Racial Diversity & Spiritual Care:

An Unconscious Bias Workshop



An educational event for Spiritual Caregivers led by Rev. Dr. Ebony D. Only

Saturday, September 16, 2023

10:00 am—11:30 am
(Presentation 10:00—10:50; Q&A 11:00-11:30)

Bishop Anderson House

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\$10 for SCVT Alum / \$20 for General Participants

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Registration closes Tuesday, September 12 at 5:00 pm. Space is limited, register early!

Everyone has unconscious biases. But when left unchecked, it creates blind spots by causing us to ignore individuals, opinions and ideas. **Don't let bias negatively affect your spiritual care encounters.** This Unconscious Bias workshop shows us how to avoid preconceived opinions and stereotypes to enhance teamwork, collaboration and productivity. The 50 minute, interactive course explains the steps we can take to prevent biased attitudes and behaviors from interfering with our decisions and interactions to foster a more empathetic and welcoming culture that invites diverse viewpoints and ideas.

We will learn:

- What unconscious bias is
- How biases can influence our decisions and interactions
- How to recognize different types of biases and make more informed decisions

This session is being recorded for future use in the Spiritual Care Visitor Training program curriculum.

Rev. Dr. Ebony D. Only serves as the Inaugural Community Chaplain Fellow for Bishop Anderson House and is the Executive Pastor of First Baptist Church of University Park in University Park, IL.

She received her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology from Chicago State University, Master of Arts in Human Resources from Fort Hays State University, Master of Ministry in Pastoral Leadership from Lee University School of Religion and earned the Doctorate of Ministry Degree from the Samuel Dewitt Proctor School of Theology at Virginia Union University.

Guided by 1 Peter 2:9, Ebony has been called to the care, education, coaching and empowerment of her brothers and sisters, accompanying them while they discern their spiritual path and discover their full potential.



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