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October 1, 2009

Dr. Catherine Fisher Collins 355 Starin Avenue Buffalo, New York 14216

Dear Dr. Collins:

Thank you for your telephone call, as it was indeed a pleasure to speak with you. We would like to invite you to participate in our *Sister to Sister:One in the Spirit* conference for women-of-color, as a power session presenter to lead a 45 minute discussion on the incarceration of African American women. The conference, which is at the forefront of a movement to empower women, will be held on *Saturday, April 17, 2010*, at the oldest African American church in New York State, Mother A.M.E. Zion Church, 140-6 West 137 Street in Harlem. The pastor, Dr. Gregory Robeson Smith, is the grandnephew of the great Paul Robeson, and one who supports and encourages women to rise above their circumstances.

Sister to Sister: One in the Spirit, now in its ninth year, is a conference of empowerment that has offered women-of-color the rare opportunity to nurture their mind, body and spirit. Our ultimate goal is to embrace African American women who demonstrate a need to be empowered, and help them move forward in their transition to self-sufficiency. To achieve that goal, we have incorporated a cadre of dynamic, powerful women who unselfishly share their wisdom, intellect, and expertise in providing their winning strategies for success.

Some of the extraordinary speakers who have participated in our Sister to Sister programing have been our longtime supporter, Hazel N. Dukes, President of the New York State Conference of NAACP Branches, Shelia Evans Tranum, Associate Commissioner, NYS Education Department, Dr. Suzan Johnson Cook, Lori Stokes, News Anchor, WABC-TV, Brenda Blackmon, News Anchor, My9 News, Cheryl Wills, News Anchor, NY1 News, and Susan L. Taylor, Editor-In-Chief Emerita, Essence Magazine.

We would be very humbled by your presence, and encourage you to tender your response, in addition to the preferred title of your segment, at your very earliest convenience. You may do so in writing, or by calling 347.563.7616; and please visit our Web site at www.sistersoneinthespirit.org.

Thanking you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Yvonne Singleton Davis

Founder/CEO

Featured Guest Speakers



Dr. Fran Cook-Bolden
Director, Skin Specialty Group
and Ethnic Skin Specialty Group
Dermatology & Dermatologic
Surgery



Rev. Brenda Davis



Dr. Hazel N. Dukes



Dr. LaJoyce Brookshire Author of "Soul Food," "Web of Deception" & "Faith Under Fire:Betrayed by a Thing Called Love"



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Fashion Fair Cosmetics, Inc.



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Dr. Lonnetta Taylor-Gaines



Rev. Rosie Jackson



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Sister to Sister: One in the Spirit
A Conference for Women Of Color

Sixter to Sixter: One in the Spirit, Inc., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, has been at the forefront of a movement to empower women of color, since 2001. Given the growing diversity of the Harlem community, we accept the clarion call to lovingly embrace all women. We inspire, enlighten and empower our sisters-in-community to greatness; while endeavoring to promote, assist, and foster an interest in their overall development and well-being.

Our conference, which offers a circle of unique networking opportunities and blueprints for success, will hallmark its 9th year in existence. This is where women from all walks of life, across and beyond the five boroughs of New York City, will descend upon our historic meeting place, Mother A.M.E. Zion Church, in celebration of our Sister to Sister: One in the Spirit Empowerment and Health Conference for Women. By attending this extraordinary event, you will be given the opportunity to make new connections, engage in dynamic power sessions, and avail yourself to receive "free" health screening for Blood Pressure, Breast Cancer, Cholesterol, Glucose, and HIV/AIDS, all of which will be provided by the Harlem Hospital Center, the American Cancer Society, and the Witness Project of Harlem, the latter of which is an outreach program of Mt. Sinai Hospital.

Make no mistake about it, this conference is second to none! So register today, as you will not want to miss the event that will impact, and ultimately change your life.

Sister to Sister: One in the Spirit

A Conference for Women Of Color

Saturday, April 17, 2010 (Morning)

Women of Faith Looking Back, but Moving Forward
Dr. Lonnetta M. Taylor-Gaines, Moderator

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7:30 - 8:40	Registration & Continental Breakfast	
8:40 - 9:00	Welcome & Framing The Day's Menu Dr. Brenda Smith, NGO The World Federation of Methodist and Uniting Church Women	
9:00 - 9:45	Healing Your Inner Spirit Keynote Speaker: Rev. Brenda Davis Paradise Baptist Church	
9:45 - 10:30	The Imprisonment of African American Women Dr. Catherine Fisher Collins State University at New York Empire State College	
10:30 - 10:45	Power Break	
10:45 - 11:30	Panel Discussion Divas Uncorked: Sharing the Wisdom of Our Hearts Dr. Melva J. Hayden, Moderator Panelists: Dr. Hazel N. Dukes Dr. Fran Cook-Bolden Dr. LaJoyce Brookshire, N.D.	

Dr. Kim Nichols

Sister to Sister: One in the Spirit

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Saturday, April 17, 2010 (Afternoon)

11:30 - 12:15 BREAKOUT POWER SESSIONS
Power Group 1:

Session A

Give Your Kids a Head Start.....Make Them Money Smart!

Corby Ellis-Mare
City National Bank of New Jersey

Session B

Preparing for the Future With Long Term Care

Jamie Hubert
Prudential Financial

Power Group 2:

Dressing for Success (Women 17-25)

Lillian Johnson Creative Elegance

Power Group 3:

Taking Back Your Power & the Energy Wasted on Past Events

> Rev. Rosie Jackson St. Catherine A.M.E. Zion Church

12:30 - 2:00 POWER LUNCH & VENDOR SHOPPING

Entertainment for Lunch provided by SAGE

2:00 - 2:45 Image Impact: Woman in Demand

Alfred Fornay

Alfred Fornay Institute

2:45 - 3:00 Entertainment
JoAnne Daughtery
A Sister's Ode To Survival

Benediction

Dr. Gregory Robeson Smith

YES! I WANT TO ATTEND

A Conference for Women of Color
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