



A PUBLIC COMMUNITY FORUM FEATURING

"My Brother's Keeper Charlotte"

Friendship Missionary Baptist Church - 3400 Beatties Ford Road – Charlotte, North Carolina - August 1, 2015

Hosted by

**North Carolina National Alliance of Black School Educators Affiliates
(North Carolina ABSE, Greater Charlotte ABSE and Wayne County ABSE)
In Partnership with the City of Charlotte**

Theme: Plotting the Path for Children of Color: A Call to the Community

Mistress of Ceremonies:	Mrs. Sonja Gantt, Anchor WCNC, NBC Charlotte
The Occasion	Dr. Betty Howell Gray, NC NABSE Affiliates Consultant
Welcome and Invocation	Dr. Paxton G. Hughes, Friendship Social Justice Ministry
Greetings	Honorable Dan Clodfelter, Mayor of Charlotte Mrs. Marietta English, NABSE President Elect, and President of AFT-Maryland
Introduction of Keynote Speaker	Mrs. Sonja Gantt, Anchor WCNC, NBC
Keynote Address	Dr. Ivory Toldson, Deputy Director, White House HBCU's Initiative
Comments & Introduction Moderator	Dr. Ayana Allen, Post-Doctoral Research Associate Urban Education Collaborative, UNC Charlotte
My Brother's Keepers Panel	Moderator, Dr. Stephen D. Hancock, Assistant Director, The Urban Education Collaborative, UNC Charlotte

Featured Distinguished Panel:

**Congresswoman Alma Adams (NC-12), Washington, DC
The Honorable Dan Clodfelter, Mayor of Charlotte
Superintendent Ann Clark, Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools
Dr. Akin Ogundiran, Chair, Africana Studies Department, UNC at Charlotte
Erlene Lyde, President of Charlotte-Mecklenburg Association of Educators
Cory Carter, Director of Charlotte's Web**

Introduction of Featured Speaker	Mrs. Sonja Gantt, Anchor WCNC, NBC Dr. Chance Lewis, Director of Urban Education Collaborative, UNCC
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Saturday, August 1, 2015 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. - Resource Fair - 12:30 pm. - 1:00 p.m.

Keynote and Featured Speakers



Dr. Ivory A. Toldson is the Deputy Director of the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. Dr. Toldson also served as an associate professor at Howard University, senior research analyst for the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation and editor-in-chief of The Journal of Negro Education. Dr. Toldson has more than 60 publications, including 4 books, and more than 150 research presentations on African American Males in 36 US states, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, Scotland, South Africa, Paris and Barcelona. He has received numerous awards, and featured on MSNBC and on other various radio stations. Dr. Toldson was named in the 2013 The Root 100, an annual ranking of the most influential African-American leaders. He received formal training in applied statistics from the University of Michigan, and held visiting research and teacher appointments at Emory, Drexel and Morehouse School of Medicine.



Dr. Chance W. Lewis is the Carol Grotnes Belk Distinguished Professor of Urban Education at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. Additionally, Dr. Lewis is the Executive Director of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte's Urban Education Collaborative which is publishing a new generation of research on improving urban schools. Dr. Lewis has over 100 publications including 70+ refereed journal articles in some of the leading academic journals in the field of urban education. Additionally, he has authored/co-authored/co-edited 15 books on improving urban schools to working with African American students. He continues to provide consultative services (i.e., professional development & research services) to over 100 school districts, universities, educational entities and other organizations across the United States and Canada.

Closing

Dr. Betty Howell Gray, Program Coordinator
NC NABSE Affiliates (North Carolina ABSE, Greater Charlotte
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Outcomes:

Accountability of Resources
Community Engagement
Shared Responsibility
Evaluation of Action

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