

CAJM Family,

This past year has shown us that we are at our best when faced with challenges. This time last year we were entering the first Covid lockdowns and postponing our Nehemiah Action. And this time last year, each of you were faced with a choice: You could have chosen to throw in the towel. You could have decided not to host a house meeting. You could have decided that adapting to our new, virtual world was too difficult. But with every new challenge you all adjusted, you evolved, and you deepened your resolve and commitment to bringing justice to the Charleston area.

Because of YOUR resolve, last week at our Nehemiah Action, we saw the result of your tenacity: a CAJM record for Nehemiah Action turnout!

On March 2,356 of you (and counting!) joined together from your homes and from the safety of your cars at The Bend. And your presence was felt! One Network Member shared that she heard the honking cars at The Bend all the way across the Ashley River where she was watching the Action virtually with her family! And our public officials are already responding to your presence; **in less than a week, members of our healthcare committee were invited to a meeting with MUSC President Dr. David Cole and MUSC CEO Dr. Patrick Cawley.** In a year where you had every excuse to walk away from the justice ministry, you doubled down, you set records, and you gave our community hope.

Click Here to Watch the 2021 Nehemiah Action on Youtube!

What's next?

Speak up about racial bias in policing! CNA, the consulting company who is doing the racial bias audit of the North Charleston Police Department, is holding community listening sessions as a part of their process. These will be on April 6 and April 7 at 6:00 PM. It's important that we have a large CAJM presence at these sessions!

Click here to register for the April 6th session!

Click here to register for the April 7th session!

Mark your calendars for our annual CAJM Jubilee Celebration on May 17! This will be an outdoors, socially-distanced event. We are putting together some special entertainment for you, so if you have a kid or teenager who is interested in being part of the FIRST EVER CAJM DRILL TEAM, please contact CAJM Organizer Raynique Syas at raynique@thedartcenter.org.

