

Black Jesus stirs controversy in 'The Color of the Cross'

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mind. First AME Zion Church in Los Angeles was one of the main backers of the movie and the church's

pastor is listed as one of the film's producers.
"The T.D. Jakes of the world were very tepid about the movie," LaMarre said.

Instead of dwelling on those types of attitudes, LaMarre said they just kept it moving and worked on the DVD release, pay per view rights

and other things that will insure that the movie will be seen on many screens.
"Even if they didn't want to see it, the movie will pop up

on a screen soon," he said.
"The movie is available at all retail outlets, such as Wal-Mart, Best Buy and can

be ordered online at www.blackchristianmovies.com.

Life story, struggles of first recognized black U.S. priest are unknown to most

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was one of many slaves who escaped to join the North's Union army and fight for black freedom—and who died battling for that cause, according to Hemesath's book.

a missionary in Africa as an escape from American racism. Instead, he was assigned to a church in Quincy and later Chicago—a bitter disappointment that he nonetheless dutifully accepted. He went on to face more hardship and resentment, and little financial support for the black churches he oversaw.

"If anybody had an excuse to leave the Catholic Church, it was him," says Harold Burke-Sivers, a deacon in a Portland, Oregon, parish, who is also African-American and who wrote the introduction to the newly issued biography.

But Tolton recognized that Catholics who discriminated against him were violating church teaching on the dignity of all people and he dedicated himself to changing that, says Burke-Sivers.

Tolton was credited with becoming a unifying force for black Catholics, especially in Chicago. "Good Father Gus," as his parishioners often called him, was known for his eloquent sermons, his beautiful singing voice and his gift for playing the accordion.

Tolton's work was cut short when he collapsed and died during a brutal Chicago heat wave in 1897. He was 43.

Burke-Sivers believes Tolton's story is still relevant—not only for black Catholics.

"Young people can look to Father Augustine's legacy and be inspired—and be able to say, 'If he could do it, so could I,'" Burke-Sivers says.

At the same time, some wonder what Tolton would think about the struggles black Americans still face inside and outside the church. Only about 4 percent of the 64 million Catholics in the United States are black, according to an estimate by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate. Just last month, New Orleans Archbishop Alfred Hughes issued a wide-ranging pastoral letter decrying racism and acknowledging the problem still exists in the church.


"After all these years, nothing really has changed," says Adrienne Curry, managing editor of the Black Catholic Chicago Web site, who also works for the Archdiocese of

Chicago.
"I think Father Tolton would be saddened but hopeful at the same time—just like we are."

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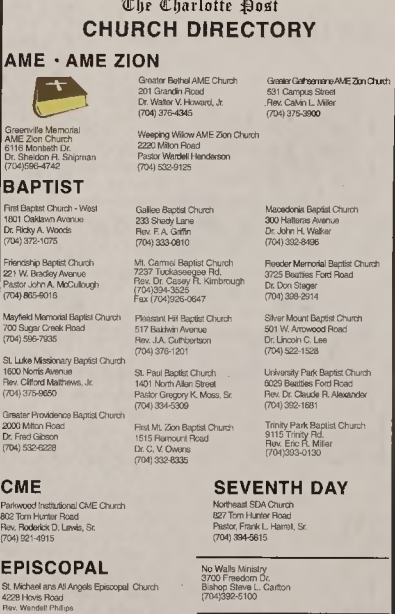
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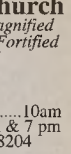
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