





RACE, RELIGION & SOCIAL JUSTICE CONFERENCE



Fueling the Work 2025

2025 Race, Religion, and Social Justice Conference Schedule

 **Location:** Tri-Faith Commons

 **Date:** Wednesday, June 11, 2025

Morning

7:15 – 8:30 AM | Registration & Breakfast | Marys' Hall, Countryside Community Church

- Catered breakfast and networking – Chef Jamil Bah Traore, House of Bah

7:15 AM – 4:00 PM | Art Exhibit | Narthex Countryside Community Church

- **Cows of Colour:** A Metaphor for Healthy Race Relations

8:30 – 8:45 AM | Welcome & Opening Remarks

- Conference overview and land acknowledgment
Co-Chairs, led by Paul Williams

8:45 – 9:30 AM | Opening Plenary

- *Keynote Speaker:* Jamil Bah Traore, House of Bah

Mid-Morning Breakout Sessions

9:45 – 10:40 AM | Breakout Session 1

(Choose one of five concurrent sessions)

1. **Breaking Bread, Building Bridges:** An Interfaith Culinary Arts Experience
Location: Countryside Community Church Sanctuary
2. **Portraits of Courage:** Ways to Build Resilience in the Face of Racism and Hate – 30-minute documentary
Location: Countryside Community Church Chapel
3. **The Blackamerican Muslim Experience:** Survival Guide for Blackamerican Muslims in the Masjid
Location: Countryside Community Church Priscilla
4. **Psychological Safety:** “Fueling” the Work of Race, Religion and Social Justice
Location: Tri-Faith Center Lower Level



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5. **Trauma-Informed Social and Emotional Learning (SEL):** Practices in Schools

Location: American Muslim Institute Lower Level

10:40 – 11:00 AM | Break

Late Morning Breakout Sessions

11:00 AM – 11:55 PM | Breakout Session 2

(Choose one of five concurrent sessions)

1. **From Seed to Society:** A Freshness Revolution Rooted in the Imago Dei for Social Healing and Food Justice.
Location: American Muslim Institute Lower Level
2. **Spiraling Up to Build Peace**
Location: Tri-Faith Center Lower Level
3. **Unsung Heroes:** Historical Exclusion and Addressing Lost Stories in Undergraduate Education.
Location: Countryside Community Church Sanctuary
4. **Feeding Hope:** How Faith, Family, and Food Can Help (or Harm) Black LGBTQIA+ Youth.
Location: Countryside Community Church Chapel
5. **Soufra Welcomes Immigrant Women**
Location: Countryside Community Church Priscilla

Midday

12:00 (noon) – 1:45 PM | Lunch & Networking | Temple Israel Social Hall

- Tabling at Countryside
- Lunch at Temple Israel
- Tours at all four buildings
- *Midday Prayers at American Muslim Institute: 1:30 – 1:40 pm*



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Afternoon Plenary

1:45 – 2:40 PM | Plenary Session | Temple Israel Sanctuary

- **Serving More Than Food:** Culinary Arts as a Path to Purpose and Belonging
Panel Discussion featuring chefs, their stories, and their work

Afternoon Breakout Sessions

2:55 – 3:45 PM | Breakout Session 3

(Choose one of four concurrent sessions)

1. **The Miseducation of Christian Nationalism:** Unpacking Toxic Theology
Location: Temple Israel Chapel
2. **The Meaning of Food and Life and Other Surveys:** Using Data to Feed Our Neighbors
Location: Temple Israel Social Hall
3. **Food as a Weapon:** How Food Can Be Used as a Tool for Hatred
Location: Temple Israel Sanctuary
4. **God's Work, Our Witness:** Becoming an Antiracist Church Through Education, Discernment, and Commitment
Location: Temple Israel – is there a 4th location in the lower level

Closing

4:00 – 4:45 PM | Closing Plenary & Call to Action | Temple Israel Sanctuary

- *Panel Discussion: TFI Faith Partners Senior Clergy and Religious Scholars*

4:45 – 5:00 PM | Closing Remarks & Sendoff

This preliminary schedule offers a representative glimpse of the dynamic and diverse programming planned. Final details are subject to change.
