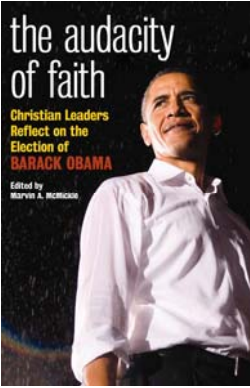


Does the Obama Election Signal a New Era in Race Relations for the U.S.?



Valley Forge, PA – *The Audacity of Faith: Christian Leaders Reflect on the Election of Barack Obama* is a rich and passionate compilation of sermons and essays from religious leaders across the Christian landscape, all reflecting on the historic 2008 election. Editor Marvin A. McMickle asked contributors:

1. Does a black man in the White House signify our arrival in the Promised Land – or do we still have a long way to go in pursuit of liberty and justice for all?
2. To what extent might Barack Obama’s election represent a fulfillment of Martin Luther King’s dream?
3. What words of prophetic challenge can we offer to President Obama?

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In addition, the book features the sermon preached at Nineteenth Street Baptist Church (Washington D.C.) the weekend before the inauguration, in the Obamas' presence, by Rev. Dr. Derrick Harkins.

These racially, denominationally, and politically diverse leaders view the impact of this momentous event through distinctly Christian eyes.

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