Black Liberation Month

Preparation for a Spring Offensive

which is:

- Revitalization of our struggle against racism and colonial exploitation
- Support for political prisoners
- Support for peace with justice in Palestine, Southern Africa, Vietnam and Chile
- The study of our peoples struggles
- The celebrations of our heroes and culture
DO WE NEED BLACK LIBERATION MONTH?

Brother Malcolm X gave a basic answer (June 28, 1964):
"When we send our children to school in this country they learn nothing about us other than that we used to be cotton-pickers. Every little child going to school thinks his grandfather was a cottonpicker. Why, your grandfather was Nat Turner; your grandfather was Toussaint L'Ouverture; your grandfather was Hannibal. Your grandfather was some of the greatest Black people who walked on this earth. It was your grandfathers hands who forged civilization and it was your grandmothers hands who rocked the cradle of civilization. But the textbooks tell our children nothing about the great contributions of Afro-Americans to the growth and development of this country."

(Quiz? Do you know the great heroes mentioned by Malcolm? Nat Turner, Toussaint L'Ouverture, Hannibal)

In 1970, the Tennessee General Assembly passed a law stating that all school districts should expose their students to Black history and the contributions of Black people to the U.S. and to the world.

Understanding the history of Black people in Nashville, in the U.S., in Africa, in the Caribbean, in the world, is an important step in the pursuit of the full and correct knowledge that will help us in building self respect and a better society.

Suggested reading for BLACK LIBERATION MONTH

THE CHOICE: The issue of Black survival in America
by SAMUEL F. YETTE
BLACK BOURGEOISIE
by E.FRANKLIN FRAZIER
BLACK RAGE
by W.H. GRIER and P.M. COBBS
CAPITALISM AND SLAVERY
by ERIC WILLIAMS
THE MYTH OF BLACK CAPITALISM
by EARL OFARI
THE NEGRO CHURCH IN AMERICA
by E.FRANKLIN FRAZIER
AFRICA MUST UNITE
by KWAME NKRUMAH
HOW EUROPE UNDERDEVELOPED AFRICA
by WALTER RODNEY

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Fredrick Douglass, a leader in the cause of negro emancipation, was born a slave in Maryland in 1817. Taught to read and write by the wife of one of his masters, he became a keen student and eloquent speaker. He escaped slavery and settled in New Bedford, Mass. where he married and authored "Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave". Its success forced him to flee to England and Haiti, where friends succeeded in purchasing his freedom.

On his return to the United States, he published an abolitionist newspaper, helped more than 400 slaves escape to Canada and organized two negro regiments. After the war, Douglass served as Secretary of the Santo Domingo Commission, New York, U.S. Marshall and Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia and Minister to Haiti.
Dr. Carter G. Woodson, noted Black historian, set aside the second week of February in commemoration of the February 13th birthday of Frederick Douglass. Peoples College as a part of a national movement desires to actively continue Dr. Woodson's work, in a way consistent with the progress of our people:

FROM NEGRO TO BLACK

WE HAVE REVOLUTIONIZED OUR SELF AWARENESS AND DEVELOPED A POSITIVE IDENTITY OF SELF AFFIRMATION.

FROM HISTORY TO LIBERATION

WE HAVE MOVED FROM USING HISTORY FOR AWARENESS TO USING KNOWLEDGE TO CONCRETELY PLAN AND STRUGGLE FOR OUR LIBERATION.

FROM WEEK TO MONTH

OUR COMMITMENT HAS GROWN TILL WE SYMBOLICALLY HAVE CHANGED FROM 1/52 OF OUR TIME TO 1/12 OF OUR TIME. WE MUST 'SEIZE THE TIME.'

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