

GOLER TO HOST FIRST EVER CHURCH PRISON CONFERENCE



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Men and women go to prison. Men and women serve their time and leave prison. Then, for many reasons, known and unknown, they go back. Again.

And again. And again.

Today, there are more Black men in prison than enrolled in college as the Black prison population has exploded from 143,000 in 1980 to over 1.1 million today.

And black women are among the fastest growing segment of the prison population.

But now, Winston-Salem's Goler Memorial A.M.E. Zion, Goler Institute and other churches have embarked upon a first ever, church-prison conference designed to halt the high rate of incarceration and

recidivism with an ambitious two-day program, May 22-23 at Goler Education and Enrichment Center, 620 North Patterson Avenue.

The event is part of a national, emerging trend to find ways to halt the exploding prison population and to assist ex-offenders in finding meaningful employment once they re-enter society.

It's believed to be the first time such a unique church-prison conference has been held in the Winston-Salem area, according to Rodney Sumler, one of the primary organizers of the conference.

The two-day event will bring together prison officials, probation officers, counselors,

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WHAT IN THE WORLD IS GOING ON?



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a spiritual shift in the dimension of the Kingdom of Almighty God. We must become as sensitive as the Sons of Issacher who not only had an understanding of the time but also knew what God was mandating for his people at the appointed time.

Even so, we must move in Cadence with God, just as God's people moved with the cloud while journeying in the wilderness. I have been privileged for over 25 years to witness the hand of God in the nations of the earth.

All eyes are upon the west right now, not only because of the upcoming elections, but also because we set the pace globally.

We, the Body of Christ, are the people who are expected to raise the standard. At Global Leadership Training Center (G.L.T.C.), we are equipping the Saint's for globalization. The major fortune five hundred companies train and equip their upper level management for global and cultural diversities. Yet the Body of Christ, the very organism, that has been given the true

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Everything around us is proclaiming the Clarion Call for change. It is imperative that we acknowledge the signs of the time. The political arena is dictating "CHANGE", our financial arena is mandating CHANGE!, our environmental sphere is shifting and changing in weather patterns.

Think it not strange that there is indeed

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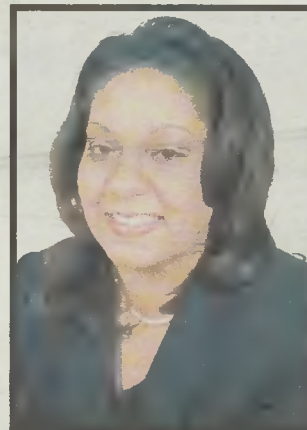
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Raise your hand if you don't quite understand the financial crisis that everyone has been referencing for months.

While all Americans have been affected in some way, shape, form or fashion by this on going problem, most people really do not understand exactly what is going on. The part about the U.S. housing crash seems simple enough; with banks offering up encouragement and people buying homes they cannot afford and now falling behind on their mortgages, it all boils down to two simple things - misinformation and miseducation.

So what exactly does that mean? There are a lot of misconceptions, even outright lies, regarding credit, especially in terms of what determines good credit and bad credit.

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