## THE BLACK KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY

Know thyself, **love thyself** 

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#### OUR MISSION

# WELCOME!



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The Black Knowledge Society is a resource hub designed to:

- direct the international black community to credible materials, promoting true reflections of that which unites us.
- mobilise the black community to establish economic and social strength, through the principles outlined by the honourable Marcus Mosiah Garvey, evolved today by <u>Dr Claud Anderson</u>

We believe the cure to what collectively can be defined as <u>self-hate</u> and all its by-products, is to actively pursue the UNIFYING truths of who we are, where we are coming from and how, collectively, we can make better, more informed decisions about our tomorrow, in order for our people to thrive – with or without <u>reparations</u>.

Is the closest black society can hope for in terms of reparations <u>aid</u> from the international development sector - which itself has long stood accused <u>of perpetuating</u> <u>racist myths of white-supremacy</u>, denying ethnic minorities from occupying merited top flight positions?

With <u>a number of studies</u> and articles attributing the socio-political clout of other racial groups within society to civic partnership and economic, we too must assert these principles: adopting the practices of group economics, social and financial cooperation, in order to build structures that serve us. To this end, we have a vast range of resources from media articles, e-books, web links to black-owned enterprise, videos and presentations for you to consume at leisure. And as you consume, we challenge you to produce - by sharing the knowledge, giving back and impacting your immediate black ecosystem. Our progress as a people depends on it!

We recognise the imperative of building <u>black cooperatives</u>. That's why every month, we will host a live meeting, via our social media channels, where a leading mind with expertise in a key field of knowledge engages in discussion and points to solutions on a critical topic. The ambition? To stir our consciousness to a place of meaningful collective action.

We're trying something new, to foster values and virtues of self-love, self-actualisation; unity, mental, emotional and material prosperity.

This is not for everyone; but for those who are ready, please join us on this journey...

Abundant life & love to all,

BKS Team.

## MEDIA BLACKWASH



The Black Lives Matter campaign, alongside the Covid-19 pandemic has dominated our news feeds for the past few months.

But as the dust settles, we must ask ourselves, is the struggle the latest trend, running parallel to Netflix and TikTok? Or have we somehow moved into the change is coming scenario?

The tragic images of George Floyd's death on 25th May propelled systemic racism into all our consciousness.

The lockdown and our dependence on daily news updates, allowed people to sympathise with a four-hundred-year problem. The black injustices have existed before the pandemic. So why now?

Why has the media grabbed on to the issues and run with them?

There are various questions to ask, as well as solutions that have been staring us in the face.

It is time to control the narrative and turn conversations into actions.

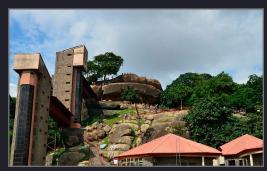
Whatever the agenda, this is the time to support black business, empower our children and break the "school-to-prison pipeline" with sustainable fervor.

### Shifting perspectives on the continent

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Take the tour of Olumo Rock. Discover the abundant natural beauty, so often hidden - a- and the enduring history of this ancient cultural site, vested with spiritual significance.

Special thanks to tour guide, Adebayo Modupe and the team at Nubia Africa.



Olumo Rock ; Ogun State, Nigeria

## **RESOURCES DIRECTORY**

### Five links to...

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#### **Read:**

- Black professionals are going through a lot! is an emotive articulation of how many may be feeling as employees within dispassionate, structurally racist organisations.
- Building our economic 'blackbone': the absence of economic strength is the absence of influence, power, platform.

### Watch:

- The Marcus Garvey documentary is the perfect starting point for anyone newly introduced to the concept of black nationalism, wanting to better understand the advantages of unity
- The Legacy of Black Trauma

#### Shop:

• Apart from being a comprehensive black educational platform, <u>Black</u> <u>History Studies</u> has an online store, where a range of quality learning resources can be purchased. The staff are knowledgeable, professional and deliver excellent customer service.

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