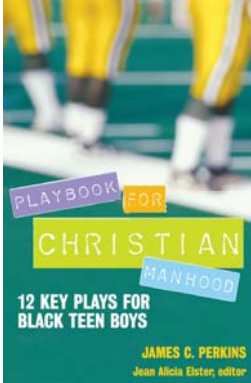


Coaching Boys on the Rules to the “Game of Life”

Valley Forge, PA – Pastor and boys academy founder Rev. Dr. James C. Perkins has written a book to meet the needs of African American tweens and teens. *Playbook for Christian Manhood: 12 Key Plays for Black Teen Boys* fills a critical void in resources for the 11-15-year-old demographic.



Based on his experience with the Benjamin E. Mays Male Academy in Detroit, Dr. Perkins offers a game plan which supplies twelve essential lessons to sustain black males in their growth from young boys to men of integrity and godly character.

Readers will find:

- An outline of life’s key “plays” including identity, purpose, and spirituality
- Practical approaches to financial responsibility, relationships, sexuality, leadership, and more
- An engaging, easy-to-read playbook format with basic formation, blocking and pass strategies, and a clear view of the goal line

Rev. Dr. W. Wilson Goode, Sr. of the Amachi program which mentors children of incarcerated parents writes in his foreword for the book, “Dr. Perkins has brilliantly woven real-life practical advice with proven research to present a roadmap for young African American males that should increase their likelihood of success.” Urban Promise president Bruce Main also praised Perkins’s book as a resource for youth workers, saying, “As a 25-year, urban youth ministry veteran wrestling continuously with questions surrounding identity and character formation in adolescent males, I cannot imagine a better and more urgently needed book for practitioners committed to developing a new generation of visionary leaders. Perkins’ book responds to one of the critical issues of our time.”

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