

## **CONCERNED PASTORS TO PRESENT TRENTON HOMEBUYING SEMINAR**

**TRENTON, NJ** - The Concerned Pastors of Trenton & Vicinity are presenting a free educational and informational Home Buying Opportunity Seminar on October 16<sup>th</sup> and again on October 29<sup>th</sup> starting at 6:00 pm at the First Baptist Lighthouse Outreach Center at 715 Bellevue Avenue in Trenton, NJ. Dinner sandwiches and refreshments will be served, and childcare will be available on site. Designed specifically for Trentonians, these seminars, will explain what choices people have when it comes to homeownership and more importantly, which choice works best for them.

“Seeing the spectacular turnout of 250 people and the immense interest which Trentonians had in the Leewood Renaissance Homes’ recent new homes development Open House, Concerned Pastors, an organization of over 30 Trenton area churches, recognizes that there is a real need for education and information on the process and value of home ownership for those who are currently renting,” said Pastor Wayne Griffith of First Baptist Lighthouse Outreach Center. “We set out to help fulfill that need by organizing these homebuyer information seminars with recognized local experts in their fields.”

The seminar will offer short explanations of three main areas of interest to those considering whether home ownership could be for them now or in the future: mortgage qualification; the buying process and the benefits and values of homeownership; and credit repair and counseling.

Those who attend the seminars will hear the words of other Trentonians who have successfully, comfortably, and with dignity moved through the process to home ownership, when they were ready. There will be time for questions and for individuals to talk with the experts.

“For those who have never even dreamed they could qualify to own a home, these free seminars will offer both hope and reliable guidance and information to help folks make reasonable decisions on whether home ownership could be a real opportunity,” added Reverend Dr. J. Stanley Justice of Mt. Zion AME Church, Trenton, and a member of the Concerned Pastors. Rev. Justice explained that, “Each attendee will leave with valuable information about whether home ownership is right for him or her, and, if so, how to take the next steps toward homeownership, economic empowerment, and security. ”

A leading specialist in financing homes in Trenton, Lillian Hernandez of Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Trenton Office, will speak on the mortgage qualification process, 100% thirty-year fixed mortgage and closing cost assistance availability, as well as other fixed payment mortgage types. Hernandez commented, “It is amazing how many people who did not think they could qualify for a thirty-year, fixed payment mortgage, actually can. And, if they work in Trenton, there is a special NJ State “Live Where You Work” mortgage with unparalleled advantages.”

The leading Trenton developer of new homes, Leewood Real Estate Group/NJ, will explain the values, benefits, home buying processes and show the experiences of other Trentonians who have become homeowners. Michael Fink, CEO of Leewood NJ, commented, ”For most Americans, including those in Trenton, home ownership is not only the way to have a secure comfortable place to live and raise a family, but it is the way to build wealth and savings over time.” A licensed local Credit Counselor will address how, if needed, to get on the road to good enough credit to purchase a home through free credit counseling and repair.

If you are interested in attending the seminar, it would be helpful to insure sufficient food and child care, to RSVP to the First Baptist Lighthouse Outreach Center at (609) 989-9992.