

# **Status of African American Males**









### Focus on Math & Science

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#### **Greater Missionary Baptist Church**

History shows us that there have been a number of famous African American mathematicians. These are just a few of the names that came up when we searched the Internet:

Benjamin Banneker (1731-1806) is often recognized as the first African American mathematician Kelly Miller (1886) was the first African American to study graduate mathematics (Johns Hopkins University) Elbert Frank Cox (1925) The first African American to earn a Ph.D. in Mathematics (Cornell University) David Blackwell (1964) became the first African American mathematician to Chair a department (Statistics) at a major university (University of California-Berkeley).

There is a foundation in the African American community for achieving excellence in the fields of math and science. A group of people gathered at the Greater Missionary Baptist Church to discuss how we can encourage our students to excel in these areas so they can compete for job opportunities that require excellent skills in math and science.

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AALO President Bob Winn, "AALO is working hard to bring important information to the community."



Charles Moore is the Co-Founder of the Legacy Roundtable and was a featured speaker.

www.legacyroundtable.net



Chuck Moore listens to his introduction right before he takes the stage to talk about the Legacy Roundtable project.



**Dr. Monte E. Perez,** President of Mission College, was a featured speaker at this event that focused on bringing an emphasis back to Math and Science for African American students.



Dr. Perez discusses partnering with local churches with Dr. Dudley Chapman, Pastor at Greater Community Missionary Baptist Church. Dr. Perez says that he is looking forwarding to collaborating with local churches.



Rebecca Long is a teacher, member of the NAACP and member of the LakeView Terrace Baptist Church. Dr. Perez shares information with her at the meeting.



From the website: Legacy Roundtable is a committed group of volunteer parents, educators, business people and community leaders who leverage their time, resources and talents to develop educational opportunities for African American males.

The concentration for the past seven years has been on the development of mathematic skills and college completion abilities. All Legacy Board members and administrators also contribute personal resources to these efforts as a sign of their commitments to these efforts.

Legacy Roundtable operates as an auxiliary project sponsored by the Council of African American Parents based in Diamond Bar, California. Legacy Routable is actively looking to partner with community agencies, churches and other organizations in the San Fernando Valley to bring their program to students who can benefit.

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## **MCCN Brings Vital Programs to the SFV**

Mission City Community Network, Inc. (MCCN) is a nonprofit community clinic with headquarters in North Hills. The clinic was founded in 1989 and is a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) providing services to underserved populations in the SFV and other areas of Los Angeles County. The clinic provides full service medical, dental, and behavioral health services. For more information on clinic services, call 818-895-3100,

Two important MCCN social service programs were featured at the event.

## MCCN-Black Infant Health Program MCCN Fatherhood Program

For more information, call 818-830-6373 Website: www.mccn.org



Hymie Glass and Bambadjan Bamba talk to the audience about the MCCN-Fatherhood Program.



Community members discuss the issues.



Lynn Richardson and Roxanne Wilson were on hand for the MCCN-Black Infant Health Program that serves pregnant or parenting African American women in the SFV.





The response to this event was very positive and community members want to learn more about how to partner with local colleges to help students excel in the areas of math and science.









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