SUMMIT CONFERENCE
ON
APARTHEID
For Justice and Peace in Southern Africa

April 4, 5 and 6, 1989

Program

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African-American religious congregations, along with other concerned Americans in several denominations, have long provided core support within the United States for the African struggle for justice and liberation. Now, as the confrontation between the forces of apartheid and the liberation movements intensifies in southern Africa, there is an urgent need to expand and empower such an active network of religious congregations to ensure both the isolation of apartheid and strong US support for the freedom struggle.

The conference is being convened in order to mobilize expanded advocacy in the US religious community for the struggle against apartheid, and will provide an opportunity for leaders of congregations from across the United States to meet with religious and lay leaders from southern Africa, and with concerned US activists. It will facilitate exchanges for information on the issues and the development of strategies for effective involvement in the future. The combination of keynote speakers and workshops will engage all participants in the dialogue.

We hope that an ongoing Religious Action Network will emerge, greatly strengthened, from this meeting, linking local activist congregations in increasingly powerful action. We expect this historic conference to add new momentum to the anti-apartheid struggle in the United States.

Every participant should carry home the spark of a new dedication to the destruction of apartheid. And from those sparks, carefully kindled in the hundreds of congregations across our land, can come a new light, a new energy, to help South Africa’s people claim their birthright: freedom and justice for all.

WYATT TEE WALKER
Conference Chair
Welcome

Sawubona . . . That is the word people in southern Africa use to greet one another. Literally, it means, “I see you.” But what we “see” is not physical you, but your whole humanity, commitment to all that is good.

This greeting is particularly appropriate because as we are meeting in southern Africa our brothers and sisters are putting their lives on the line for freedom. We “see” them in the dungeons of Pretoria where they are choosing to go on a hunger strike — to die in honor, rather than live under apartheid. We “see” them behind the walls of Robben Island, Pollsmoor, Diepkloof prisons and countless other incarceration holes Pretoria has created. But we know that there are not enough dungeons, holes, and prisons to keep the spirit of freedom entombed. Lastly, we “see” ourselves as committed people who are determined to re-dedicate ourselves to the fight for justice and peace.

So the Religious Action Network and the American Committee on Africa says to you, “Sawubona . . .”

Dumisani Kumalo
Phyllis Byrd
Coordinators

GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration
All conferees must wear the official badge during the sessions.

Emergency Message Center
Incoming calls and messages during conference hours will be accepted at (212) 962-1227. Messages will be posted at the conference site.

Acknowledgements
Special thanks to the United Methodist Church Center for the United Nations, to Canaan Baptist Church of Christ, New York, the Church of the Heavenly Rest, New York, the United Nations Special Committee Against Apartheid, and to Lee Dunham who hosted the United Nations Reception.

Location of Sessions
All sessions will be hosted at the Church Center for the United Nations.
Religious Action Network

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Tuesday, April 4, 1989

From Selma to Soweto

THEME

11:00 - 1:00 P.M.  LATE REGISTRATION
                   PICK UP CONFERENCE MATERIALS
                   Church Center for the United Nations
                   777 United Nations Plaza
                   (44th Street and First Avenue)

1:30 - 2:30 P.M.  CONVOCATION AND ORIENTATION
                   Opening: Wyatt Tee Walker
                   Prayer: The Reverend J.H. Beatty
                   Welcome: Mia Adjali
                   Orientation

3:00 - 4:30 P.M.  MEETING OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE
                   AGAINST APARTHEID
                   Chairman:
                   His Excellency
                   AMBASSADOR JOSEPH GARBA, Nigeria

5:00 - 6:30 P.M.  PRIVATE RECEPTION AT THE UNITED NATIONS

6:30  DEPART FROM UN: Walk to South African Consulate
     326 East 48th Street (between First and Second Avenues)

6:45 - 7:30 P.M.  CANDLELIGHT VIGIL
                   OUTSIDE SOUTH AFRICAN CONSULATE
                   Presiding: The Rev. Frederick B. Williams

7:30 P.M.  DEPARTURE TO Canaan Baptist Church of Christ
           132 W. 116th Street, between Seventh and Lenox Aves.
           Free busses leave from —
           Corner of 48th Street and Second Avenue

8:15 - 9:30 P.M.  WORSHIP SERVICE, Canaan Baptist Church of Christ
                   132 W. 116th Street, between Seventh and Lenox Aves.
                   Host: The Reverend Wyatt Tee Walker
                   Presiding: The Reverend Dr. Charles Adams
                   Address: Her Excellency, DAME NITA BARROW
                   Member,
                   Commonwealth Nations Eminent Persons Group
                   President, World Council of Churches
                   Ambassador, United Nations Mission of Barbados
Wednesday, April 5, 1989

The Situation Inside Southern Africa

THEME

9:00 - 9:30 A.M.  DEVOTIONS:
Presiding: The Reverend Prathia Hall Wynn

9:45 - 11:00 A.M.  PLENARY
Chair:
Jennifer Davis
Introduction: The Reverend Dr. Fred Lofton
Keynote: THE REVEREND ALLAN BOESAK
Reformed Mission Church in South Africa

11:00 - 11:10 A.M.  WORKSHOP ORIENTATION
A. Lenora Taitt-Magubane

11:15 - 12:30 A.M.  WORKSHOPS
Topic: The Situation Inside Southern Africa

WORKSHOP ONE:
Chair: The Reverend Michael du Plessis
Struggle for Freedom in the Region:
The Reverend Mcebisi Xundu
Pretoria's War on its Neighbors:
Prexy Nesbitt

