



CARIBBEAN ASSOCIATION OF PROFESSIONAL CHAPLAINS

INAUGURAL CONFERENCE

The Chaplaincy Imperative: *The Care and Cure of Caribbean Souls*

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Kingston, Jamaica

Building a Caribbean Community of Professional Chaplains

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WHO WE ARE

The Caribbean Association of Professional Chaplains (CAPC) is an international, interdenominational, association of chaplains established to serve its membership and promote professional standards of Chaplaincy Care.

OUR VISION

The Caribbean Association of Professional Chaplains exists to nurture its membership of Chaplains in the art of being a healing presence to those they serve.

OUR MISSION

Rooted in the unique history and cultural realities of the Caribbean region,
The Caribbean Association of Professional Chaplains will:
Provide a clearing for its members to explore their calling to the pastoral ministry and to the work of chaplaincy in the Caribbean context.
Promote professional standards of practice of spiritual care in the region.
Provide opportunities for the ongoing development of its members in Professional Pastoral Education.

Welcome Letter from the Chairman Steering Committee



It is with a great sense of joy that I extend a warm welcome to you the participants in the inaugural conference and official launch of the Caribbean Association of Professional Chaplains (CAPC). As spiritual care givers we are all challenged by the emotional and economic needs of those we care for. In the reality of our context as Caribbean people in the twenty-first century, questions frequently arise about how to be respectful of the individual and the community, and push us to ask: is there a model of life and care that we can appropriate? Or else, how do we live with the tensions of the ambiguity and chaos that seem to encapsulate so much of our lives? Can we be faithful to the indigenous, pragmatic, often non-verbal theologies of the people we serve while being true to our own learnt theology?

With the scarce resources available for health care and the dynamics of twenty-first century life we are faced with the challenges of providing pastoral care that is at once relevant to the context and compassionate in its expression. We are called to fashion a vision for the social and economic landscape in which we offer care, that is broad and rooted in a therapeutic strategy that renews and restores the person receiving such care.

Against this backdrop we have gathered to reflect together on the theme, “The Chaplaincy Imperative: Care and cure of Caribbean Souls”.

I am thrilled to welcome back to our shores The Rev. Dr Emmanuel Lartey, L. Bevel Jones III Professor of Pastoral Theology, Care, and Counseling, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, who will speak on Pastoral Theology and Care, and to welcome for the first time Rev. Amani Legagneur, ACPE Supervisor and Manager of the Spiritual Care and Education Department of the Northside Hospital Atlanta Georgia, who will Speak on, “Why Professional Chaplaincy?”.

I anticipate that today’s events will mark a pivotal point in the unfolding narrative of spiritual care for our region and the reminder to ourselves to be good stewards of our own care.

I welcome you in a spirit of joy, light, and love and pray that you will enjoy and be inspired by today’s activities.

Yours in Peace,

Rev. Dr. Gordon Evans.

Programme



- 7:30am **Registration**
- 8:30am **Setting the Intent**
Rev. Dave Spence
- 9:00am **Welcome & Opening Remarks**
Rev. Dr. Gordon Evans
- 9:30am **Greetings**
- 10:00am **Coffee Break**
- 10:30am **Keynote: Why Professional Chaplaincy?**
Rev. Amani Legagneur
- 11:30am **Official Launch of CAPC & Introduction of Steering Committee**
- 12:30pm **Lunch**
- 1:30pm **Keynote and Conversation: Pastoral Theology as Care-Inspired Faith**
Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Larrey & Rev. Dr. Maitland Evans
- 2:30pm **Parallel Workshops**
Stream 1: Uniformed forces (police, army, correctional services, seafarers)
Stream 2: Education
Stream 3: Healthcare
Stream 4: Spiritual Care for the Caribbean Context
- 3:30pm **Plenary**
- 4:30pm **Closing**

Setting my Intention

Rev. Dave Spence



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What do I want to take away from this conference?

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The Rev. Amani D. Legagneur, M.Div. is a Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) Supervisor certified through the Association for Clinical Pastoral Education, Inc. She has an extensive history of scholarship and meaningful work in theological studies, health, pastoral care, and related fields. Rev. Legagneur graduated from Amherst College with a dual degree in Interdisciplinary Biochemistry and Spanish Language and Culture. She then worked for two years as a biomedical researcher at Massachusetts General Hospital (MGH). During the same time period, Rev. Legagneur established The Treasure Chest Publishing Company and published her first volume of poetry, *Cymbals and Thyme*. The reflective process of writing her book and a persistent draw toward theological studies led Rev. Legagneur to pursue a Master of Divinity degree at Harvard Divinity School. Upon graduation from Harvard, Rev. Legagneur completed her CPE internship, residency, and supervisory training at the nationally renowned Emory Center for Pastoral Services (ECPS). For five years she specialized in pastoral care for women and families with a focus on Perinatal loss. She went on to serve as Associate Director of Program Development for Emory Clergy Care, working collaboratively with Director Rev. Dr. Fred Smoot and ECPS to begin a parish-based CPE program in Cartersville, GA and to enhance support services for clergy spouses. Rev. Legagneur is currently the Manager of Chaplaincy Services for Northside Hospital (Atlanta, Cherokee, and Forsyth). She is married to her college sweetheart, a mother, a daughter, a sister, a friend, and a person of faith.

