

# Hillary Clinton vs. Barack Obama

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—Guest Columnist—

The political clash between Senator Barack Obama and Senator Hillary Clinton is a reflection of the dilemma faced by Frederick Douglass, who fought for Black citizenship and the right of Blacks to vote and also championed women's rights in his support of the White women's suffrage movement during the mid-1800s. Douglass participated in the first Women's Rights Convention in Seneca Falls in 1848 and signed the Declaration of Sentiments. The leadership of the women's movement, including Elizabeth Cady Stanton, credited Douglass with the passage of the declaration. Douglass published an editorial on "The Rights of Women" in the July 28, 1848 edition of the North Star.

Senator Barack Obama's victory in Iowa is being heralded by many Blacks who see it as a sign of improved race relations, though he faces a powerful woman also running for the office. Douglass broke away from the women's suffrage movement during the years from 1865 to 1870 due to the fact that suffrage leaders Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony refused to support the 15th Amendment which granted Black men the right to vote because it excluded women. Douglass argued that it was important to secure the rights of Black males before working to achieve the rights of women. After Blacks were given the right to vote he renewed his support of suffrage for women.

Senator Obama's support among Blacks is not monolithic. Black leaders who have committed themselves to supporting Senator Clinton justified this by claiming that Obama doesn't have a practical chance of winning the Democratic presidential nomination. The fact that Senator Obama won Iowa shoots holes in their rationalizations. Now they will be forced to show their hands. In an interview, one Black female underscored the fact that she is supporting Clinton because Hillary is a woman. Some Blacks claim Obama is not Black enough.

Barack Hussein Obama was born in Honolulu, Hawaii. His African father was a member of Kenya's Luo tribe and his White mother was born in Wichita, Kansas. Obama's parents separated when he was two-years old and later divorced. He has openly shared his struggle to deal with social perceptions and reactions to his multiracial heritage, including the use of alcohol, marijuana and cocaine as an adolescent. He associates his problems with the fact that he rarely saw his father. Sounds like a Black male's profile to me!

The current choices for the support of the Democratic Party has once again become a conscious and subconscious question of race and gender. Will Senator Clinton be the first female nominee or will Senator Obama become the first Black nominee? Which is the country likely to elect as president? Perhaps the greater question should be, will Blacks benefit from the election of any of the candidates for the presidency? The American political system was designed and will continue to serve the best interest of elite corporate powers. Even when a new president or a new ship's captain is selected, like in the Star Trek movies, the mythical Capt. James T. Kirk and his fellow USS Enterprise crew members continue to seek out new frontiers for the profit of an elite few. No election has changed this reality. Don't get your hopes up that the coming election and the events that follow it will be different from the course that has already been charted. The perpetuation of the race problem fomenters racism, prejudice and discrimination. Capitalism and White Supremacy are intrinsically linked. By design Capitalism does not provide jobs for all workers. This creates job competition, which serves to keep wages low and enhances profits. Limited access to education and job opportunities among Blacks and other minorities prohibits competition and results in disproportionate unemployment. The criminalization of the population creates a profitable prison industry.

In addition, once these citizens acquire a felony conviction, they can never vote, thus decreasing the chance of Blacks and minorities mustering voting power. Blacks and people of color continue to be the victims in all these areas, perpetuating the myth of White Supremacy. The political question that must be addressed is, will the masses of Blacks and Whites be able to change a system that is designed to perpetuate elitism? Regardless of who occupies the White House, exploitive White Capitalists are not likely to relinquish power.

(Dr. Davidson is the co-chair of the Association of Black Psychologists' Legislative Education Committee.)

