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## #Release4Peace Call to Action

Profound Gentlemen [jason=profoundgentlemen.org@mail95.atl161.mcsv.net] on behalf of  
Profound Gentlemen [jason@profoundgentlemen.org]

**Sent:** Friday, September 23, 2016 11:59 AM

**To:** [Steve Johnston](#)

Profound Gentlemen Family and Friends,

I attended a peaceful vigil at Marshall Park hours before violence and unrest covered the streets of uptown Charlotte. As I was rode back in my Uber, I couldn't stop thinking about my students. I am not a father, but I've poured myself into over 400 students throughout my time in Charlotte. Their faces, voices, and names are all that I constantly think about, now more than ever. We have witnessed countless accounts of communities of color being subject to unlawful Police treatment. Stripped of their humanity and due process. I thought to myself, how do we have a conversations with our scholars, mentees, and student groups about hope and progress in lieu of the pain that exist within our communities.

As I continue to reflect on my scholars, I am challenged to have tough and uncomfortable conversations and I urge you to do the same but there are three things we should keep in mind before engaging in discourse.

1. Self Care: Before we can begin to have dialogue and open our hearts to embracing tough discussion, we must first work within ourselves. Media outlets constantly loop images of pain and hurt and I urge us to find time to self reflect, pray, meditate, take a walk and do something that allows our thoughts to flow freely.
2. It's about you and it's not about you: The pain and hurt that many communities experience are deeply embedded in systems and mindsets that have been woven into our nation's fabric. Ultimately, this is larger than us but you and I play a role in ensuring that we elevate conversations and discourse. You are charged with shaping scholars to be independent, free thinking, and to live out their purposes. It is not necessary that we bear the weight of historic injustice but recognize and leverage your profound additional impact to create change.
3. Listen: As you begin to unlock your students mindsets, allow them the space and opportunity to have uncomfortable discussions and create intentional spaces for conversations. Often, our students voices are not heard in these conversations and sometimes we forget that we are seeing the same images and tweets.

### GET INVOLVED

If you want to get involved now, please assist us in the **#Release4Peace Call to Action**

**Twitter:** *We call for courage in our community to demand justice, to restore peace.*

*#Release4Peace Call to Action ([Click to Tweet](#))*

**Facebook/Instagram:** "In light of the different stories surrounding the death of Keith Lamont Scott, we ask for the immediate release of any and all video related to the case. We request transparency in the investigation, including a timeline of events leading to and following the shooting, with detailed information about interactions between police, the victim, and names of all officers involved. On October 1st, HB 972 will greatly restrict the release of police footage. For this reason, we request the immediate release of all video to the public.

We call for courage in our community to demand justice, to restore peace.

#releaseforpeace"

Thank you for what you do for kids and please leverage your Profound Additional Impact to create dynamic change in the lives of students.

Educationally Yours,  
Jason Terrell



**#Release 4 Peace**

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In 8 Days (before Oct. 1)  
Release ALL Tapes  
Outside Investigation



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