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Why Black Marriage Day?

Black Marriage Day will be celebrated Sunday, March 26, 2023. It is celebrated annually at locally sponsored events hosted by faith-based and community groups on the fourth Sunday of each March. Starting with only 30 cities in 2003, marriage activists in hundreds of cities up to the present celebrate Black Marriage Day to highlight the benefits of marriage, pay tribute to successful marriages, and to promote marriage in the Black Community.

Local government proclamations have recognized Black Marriage Day as promoting the strong families needed to build and maintain safe and healthy communities.

More than 300 local sponsors plan to celebrate Black Marriage Day 2023 Sunday, March 26, 2022, with the theme: “***Count Your Marriage as Joy.”***

Black Marriage Day is sponsored by the Wedded Bliss Foundation, Inc., Founder and Executive Director, **Dr.** **Nisa Muhammad**, created the national initiative to create cultural change in the Black community to reconsider marriage. The Black community has the lowest rates of marriage and needs a specific effort to help reduce out of wedlock childbirths and reduce divorce.

Marriage is the most important relationship in an adult's life next to God. Studies show that, for the couple, marriage produces longer life, better health, higher income, and a greater accumulation of wealth. Couples report better sexual relations and their children tend to do better in life. In communities where marriages flourish, the property value is higher, crime is lower and there are better schools. In communities where marriages fail, or fail to happen, the opposite exists; property values are lower, crime is higher and schools are poor.

The Black community has suffered for years with declining marriage rates, increasing divorces and nearly 70 percent of their children being born out of wedlock, according to US Government figures, with Black women being the most unpartnered group in the country. The goal is to change those statistics and help more families have the benefits of married parents.

***Count Your Marriage as Joy!***

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