

**SAIGU 30  
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**COMMEMORATING  
THE 30TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF  
THE LOS ANGELES  
RIOTS**

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Friday, April 29th  
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**6PM**

YNANTA  
HIZA YOO  
KOREAN DANCE  
GROUP

**7PM**

JINAH KIM  
NBC CORRESPONDENT

LAPD HONOR GUARD

LARISSA LAM  
PROFESSIONAL MUSICIAN

LA THIS WEEK  
LA CITYVIEW 35

HYEPIN IM  
FACE PRESIDENT  
& CEO

JAY CHUNG  
BOARD TREASURER  
OF FACE

JOS FERGUSON  
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BOARD MEMBER

JOHN LEE  
LA CITY  
COUNCILMEMBER

**CHECK IN /  
REGISTRATION  
& VIP  
RECEPTION**

**OPENING DRUM  
PERFORMANCE**

**WELCOME**

**SALUTE TO FLAG &  
STAR SPANGLED  
BANNER**

**LA RIOTS VIDEO**

**OPENING  
REMARKS**

**PRAYER**

**SPONSOR REMARKS  
& THANKS /  
SUPPORTING  
ORGANIZATIONS**

**MOMENT OF  
SILENCE: HONORING  
OF VICTIMS**

KAYAGUM  
"AMAZING GRACE"  
BY HIZA YOO



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CHILDREN'S  
CHOIR

HOLLY MITCHELL  
LA COUNTY  
SUPERVISOR

KENNETH C. ULMER  
BISHOP AT FAITHFUL  
CENTRAL BIBLE CHURCH

KOREAN YOUNG ADULT TEAM  
ACCEPTED BY HAN SUNG  
CHANG, 6TH PRESIDENT

JOHN LIM  
MANAGING PARTNER OF  
LIM NEXUS LLP & CO  
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**SPECIAL  
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*DIRECTED BY  
GLORIA AHN  
DIRECTOR FOR  
VOCIELESTI VOCAL  
ENSEMBLE*

**SPECIAL REMARKS**

**HEROES OF HOPE  
AWARDS**

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PUBLIC AFFAIRS  
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BARNABAS  
SENIOR SERVICES

**SPECIAL  
REMARKS**

**FIRESIDE CHAT:  
PURSUIT OF LOVE,  
HEALING &  
SOLIDARITY**

MODERATED BY  
MELVIN ROBERTS,  
SPECTRUM 1  
ANCHOR



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PAVA DANCE TEAM  
INTRODUCED  
BY CALIFORNIA  
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DAVID MIN

KJLH  
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PAVAWORLD

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**HEROES OF HOPE  
AWARDS (CON'T)**

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**VIDEO**

**SURROUNDED**



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FOUNDATION*

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*DEPUTY CHIEF  
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**LIGHT OF UNITY  
& HOPE**

**BLESSING**

**CLOSING PRAYER**

**LETTERS OF  
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April 29, 2022



FACELA and the SAIGU Campaign  
3550 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 1124  
Los Angeles, CA 90010

**RE: 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the LA Riots Commemoration**

To the members of FACELA and SAIGU who have gathered today on this special occasion:

I wanted to thank FACELA and SAIGU for putting this event together to commemorate the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the L.A. Riots.

Thirty years ago, the City of Los Angeles was torn apart by racial and economic divisions, which led to financial and emotional suffering of the Korean American community. Despite these hardships, FACELA and SAIGU have worked to heal these divisions and create prosperity in Los Angeles across all lines. This effort has shown the indomitable strength and resilience of the Los Angeles Korean community – a trait that we remember as we reflect on these events 30 years later. FACELA and SAIGU have been vital resources in supporting and advocating for the Asian American community in Los Angeles.

I am pleased to congratulate this year's honorees for their service and dedication to community. Your work is greatly appreciated and sets a model for future leaders to come.

Sincerely,

Thomas J. Umberg  
California State Senator, District 34

# THOMAS J. UMBERG

California State Senator,  
District 34



ERIC  
GARCETTI  
Mayor of LA



ERIC GARCETTI  
MAYOR

April 29, 2022

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, welcome to the 2022 SAIGU Campaign commemorating the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Los Angeles Riots, hosted by Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE).

For over 20 decades, FACE has been training faith leaders to better aid underserved communities. I commend FACE for their commitment during these unprecedented times. Thank you for embodying the Angeleno spirit and making our amazing City of Angels shine brighter every day.

