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Dr. Barbara McGraw Edmondson
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January 2016

Dear Dr. Edmondson:

We are pleased to send you information about our 56th Annual Interfaith Institute on Monday, March 21. Our timely title will be "Blueprint for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 'Beloved Community.'"

The "Beloved Community" is Dr. King's idea of an ongoing experiment of people transcending the barriers of creed and color in order to enjoy mutually shared abundance and transform the world. We will investigate the kind of leadership necessary to create such communities. To create and sustain diverse, peaceful communities, leaders must be motivated by noble intentions, committed to commendable values, and mindful of the mortal "tone" of their unique leadership voices.

We would like to invite your appropriate age students to join us with their teachers or youth ministers as our guests for this special program. We are deeply proud of this tradition established over five decades ago, where we sponsor a program that people of goodwill, whatever their religious affiliation or racial ethnic heritage, can talk together, work together, and learn from one another.

We would be delighted to have your students and faculty join us as our guests for this timely program. Youth add to this program and can gain knowledge from it.

Enclosed is an announcement of the program, directions to Baltimore Hebrew Congregation, and a form to return to us by mail or fax.

The following schedule would be for your youth attendees and their advisors only:

- 9 AM: Youth Check-in and Orientation, Youth Lounge, Room 212: Students will meet teachers and other students from other area High Schools for an hour of fellowship and sharing with Brad Cohen, BHC Director of Education.
- 10 AM: The keynote speaker will be Dr. Brad R. Braxton, founding Senior Pastor, The Open Church. Responders will include Deacon Curtis Turner, Principal, Saint Frances Academy, Jen Brock-Cancellieri, Senior Policy Analyst, 1199SEIU, United Healthcare Workers East-Maryland/DC Division, and Dr. Hodayra Ziad, Muslim Scholar, Institute for Muslim, Christian and Jewish Studies.
- NOON: Lunch and Discussion Sessions in various classrooms: A deli-boxed lunch and beverages will be provided for youth accompanied by a teacher or youth minister, compliments of Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood.
- 1:15 PM: Rabbi Elissa Sachs-Kohen will moderate questions and comments generated during the lunchtime discussion groups.
- 2 PM: Conclusion.

Please share this with your relevant faculty. Thanks for your cooperation and interest in making this day meaningful for all its participants. For information about the program, feel free to contact our Director of Education, Brad Cohen by email: bcohen@baltimorehebrew.org or phone: 410-764-1587, ext. 290. For logistics, call Carol J. Caplan.

Sincerely,

Carol J. Caplan

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Alice Dolle Trosch

Alice Dolle Trosch, Co-Chair



56th Annual Interfaith Institute Youth Participation Form

YES! Our youth will attend this year's Institute.

Please write the name of your school, church or synagogue below:

We have _____ students attending. Please include names and grades.

Teacher's name _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Our Youth Facilitator will also attend. Please list name and phone number.

Email _____ Phone _____

A box lunch and the registration fee, for you and each of your students, will be provided by the Baltimore Hebrew Congregation Sisterhood in appreciation of your participation in this year's Institute. We will be happy to conform with any dietary restrictions, such as vegetarian and/or kosher.

Return this registration form before March 16

Mail to: Carol J. Caplan, Chair
BHC Interfaith Program
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Or fax: 410-764-7948

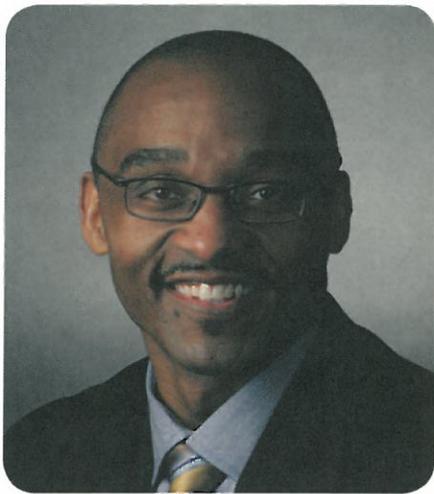
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Call Carol J. Caplan with questions: 410-764-1587, ext. 270

If necessary, you may duplicate this form for additional students.



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BE OUR GUEST: MONDAY, MARCH 21

9:30 AM – REGISTRATION

10 AM – PROGRAM

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NOON – LUNCH (INCLUDED)

Break into small groups for lunch and discussion.

1 PM – QUESTION & ANSWER

Keynote speaker and responders reply to questions and comments generated during the lunchtime sessions.

RSVP BY MARCH 14

RSVP with the enclosed form by Monday, March 14. Free childcare available.
 INFO & registration forms: 410-764-1587, ext. 270.

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