The Politics of Race in the Obama Era: The Implications for the Church

A Public Workshop

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The election of Barack Obama as President of the United States offers a new and unprecedented opportunity to address race as a powerful social construct that shapes and impacts inter-group relations, issues of identity, public policy, and the understanding of our society as a diverse society.

For populations of color such as African Americans, Latinos/as, Native Americans, and Asian Americans there is much at stake. For the the dominant white community, the issues are compelling. You are invited to an evening of dialogue and examination of the politics of race in the Obama era in an atmosphere of openness.

This free workshop will examine with special interest implications for Latinos/as who are also mestizo or Afro-Latino. What does the Obama era mean for the church and the Latino/a church in particular?

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DATE AND LOCATION:

Tuesday, June 16, 2009 Location: Perkins Chapel

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

7:00-9:00 pm | Presentation & Discussion 9:00-10:00 pm | Reception

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