## Where You Can Pick Us Up

### WINSTON-SALEM Churches

Alpha & Omega Family Institute  
Ambassador Cathedral  
Anioch Baptist Church  
Bethlehem Baptist  
Bethania AME Zion  
Canaan Baptist  
Carver Road Church of Christ  
Carver Road Christian Church  
Christ Rescue Temple  
Christian Fountain  
Cleveland Ave. Christian Church  
Dellabrook Presbyterian  
Diggs Memorial United Holy  
Dreamland Park Baptist  
Emmanuel Apostolic  
Emmanuel Baptist  
Ephesus Seventh Day  
Adventist Church  
Faith Christian Outreach  
Fellowship Bible Baptist  
First Baptist  
First Wauhtown Baptist  
Freedom Baptist  
Galilee Baptist  
Goler Memorial AME Zion  
Goler Metropolitan AME Zion  
Grace Presbyterian  
Greater Church of Deliverance  
Worship Center  
Greater Faith Chapel GOGC  
Greater Hope of Glory Baptist  
Hanes Memorial CME  
Holy Trinity Full Gospel Baptist  
John Wesley AME Zion  
Kimberly Park Holiness  
Living Water  
Living Word Fellowship  
Living Word of God Apostolic  
Love Fellowship Outreach  
Macedonia  
Mars Hill Baptist  
Mercy Seat Holy Church  
Ministries of Truth  
Mt. Calvary Church  
Mt. Carmel  
Mt. Zion Baptist  
Mt. Pleasant Baptist  
Mt. Olive Baptist Church  
Mt. Sinai Full Gospel Deliverance  
New Bethel Baptist  
New Covenant Church  
New Gospel Tabernacle Holiness  
New Hope Baptist Church  
New Institutional Christian Center  
New Jerusalem Baptist  
New Light Missionary Baptist  
New World Cappadocia  
Outreach Center  
New Zion Baptist  
Phillips Chapel Baptist Church  
Piney Grove Baptist Church  
Praise Assembly Christian Center  
Saints Home United Methodist  
Second Calvary Baptist Church  
Second New Bethel  
Shiloh Baptist  
Solid Rock Baptist Church  
Spencer Memorial Christian  
St. Matthew Apostolic  
St. Peter's World Outreach  
St. James United Methodist  
St. John's CME  
St. Mark Baptist  
St. Paul United Methodist  
St. Stephen's Baptist  
Steadfast Life Changing Ministries  
Tabernacle of Faith  
Temple Holiness Church  
United Metropolitan Baptist  
Uncompromising Word  
Fellowship Church  
Union Baptist  
United Cornerstone Baptist  
United Progressive  
Wenz Memorial  
White Rock Baptist Church  
Zion Memorial Baptist

**Hair & Barber Salons**  
C&C Barber Shop  
Conrad's Hair Design  
Dudley Beauty Center  
Hair By Jimi  
New Generation  
Nu Dimensions Hair Studio  
Pyramid Barber School  
**Grocery/Convenience Stores**  
311 Meat & Produce Market  
3-Girls  
Liberty BP  
Liberty Minit Mark  
University BP

### WALKERTOWN

Genesis Victory Outreach

### KERNERSVILLE

Mt. Moriah Outreach Center  
Providence Baptist Church  
St. Paul United Methodist Church  
Victory Faith Destiny Center  
Word of Truth International Church  
DCU Inn  
Dudley's  
Rooms 4 Rent

### GREENSBORO

A&T Bookstore  
Bennet College  
Beautyrama  
Bermie's Bar-B-Q  
Bess Cuts  
Best Barber School  
Bethel AME  
Body Ecology  
Boss Hogs Bar-B-Que  
Bojangles  
E. Bessemer  
W. Market  
Chef King Chinese Food  
Church's Chicken  
Church Street Baptist  
Dudley's Beauty Ct.  
The English Market  
East Side Park Community Center  
Elite Hair Designs  
Fairway One Stop  
Gate City Barber Shop  
Gillespie Curb Mkt.  
John's Curb Mkt.  
McDoe's Hair Design  
Moye's Barber Shop  
S&J Management Corp.  
Shipman Family Care  
Tuscan Cuisine  
Unique Beauty Salon  
Hayes Taylor YMCA

