

# LAY WITNESSES FOR CHRIST INTERNATIONAL

"CHAPLAINS TO THE  
WORLD'S CHAMPIONS"

DR. SAM AND SHARON MINGS,  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS



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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Dr. Sam Mings and I'm the co-founder, along with my wife Sharon, of Lay Witnesses for Christ International. We are the largest sports chaplaincy ministry in the world. For over 35 years, we have attended the Olympic Games and witnessed the transforming power of God's love alongside some of the world's greatest athletes. This past summer, we completed our 8<sup>th</sup> Summer Olympic outreach during the London Olympic Games.

Among the many individuals who gave of their time, resources, and service to this endeavor was a remarkable young woman named **Imani Brooks-Wheeler**. She was so impressive, in fact, that when I read her online application for our volunteer missions program, I was intrigued and called her immediately. After discussing her extensive experience in ministry and media, I made the exclusive decision to appoint her as Assistant Media Director over our efforts in the UK. Upon presenting her credentials to my board of directors, the decision was overwhelmingly unanimous.

This young woman exudes sterling character that extends far beyond her years. She willingly made substantial personal sacrifices to raise her own funds for this mission. Even down to the last moment, she would not give up and her faith has paid off in many ways as a result. Imani believed in our vision from the start and executed her duties as a chaplain (she serves at one of the top pediatric hospitals in the country) and as a media entrepreneur with exceptional grace under pressure. Among our executive council, everyone shared the same sentiments about her extraordinary leadership, passion for God, and incomparable love for people. She willingly fulfilled tasks that were assigned to her at a moment's notice and never uttered a complaint. She took the lead as a facilitator among her peers during their street witnessing efforts at Peckham Square in London. Undoubtedly, an indelible impact was made on the lives of everyone she touched, from individuals in the streets to her own fellow colleagues. Her unwavering faith to carry out this mission, despite all personal odds that came against her, demonstrated that she is not just someone who loves God; she has been chosen divinely by the Hand of God as a remnant in the earth.

In Imani Brooks-Wheeler, you will find a young woman with a wealth of wisdom, unprecedented integrity and a resourceful conduit to kingdom growth. I wholeheartedly support her ventures as her ministry expands beyond the United States onto a global stage. She stands as a gift from God to this generation, walking forward as an amazing vessel of His honor. I guarantee that your life will be blessed to know her and your business and/or ministry will expand exponentially by sowing into the good ground of her humanitarian efforts around the world.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dr. Sam Mings, Sr.", written over a white background.

Dr. Sam Mings, Sr./ President & Executive Director