The Salvation Army Central Territory Racial Justice Summit
October 25-27, 2020
Hoffman Estates, Illinois

Theme: *We Can Do Better*

Purpose: Led by the Spirit, we will move forward together toward a diverse, inclusive and anti-racist Army in the Central Territory.

Scripture Text: *"…you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings."* Isaiah 58:12b, NIV

"For He himself is our peace, who made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility," Ephesians 2:14, NIV

Monday, October 26, 2020

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Welcome & Opening Session with Keynote Presentation by Major Dr. Marion Platt, III
"Apostles and Advocates Part 1: Democracy to Diversity" (Acts 6) *- The early church was born in an atmosphere of cultural diversity. In this presentation, we will discuss specific ways in which early church leaders leveraged diversity to create Kingdom Community.*

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Morning Break

10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Summit Breakout Session I, Part I

Dr. Soong-Chan Rah: "Biblical Spirituality of Anti-Racism" *- In these challenging times, it may be difficult to work our way through the cacophonous rhetoric around what has become the controversial topic of race, race relations, and racial justice. Through this workshop we will explore the ways that Scripture offers spiritual guideposts and theological vocabulary to engage this topic from a Biblical Christian perspective. Particular attention will be given to the book of Lamentations.*

Courtney Rose: "Intersectionality" *- Human beings are complex and our experiences in the world help shape us and our understanding of Jesus Christ. Intersectionality acknowledges our unique experiences in the world and how we may be advantaged or disadvantaged due to our situation in society. We will be unpacking what intersectionality is and how it is vital in ministry we understand how to engage the whole of a person's experience. We will also be examining the political and religious tension surrounding the topic.*

Angela Weekley: "Do You See What I See?" *- Understanding Racial Justice starts with self-reflection. Am I bias toward any groups of people? How can I overcome these biases? This session will help you explore these questions.*

12:00 p.m. – 1:15 p.m. Lunch and Keynote Presentation with Dr. Christena Cleveland
"Living Ghosts: How America's Racial History Haunts Us Today" *- Dr. Cleveland will present a brief history of the U.S. racial DNA and share examples of how our collective history shapes our identities, behaviors and Christian spirituality.*

1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Summit Breakout Session II, Part I

Dr. Christena Cleveland *"Discovering My Place at the Justice Table"* – *How does my race, gender, religion, class, leadership position, etc. determine my justice work? This breakout session will offer tools to examine our social location and help participants identify which justice practices they are being invited into.*

Colonel Richard Munn: *"Gospel Informed Activism & Advocacy"* – *Both the scriptures and church history record people who protest injustice based on the principles of God's truth and justice. Often against great and dangerous forces these individuals initiate significant cultural change for good. This includes champions in our own Salvation Army.*

What is principled protest? What great injustices disturb you today? What might God be calling you to counter? This breakout session will explore these questions, and more.

Major Dr. Marion Platt, III – "*Critical Race & Critical Grace: Basics & Blindspots of Critical Theory*" – *In this breakout session, we will explore and discuss the nebulous concept of Critical Race Theory. Attendees will be equipped to determine its hazards and potential helpfulness.*

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Afternoon Break
3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.	Corporate Prayer & Liturgy - Col. Janet Munn, ISJC - THQ Conference Center
4:45 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Break
6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.	Keynote Presentation by Major Dr. Marion Platt, III ***"Apostles and Advocates Part 2: Geniality to Gentiles" (Acts 21)*** *- As the early church grew attractive to "strangers and foreigners," barriers to their participation were carefully eradicated. In this presentation, we will discuss the history of inclusion and its modern applications.*

Tuesday, October 27, 2020

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Racial Justice Summit Chapel Service – THQ Conference Center - Dr. Soong Chan Rah *"Necessity of Lament"*
10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Morning Break
10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.	Summit Breakout Session III, Part II

Dr. Christena Cleveland: *"Soulful Justice: Nurturing a Spirituality for Justice"* – *How do we stay in the fight for the long haul? How do we integrate our commitment to justice with all other aspects of our lives -- worship, relationships, finances, occupation, geographical location, etc.? This workshop will explore both individual and communal practices that help to form and sustain us for justice work.*

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4:15 p.m. – 4:45 p.m. Closing Remarks and Benediction by Commissioner Brad Bailey