I send my best wishes for a memorable event and continued success.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI  
Mayor



# MITCH O'FARRELL

COUNCILMEMBER, 13TH DISTRICT • CITY OF LOS ANGELES

April 29, 2022

Dear Friends:

On behalf of Los Angeles City Council District 13, I would like to welcome you to the Service Advocate Inspire Give Unite (SAIGU) 30 Campaign brought to you by Faith and Community Empowerment (FACE).

April 29 marks the 30th anniversary of the Los Angeles Riots, a tragic time in our City's history when many communities were senselessly pitted against each other, in addition to the loss of lives as well as livelihoods.

The events on and after April 29 taught us that rather than practicing division, we must strive to build bridges of understanding and put an end to the myths that keep communities divided. FACE is a leader in these efforts and is committed to capturing legacy stories and voices so that we may learn and heal.

I commend FACE on its work to empower and strengthen participation within the Korean and Asian American communities, as well as its contributions and influence through faith-based and community partnerships.

Thank you for creating a platform to discuss and foster understanding so that we may learn from history.

With kind regards,

  
MITCH O'FARRELL  
Council President Pro Tempore  
Councilmember, 13th District  
Los Angeles City Council



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# MITCH O'FARRELL

Councilmember of Los  
Angeles City Council,  
13th District



April 29, 2022

Greetings,

I would like to thank FACELA for their efforts in launching the SAIGU campaign to commemorate the 30th year of 1992 Los Angeles Riots.

This year marks the 30-year anniversary of the Los Angeles riots, one of the most divisive times in our city's history. 53 people lost their lives, 2,400 people were injured, and there was nearly \$1 billion in property damage, half of which was sustained by the Korean American community.

The civil unrest was a watershed moment for Los Angeles, and it brought attention to issues of economic inequality, police brutality, and racism that have plagued our communities for far too long.

Since these tragic events happened 30 years ago, Los Angeles has rebuilt and grown into one of the most diverse cities in the country, thanks to the work of community activists, local leaders, and grassroots organizations.

As we commemorate this 30-year anniversary, we honor the innocent victims who lost their lives and livelihoods and recommit to strengthening relationships among our many diverse communities, standing up against hate and racism, and denouncing injustice in all its forms.

While there is still more work to do, I'm certain we will build on the progress we've made so far to make Los Angeles a home for everyone and celebrate our city's diversity as a source of strength and pride.

Sincerely,  
  
JIMMY GOMEZ  
MEMBER OF CONGRESS



# JIMMY GOMEZ

Member of  
Congress

**SPEAKERS &  
PRESENTERS**



## **NAJEE ALI**

### **OPERATION HOPE**

Najee Ali is an award-winning nationally celebrated civil rights activist community organizer, and author.

Ali, is also the founder of Los Angeles Muslim Heritage Month which is officially recognized during the month of July every year by the city of Los Angeles. This resolution was presented in 2014 by Los Angeles City Council members Curren Price and Bob Blumenfeld and passed unanimously by the Los Angeles City Council.

Ali currently serves as a Chaplain for Los Angeles Mayor Garcetti Crisis Response Team.

From leading the charge for police reform to negotiating gang truces, Ali continues to evolve as the people's champion and confronts injustice wherever it may be.



## **HAN SUNG CHANG**

### **6TH PRESIDENT OF THE KOREAN YOUNG ADULT TEAM**

In 1991, Han Sung Chang joined a youth group that provided protection services to Korean Americans, especially shop owners who were most at risk when they closed their shops at night. This group rapidly expanded from 24 members to over 360 members shortly after Saigu started. In the absence of any intervention from the police and fire department, the youth group began to move out to protect Koreatown and the community. Reflecting on the events of the LA riots, Han Sung calls for the Korean American community to unite as one, in order to prevent tragedies of a similar kind.



## **PAULINE NISHIDA**

### **CONVENER FOR CRU LA**

A third generation Japanese American, Pauline grew up in the Crenshaw area of Los Angeles. After graduating from Pepperdine University in Business Administration, Pauline enjoyed a successful career in Human Resources management.

Pauline realized God gave her a heart for cities and the diversity of people living in them...yet, it came by total surprise that God would call her to NYC as an urban missionary, first with the most well networked prayer ministry, then the 911 response team of Cru, followed by City ministry.