### Other Locations

Azalea Terrace  
Baptist Hospital Parking Deck  
Bus Stop Barber Shop  
Carter G. Woodson School of  
Challenge  
Churches - New Walkertown Road  
Community Shoe Store  
Delta Art Center  
Douthitt Funeral Home  
East Winston Library  
ESR  
Forsyth Central Library  
Forsyth Village  
Rooms 4 Rent  
Gilmore Funeral Home  
Golden Lamb Rest Home  
Hooper's Funeral Home  
25th Street Laundromat  
Little Red Schoolhouse  
Mose Belton-Perry Nationwide  
NAACP  
MLK - BP  
Mechanics & Farmers Bank  
Oldtown Community Child DC  
Quality Education Institute  
Russells Funeral Home  
Sunrise Tower  
Starlight Grocery  
Trade Street Galleria  
Triad Barber School  
University Place Apartments  
WSTA Transit Center  
Wauhtown Kids R Us  
Westbrook's Deli and Grocery  
W.C. Publishing Building  
Winston Lake YMCA  
Winston Salem Bible League  
Winston Salem College  
W.S. Housing Authority

Wilco (MLK Dr.)  
Wilco (Akron Dr.)

### Restaurants

Church's Chicken  
Sprague St.  
Patterson Ave.  
Forsyth Seafood  
Jimmy the Greek  
McDonald's East Winston  
Meta's Restaurant  
Shabazz's  
The Light House Restaurant  
Mountain Fried Chicken, Akron Dr.  
Mountain Fried Chicken, University

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Ebenezer Baptist  
English St. Church of Christ  
Evangel Fellowship  
Faith Community Church  
Fruit of the Spirit Holiness  
Genesis Baptist  
Gethsemane Baptist  
Godly Love Cathedral Baptist  
Gospel Feast Tabernacle  
Greater Metropolitan Restoration  
Center  
Hayes Memorial United Holiness  
Holmes Grove United Methodist  
Love & Faith Christian Fellowship  
Mount Olive AME Zion  
Mount Zion Baptist  
Mosque #92  
Mt. Moriah Outreach Center  
New Calvary Missionary Baptist  
New Hope of Zion Fellowship  
New Light Baptist  
New Zion Missionary Baptist  
Nu-Life Church of God in  
Christ  
Oak Grove AME Zion  
Powerhouse of Deliverance  
Providence Baptist  
Reid Memorial CME  
Shiloh Baptist  
St. James Baptist  
St. James Presbyterian  
St. Marks United Holy Church  
St. Matthews United Methodist  
St. Paul Baptist  
St. Stephens United Church of Christ  
The Episcopal Church of the Redeemer  
Trinity AME Zion  
United Institutional Baptist  
United House of Prayer for all People  
Wells Memorial COGC

### EDEN/REIDSVILLE

Eden Curb Mkt.  
The Hairston House  
New Life United Holiness  
New St. Paul Baptist  
**LEXINGTON**  
Gilmore Funeral Home  
New Hope Holiness Church  
Ezekiel AME Zion  
First Baptist

### HIGH POINT

Apple Tree Grocery  
B&B Professionals  
Barber & Beautician  
Becky's & Mary's Restaurant  
Carl Chavis YMCA  
Hair Central  
Hargett-Gilmore Funeral Service  
Hoover Funeral Home  
Shaw University Education Ctr  
Southern Accent Florist  
Wall's Produce  
Weed & Seed

### Churches

Bethlehem Baptist  
Calvary Baptist  
Daily Walk Ministries  
Family Food Mart  
First Baptist  
First Emmanuel Baptist  
Friendship Holiness  
Gethsemane Baptist  
Greater First United  
Greater Mt. Calvary Holy Church  
Hallelujah Baptist  
High Point Christian  
High Point Deliverance Temple  
Living Waters  
Maranatha Fellowship  
Mt. Zion Baptist  
Mt. Vernon Baptist  
New Beginning  
New Bethel Baptist  
New Beginning Full Gospel  
Oak Grove Baptist  
Phillippian Baptist  
Powerhouse of Faith Ministries  
Shield of Faith Ministries  
Solid Rock Baptist  
St. Paul Presbyterian  
St. Paul United Church of God  
Whole Life Gospel  
Williams Memorial CME  
Word of Reconciliation Ministries

### MADISON

Goodwill First Baptist Church

### ARCADIA

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