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2016 CAJM Rally

## 40 Days of Prayer in Preparation for the Nehemiah Action

## "IN THE IMAGE AND LIKENESS"

"The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed." Psalm 103:6

Gracious Creator, Your world is not absent the need for behavior that is consistent with Your righteousness. Your world is so large; yet, it gets smaller each and every day. Technology makes it possible for us to know what is going on in Your world, in real time. News of hurt and anguish in the world can travel faster than Your Good News of Salvation. Help us to be bearers of that Good News.

We pray for an improved quality of policing in our beloved city, Charleston, South Carolina. We seek Your guidance in making police and community relationships ones of trust and transparency. O God, we pray for the safety of every citizen, and every police officer! Many of our neighbors feel threatened, profiled and unsafe, because of biased behavior amongst those sworn to protect them. May the spirit of our public servants be consistent with David's words, "The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed." Those who feel: threatened, profiled and unsafe.

Gracious LORD, help us do the "work" of giving relief to the oppressed. You have made us "in the image and likeness" of Yourself. Help us do Your righteous works. Give us a revelation for making our City better, safer and more trusting. Speak to our hearts, LORD God, about what You would have us do. We pray that justice will be done in all cases, at all times and in every

place. For justice sake, help us, we pray, to act: to act in the image and likeness of God.

This we pray in your name. Amen!

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## Nehemiah Action Monday, April 24, 2017 7:00 PM Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, N Charleston



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