### Higher Purpose Forum: God's Dream: Building a Racially Integrated Society

James Edgerly March 30, 2024



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# Presentation & Discussion Series

Tuesday, April 2 @ 7:00 PM EST via ZOOM

(Registration Required)
Co-Hosted with
HJ International Graduate School (formerly UTS)



# God's Dream: Building a Racially-Integrated Culture in America (Part 1 of 2)

Co-Presenters: Jeffrey Kingsley & Christine Edwards

# **Respondent:**

Rev. Zagery J. Oliver Vice President, Universal Peace Federation

**ZOOM Registration Link** 

Please join our meeting of the Higher Purpose Forum on Tuesday, April 2 in an important concluding chapter in our long-running series: *Providence & Race in America - Part One.* 

Our presenters are Christine Edwards and Jeff Kingsley. They grew up in the same town (Princeton, NJ), attended the same middle and high schools, and even shelved books together after school at the Princeton Public Library! Christine and Jeffrey are pleased to have worked together on this project (several years in the making) based upon their shared history, common interests, and unique perspectives.

Their talk will present a vision, based on Unificationist ideals, for true racial integration in the U.S. In observing the many divisions which seem to be widening in our society today, it may be hard to envision a culture which embodies God's dream of racial harmony. Their joint presentation will focus on what a more racially-integrated culture might entail, and how Unificationism can contribute a unique perspective to its realization. A specific emphasis will be placed on the role of the arts in creating an environment conducive to advancing racial harmony.

We are pleased to have Rev. Zagery J. Oliver, an early and long-time supporter of HPF, as our Respondent.



### **Presenter**

# **Jeffrey Kingsley**

Jeff obtained his BA in economics from Rutgers University, and upon graduation worked as a policy analyst for the NJ Governor's Office. He subsequently matriculated at Princeton University in the public policy graduate program. Jeff joined CARP in 1980 and was involved in campus ministry for the next 7 years. He earned his M.Div. degree from UTS in 1990 and returned to campus ministry work at Princeton University. In addition, he developed an ESL tutoring business for immigrant Japanese and Korean businessmen and then taught ESL in public schools for 26 years. Currently, he does private SAT tutoring, and is an advisor and content creator for the Higher Purpose Forum. His passion in activism througout his life has been to promote the complementarity between races, religions, and political ideologies.

### **Presenter**

# **Christine Edwards**

Christine is the daughter of an Afro-American father and a Swiss-German mother—her paternal grandfather being a minister in the AME church, and her maternal granduncle, a minister in the Church of Zwingli. She obtained her BFA in Fine Arts from SUNY in Purchase and an MRE at Unification Theological Seminary in 1984. Christine has done volunteer work with CARP campus ministry in New York and Germany. She worked at the *New York City Tribune* and the Manhattan Center and did contract work for the Professors World Peace Academy. Growing up in a multiracial family based in both the U.S. and Europe has profoundly shaped her life perspective which she brings to all of her endeavors.



# Respondent

Rev. Zagery J. Oliver

Vice President, Universal Peace Federation Director of "Stop the Violence"



## **NEW Registration Link**

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# **Upcoming HPF Meetings**

### Thurs. April 11 - Sat. April 13

### 1st HJI Conference on Peace and Public Leadership

"Addressing Challenges of Our Times"

Session IV: Friday, April 12 8:00 - 9:30 PM EST

### HPF Session on Economic Democracy

Alan Jessen, IADP; Professor Robert Ashford, Syracuse University; Dawn Brohawn, Center of Economic and Social Justice

### Tues. April 23

### Science and Religion from the Viewpoint of the Principle

Dr. Andrew Wilson, HJI Professor of Scriptural Studies

Respondent: Alison Wakelin, Assistant Teaching Professor, Widener University

### Tues. May 7

### The Principle's Perspective on Science according to Wolli Wonbon

Dr. Andrew Wilson, HJI Professor of Scriptural Studies

### Tues. May 22

### Unity of Science, Spirituality & Religion

Alison Wakelin, Assistant Teaching Professor of Physics and Astronomy, Widener University

Sincerely, James Edgerly Director, <u>Higher Purpose Forum</u>





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Date & Time Apr 2, 2024 05:00 PM in

Mountain Time (US and Canada)

### **Meeting Registration**

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