## **JUMAH HAMILTON**

**CHIEF DATA OFFICE / REPORTING SHARED SERVICES  
MUFG UNION BANK, N.A.**

Mr. Hamilton has a passion for social justice work relationship building to support community development. These values were imbued at an early age by his family, which demonstrated that caring for others is as important as caring for self. He most recently served as the National Leader for PULSE (People United to Lead Serve and Excel) which is the Black Enterprise Resource Group for MUFG Union Bank N.A, and before that Regional Leader of PULSE Phoenix. Mr. Hamilton has also continued to mentor professionals, in a variety of settings, aiming at who interested in how to grow and move forward.



## **HYEPIN IM**

**FACE PRESIDENT & CEO**

Ms. Hyepin Im is a U.S. Presidential Appointee on the Board of the Corporation for National and Community Service. She is the President and Founder of Korean Churches for Community Development (KCCD), a national nonprofit involved in empowering churches and nonprofits to leverage their resources by building capacity, leadership, and partnerships in economic development and serving as a bridge between the Korean/Asian American community and the greater community at large.



## **JINAH KIM**

**NBC CORRESPONDENT**

Jinah Kim is the founder and executive producer of WorldWide Productions ([www.WWPVideo.com](http://www.WWPVideo.com)), a full-service commercial and corporate video production company specializing in education, training and marketing videos. Our clients include Jinah's alma mater, UCLA, and the entire University of California system, Cedars Sinai, Stanford, Los Angeles County, among others.

She is also a part-time correspondent for NBC News, reporting primarily for NBC News Channel and MSNBC.



## **JAY CHUNG**

### **FACE BOARD TREASURER**

Jay currently serves as the VP/Treasurer of Mana Group, a multi-billion-dollar privately-owned company, while serving as one of the founding board members to ioTech international, a cutting-edge biotech firm that researches, prevents, and treats microbial, including Covid-19. Also, as one of the Principals of New River Global Inc., a business as a humanitarian and faith mechanism, the international consortium bridges innovative technologies and solutions with developing countries and marginalized communities.



## **JOS FERGUSON**

### **FACE BOARD CO-CHAIR**

Jos Ferguson is an experienced Affordable Housing Asset Manager, with more than 20 years in the real estate industry, focused on being a positive game changer in how affordable housing is designed, funded, viewed and managed. He holds a Master of Science in Real Estate from Drexel University and Bachelors of Science in Accounting from Western. Since writing his master's thesis on a new way to fund affordable housing that would connect community members, specifically those in a church body, Jos has been focused on bringing forward new ways to shine Christ's love through affordable housing.



## **BLAKE CHOW**

### **DEPUTY CHIEF OF LAPD**

Deputy Chief Blake Chow was appointed to the Los Angeles Police Department in 1990 after having served as a San Jose Police Reserve Officer. After graduating from the Los Angeles Police Department academy, Deputy Chief Chow rose through the ranks of Police Officer, Sergeant, Lieutenant and Captain after having worked a variety of assignments including Patrol, Vice, Risk Management, Operations Bureau, among others. As a Captain, Chow was assigned commands such as, Central Area, Hollenbeck Area, Real Time Analysis and Critical Response Division (RACR) and LAX Field Services Division.



## JOHN LEE

### LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 12

John Lee was first elected to the Los Angeles City Council during a special election in August 2019, and re-elected to his first full term in March 2020. John's deep knowledge of both the Twelfth Council District and local government set him apart as the most qualified candidate in both elections. As a CD12 resident of over 40 years, John found his passion for public service at an early age when he first began volunteering for local nonprofits while in middle school. A lifelong public servant, John has been serving this community his entire adult life. His extensive understanding of the City's legislative and budget processes and day-to-day operations gives him tremendous insight into what works and what doesn't at City Hall.



## YONGWAN KIM

### CONSUL GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA

CAREER: Apr. 2017 Director for Policy Planning and Coordination, MOFA, Mar. 2018 Organization Reform Support, Office of Planning and Coordination, MOFA, Mar. 2019 Director-General for Planning and Management, MOFA, Feb. 2020 Studied at National Human Resources Development Institute, Ministry of Personnel Management (Senior Policy Course), Nov. 2020 Director-General, Foreign Affairs and National Security Policy Bureau, Office for Government Policy Coordination, Feb. 2022 Consul-General, Korean Consulate General in Los Angeles, U.S.A



## DAVID MIN

### SENATOR OF CALIFORNIA STATE SENATE DISTRICT 37

Dave Min represents California State Senate District 37, which is located in Orange County and includes the communities of Anaheim, Costa Mesa, Foothill Ranch, Huntington Beach, Irvine, Laguna Beach, Laguna Woods, Lake Forest, Newport Beach, Orange, Tustin, and Villa Park.

