastor Shannon E. Jones	Concerned Black Clergy	Atlanta, GA
K.A. Ellis	The Edmonston Cir for the Study of the Bible and Ethnicity	Chattanooga, TN
Pastor Cedrick Von Jackson	West Hunter Street Baptist Church	Atlanta, GA
Dr. William E. Phipps	Greater Piney Grove Baptist Church	Atlanta, GA
Bishop Vincent Mathews	Tabernacle COGIC	Southern, MS

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About Justin Giboney:

Justin Giboney is an attorney, political strategist and ordained minister in Atlanta, GA. He is also the Co-Founder and President of the AND Campaign, which is a coalition of urban Christians who are determined to address the sociopolitical arena with the compassion and conviction of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Mr. Giboney has managed successful campaigns for elected officials in the state and referendums relating to the city’s transportation and water infrastructure.

In 2012 and 2016, Georgia’s 5th congressional district elected him as a delegate for the Democratic National Convention. A former Vanderbilt University football player and law student, Justin served on the Urban League of Greater Atlanta Board of Directors. He’s the co-author of Compassion (&) Conviction - The AND Campaign’s Guide to Faithful Civic Engagement, and has written op-eds for publications such as Christianity Today, The Hill, and has been featured in the New York Times.

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