

HOSPITAL!

by
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Messenger of Allah

The great necessity for the Southside Black People. You are well able to buy one, but you will not buy it. You have plenty of money down in the Loop, and are just drawing interest off of it, and you are begging the white man to build hospitals for us and to take care of our sick and wounded. I am asking you, the entire Black Southside Chicago, to help my followers and me to buy or build a hospital for our people. But, not our people alone; for the hospital is a place to accept those who seek hospitalization, regardless to color or creed. Otherwise, it would be suicide to specify a certain color. The hospital will be as all other hospitals. It will be for anyone who needs hospitalization and care.

One million Black People or members belonging to the Black Nation on the Southside of Chicago should be ashamed of not having five or ten hospitals on the Southside; not to think of not having one. We want a clean, modern, up-to-date hospital with beds in it that will not prolong the illness of the already ill person who lies down on it. We want something like a patient convalescent annex and a children's ward annex attached to the hospital.

There is a certain hospital that belongs to the white man that has this kind of set-up, and I do believe they will sell to us if we prove to them that we are interested. What is a million dollars to a million Black People on the Southside, for the purpose of building or buying themselves a modern hospital for their sick? You are afraid to spend your own

money for yourselves. My followers and I are not afraid to undertake any kind of burden that will help our people; and that includes you. But, you are stingy when it comes to Self; and you go running up and down the street, lying down at the door of the white man, begging him to help you. You are being helped to do something constructive when you help yourselves.

It is a shame to see our people at the door of the hospitals of the white people, waiting in turns to be treated or cared for. What are we going to do with the extra money we have, now lying in the white man's banks? Are we going to just let it lie there for interest for our own individual selves, while our people are suffering for the want of attention? This act is not love for self and kind at all.

The white man has prepared first aid and temporary hospital care everywhere there is a little village of people, not to think of great metropolitan cities. If you get hurt on the highway, not very many miles (sometimes not even a mile away) from the city, the white man has temporary hospital care for you.

It is a shame, Brother, for us to forever lie down at the foot of the white man to be cared for, after he gives us the freedom to care for ourselves. And, if you are for helping yourselves out of this condition, join up with us.

I say Doctors, let us unite and expand hospitalization for the Black Southside People. We, the Muslims, are with you if you are with us to do this job and do it right now. As years ago, I tried to get you interested in building a hospital and was hindered by some of you and the city officials. We, the Muslims, are envied by some evil demon-minded whites



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and Blacks when we do anything of good for the Black Man of the Southside. We have love for you and we want to show this love for you. Please make up your minds and help my followers and me to purchase or to build a modern hospital of at least 200 (two hundred) or 300 (three hundred) beds.

We are not excluding any race. We will care for everybody who comes to the hospital needing care; as the white man does not exclude you and me from giving us attention and medical care when we come to them in their hospitals. But, we should show the white man that we can do something ourselves in the way of building hospitals for our own Black sick people.

We want to help in doing something for Self. ARE YOU WITH ME?

Part II: Hospital

BY ELIJAH MUHAMMAD
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Why should not you respond in trying to build a house or purchase a house to help the white man to take care of your sick people? It makes the white man see us as a people who care not for our own selves in the way of good. We criticize him and blame him for all our ills, but yet we do not try to help ourselves in taking care of our ills. So stingy. So symbolically lavish-like. You would rather lie down at the door of the white man and beg him to do that which you can do for yourselves. What do you think he thinks of you, pouring your money into his banks by the thousands and millions of dollars, and yet will not try to build even a good house for yourselves, not to think of a house for the sick? You want to dump all of it on him

and give him your money to do whatever he wants to do with it. A foolish people.

YOU WILL probably give the Muslims credit for purchasing or building a hospital for you; but you do not get any credit yourselves by standing around, holding your money in your pockets and expecting to be benefited by what we do for the Black Man. We will do it, if it pleases Allah (God), but we certainly will remember you who have great bank accounts and great professions and sit down on us and wink at each other in mockery of us: "Let the Muslims do it and we will enjoy what they do". This does not help you any.

We want to show the world that after being free, we will exercise the intelligence and doings of the free man. We are not going to lie down at the door of any race or nation, begging them to do

that which we can do for ourselves. We will ask the nations of the Earth to help us with a push-off (as the common slang word goes), but we will not ask them to continue to stand behind the cart, pushing us. We do not beg to be given, but if you would like to trust us and loan us help, we will pay you back every penny. Allah is with us, to do something for Self.

Evil man, do not envy us because we are trying to do something for ourselves and God is with us, to help us; as it is written God helps those who help themselves. Now, do not stand out there and envy us in hopes of trying to do something to oppose our Divine Progress, lest you will find the sting of Divine Power against you.

Let us build a hospital or buy a hospital to help care for our sick and lame.

Black Educational Center

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IF, there ever was a time when the Black Man should get together, on the Southside of Chicago, and set up a Black Educational Center and Hospital... the time is now. The Black Man, of Chicago, needs many other businesses, in order to unite and do something for self. This will show the world that he can now put to use the education that the white man has given him and do something for self.

BUT, we are too afraid, to trust one another and help one another. Helping each other is helping self. We cannot get away from the old spirit of begging the white man to do everything for us.

WHEN, one of us tries to arouse the spirit of the Black Man, to do something for self, he is envied and hated. The majority turn against that one, because they are jealous of the fact that the idea did not come from them and that they could not get the support of the people in order to carry out the idea.

COLLECTIVELY, the Black People, have millions of dollars. But they are too suspicious and afraid to trust each other, to do something constructive, for the whole. Many of my followers are working like beavers, in order to try and do something which will dignify all of the poor, Black People of America.

WE NEED the cooperation of the intellectual and wealthy class of our

people. We are unable to get this cooperation. Do as my followers and our sympathizers are doing. We are asking you to help us. Do not sit down and refuse to take part in helping us to have a Black Educational Center and Hospital. Do not refuse to be a member of the staff just because you love to see your Black patient lying down in the hospital of the white man, which you know, is already filled to capacity.

WITH the Help of Allah (God) Who Came in the Person of Master Fard Muhammad, to Whom Praises are due forever, we will do everything of good, which we have in mind for our Black People.

OUR PLANS and efforts will not

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only dignify the Black Man of Chicago, but the results will also beautify the City of Chicago. We will have more peace between the two peoples, Black and white, because the mind of the Black Man will be directed into the constructive channel of thinking and doing something for self. Then he will not have the time to sit down and think about what someone should do for him, without his own, selfhelp.

A COMPLETE reform of the Black Man of America must come about. We must remember this. The Black Man of America, cannot get along with the civilized people of the earth, Black or white, in the way of equality, until he has laid down the old present way of thinking

and acting. He must have a new way of thinking that will bring about good results to him, when acted upon.

YOU, do not like being a Muslim, or being called a Muslim, because the white man has deprived you of the knowledge that you, we, the Black Man, was created Muslim, by nature. The knowledge that you are Muslim and what it means to be Muslim, will bring you love and friendship in all walks of life, throughout the earth, of man.

BUT, for years, you have tried to make love and have friendship with our open enemy. We are two different people, by nature. The Black Man is born of the righteous. Take your place among the Righteous.

"SHAKE thyself from the dust; arise... (Bible Is. 52:2).



The Honorable Elijah Muhammad