

# A Kwanzaa Celebration : “A NIA Night & All That Jazz”

Sponsored by Global African Family & Friends Mission  
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\*\*\* Proceeds will be supporting the African Children's Educational Fund \*\*\*

\*\*\* Celebrating Purpose & the African  
Diaspora \*\*\*  
(SAVE THE DATE)

**WHEN: Saturday, March 21, 2009 – 7:30 pm to 1:00 am**

(Guest Arrival @ 7pm – Drumming & Pouring of Libation @ 7:30pm – Dinner Served @ 8pm w/Spoken  
Word Artists beginning 8:15pm)

Vegetarian -Caribbean & Vegan Cuisine Cash Food Bar w/ Cash Bar ..... Cultural Center Market Place

**WHERE: Hollywood Ballroom**

**2126 Industrial Parkway**

**Silver Spring, MD 20904**

(Approx. 3.75 miles North of the DC Beltway)

301.622.5494

\*\*\***FEATURED KEY GUEST**\*\*\*

**Marcus Johnson**

**Three Keys Music - National Smooth Jazz Keyboardist**

**GUEST ORACLE**

**Wesley Kabaila**

Co-Founder of Kwanzaa & Founder-Director of the Nat'l African American Congress Forum & The Congress of African People –  
Los Angeles, California

**GUEST SPOKEN WORD & VOCAL ARTISTS**

**“DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY TO REGGAE ROOTS &**

**CULTURE” w/DJ Anil**

**Request for Tickets call Akilah Karima on 410.693.4331...\$25.00 pp before 2/8/09.... \$30.00 pp thereafter....**

**Children & Student Discount....!**



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*Rev. Dr. Akilah Karima  
Founder & CEO*

*Dear Family & Colleague,*

*This coming year, I am launching a Spring Celebration of Kwanzaa, scheduled Saturday, March 21, 2009 beginning at 7pm. This celebration will be a fundraising event in support of "Global African Family and Friends Mission (GAFF), an entity of SOFM, Inc. for the advancement of African Children's Educational Fund. We have chosen the Kwanzaa principle "NIA" to exonerate purpose and feature our own national smoothjazz keyboardist, Marcus Johnson; Spoken Word & Vocal Artists along with esteemed community leaders as you.*

*During this time of securing a site for this event, the opportunity is being extended to each colleague to contribute towards a partnership network. Your partnership is very important and valuable. It would be my astounding privilege and honor to openly acknowledge your patronage towards this cause.*

*I must raise my total overhead expenses by February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 and my deposit by January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009 for the venue alone. Being that I am a community advocate without a local congregation and every event is supported by advocates of like minds, I am reaching out for your collectivity in any and every way. Tickets will be sold and the funds from the sales will accommodate the local and global project efforts of GAFF Mission. I am asking my partners each to sow a minimum of \$250.00. Your financial seed will assist in a great way!*

*Your support will be a countless attribute to the success of meeting the needs of the people within the African Diaspora. Please let me know how many tickets you will be able to assist in selling!*

*The invitation is not limited to financial partnership, it is also open for you to participate in the Cultural Center Market Place at the venue selected which is The Hollywood Ballroom – located 2126 Industrial Parkway in Silver Spring, MD. As a vendor at no extra cost to you, you will be gleaning innumerable customers and networking prospects and your business will be acknowledged attractively. A sponsorship package will be forthcoming for your perusal, participation and distribution. Bring tables, etc. and set up.*

*Please respond by returning your "partnership seed" no later than January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Make checks and money orders payable to SOFM, Inc. and forward to the above postal address. E-mail your confirmation to the [akilahkarima@yahoo.com](mailto:akilahkarima@yahoo.com).*

*Your expedient participation is greatly appreciated! Much love and grace.....*

*Educating the Community Indeed.....*

*Akilah*