

COVID-19 Response

In the midst of the Global COVID-19 pandemic, Clergy leaders of RIAA, USA, Inc came together to decide how to assist the larger membership in navigating the crisis. The discussions led to several concepts and settled on beginning the efforts with prayer. This birthed the idea for weekly forty-five minute prayer and encouragement services, led by alumni and friends of Ricks Institute, through the end of May. Attendees were offered an opportunity to experience fellowship, music, prayer, and a word of encouragement with fellow Dragons. With music provided by the likes of Sherleen Totimeh, Rena Jarrett, and Carinne Titi Cooper, and words of encouragement from preachers such as A. Momolu Diggs, Lester Manley, Cornelius Pratt, and Charles H. Jones, the attendees have been blessed.

The efforts will continue on a monthly basis, beginning on June 28, with subsequent services on the third Sunday monthly. The Rev. Elroy Moore, Class of 1978, will be preaching. Said services begins at 4:00 Eastern, 3:00 Central, and 1:00 Pacific-all times are PM.

Please note that while the services have focused on dealing with the pandemic to date, subsequent services may focus on other current events and or challenges. We are seeking members and friends to participate in the services. Kindly contact Rev. Raphael Koikoi if you are interested and or want to suggest participants. All are welcome.