

THE REVEREND DEAN
LAWRENCE EDWARD CARTER SR., PHD

Retirement Celebration



MOREHOUSE

EVENTS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2026

11:00 A.M. *Doors open at 8:00 a.m.*

41st Annual Martin Luther King Jr. College of Ministers & Laity Induction Ceremony & Benjamin Elijah Mays Crown Forum



PREACHER:
The Honorable Reverend
Raphael G. Warnock '91, PhD
*Senior Pastor, Ebenezer Baptist Church
U.S. Senator (GA)*

PORTRAIT INDUCTIONS

MUSIC: The world-renowned
Morehouse College Glee Club

Martin Luther King Jr.
International Chapel



1:30 P.M.

Retirement Celebration Luncheon | The Reverend Dean Lawrence Edward Carter Sr., PhD

Franklin LaFayette Forbes Arena
More details are forthcoming.

4:00 P.M.

Thurman Thursday Dialogue Session



FACILITATOR:
The Reverend
Kenyatta R. Gilbert, PhD
*Dean, Howard University
School of Divinity, Howard University*

The Reverend Dean Gilbert will lead a conversation on **Vocational Pathways**, addressing a \$10 million grant given from the Lilly Endowment Inc., to support students interested in attending seminary.

Martin Luther King Jr. International Chapel
African American Hall of Fame, Second Floor

5:30 P.M.

“Open Mic”: Expressions of Appreciation For Dean Carter

An ‘open mic’ for individuals to express their well wishes and words of wisdom to The Reverend Dean Carter and his family as he prepares to retire on June 30, 2026.

Martin Luther King Jr.
International Chapel – Crown Nave

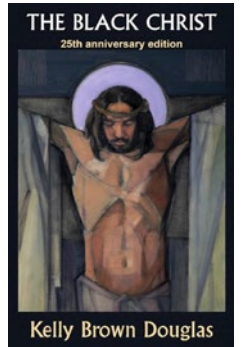


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7:00 P.M.

Author Talk: A Conversation on “The Black Christ”

Retirement celebrations continue with an Author Talk with the Reverend Canon on her book, *The Black Christ*, and oil portrait unveiling.



MODERATOR:
The Reverend Director
Michael Bernard Beckwith, D.D.
*Founder and Senior Minister
Agape International Spiritual Center
Los Angeles, California*

OIL PORTRAIT RECIPIENTS:

The Reverend Canon
Kelly Brown Douglas, PhD
*Visiting Professor of Theology,
Harvard Divinity School and
Canon Theologian of the
Washington National Cathedral
Recipient of the Gandhi, King, Ikeda
Community Builder's Award*



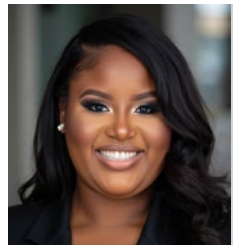
The Late Reverend James Hal Cone, PhD

*Bill & Judith Moyers Distinguished
Professor of Systematic Theology Union
Theological Seminary*



OIL PORTRAIT TRIBUTES BY:

The Reverend
Melanie C. Jones Quarles, PhD
*Assistant Professor of Ethics,
Theology and Culture Director,
Katie Geneva Cannon Center for
Womanist Leadership
Union Presbyterian Seminary*



The Reverend
JoAnne Marie Terrell, PhD
*Kenneth B. Smith, Sr.
Professor of Public Ministry
and Associate Professor of Theology,
Ethics and the Arts
Chicago Theological Seminary*

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SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2026

5:30 P.M.

The Dean's Sunday: Vesper Hour Service and Sermon Talkback

GUEST PREACHER:

The Reverend
Brad Ronnell Braxton, PhD
*President and Professor of
Public Theology
Chicago Theological Seminary*

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