

This Friday, Profound Gentlemen is proud to be a part of Georgia's first Black Male Educator Day at the Capital. Hosted by Rep. Valencia Stovall, the event will recognize Black male educators in the state of Georgia for their impact on boys of

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## PG's Community Impact Assembly to feature some heavy hitters, including influencer, Wesley Hamilton and poet, Clint Smith.

Profound Gentlemen's 5th annual conference for male educators of color is on March

12-15 in Charlotte, NC.

Each year the conference continues to grow, and this year is no exception. Two hundred male educators of color from around the country are anticipated to gather for a weekend of educational development, self-reflection, and establishing relationships to further their impact in Education and beyond. Most of the conference is led by educators within the Profound Gentlemen network- truely a conference by and for men of color.

For this year's conferences, PG will also welcome some notable speakers outside of PG's network. <u>Wes Hamilton</u>, influencer and founder of Disabled But Not Really, will be the Keynote speaker. On Wesley's planned appearance, PG's Chief Impact Officer Mario Shaw notes, "Wes Hamilton represents the brotherhood and unity that we all long to create in our communities. He continues to show up through speeches and on his social media platform and pushes the narrative forward. We at PG, we welcome and honor the stories of our Gentlemen."

Published writer, poet, and educator <u>Clint Smith</u> will also be a guest speaker at this year's conference. During PG's Beloved Community event on March 13, Clint will dive into excerpts from his most recent book, <u>Counting Descent</u>, and share insight into a powerful collection of poetry.

## Building the Beloved Community

Imagine you awoke this morning in a community governed on the principles of justice, equal opportunity for all, and "agape love" (an unselfish, brotherly love). Your

Instagram timeline captures images of an all-inclusive spirit of brotherhood and sisterhood. Even your political and social leaders handle conflict with peaceful reconciliation.

This community was the end goal of Dr. King. He called this community the <u>Beloved</u> <u>Community</u> and his vision was that at the end of the boycotts, nonviolent resistance, and strategic organizing would be the creation of a higher level of existing. In 1956, Dr. King addressed a crowded Holt Street Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama, and presented his vision for a new social order.

"The end is reconciliation; the end is redemption; the end is the creation of the Beloved Community. It is this type of spirit and this type of love that can transform opponents into friends. It is this type of understanding goodwill that will transform the deep gloom of the old age into the exuberant gladness of the new age. It is this love which will bring about miracles in the hearts of men."

By Jason Terrell

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Jump to <u>QCNerve.com</u> to read the entire post.

## Check It Out!

<u>PG educator, Sean Larry Stevens featured on Good Morning America</u>- Sean exemplifies the impact of the PG network and the recognition is well deserved! #ProfoundEducator

WSSU's elementary ed program earns an 'A' from the National Council on Teacher

<u>Quality:</u> Congratulations to our Pre-service partner, Winston-Salem State University. WSU's elementary education program has been recognized as one of the best in the nation. PG partners with the university to ensure that more males of color matriculate from their education program into a teaching career.

<u>The Legacy of Black Teachers in the Classroom:</u> Educators, including PG's Jason Terrell, reflect and share their personal stories on how they made an impact in the classroom.

Profound Gentlemen's mission is to build a community of male educators of color who provide a profound additional impact on boys of color.

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