Dave was a University of California Irvine law professor and a former economic policy staffer in the United States Senate and for the Center for American Progress. He began his legal career at the Securities and Exchange Commission to protect the retirement security of seniors, turning down high paying jobs to serve the public interest.



## **JOANNA MENDELSON**

### **SVP, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, LOS ANGELES JEWISH FEDERATION**

Prior to this position at Federation, for more than two decades she worked for the ADL, most recently serving on their national team as Associate Director for the Center on Extremism, which combats extremism, terrorism and all forms of hate in the real world and online. She trained more than 12,000 federal, state and local law enforcement officers, judges and public officials nationwide on extremism and domestic terrorism related issues. She is a certified subject matter expert and has provided testimony in numerous criminal cases involving extremism. In partnership with law enforcement partners, she has helped thwart potential extremist attacks against Jews and other vulnerable communities. She frequently speaks to national and international media outlets, including CNN, the BBC and CBS.



## **JOANNA SWEATT**

### **NATIONAL FIELD MANAGER FOR COMMON DEFENSE**

Joanna has been a longstanding advocate for veterans in Arizona having had to overcome her own transition struggles returning home in 2007 after service. She is known for rolling her sleeves up and doing whatever is necessary to improve the lives of the veterans she serves. Her passion lies in ensuring resources are readily available for all veterans, especially those that have been disenfranchised and marginalized such as women veterans and BIPOC veterans to include preserving their contributions in service through storytelling engagement activities. Joanna is currently the National Field Manager for Common Defense, a grassroots movement of progressive veterans. Joanna is also an original co-founder of AZ VetsForward, a group of military veterans in Arizona that worked to defend democratic values at home by winning hearts and minds of the American voters in the 2020 election cycle.



## **SUPERVISOR HOLLY MITCHELL**

### **CHAIR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell currently serves as Chair of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors. As the daughter of parents who were public servants and a third-generation Angeleno, Mitchell leads with a deep understanding of the vital safety net LA County provides to millions of families and is committed to ensuring that all residents can thrive.



## **KENNETH ULMER**

### **BISHOP OF FAITHFUL CENTRAL BIBLE CHURCH**

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## **MELVIN ROBERTS**

### **CO-ANCHOR OF YOUR MORNING ON SPECTRUM NEWS 1**

Melvin Robert is co-anchor of Your Morning on Spectrum News 1 and host of the Emmy nominated and LA Press Club winning series The SoCal Scene. Known for his infectious energy, authenticity, and relatability, he is committed to expanding the consciousness of the human collective through the craft of storytelling. Robert's work uplifts, inspires and educates through his unique ability to connect with interview subjects, and viewers.

Since joining Spectrum News 1, he has covered some of the biggest local and national news stories, including the Inauguration of President Joe Biden, the ongoing Covid 19 pandemic, and the 2020 civil unrest following the murder of George Floyd. Additionally, he has covered the 2019 Los Angeles teachers' strike, Saugus High School shooting in the Santa Clarita community, and the Ridgecrest earthquake



## **GUILLERMO TORRES**

### **DIRECTOR OF THE PROGRAMMING AT CLUE**

Guillermo Torres has been working for CLUE-Clergy and Laity United for Economic Justice since 2011 and is currently Director of the Programming

My past and current work include the following:

- \*Train clergy and lay leaders to visit immigrants in detention center
- \* Past coordinator of CLUE's Black/Brown Clergy Committee
- \*Lead and organized actions for racial justice



## **SHINESE HARLINS-KILGORE**

### **CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER AT THE LATASHA HARLINS FOUNDATION**

"I never quit" finishing what Denise Harlins had started. Oscar Nominated for the short documentary of "A Love song for Latasha" Shinese, has received the humanitarian award from the BJ one glove event. Shinese is the Chief Operating Officer of the Latasha Harlins Foundation where she has spoken at colleges, panels, and speaking engagements.



