

2016 CAJM Rally

40 Days of Prayer in Preparation for the Nehemiah Action

"When I marched in Selma, I felt my legs were praying." (Rabbi Abraham Joshua Heschel)

God who is love and calls us to do justice,

Help us to remember Frederick Douglass who said, "I prayed for freedom for twenty years but received no answer until I prayed with my legs."

Remind us to remain strong in our resolve to stand together and work together for meaningful change, despite tactics of deflection, distraction, and delay.

Grant us the wisdom to move forward in facing our shared past and in so doing, deepening our understanding of the legacy of systemic racism that harms us all and requires open-eyed and constant attention to dismantle - in policing, education, housing, employment, and in every institution. As James Baldwin reminded us, "Not everything that is faced can be changed, but nothing can be changed until it is faced." Let us continue together the process of facing where we have been and where we are, and shaping where we will go to make Charleston a truly Holy City.

Give us your grace that we may link arms and pray with our legs until our leaders can no longer ignore our call, Your call, for justice.

Amen.

Amy Horwitz

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



CAJM is a network of 30 faith-based congregations who come together with one goal: to make the Charleston area more just. We are religiously, socio-economically, geographically, and racially diverse and together, we speak with one powerful voice for justice for our community.

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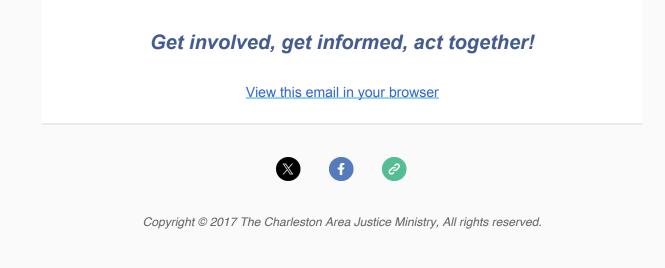
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