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The workshop session will take an energetic, creative, fun and challenging look at some negative stereotypes, myths and misconceptions about different groups in America (people of color).

My Objective

Participants leave the session with constructive questions about their personal beliefs, prejudices and biases. Included within the session, some information and discussion on various issues preventing peaceful human relations and promoting silence and "comfort". Participants will question race relations, co-existence, shared economics and co-responsibility for peace, equity, and justice between all races, creed and colors (with an emphasis on blacks and whites.)

My Motto

We will all meet someday... Soon! Are you ready? Other questions that will be explored: Why do people live up to these stereotypes? Can we succeed in America without peace? What are the dangers in living, internalizing and believing stereotypes? Why do people believe them? What happened to Black America, we never used to think or believe this way?

PRESENTER

Eddie Moore, Jr. attends the University of Iowa working on his Ph.D. in Education; Social Foundations. Eventually his research and work will focus on race, race relations, motivating young black males and multicultural education. Moore grew up in the housing projects. His environment and surroundings were poor, but filled with caring and sharing adults and community members. It was a village. Life experiences included drug dealing, drug usage and alcohol abuse and each pointed him down a bad road to nowhere fast! At the end of his career and life, Moore wants to be known as a proud African American man who aggressively, consistently and honestly has pursued all his goals. He wants to be remembered as a hard worker who combined honesty and commitment to reach success, and an unselfish and committed coach and educator who dedicated his professional life to providing opportunity and developing hope within children (especially, young African American males).