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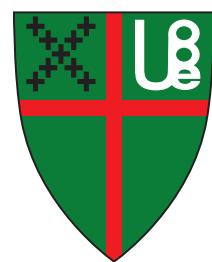
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THE UNION OF BLACK EPISCOPALIANS



Celebrating 50+ years of
Black Presence in the
Episcopal Church

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



About UBE

The Union of Black Episcopalians stands in the continuing tradition of more than 200 years of Black leadership fighting racism in the Episcopal Church.

Beginning with the establishment of the African Episcopal Church of St. Thomas by Absalom Jones in 1792 in the city of Philadelphia, through the appointment and election of more than 35 Black Bishops, there has always been a strong corps of Black leaders in the Episcopal Church. People like James Holly, Henry Delaney, Alexander Crummell, Mattie Hopkins, John Walker, Tollie Caution, Charles Lawrence, Deborah Harmon Hines and notably the Most Rev. Michael Curry, the first African-American Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church.

Organized in 1968 as the Union of Black Clergy and Laity, the Union is the proud inheritor of the work of these people and earlier organizations, the Convocation of Colored Clergy, the Conference of Church Workers Among Colored People, all dedicated to justice and the ministry of Blacks in the Episcopal Church. The name was later changed to the Union of Black Episcopalians.

The Union of Black Episcopalians fights racism by encouraging the involvement of Black people in the total life of the church - on every level and in every way - mission, stewardship, evangelism, education, leadership, governance and politics. The Union is committed to translating these words into Christian action for all Episcopalians and at all levels of the church.

UBE Mission and Vision for the 21st Century

Mission

To unify the diverse cultures, concerns and gifts of Black Episcopalians by providing preparation and encouragement for living the Baptismal Covenant and fully participating in the mission and governance of The Episcopal Church.

Vision

- To create awareness within young men and women of African descent about the clergy vocation.
- To promote strong lay leadership among communities of African Descent within the Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion.
- To incorporate fiscal responsibility into the life, work and ministry of UBE.
- To create a systematic approach of ensuring the Black Congregations and other Communities of African descent are sustainable and viable within their vineyards.
- To be a community of vigilance and action regarding matters of injustice, especially the effects of racism in the Church and society.

Chapters

The Union of Black Episcopalians is a 501(c)(3) non profit organization with chapters throughout the United States. Its membership also includes the Caribbean, Africa, Canada and Latin America. Chapters are the Union's strongest link in a ministry that functions at the Diocesan, Provincial and National Church levels. Financial support from the chapters and individual members are the chief support of UBE. The Union, through the supervision of the National Board of Directors, helps to organize chapters, but chapters are encouraged to develop their own local priorities and programs in keeping with UBE's Mission and Vision.

The following is a list of UBE chapters and interest groups by region:

NORTHEAST REGION

The Rev. Canon Dr. Lynn A. Collins, Director
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Chapters

The Bishop James Theodore Holly - Buffalo, NY
Diocese of Newark - Northern, NJ
Diocese of New York - New York City and vicinity
Grace Church - Jamaica, NY
Southern Connecticut
Massachusetts - Boston, MA
St. Phillip's, McDonough - Brooklyn, NY
St. Stephen's - Jamaica, NY
St. Joseph's - Queens Village, NY

MID-ATLANTIC REGION

Mr. Lionel Broome, Director
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Chapters

Virginia - Diocese of Virginia
James Solomon Russell - Diocese of Southern Virginia
Earl B. Scott - Diocese of New Jersey
The Rev. Pauli Murray - Diocese of Maryland
Philadelphia - Diocese of Pennsylvania
Washington, D.C. - Diocese of Washington
Bishop Nathan Baxter - Diocese of Central Pennsylvania

MID-WEST REGION

The Reverend Ellis Clifton, Jr., Director
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Chapters

Bishop Irving Mayson - Detroit, MI
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Wilma Ruth Combs - Diocese of Ohio

Interest Groups

Chicago - Chicago, IL
ECMN/UBE (Episcopal Church in Minnesota - UBE)
The Rev. Canon Frederick Boyd Williams Memorial - Inkster, MI
The Rev. Tollie Caution - Indianapolis

SOUTHERN REGION

Ms. Alma Flowers, Director
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Chapters

Atlanta, GA

Bishop Thomas Demby - Mason, TN

Central Florida - Orlando, FL

Charlotte Angels - Charlotte, NC

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Father Sidney B. Parker - Jacksonville, FL

Theodore R. Gibson - Miami, FL

Triad Piedmont - Greensboro, NC

Artemisia Bowden - San Antonio, TX

Fr. Curtis Sisco, Jr. - New Orleans, LA

The Rev. Dr. Robert E. DuBose, Jr. - Birmingham, AL

Roger Desir - Diocese of Haiti

Interest Group

UBE of Tennessee - Knoxville, TN

WESTERN REGION

The Rev. Guy Leemhuis, Deacon
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Chapters

H. Belfield Hannibal - Diocese of Los Angeles

Vivian Traylor - Diocese of California

Phoenix, AZ - Diocese of Arizona

Interest Groups

Portland, OR
Las Vegas, Nevada

A PRAYER FOR THE UNION OF BLACK EPISCOPALIANS

Almighty and ever living God, by your gracious favor and omnipotent hand you have blessed, preserved and defended your sons and daughters imbued with ebony grace. We give you humble and hearty thanks for Absalom Jones, James Theodore Holly, Alexander Crummell, Artemisia Bowden, George Freeman Bragg, Pauli Murray and all your righteous servants who having carried aloft the torch of freedom now rest from their labors. We ask you especially to send your heavenly benediction upon the Union of Black Episcopalians. United in bonds of affection, faithfulness and determination, may it be a force for good in church and community, and a beacon for all of God's children whose hope it is that justice flow down like waters. We ask this in the Name of your Son, Jesus Christ the Liberator, who lives, and reigns with you and the Sustainer-Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN.

The Rev. Canon Harold T. Lewis, Ph.D., Retired Rector
Calvary Episcopal Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
Staff Officer for Black Ministries 1983-94