WORKSHOP TWO:
Chair: Nomsa Stubbs
Struggle for Freedom in the Region:
The Reverend Tshenuweni Farisani
Pretoria's War on its Neighbors:
Kathy Flewellen

WORKSHOP THREE:
Chair: The Reverend Mangedwa Nyathi
Struggle for Freedom in the Region:
Vusi Khanyile
Pretoria's War on its Neighbors:
William Minter
Countdown to Namibian Freedom
THEME
12:30 - 2:00 P.M. LUNCHEON PLENARY:
Presiding: Bishop Will Herzfeld,
Introduction: His Excellency,
Keynote: Ambassador Peter Zuze
Bishop ZEPHIRINIAH KAMEEPA
Windhoek, Namibia
Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Namibia

2:00 - 2:15 P.M.
BREAK

A Religious Response to Apartheid
AFTERNOON THEME
2:15 - 3:15 P.M. PLENARY:
Topic: The Theological Imperatives for a Religious Action Network
Chair: The Reverend Frederick B. Williams
Keynote: DR. KOFI A. OPoku,
Professor of Religion and Culture,
Institute of African Studies,
University of Ghana in Legon
Workshop Orientation: Dumisani S. Kumalo

3:15 - 5:15 P.M. WORKSHOPS
Topic: Building a Religious Action Network
WORKSHOP ONE:
Chair: The Reverend Preston Washington
View from the Pulpit:
The Reverend Nelson "Fuzzy" Thompson
View from the Pew:
Pinkie Familoni

WORKSHOP TWO:
Chair: The Reverend Calvin Butts
View from the Pulpit:
The Reverend Mary Anne Bellinger
View from the Pew:
Venita Vinson

WORKSHOP THREE:
Chair: The Reverend Willard Ashley
View from the Pulpit:
The Reverend Victor Hall
View from the Pew:
Katrina Ganey
Thursday, April 6, 1989

Breaking the Chains

Theme

9:00 - 9:30 A.M.

DEVOTIONS:
The Reverend Charles Walker

9:45 - 10:50 A.M.

PLENARY

Topic: Economic Sanctions and the U.S. Congress
Chair: The Reverend Bonganjalo Goba
Keynote: THE HON. DAVID N. DINKINS
Manhattan Borough, President

10:50 - 11:00 A.M.

COFFEE / TEA BREAK

11:00 - 12:45 P.M.

WORKSHOPS -

Topic: A Case for Economic Sanctions

WORKSHOP ONE:
Chair: Willis Logan
Local Sanctions:
State Representative William Dyson
National Sanctions:
Damu Smith

WORKSHOP TWO:
Chair: The Reverend Adrian Anthony McFarlane
Local Sanctions:
The Reverend Joe Barndt
National Sanctions:
Rob Jones

WORKSHOP THREE:
Chair: Joseph Diescho
Local Sanctions:
The Reverend Dorothy McKinney-Wright
National Sanctions:
Donna Katzin

5:15 - 7:15 P.M.

DINNER BREAK

7:15 - 9:00 P.M.

WORSHIP SERVICE:

VENUE: Church of the Heavenly Rest
2 East 90th Street [at 5th Avenue]

Host: The Reverend C. Hugh Hildesley
Presiding: The Reverend M. William Howard
Keynote: The Reverend JESSE L. JACKSON
President, National Rainbow Coalition
1:00 - 2:30 P.M.  CLOSING WORSHIP SERVICE  
*Presiding:* Bishop Emerson Moore  
*Keynote:* 
The Reverend DR. GARDNER TAYLOR  
Concord Baptist Church of Christ, Brooklyn

2:30 P.M.  BENEDICTION and ADJOURNMENT

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### Who's Who

Charles ADAMS  
*Pastor,* Hartford Memorial Baptist Church, Detroit

Mia ADJALI  
*Director,* United Methodist Women’s Office to the UN

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*Pastor,* Monumental Baptist Church, Jersey City, NJ

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Co-ordinator of the Justice Network in the Lutheran Church

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*Pastor and Founder,* Holy Cross Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania;  

Mary Anne BELLINGER  
*Pastor,* Newberry Chapel, AME Church, Atlanta, Georgia  
National Council of Churches Racial Justice Committee

Allan BOESAK  
Reformed Mission Church in South Africa, Cape Town

Calvin BUTTS  
*Pastor-Elect,* Abyssinian Baptist Church, New York

Phyllis BYRD  
Former Executive Director of the Brooklyn Council of Churches, Ordained Minister and Assistant Coordinator for the Religious Action Network Summit Conference

Jennifer DAVIS  
*Executive Director,* American Committee on Africa, NY

Joseph DIESCHO  
Namibian Author, "Born of the Sun"

David N. DINKINS  
Manhattan Borough, *President*

Michael DU PLESSIS  
*Rector,* Trinity Episcopal Church, Montclair, New Jersey

William DYSON  
*Representative,* Connecticut State House

Marian Wright EDELMAN  
*President,* Children’s Defense Fund

Pinkie FAMILONI  
*Chairperson,* African Affairs Committee NAACP, Pittsburgh branch

Tshenuweni FARISANI  
Dean of the Northern Circuit, Deputy Bishop of the Northern Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Southern Africa

Kathy FLEWELLEN  
American Friends Service Committee, Washington, DC

Katrina GANEY  
Michigan Coalition for Human Rights

Joseph GARBA  
Chairman of the United Nations Special Committee Against Apartheid, Ambassador of Nigeria to the UN
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Ambassador Peter ZUZE  Commissioner for United Nations Council on Namibia

Ambassador to the United Nations of Zambia