

# RE-CAP

Reimagining Ministry  
Bringing all the pieces together  
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# The Census

- ❑ The Census count deadline is now September 30<sup>th</sup> and the census does not count only U.S. citizens. It counts every person living in the country on Census Day, including unauthorized immigrants and green card holders.
- ❑ The Black Community is often under counted due to the incarceration rate of black people which is five times the rate of white people, meaning young black men will be counted by the census as residing within a prison which inflates the population count (and political representation) depriving the black communities where many of those men will ultimately return.
- ❑ Approximately than \$1.5 trillion a year is distributed to communities based on the Census (Medicaid, SNAP, the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher program, Head Start, and Highway Planning and Construction.)



# “Lets Move” Campaign

- ❑ The power of our vote.
- ❑ The urgency to vote.
- ❑ The impact of not voting.

# “Pastor, Pew and Politics”

- ❑ Pastors no longer have the luxury of choosing to be either prophetic or priestly. It is the pastor’s responsibility to challenge politicians to do right by the people
- ❑ Movement building from the pews is a deep socio-spiritual engagement. Evangelism and discipleship understood in this context is not only personal piety but also social sanctification through civic engagement
- ❑ We must embrace the power of pastors and laity strategically advocating for a divine racially just agenda inside and outside the halls of power. In our official capacity as clergy and congregations, we cannot be politically partisan, but our lives depend on us being political.

