Good evening, please see listed below a press release for an amazing event that Dr. Ramona Hyman of Loma Linda University organized. You may click the link or see below....God Bless You!

Dr. Ramona Hyman, Associate Professor of Humanities, School of Religion at Loma Linda University presented the African American Seventh-Day Adventists: Healers in a Multi-Cultural Nation program on Saturday, February 16, 2013

Associate Professor, Dr. Ramona Hyman, presented the African American Seventh-Day Adventists: Healers in a Multi-Cultural Nation.

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Dr. Ramona Hyman, author, performance artist, poet and Associate Professor of Humanities, School of Religion at Loma Linda University, created and held an African American Seventh-Day Adventists program called Healers in a Multi-Cultural Nation on
Saturday, February 16, 2013 at Loma Linda University Church in Loma Linda, California. Dr. Mervyn Warren, Dean, School of Religion at Oakwood University preached during the first service on “Faith Hall of Famers: Are we there yet? and Dr. Calvin Rock, retired pastor, educator and Vice President of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists preached during the second service on “Healed by Something Better”. An amazing panel discussion on Healers in a Multi-Cultural Nation was followed up in the Damazo Amphitheatre, Centennial Complex with dynamic speakers Dr. Benjamin Baker, Dr. Andy Lampkin, Dr. Andrea Trusty King, Mr. Anthony Paschal and Dr. Maury Jackson discussing the importance of Healing in a Multi-Cultural Nation for African Americans and all Americans. The dynamic and healing program ended with a Vespers gospel concert with Daughters of Zion and the Valley Crossroads Chorale and a touching tribute, honor and presentation to celebrate the work of two dedicated African Americans Drs. David and Maxine Taylor Professor of Religion and Assistant Professor of Nutrition and Dietetics at Loma Linda University.

The program, Healers in a Multi-cultural nation, is the mantra that Dr. Ramona Hyman wants everyone to voice anytime someone opens his or her mouth in America. “I hope that as people think of African Americans they will think of a people whose improvisational spirit helped them to survive and flourish though they were enslaved. I hope that as people think of the African American, they hear the sweet, multi-generational “souls of black folk.” In my soul I find in the African American a seed of healing that has imbued within the African American veins of beauty, strength and a love that binds us, that holds us and that rocks us,” says Dr. Hyman.

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**About Dr. Ramona Hyman** – Dr. Ramona Hyman is a native of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She is an Associate Professor of Humanities, School of Religion at Loma Linda University. In addition to, she is an author, performance artist, essayist and poet. She earned her B.A from Temple University, her MA from Andrews University and her PhD from the University of Alabama. Dr. Hyman has served as a speaker for the Alabama Humanities Foundation and a poet in resident for the Alabama State Council on the Arts and the Huntsville Arts Council. She has been the recipient of the National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Seminars for College Teachers grant. Dr. Hyman has served as an adjudicator for Faculty Research Awards for the National Endowment for Humanities in Washington, D.C. Dr. Hyman’s literary work has been included in journals and anthologies such as Amiri and Amini Baraka’s *An Anthology of African American Women Writers* (Marrow Press), *African American Pulpit, Message, and African American Review*. She is
a consulting editor for Message and the author of the collection of poetry, *In the Sanctuary of a South*. Dr. Hyman’s stories are designed for all audiences: academic institutions, religious and social organizations.

Dr. Hyman is currently available to conduct seminars and lectures and present her poetry and stories to churches and businesses. For more information, you may email her at rhyman@llu.edu.

**About Loma Linda University** – Loma Linda University (LLU) is a Seventh-day Adventist educational health-sciences institution with more than 4,000 students located in Southern California. Eight schools comprise the University organization. More than 55 programs are offered by the schools of Allied Health Professions, Dentistry, Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Public Health, Religion and Behavioral Health. Curricula offered range from certificates of completion and associate in science degrees to doctor of philosophy and professional doctoral degrees. Students from more than 80 countries around the world and virtually every state in the nation are represented in Loma Linda University’s student body. LLU also offers distance education. For more information, visit the website at www.llu.edu.