



# Reach Society

Building Connections

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**Welcome:** Dear Friends, here is our 2<sup>nd</sup> newsletter which provides highlights of some of our activities in 2014.

**About Reach Society:** Founded by a group of Black professional men in 2010. Our core purpose is to *encourage, motivate and inspire our boys and young men*



to own the development of their potential and make viable transitions into adult life. The Black community is rich in male pioneers and achievers; and Reach Society's ambition is to make it

easy for our boys and young men and the community as a whole to see, hear and to be inspired by them. Visit our website to find out more.

**Reach Society in the Community:** Our Role Models regularly visit Schools, Colleges, Universities and Youth Centres around the country. In January 2014, Reach Society ran a STEM employability day which involved workshops and panel discussion at City & Islington College. Over 350 students attended, with many finding this event highly rewarding. To see the full article visit: <http://www.candi.ac.uk/about-us/news/2013-14/january/title-8141-en.aspx> If you would like a Role Model to come and visit, please contact Mr Tony Tiyou: [tonytiyou@hotmail.com](mailto:tonytiyou@hotmail.com)



**'Our Story, By Us, For Us':** We are pleased to announce the publication of a children's edition of our successful book about the history of British people of African Caribbean origin

community. To order either book, visit: [www.reachsociety.com/pageview.php?page=Shop](http://www.reachsociety.com/pageview.php?page=Shop)

**Reach Society's 3<sup>rd</sup> Careers Conference:** Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Careers Conference took place on April 10<sup>th</sup> at **Westminster Central Hall** with over 850! people in attendance. The conference again featured a cohort of Black professionals from varied careers together with workshops such as; applying to university, improving your exam results and



employment opportunities. And yes, our 4<sup>th</sup> **Careers Conference** will take place in **2015!** -info in due course. See website for pictures and report of this year's and previous career conferences.

**Reach Society' wins award:** In June, City and Islington College honoured Reach Society with its Community



Partner Award for its impact on their students and staff. The Chairman of the Society, Dr Dwain Neil, said this honour was highly appreciated by everyone on its management team.

**Reach Society becomes a member of the Council of Leaders (The COL).** Along with 100BMOL, Church of God of Prophecy, Urban Synergy, REALLITY, RAFFA, EMIE Network, these 7 community organizations have come together to identify collectively matters that affect the black community. The executive team (The Trinity) consists of Mr Rudi Page executive director and Dr Frank Chinegwundoh and Mrs Marva Rollins as deputies. More info in due course.

**Reach Society's Network Conversation:** On the last Friday of every month (with the exception of August) professional Black men meet to discuss issues that affect our community; with the aim of finding solutions and building amity. Topics have included; Dr Frank



Chinegwundoh talking about Cancer in the black community, Matilda MacAttram director of Black Mental Health UK, Leslie Primo, Art Historian at the National Gallery, discussed the Abolition of

slavery in the UK. These conversations are open to any professional Black man. For more info contact Dr Donald Palmer 07932088211 or e: [db\\_palmer@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:db_palmer@yahoo.co.uk)

**FUTURE EVENT: Reach Society's Fund Raising/ Recognition Award Dinner:** On 18<sup>th</sup> October 2014, we



will be hosting our annual event at the **Charing Cross Hotel** to honour the men and women who have reached back to help our young people. For more

info contact Dr Dwain Neil at [info@reachsociety.com](mailto:info@reachsociety.com)

*We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their continued help and support.*