

Fw: Forward Together-MORAL MARCH ON RALEIGH & TO THE POLLS**From** Sylvia Grier <slg@genesisproject1.org>**Date** 2024-01-26 10:53

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Upcoming Events:

- * Free Internet & Google App Computer Class here at the Genesis Project office, 5401 Reagan Drive - Ste 1, February 5 & 7 from 12:00 to 2:00pm
- * Mecklenburg Council of Elders having a "Paint Party" Saturday, February 10th from 8am to 12pm at 1400 N. Graham Street
- * 7th Afro-Latino Black History Month - Thursday, February 15th, 6:30pm Johnson C. Smith University's New Science Center Auditorium
- * **SAVE the DATE - Saturday, March 2, 2024 Mass Poor People's & Low-Wage Workers State House Assemblies & MORAL MARCH ON RALEIGH AND TO THE POLLS - Calling All People Who Believe In Demand (issues enclosed in flyer and email)**
Please pass the word Genesis would like to take our own chartered Bus so we need everybody and Clients to participate
- * A New Day for Children Luncheon - Council for Children's Rights - Wednesday, March 6 12:00pm to 1:30 pm at Camp North End
- * 6th Women's Health & Doctor Recognition Luncheon - C. W. William at the Hilton Charlotte Uptown - Thursday March 7 from 12 noon to 1:30pm
- * Baby Clothes and Clothes Give-a-way - Saturday, March 9 - 5401 Reagan Drive - Ste. 1 - God's Gifts Baby Ministry for Babies - for Vending Opportunities Call Belinda Houston 803.965.1403
- * Charlotte North Community Marketplace - Mecklenburg Council of Elders - Saturday, March 23 - 9:00am to 3:00pm 1400 N. Graham Street (Vending Available call 980.202.9140)
- * Spring Break Camp, April 1 thur April 12 - (Registration by 3.11) 1400 Graham Street
Time: 8:00am - 4:00pm Cost\$ 80.00 Call 980.202.9149 for more information
- * Summer Camp June 17 - August 12 - 1400 Graham Street - \$35 Save My Seat Registration Fee with Application begins Monday, February 12th Noon - 6:00pm for information call: 980.202.9149 Needs to pay Monthly \$80.00 in advance
- * International Minority Coalition World Peace Conference - Hosted by polish I.N.C., Universal Institute for Successful Aging of Carolinas, Mecklenburg Council of Elders, Inc. - Save the Date: October 5, 2024 - Charlotte, NC

Greetings All,

LET'S CHANGE THE TRAJECTORY OF OUR STATE...AND OUR NATION...

We won't be protesting specific legislation, rather making demands for **living wages, ending poverty, fully funding public education, universal health care, environmental justice, voting rights, women's rights, immigrant rights, criminal justice reform, LGBTQ rights, gun control, fair taxes and a North Carolina for all of us.**

We are grateful for your partnership and look forward to seeing you and others you might mobilize to join us in Raleigh. Would you be interested in being part of future partner calls focusing on the event?

What: Mass Poor People's and Low Wage Workers' State House Assembly and Moral March on Raleigh and to the Polls**When:** Saturday, March 2nd, gather at 10am, march at 11am**Where:** Downtown Raleigh - go to the North Carolina Poor People's Campaign website to stay up to date: www.ppc-nc.org**Why:**

North Carolina is a state in emergency following this past legislative session that saw a long train of abuses against our communities. Instead of addressing the crises of poverty and low wages, lack of healthcare, underfunded public education, voter suppression, and environmental collapse they chose to manipulate fears with "culture wars" in order to camouflage and distract from their true agenda. Their deceptive and deadly attacks aimed against Black and civil rights history, women, the LGBTQ+ community, workers, immigrants, students, teachers, and everyday North Carolinians, while making it easier to get a gun and easier to poison our water, promotes a devastating agenda that hurts all of us.

That's why, on behalf of Bishop William J. Barber, II, Repairers of the Breach, the North Carolina Poor People's Campaign and partners from

around the state, we're calling for a Mass Poor People's and Low Wage Workers' State House Assembly and Moral March on Raleigh and to the Polls on March 2, 2024! The Forward-Together Moral Monday movement last held a mass rally in February 2020 before Covid, and it's time now for the same coalition of North Carolinians with new and old friends to come together again to tell the General Assembly: Forward Together, Not One Step Back! North Carolina is joining states across the nation who will be holding simultaneous assemblies and marches at their state capitals.

The NC General Assembly is doing all of this at a time when poverty is the [fourth leading cause of death in this nation](#), more than gun violence, obesity, homicide, and diabetes, in the richest nation in the world. And to cap off the destructive legislative session, they passed an anti-democratic state budget with massive tax cuts for the wealthy and corporations. The people of North Carolina are suffering:

- Over 40% of the state are poor or low-income: over 4 million residents.
- Over 1 million North Carolinians still lack health insurance.
- Nearly 2 million North Carolinians earn less than a minimum living wage of \$15/hour, 37% of the workforce.
- Average household debt rose 6% in 2022 to an average of \$56,590 in North Carolina.
- North Carolina [is ranked dead last in the nation as the worst place to work](#) due to our exploitative labor labor policies and practices.

In honor of all those who have given their lives to secure and protect the sacred right to vote, we are going to Raleigh to deliver a moral indictment of the cynical priorities and immoral policies of the leadership of the North Carolina General Assembly. The extreme attacks coming out of the NC General Assembly make the need to revive and build upon a progressive vision and movement in North Carolina all the more urgent. We can build the North Carolina we believe in if we expand our democracy to all North Carolinians. *In North Carolina, there are 3,464,018 poor and low-income eligible voters, including 2,326,099 White voters, 107,347 Latino voters, 26,403 Asian voters, 885,990 Black voters and 34,966 Indigenous voters. Together, they account for 41.45% of the electorate in North Carolina.*

For the soul of our democracy, we are coming together to push for a moral revival in North Carolina and the realization of a Third Reconstruction to heal the state and nation.

If you believe in living wages, ending poverty, fully funding public education, universal health care, environmental justice, voting rights, women's rights, immigrant rights, criminal justice reform, LGBTQ rights, gun control, fair taxes and a North Carolina for all of us then join us on March 2, 2024 in Raleigh!

**Best,
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