## **YONAH HONG**

### **FOUNDER OF SHARING LOVE IN KOREAN**

Born in South Korea and raised in Indianapolis, Indiana, Yonah witnessed the LA Riots of 1992 on TV while attending college at Purdue University. As a 1.5 generation Korean American, she was heartbroken and devastated to see the neighborhoods of Los Angeles being burned down and looted and so many people enraged with anger and hatred. She made up her mind, to one day, move to Los Angeles to be a bridge builder to bring the multi-ethnic communities together in love and harmony. After graduating from college, she moved to Los Angeles and worked in various fields of occupation including, over ten years in the public sector (the Los Angeles Unified School District, the Community Redevelopment Agency of the Los Angeles, and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority), always doing volunteer work in the community alongside of her work.



## **VINNIE MALCOLM**

### **MANAGING DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT OF MALCOLM MEDIA ADVISORS**

Vinnie Malcom currently serves as Managing Director and President of Malcolm Media Advisors, a consulting company specializing in Media, Sports and Entertainment. He is also a former President of the Los Angeles Sparks of the WNBA and prior to that was President and General Manager of KTLA Ch5-TV in Los Angeles. Vinnie has also worked at KCAL Ch9-TV and KIIS-FM radio. Vinnie started his media career as a buyer at Grey Advertising in New York and for over 30 years in Los Angeles he has been buying and/or selling media including broadcast, cable, print, outdoor and digital, across all platforms.



## **TC KIM**

### **VICTIM SERVICE COORDINATOR WITH THE LA CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

Tong Cho (T.C.) Kim has over 30 years of experience in the field of Victim Advocacy. He worked as a Victim Service Coordinator with the LA City Attorney's Office for nine years where he assisted over 10,000 victims of crime, with Crisis Counseling, Criminal Justice Advocacy, and Government Compensation. He also trained 120 Interns to work with law enforcement and to provide services to victims. At an Emergency DV Shelter, T.C. supervised over 200 volunteers and managed the shelter facility. He was also the Executive Director of APWC, overseeing Transitional/Permanent DV Shelter operations and programs.



## **CAROL CHUNG**

### **PROGRAM EVALUATOR FOR THE LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH**

Ms. Carol Chung is a licensed clinical social worker with 20 years of clinical and administrative experience. She received a Master's in social work from the University of Pennsylvania and currently is a program evaluator for the Los Angeles Department of Mental Health. Ms. Chung worked in various medical and behavioral health care settings throughout Los Angeles County, Ms. Chung's article "The Psychosocial Care for Adolescent and Young Adult Hematopoietic Cell Transplant.", was published through the National Institute of Health. She has been a speaker for the American Cancer Society and Leukemia Lymphoma Society.



## **GRACE YOO**

### **PUBLIC AFFAIRS SPECIALIST AT ST. BARNABAS SENIOR SERVICES**

Grace Yoo is an accomplished attorney, public policy advocate, and respected implementer. She has spent the past 30 years advocating on behalf of foster care youth, working-class families, seniors and neighbors in all walks and stages of life. She served as executive director of both the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA) and Korean American Coalition- Los Angeles (KAC-LA). Grace is currently the Public Affairs Specialist at St. Barnabas Senior Services. She has served on numerous boards over the years and is actively engaged in Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness for her neighbors and City. She is also the Chair of the Steering Committee for the Los Angeles Aging Advocacy Coalition.



## **JAMES CHO**

### **PROFESSOR AT GMU**

James Cho graduated with B.S. in Civil Engineering from UCLA and an M.Div. from Talbot School of Theology. He is currently completing his Ph.D. in Intercultural Studies from Biola University. James works as the English Track Director for Grace Mission University and has worked in the Korean American church for the past 20 years in Southern California. He is married to Euny Cho and has one son, Nathan. He currently serves on the boards to a couple non-profits and travels annually to Kenya where he works with ByGrace Children's Home and School of the Nations. He is currently exploring ways to engage poverty in Southern California.



## **DR GLORIA CHUNG-AHN**

### **CHOIR DIRECTOR FOR VOCIELESTI VOCAL ENSEMBLE**

Dr. Chung-Ahn is one of the winners at the National Association of Teachers of Singing in 2004 career division competition and 1987 Young Women division Competition. She received honorable awards at the National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts. She has performed as soloist and choral member in major works for many performing organizations such as LA master Chorale at Disney Concert Hall with Zubin Mehta and at Hollywood Bowl with Esa Pekka Salonen, 9/11 Memorial Concert at Royce Hall with Donald Neuen, Korean Christian Chamber Choir, Korean Master Chorale, and Han So Ri Choir.



