

-- MEDIA ADVISORY --

**PASTORS, LEADERS & POLICE IN BALTIMORE'S
MOST VIOLENT MONTH IN 40 YEARS
JOIN IN PRAYER
FOR SUMMER OF PEACE AND RECONCILIATION**

A Moving Visual: The Bless Baltimore Prayer Motorcade

BALTIMORE—June 15, 2015—On Saturday, June 20, city pastors, community leaders and police facing the highest murder rate in 40 years will engage in a unity and prayer rally. The rally has been organized by the Multi-Cultural Prayer Movement of Baltimore: 400 participating churches in the Mid-Atlantic Region. In strategic community engagement, the allied churches will address root causes of poverty and unrest in Baltimore and all of Maryland.

All Baltimore residents are invited to join Lt. Col. Melvin Russell, chief of Community Partnerships Baltimore Police, and a host of faith leaders from across Baltimore in a Bless Baltimore Prayer Motorcade to some of the city's most intense sites of violence. Faith leaders include:

- Bishop Angel Nunez (Bilingual Christian Church)
- Bishop Clifford Johnson/Pastor Darryl Brace (Mt. Pleasant Church)
- Bishop Willard Saunders (Created For So Much More)
- Bishop Mike McDermott (Life Source Int'l)

WHO: Bishop Angel Nunez (Bilingual Christian Church), Bishop Marcus Johnson (New Harvest Ministries), Bishop Clifford Johnson/ Pastor Darryl Brace (Mt. Pleasant Church), Bishop Willard Saunders (Created For So Much More), Pastor Matt Stevens (Somebody Cares), Lt. Col. Melvin Russell (Chief, Community Partnerships Baltimore Police), Bishop Harry Jackson (The Reconciled Church), Rev. Derek McCoy (C.U.R.E./Maryland Family Alliance), Bishop Mike McDermott (Life Source Int'l), Bishop Monroe Saunders (Transformation Church), Pastor Toni Draper (Freedom Temple AME Zion), Bishop Abel Palomo (House of Prayer), Pastor Benjun Uybengkee (River of Life Int'l), Rev. Dr. Harold Carter, Jr., (New Shiloh Baptist), Rev. Dr. Errol Gilliard (Greater Harvest/President, Baptist Ministers Conference)

QUOTES: "Together--and together only--can we begin to change our city."

--Bishop Angel Nunez, president of the Multicultural Prayer Movement.

"The police department needs the help of grassroots partners to ensure community safety. Once again, we call on the church to help lead the way to Baltimore's peace and reconciliation."

Lt. Col. Melvin Russell said.

"In Baltimore's unprecedented spiritual crisis Church and community, united, will invoke Baltimore's highest power, its surest hope. We'll find value in the crisis."

Bishop Willard Saunders said.

"After prayer, churches across Maryland will work together to create a greater sense of peace and reconciliation on the streets of our communities."

Bishop Harry R. Jackson, Jr. of The Reconciled Church Movement
(thereconciledchurch.org)

WHAT: "Bless Baltimore Prayer Motorcade" of city leaders and residents www.mc-pm.net

WHEN: Saturday June 20, 2015 / 12 - 5 pm (See locations for times)

WHERE:

Noon	Rash Field -- 201 Key Hwy. Inner Harbor
12:30 pm	Created For So Much More -- 701 Cherry Hill Rd.
1:30 pm	Baltimore Ablaze --1310 N Stricker St.
2:30 pm	Grace Baptist -- 3201 The Alameda
4 pm	Motorcade concludes at Frederick Douglass High School (across Mondawmin Mall)

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