WHY PROFESSIONAL CHAPLAINCY?

Rev. Amani Legagneur

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The Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Lartey was ordained in the Methodist church in 1981. He holds a B.A. from the University of Ghana in psychology with statistics (1978), and a PhD in pastoral theology from The University of Birmingham, England (1984). Dr. Lartey currently teaches at Candler School of Theology and in Emory's Graduate Division of Religion in the Person, Community, and Religious Life Program. As a pastor, scholar, teacher, and researcher, he has contributed widely to the international field of pastoral care and counseling. His interests and research are focused on the theological implications and practical effects of pastoral care and counseling in a diversity of cultures, with particular reference to African, British, and American expressions. He is the author of, "Black Memory: Commemorating the Sacred and the Traumatic in the African Diaspora" in *Suffer the Little Children: Urban Violence and Sacred Space* (2001), *In Living Colour: An Intercultural Approach to Pastoral Care and Counseling* (2nd ed., 2003), "Globalization, Internationalization, and Indigenization of Pastoral Care and Counseling" in *Pastoral Care and Counseling: Redefining the Paradigms* (2004), *Pastoral Theology in an Intercultural World* (2006), and numerous articles and chapters in pastoral care and counselling textbooks. An ordained minister in the Methodist Church, Dr. Lartey has served as a pastor in Ghana and at the Ghana Interdenominational Church and the United Ghana Christian Church, both in Atlanta. As a professional in pastoral care and counseling, he has served on numerous boards related to the field, including as past President of the International Council on Pastoral Care and Counseling (ICPCC) and as a member of the Theological Education Steering Committee of the American Academy of Religion (AAR). He is researching the theological implications and practical effects of pastoral care in a diversity of cultures, and writes on the topic of interculturality. He is also a husband and father.



The Rev. Dr. Maitland Evans, CD is a Jamaican theologian and educator. His formal and informal educational pursuits and interests have centered around Pastoral Care, Theological Education, Community Development, Counselling and Consulting Psychology. Rev. Dr. Evans completed a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Counselling (University of Birmingham), DD (Hon. St. Stephen's/St. Andrews Colleges), Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Counselling and Consulting Psychology (Harvard University), Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) in Theology (University of the West Indies), and Licentiate of Theology (L.Th.) (United Theological College of the West Indies). Rev. Dr. Evans was instrumental in the founding of the Institute for Theological and Leadership Development (ITLD; now the College for Leadership and Theological Development) in 1989 as well as the Mel Nathan College in 2004. These institutions have evolved to become constituent colleges of the International University of the Caribbean (IUC). Rev. Dr. Evans is the founding president of IUC, which was formally launched in 2005. Rev. Dr. Evans is also president of the Jamaica Association of Private Tertiary Institutions (JAPTI), serves on the board of the Jamaica Tertiary Education Commission (JTEC) and is the Chair of the Advisory Committee for the Jamaica Teaching Council (JTC). His other service focus has been in the area of Community Development. In 1978, through the United Church, he founded the Mel Nathan Institute for Development and Social Research. The largest institute of its kind in the Caribbean for many years, this Institute sought to empower and create opportunities and facilitate the empowerment of many inner city residents. Rev. Dr. Evans has served as a Minister of Religion with the United Church in Jamaica and the Cayman Islands in Pastoral and specialized Ministry for some thirty-seven years. He has pastored congregations throughout Jamaica and has offered leadership within the United Church as Moderator (1987-1990) and General Secretary (1990-2005). On the International front, Rev. Dr. Evans has functioned as Executive Secretary of the Council for World Mission (1981-1983) and later as Deputy Chair and Chair. Rev. Dr. Evans has also engaged himself in other cultural and personal pursuits. He chaired the Jamaica Cultural Development Commission (1993-1997) and enjoys writing in all its forms, as well as various other types of cultural expression. He is an avid supporter of the West Indies cricket team and is passionate about critical engagement in current affairs. In 2003, he was awarded the Order of Distinction (Commander Class) by the Government of Jamaica. He is married to Betty, and has three adult children: Makesha, Maitland Tamu, and Tara Marie.

PASTORAL THEOLOGY AS CARE-INSPIRED FAITH

Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Lartey & Rev. Dr. Maitland Evans



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WORKSHOP LEADERS

LEADER	SESSION
<p>Rev. Major Denston Smalling <i>Chaplain – Jamaica Defence Force</i></p>	<p>Uniformed Forces</p>
<p>Rev. Dr. Margaret Fowler <i>Chaplain – University of Technology</i> <i>Minister – Hope United Church</i></p>	<p>Education</p>
<p>Rev. Dave Spence <i>Staff Chaplain – Northside Hospital, Atlanta, Georgia</i> <i>ThD Student – La Salle University</i></p>	<p>Healthcare</p>
<p>Rev. Dr. Gordon Evans <i>Chief Chaplain – Jamaica Constabulary Force</i> <i>Retired Minister – United Church</i></p>	<p>Spiritual Care for the Caribbean Context</p>

PARALLEL WORKSHOPS

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- Education

- Healthcare
- Spiritual Care for the Caribbean Context

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