

NEWS

Juneteenth National Freedom Day Parade

The Unity Group and Coalition Partners are preparing for the Juneteenth National Freedom Day Parade 2022. The Parade will take place on Saturday June 18. We will assemble for line-up at the Carver Recreation Center at 3 PM. At 4 PM, the

Parade will begin and proceed down N. Orchard Knob Ave., ending at the Community Haven, where we will have the Juneteenth National Freedom Day Gala which will feature music, education, entertainment, food, and youth activities.

Juneteenth is the oldest and most continuous African-American holiday. It marks the occasion when General Gordon Granger issued General Order No. 3 in 1865 which informed America's last slaves that they were in fact free. In 2021, Juneteenth became an official national holiday after many years of tireless advocacy.

We are inviting churches, organizations, youth groups and the community at-large to be a parade participant this year. On this year, we especially want to acknowledge the service and sacrifice of the United States Colored Troops, Buffalo Soldiers, and African-American military veterans. America's "New Birth of Freedom" would not have been self-evident without them.

The Parade will culminate our week-long Juneteenth Commemoration. The theme on this year is: Freedom is not Free: Honoring the Past-Pressing Towards the Future. We will be providing more information on the Parade and week-long celebration in the upcoming weeks
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TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

(Nehemiah 9:17, NLT)

They refused to obey and...became stubborn and appointed a leader to take them back to their slavery in Egypt. But you are a GOD of forgiveness, gracious and merciful, slow to become angry, and rich in unfailing love. You did not abandon them...

TODAY'S WORD

When the Israelites were in the desert on the way to the Promised Land, they got tired, started complaining, and wouldn't obey GOD's commands. But GOD didn't say, "You're done." HE kept providing them water and food and helping them defeat their enemies. At one point they made an idol and said, "This is the god that brought us out of slavery." After all GOD had done for them, you would think GOD would say, "All right, you're on your own," but GOD would not abandon them. When we make mistakes, GOD doesn't abandon us. When we don't follow HIS commands, we get off course, but GOD doesn't give up on us. Even when we ignore HIM or give somebody else the credit that HE deserves, HE doesn't say, "I'll show you who's in charge." He's full of mercy. HE won't turn HIS back on you. You may have made some poor decisions, but through HIS grace and unfailing love, HE already has a new way to get you to your destination.

PRAYER FOR TODAY

FATHER, thank YOU for YOUR mercies that are new every morning and for YOUR great unfailing love. Thank YOU that my mistakes and failures are not too much for YOUR mercy. I believe that I am covered by YOUR grace and that YOU will get me to my destination. In JESUS' Name, Amen.

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