## **FILIBERTO GONZALEZ**

### **FACE BOARD MEMBER**

Filiberto Gonzalez has built a career as a problem-solver in a wide array of industries, which include real estate development, nonprofit fundraising, and online outreach, during the last twenty years. In each endeavor, Filiberto has been tenacious in his pursuit to build better and stronger communities and help those most in need. Over the course of his career, Filiberto has secured more than \$10 million in funding, which has included federal and state government grants, corporate donations, major gifts, as well as a Congressional earmark in 2008.

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After accepting his call to the ministry, Dr. Ulmer founded Macedonia Bible Church in San Pedro, California. Dr. Ulmer is currently the Presiding Bishop over Macedonia International Bible Fellowship, an association of pastors representing ministries in Africa and the United States and based in Johannesburg, South Africa. In addition, Dr. Ulmer is the founder and CEO of The Ulmer Institute, a non-profit organization focused on the research, training and treatment of psychological trauma in urban communities.

He has written several book, including: *Passion God*, *Training To Win: A spiritual Guide to Victorious Living*, *Passing The Generation Blessing* and his latest book *Walls Can Fall: Race, Reconciliation and Righteousness in a Divided World*.

Dr. Ulmer and his wife have been married for over 40 years and have two daughters, one son and five grandchildren.





## KOREAN YOUNG ADULT TEAM

ACCEPTED BY HAN SUNG CHANG, 6TH PRESIDENT OF THE KOREAN YOUNG ADULT TEAM

Before the outbreak of the riots on April 29, 1992 the Korean Young Adult Team of Los Angeles (KYATLA) had been organized and was active from November 1991 to March 1992. The April 29 riots started on the afternoon of that day. Already six months earlier, beginning in November 1991 an extremely racist movement, "Go Back to Korea," was developing. With the beginning of the highly popular song by the Ice Cubes the Black racist movement was reaching its height of popularity.



## REV. MARK E. WHITLOCK

### PASTOR AT REID AME CHURCH

Rev. Mark E. Whitlock, Jr. is committed to serving God, family, the AME Church and the community. He, his wife and his mother, are beyond thrilled to be in Glenn Dale, Maryland serving Reid Temple AME Church (RTAME). Prior to his historic July 2019 appointment to RTAME, Rev. Whitlock served as pastor of Christ Our Redeemer A.M.E. Church (COR Church) in Irvine, CA beginning in August 1998. Over the course of his ministerial and nonprofit career, Pastor Whitlock has raised more than \$1.2 billion for the kingdom of God through individual donors, corporate, federal and institute grants.

Rev. Whitlock's vision for RTAME is based on Hebrews 10: 23-25. God has called for RTAME to become the Beloved Community under Pastor Whitlock's watch. In order to fulfill this vision, Pastor Whitlock follows the AME mission as well as the tenets of evangelism, discipleship, stewardship and social justice. Using the successful blueprint of COR Church and its Community Development Corporation, Pastor Whitlock is galvanizing RTAME's five 501c3 corporations to forge public and private partnerships that will take RTAME to the next level.

Rev. Whitlock has a BA in Religion from the University of La Verne; La Verne CA; a Masters of Business from University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA; a Masters of Divinity from Payne Theological Seminary, Wilberforce OH; and a Doctor of Ministry from Payne Theological Seminary.

Rev. Whitlock has been happily married to Rev. Hermia Shegog Whitlock, J.D. for over 35 years. They have three sons, Ariel, Mark, III; and Devin.



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John Lim is the co-founder and Managing Partner of Lim, LimNexus LLP, a leading minority-owned corporate boutique firm with offices in Los Angeles and San Francisco. As a corporate lawyer since 1982, John has represented clients including Fortune 500 and Global 1000 companies, financial institutions, governmental entities, private equity funds, commercial developers and institutional investors in all facets of corporate, real estate and financing transactions. John has handled a broad range of sophisticated transactions encompassing major commercial projects, complex real estate loans, asset-based loans, syndicated loans, securitized debts, EB-5 equity and debt transactions and other creative financing deals involving cutting-edge technology. In addition, he regularly advises emerging high tech ventures as outside general counsel.

