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## Millions For Reparations Mass Rally And Political Prisoners

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The Millions for Reparations Mass rally was held on August 17, in Washington D.C., the 115th anniversary of the birth of the Honorable Marcus Garvey. One of the critical demands of the reparations movement is the release of African-in-America political prisoners, an issue that often gets swept aside in our demands. This should not be. There are many sisters and brothers who have sacrificed much for the liberation of African people in America and are locked up unjustly in America and are political prisoners.

When we discuss political prisoners, we are talking about "those persons harassed, arrested, framed, and imprisoned because of their relatively peaceful political activity against the destructive conditions that their people live under."

The goal of our political prisoners has been "to transfer power from the corrupt and racist business people, government officials, pseudo intellectuals, policemen, judges, and jailers, and keep them all be aware that Marcus Garvey, Dr. Martin Callie House, and Huey P. Newton spent time in jail because they fought for our freedom, just as Brother for his uncompromising political journalism. resulted in the more than 100 women and men who are many of them African Americans, is related to the "secret Liberation Movement by the FBI.

The origin of the campaign that has locked up in America as political prisoners, war" that was waged against the Black FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in the 1960s onslaught called the "Counterintelligence organizations." Its goal was to disrupt, leaders, thus seriously crippling our movement.

That is why it is important for African help rebuild the Black Liberation Movement. must be the freedom of our political prisoners

The Jericho Movement explains "The issue exist inside the borders of the United States of has successfully been able to refute. They have prisoners of war because we have not taken the

We began publicly addressing the issue of at the Millions For Reparations Mass Rally and reparations movement to include, as a key

In this context, the Jericho Movement and women who, as a consequence of their criminal charges, arrested, or captured, tried in the government maintained files on them refer- remain in prison." We must expose this tactic by the US government in our demands that our political prisoners be freed.

The reparations movement must be more energetic in demanding and calling for the release of our political prisoners and prisoners of war. They include Jalil Bottom, Charles Sims Africa, Debbi Sims Africa, Herman Bell, Kojo Sababu, Lorenzo Stone Bey, Mark Cook, Mumia Abu Jamal, Mutulu Shakur, Ojore Lutalo, Phil Africa, Richard Mafundi Lake, Robert Seth Hayes, Sekou Kambui, Sundiata Acoli, and Jamil Abdullah Al-Amin.

It is only fitting that we remind ourselves that the Honorable Marcus Garvey was one of our first political prisoners targeted by the US government. indicted on the trumped-up charges of mail fraud and convicted. The masses of our people in the mid 1920s demanded Garvey's release from prison. In 1927, more than 100,000 African people demonstrated and protested that he be released. Garvey was released in 1927 and deported from the United States as a condition of release.

We must remember Marcus Garvey in our demands to free our political prisoners. They have sacrificed much for us. August 17th was the day we demanded from the US government what "they owe us," and let them know, "It's time to pay up!"

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Five of the reasons the descendants of the captives warrant compensation.

They owe us for:

1. The transatlantic slave trade and slavery. The United Nations World Conference Against Racism declared that the transatlantic slave trade and slavery were crimes against humanity. Crimes against humanity have no statute of limitations.

2. Expropriation of our labor: For more than 250 years, we were forced to work for free. Our free labor was a major ingredient in the building of America and its wealth as a nation. Also, the thousands of white individuals and their families accumulated wealth that continues to benefit them as a result of our free labor.

3. Slave code laws: The slave owners developed their own codes of what they could do to enslaved African people in America that permeated throughout the emergence of this country. In many ways, informal slave codes exist today [racial profiling].

4. Destruction of the African family: The transatlantic slave trade and slavery had a devastating impact on destroying and dismantling African families.

5. Centuries of miseducation and mental atrocities: This has caused serious damage to our people, which continues to cause much mental confusion about our true reality as an African people in America and around the world.



### Deadlines to register to vote in North Carolina

The deadline to register to vote in this State is 25 days before the day of the election. Forms that are received by the county board of elections office or postmarked by the deadline are accepted as valid applications for the upcoming election. Also, agency and DMV voter registration transactions that are completed by the deadline are accepted as valid for the upcoming election. Applicants will be notified by the county board of elections of their precinct and polling place assignments.

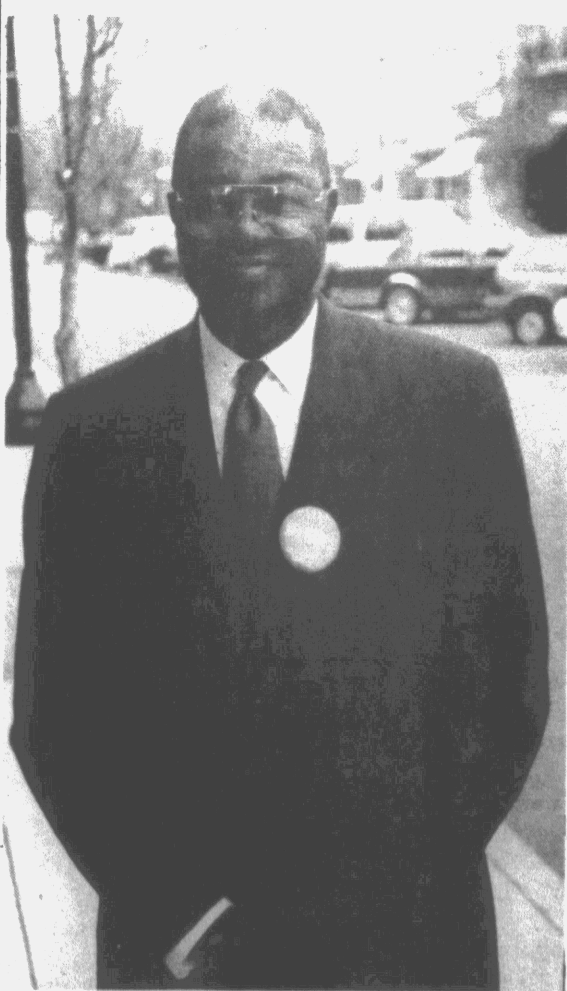


Praise in the city . . . Greenville Mayor, Don Parrot, gives the keys to the city to Bishop Patterson, the Presiding Bishop of the Church of God In Christ, at the Greater North Carolina Jurisdictional Convocation which was held at the new Greenville Convention Center. (see inside) photo by Jim Rouse



Rally Rally Rally. . . Bro Britt ( extreme left ) stands beside Christine L. Fitch who is running for the U.S. House District 1 seat along with other supporters at a rally for her campaign. Run Christine Run photo by Jim Rouse

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Today, more than ever, we are in need of dedicated people to get involved with all decisions being made about the communities in which we live and to bring forth new ideas that address those important issues that affect our citizens. Jim Rouse