

Hope for Latin America

(Ed. note: Excerpts from Min. Abdullah's Saviour's address)



Minister Muhammad Abdullah

Today, Latin America is multiracial. Millions of Blacks were brought from Africa and enslaved throughout Latin America, and presently, all have lost the path to God and the path to unity regardless of race or nationality. The poor masses are still ignorant.

Since our problems have not been solved, the Nation of Islam offers us the solution under the wise leadership of the Honorable W.D. Muhammad.

I thank Allah (God) for giving me the understanding to see the redemptory and liberating force of Islam, and I ask Him to give me the strength to put into practice and preach to my people this teaching which will benefit them as it benefited me and the many other Latin Americans who have accepted Islam.

Angolan men and women united

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Organization (OMA) with spearheading the great advances Angolan women have made in every field of endeavor.

The OMA was established more than a decade ago and has served to instruct the women in such matters as survival — during the war years — and served as a recruitment arm of the armed forces. At present, all Angolan women between 18 and 35 are subjected to military duties.

Aside from assisting the women in survival matters, as well as domestic chores such as child rearing and medical aids, the OMA has worked to develop a "Consciousness" of responsibility among the women in regards to their obligations to the nation. The OMA efforts have extended to the male population also in urging a greater reflection on the rights or women.

Miss Lima, born of moderately wealthy parents —

unlike the great majority of Angolan women — had the fortune of the best education available in Angola, and received higher education at a university in Lisbon. This upbringing, however, failed to sever her cultural bond and sensitivity to the plight of her people, as in most cases of similar circumstances.

"I began to wonder why I had been privileged and others had not, and I began to feel a greater obligation to aid in the struggle of my people," she said.

Just one year prior to graduating, Miss Lima decided to return home and join in the struggle with the liberation forces to free Angola from the colonizers. At the same time, she and others of the OMA aided in developing the spirit of self-sacrifice among the women. As a member of the MPLA, she served in Lusaka, Zambia, as well as within the borders of Angola.

Muslim delegation meets Atlanta police

By Curtis Shahid Sharif

ATLANTA — A delegation of Mosque No. 15 officials met with the Atlanta Police Department's top administrative officers to discuss ways for closer cooperation between the two bodies which could serve to elevate the quality of life within the Atlanta community.

The meeting was arranged following directives from the Chief Minister of the Nation of Islam, the Honorable Wallace D. Muhammad, urging the Mosques to develop a working relationship with city administrators.

Both Muslims and police officials eagerly welcomed the meeting and viewed it as timely and necessary. Two meetings were held in Commissioner of Public Safety A. Reginald Eaves' staff room. The first meeting served as a forum to determine the issue and points to be discussed and programs to be implemented. A two-week interval provided time for gathering the information to be exchanged, and the refining of details in the programs.

The Muslim delegation was led by Minister Abdul-Rahman Aquil and included Mosque Captain Donathan X Kemp,



BN STAFFERS meet with members of the delegation from the MPLA and the People's Republic of Angola. (from left to right) Joe Walker, BN New York Bureau Chief; Ms Olga Lima, director of political affairs; Commandante Dibala, member of the Central Committee and political commissar of the Eastern Front; Pedro Zinga Baptista, foreign relations advisor; and Lonnie Kashif, BN Washington, DC Bureau Chief.

Steering Committee Chairman Harold TX Huggins, Accident and Mishap Committee Chairman Joseph 4X Galloway, and Fairness Committee Chairman Randolph X Davis. Commissioner Eaves welcomed the Muslims and praised their superb work in uplifting the general community. The director of every department within the Police Services Bureau was represented at the meeting, including Deputy Commissioner Eldrin Bell,

Major Joe Amos, and Major Howard Baugh.

The areas covered in the discussions included the establishment of a formal channel of communication between designated contact persons in each organization; a clarification and review of laws affecting the sale of Mosque products (Bilalian News, Whiting H&G Fish sardines, etc.); and the operation of Muslim-owned businesses in the community, preventative programs and

procedures to be established to minimize the possibility of police-community confrontations; and the development of cooperative ventures whose objectives would be to promote community development and positive image building. Future plans call for crime prevention lectures to various Mosque groups, cooperative community projects and intramural sports competition between police and Mosque teams.

Unity, stronger than ever

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Most new leaders who come to the world scene from obscurity usually stick close to the policies and programs of former leaders, even if they only play lip service to those policies and programs until they are firmly rooted with the people.

But, not the Honorable W.D. Muhammad, for his insight into his father's message made him keenly aware of the directions that the Nation of Islam must travel in. Any one of these major changes made by the Honorable W.D. Muhammad could have scattered the ranks of the Muslims.

However, Chief Minister Muhammad, putting his faith in Almighty God, and putting his faith in the innate goodness and ability of the people to perceive truth and do that which is right, made the changes that he deemed necessary, not only to facilitate the greater growth and development of the Nation of Islam, but to facilitate the greater growth and development of all of our people.

These changes demonstrate the Honorable W.D. Muhammad's honesty, integrity and moral character. These changes also demonstrate the ability of the membership of the Nation of Islam to accept these changes and come more



Minister Abdul H. Farrakhan

strongly behind the dynamic leadership of the Honorable W.D. Muhammad.

So, after one year of the Honorable W.D. Muhammad's leadership, the Nation of Islam in the West, is coming through the most difficult and trying period in our 46 year history stronger than we ever were before, and more ready than we ever were before to take up the giant responsibility of remaking the world.