John, a 1982 graduate of University of California, Hastings College of the Law, has been selected as a “Southern California Super Lawyer” numerous times. He has received the Wiley W. Manuel Award for Pro Bono Legal Services from the State Bar of California and the Community Leadership Award from Korean American Bar Association of Southern California. John serves on the boards of several nonprofit organizations including the Council of Korean Americans, the California Bar Foundation, the Asian Americans Advancing Justice – Los Angeles and the UC Hastings Foundation.

Grounded in his firm conviction to further equal opportunity and equal access to justice, John actively supports various public interest law groups that serve the disadvantaged and marginalized. In addition, John and his partners provide scholarships to diverse law students through the LimNexus Foundation.





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Previously, he served as the president of Korean American Apparel Manufacturers Association (2007-2009) and the LA Korean American Chamber of Commerce (2009-2010).

He focuses on the empowerment of Korean American Community and positive youth development.



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As VP/GM, Karen has been recognized by Radio Ink as one of the Most Influential African Americans in Radio, she has received many awards including the distinguished George Foster Peabody Award for significant and meritorious achievement and the NAACP Image Award for Humanitarian broadcast efforts.

Karen received her Bachelor of Science Degree from Kent State University in Telecommunications and a Master's in Business Administration from Pepperdine University. Karen's professional development includes completion of the National Association of Broadcasters Executive Broadcast Leadership Program.

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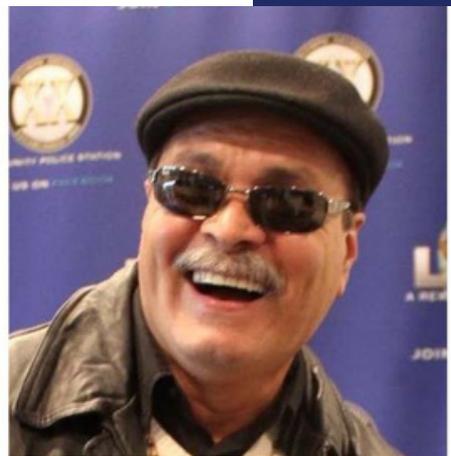
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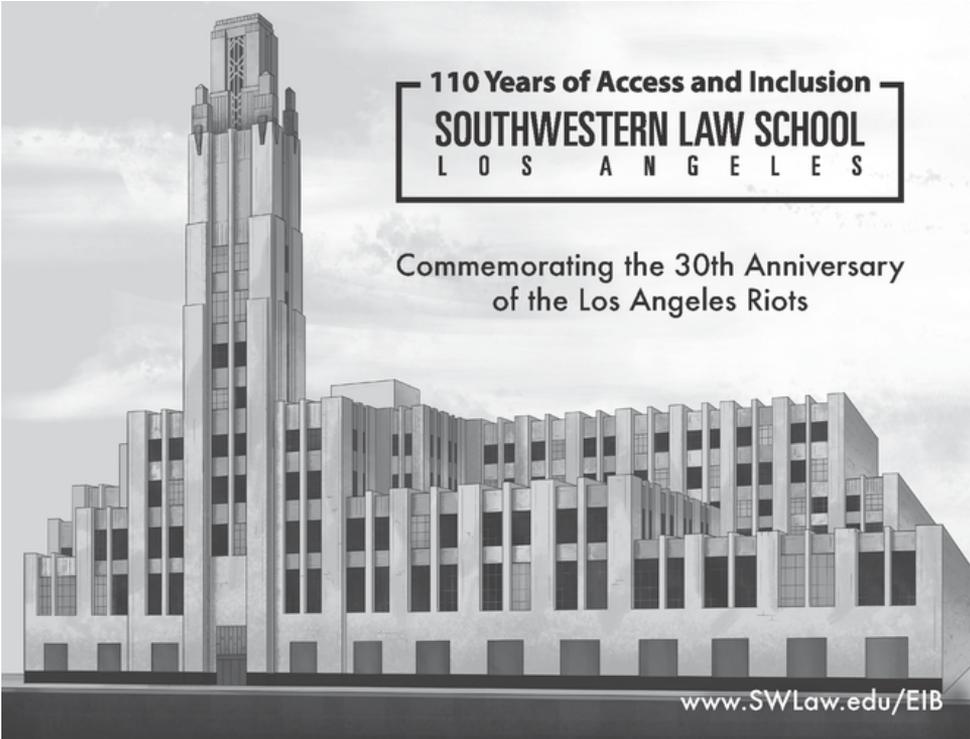
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