Thursday, October 12, 2006
4:30 pm – 6:00 pm
Book Signing – Big Ten C

Dr. Nwando Achebe
Farmers, Traders, Warriors, and Kings

Dr. Juliayne Dodson
Engendering Church: Women, Power, and the A.M.E. Church

Dr. Pero Dagbovie
Black History: “Old School” Black Historians and the Hip Hop Generation

Dr. Harriette McAdoo
Black Families (Fourth Edition)

Dr. Geneva Smitheman
Word from the Mother: Language and African America

Dr. Christel Temple
Literary Pan-Africanism: History, Contexts, and Criticism

Dr. Gwen Ettler-Lewis & Dr. Richard W. Thomas
Lights of the Spirit: Historical Portraits of Black Baha’is in North America

Dr. Obrey M. Hendricks, Jr.
Politics of Jesus

Dr. Veronica M. Williams
Time Somebody Told Me

6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Dinner – On your own

7:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Community Event Open to the Public/free admission – Kellogg Auditorium

The Politics of Jesus
Dr. Obrey M. Hendricks, Jr., Professor of Biblical Interpretation
New York Theological Seminar

Friday, October 13, 2006
9:00 am – 11:00 am
Plenary Session – Kellogg Auditorium
Black Religion and Spirituality/Black Clergywoman’s Perspective: Challenges and Opportunities
Dr. Rosa B. Clements, Senior Pastor, Aurora United Methodist Church Aurora, Ohio

11:30 am – 1:30 pm
Closing Luncheon – Centennial AB
Future Partnerships: Engagement Opportunities
Dr. Jeremiah A. Wright, Jr., Pastor
Trinity United Church of Christ, Chicago, Illinois
Wednesday, October 11, 2006
9:00 am – 5:00 pm - Registration

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm
Opening Keynote Lecture/Speech – Kellogg Auditorium
Black Religion & Spirituality in the 21st Century
Dr. Charles Adams, Senior Pastor
Hartford Memorial Baptist Church, Detroit Michigan

2:30 pm – 4:00 pm
Session I – Room 103
Spirituality in a Contemporary Context: Across the Life Span
Dr. Bernard Richardson, Dean of Chapel, Howard University

Session II – Room 106
Historical Portraits of Black Baha’is in North America
Dr. Owen Etter-Lewis, Professor of English
Interim Director, Black World Studies, Miami University
Dr. Richard W. Thomas, Professor of History
Michigan State University

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm, (sessions repeated)
Session III – Room 103
Spirituality in a Contemporary Context: Across the Life Span
Dr. Bernard Richardson, Dean of Chapel, Howard University

Session IV – Room 106
Historical Portraits of Black Baha’is in North America
Dr. Owen Etter-Lewis, Professor of English
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5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
Dinner – On your own

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Community Event Open to the Public/free admission – Kellogg Auditorium
Islam, Present, History and Future in Black America
Dr. Na’im Akbar, Mind Productions & Na’im Akbar Consultants

Thursday, October 12, 2006
8:00 am – 5:00 pm - Registration

9:00 am – 10:30 am
Plenary Session – Big Ten B
Mental Health and Black Religion and Spirituality
Dr. Veronica M. Williams, Clinical Therapist
Certified Diplomate in Clinical Psychotherapy
Assistant Chaplain of Detroit Shock

10:30 am – 12:00 pm
Session V – Room 106
Black Family & Spirituality
Dr. Harriette McAdoo, Professor, Family & Child Ecology
Michigan State University

Session VI – Room 103
Role of African American Aesthetics in Religion and Spirituality
Dr. M. Skinner Britt, Britt Consultants
Kefentse Chile African American and African Studies
Michigan State University

12:00 pm – 1:30 pm
Luncheon – Keynote Address
Christianity, What We Believe
Dr. John Kinney, Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology
Virginia Union University

1:30 pm – 3:00 pm
Session VII – Room 106
Traditional African Religion & Spiritual Systems
Dr. Abu Sharow Abary, Graduate Director of African American Studies, Temple University
Cardinal Mbilu Chui, Pastor Shrine of the Black Madonna, Detroit Michigan

Session VIII – Room 103
Role of African American Aesthetics in Religion and Spirituality
Dr. M. Skinner Britt, Britt Consultants
Kefentse Chile African American and African Studies
Michigan State University

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm
Panel/Debate – Kellogg Auditorium
Diversity in the African American Religious/Spiritual Community: Challenges & Opportunities for Partnerships
Dr. Lee June, Panel Coordinator, Michigan State University

Panelists:
Mr. Lisbon Berry, Michigan State University
Rev. Dr. Michael Murphy, St. Stephen’s Community Church
Rev. Lester D. Stone, Friendship Baptist Church
Dr. Denise Maybank, Michigan State University
Ms. Shahidah Kalam Id-Din, George Mason University