



“10 Years After Ferguson: Walking or Talking?”

September 19-22, 2024

Agenda*

St. Louis Airport Marriott

10700 Pear Tree Lane

St. Louis, MO 63134

Wednesday, Sept. 18

Preconference

12:00-8:00 p.m.

[St. Louis Kaplan Feldman Holocaust Museum](#)

Receive a guided tour of the museum, engage in an immersion experience, hear from a survivor, and learn how to stand up and speak up against bias, hatred, and genocide through their Impact Lab as an Active Ally.

The Streets of Ferguson

Take a tour through the Streets of Ferguson and hear directly from law enforcement and community representatives what happened 10 years ago and what’s happening now.

[Imo’s Pizza](#)

We’ll end the day with dinner on your own at Imo’s Pizza.

Thursday, Sept. 19

Kickoff Plenary Session

4:00-5:30 p.m.

Hands Up, Don’t Shoot

Panelists

Michael Brown, Sr.

Founder

[Chosen for Change](#)

[Trevor G. Gardner](#)

Professor of Law

Washington University School of Law

Patricia Washington

Public Information Officer

Ferguson Police Department

Karen Louis

Attorney

Louis Legal Solutions, LLC.

Butch Rice

Pastor

New Horizons Center

Moderator

Carmela Monk Crawford

Editor

[Message Magazine](#)

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Fellowship Dinner

5:45-6:45 p.m.

Evening Plenary Session

7:00-8:30 p.m.

Justice in Action

[Michael Pfleger](#)

Pastor

St. Sabina Catholic Church

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Friday, Sept. 20

Plenary Session

Civic Engagement in Adventist DNA

8:45-9:50 a.m.

[Kevin M. Burton](#)

Director, Center for Adventist Research
Andrews University

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Breakout Sessions

10-11:15 a.m.

Conscience Track

Law and Order: The Case Against Criminal Nationalism

[Trevor G. Gardner](#)

Professor of Law

Washington University School of Law

Justice Track—Confronting Gun Violence in the Cities (Meets at 10:00-11:15 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.)

Violence Prevention Methodologies: Law Enforcement vs. Public Health

Ron Williams

Pastor

West Philadelphia Seventh-day Adventist Church

Former Founder and Program Manager

Chester Peace Initiative

Jason Watson

Vice-President of Engagement

[Show Me Peace: Mission St. Louis](#)

Pastors Track

Your Church: The Hub of the Community

Tommie L. Pierson

Pastor

Greater St. Mark Family Church

Butch Rice

Pastor

New Horizons Center

General Track
Empowering Voters, Defending Democracy
Nancy Price
Speakers Bureau Chairperson
[League of Women Voters of Metro St. Louis](#)

Denise Lieberman
Director and General Counsel
[Missouri Voter Protection Coalition](#)

Breakout Sessions
11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
Conscience Track
Israel, Palestine, Hamas, and the Gaza Strip: Just the Facts Please
[Amireh Al-Haddad](#)
Public Affairs and Religious Director
Southern Union

Justice Track—Confronting Gun Violence in the Cities (Meets at 10:00-11:15 a.m.
and 11:30 a.m.-12:45 p.m.)
Crucial Conversations: Gun Violence and Community Trauma
Reginald Beasley
Violence Interrupter
[Show Me Peace: Mission St. Louis](#)

Sandra Bryant
Mental Health Counselor
[St. Louis Rejuvenating Comprehensive Services](#)

Keely Finney
CEO and Founder
[St. Louis Rejuvenating Comprehensive Services](#)

Charles Hatley
Site Supervisor
[Show Me Peace: Mission St. Louis](#)

Moderators

Ron Williams
Pastor
West Philadelphia Seventh-day Adventist Church

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Jason Watson
Vice-President of Engagement
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Pastors Track
The Truth About DEI and Critical Race Theory
[Linda Ammons](#)
Dean Emeritus
Widener School of Law

General Track
Info Graphics That Drive Young Adult Voters to the Polls
[Erica Keith](#)
Founder and CEO
Black Forward

Carmela Monk Crawford
Editor
[Message Magazine](#)

Plenary Session Luncheon
Christian Nationalism and Privilege: Threats to Democracy
1:00-2:30 p.m.
[Moya Harris](#)
Director of Racial Justice
Sojourners

Panelists
[Linda Ammons](#)
Dean Emeritus
Widener School of Law

Denise Lieberman
Director and General Counsel
[Missouri Voter Protection Coalition](#)

[Melissa Reid](#)
Associate PARL Director
North American Division

Moderator
Cryston Josiah
Vice President for Administration and PARL Director
Central States Conference

Breakout Sessions
2:45-4:00 p.m.
Conscience Track
Christian Nationalism: Don't be Like "Jesus"
[Laura Wibberding](#)
History Department Chairperson
Pacific Union College

Justice Track
Immigration and Borders
[Andrea Stewartson](#)
Attorney
Robinson Kirlew & Associates

Pastors Track
Modern Day Slavery
[Kevin M. Burton](#)
Director, Center for Adventist Research
Andrews University

General Track
Air Quality in Urban Areas
[Jay Turner](#)
Vice Dean and Professor
Energy, Environment & Chemical Engineering

Washington University

Plenary Session

The Untold Stories of Tulsa and Black Wall Street

4:10-5:30

[Alicia Odewale](#)

African Diaspora Archaeologist

University of Houston

Executive Director, Archaeology Rewritten

National Geographic Explorer

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Break—Dinner on Your Own

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Worship Experience

7:30-9:00 p.m.

[Marcus Cosby](#)

Senior Pastor

Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church

Houston, Texas

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Saturday, Sept. 21

Liberty Update

Project 2025

9:00-10:00 a.m.

[Bettina Krause](#)

Editor

[Liberty Magazine](#)

[Melissa Reid](#)

Associate PARL Director

North American Division

[Jennifer Woods](#)

General Counsel and PARL Director
Lake Union Conference

Sponsored by Liberty Magazine

Lucille Byard Symposium
Generational Trauma: Slavery and Impact on Health
10:00-11:30 a.m.

[Anthony Medley](#)

Health Ministries Director
Allegheny East Conference

India Medley
Chief Nursing Officer
Howard University Hospital

Sponsored by Adventist HealthCare

Divine Worship Experience
11:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m.

[Furman Fordham II](#)

Director, Church Ministries and Mission Development
South Central Conference

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Fellowship Lunch
1:30-2:30 p.m.

Best Practices Tour
3:00-5:30 p.m.
Community Wellness
Erica Williams
Founder and Executive Director

[A Red Circle](#)

Worship Experience
6:00-7:30 p.m.

[Tricia Wynn Payne](#)

Women's Ministry Director and Pastor

Lake Region Conference

Sponsored by Mid-America Union Conference

Sunday, Sept. 22

Networking and Best Practices Celebration Breakfast

[Center for Community Change at Andrews University](#)

9:00-11:00 a.m.

Sponsored by Center for Community Change at Andrews University

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