



## National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)

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W.E.B. Du Bois speaks to NAACP members at the Bethel A.M.E. Church in San Francisco to discuss topics such as: politics, education and economics to improve the lives of minorities on Feb. 19, 1946.

### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH: NAACP REMEMBERS AN IMPORTANT MEMBER, LEADER, AND ACTIVIST**

PITTSBURGH (Feb 12, 2018) - The NAACP remembers W.E.B. Du Bois during this February, the American Black History Month, to motivate it's members to continue to strive for change.

W.E.B. Du Bois, an American civil-rights activist and co-founder of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), was also the first African American to receive a doctorate degree.

Du Bois fought to end racism and protested against discrimination in politics, the workplace and through education. His work to uplift the black community and empower members of the NAACP is what makes him a role model for NAACP members.

In 1946, Du Bois addressed NAACP members to discuss important topics in society and because of his words of equality, encouragement and progression, the NAACP is now one of the most influential civil-rights organizations in the United States of America.

His work is a demonstration that even a simple conversation can go a long way in bringing people of all identities, together. "There is in this world no such force as the force of a person determined to rise," said Du Bois. "The human soul cannot be permanently chained." And with these words in mind, the NAACP urges members to continue rising.

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To continue the conversation our founding leaders started, join the NAACP in two religious summit events. The Western PA Religious Summit event will be held at The Church in the Round on Mar. 9, 2018 and the Eastern PA Religious Summit at St. Paul's Baptist Church will be on Mar. 16, 2018.

For more information on these events, please visit the Pittsburgh NAACP at website [www.PAstateNAACP.org](http://www.PAstateNAACP.org).

*Sincerely,  
Dr. Joan Duwall-Flynn, president*

**About The NAACP:**

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is a civil rights organization in the United States. The mission of the NAACP is to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate race-based discrimination.

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