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NATIONAL CATHOLIC CONFERENCE FOR INTERRACIAL JUSTICE

NCCIJ is a Catholic organization working for inter-racial justice and social concerns in America. The Christian must be a man of justice and the community its proclaimer. For the past 13 years NCCIJ has initiated programs within and outside of the Catholic Church to end discrimination in: Housing, Employment, Education, Health Care and Community Development. NCCIJ informs, encourages and assists the Catholic community in the promotion of justice and charity in race relations and social concerns. Power for social change needs perseverance staying power and a network of people giving power. The choices of today already condition the life of tomorrow. To transcend racial divisions and build a new community, the NCCIJ focus for the 70's will be: Racial Genetics - Police Ministry - The Catholic Press.

NCCIJ's work has just begun, for in the words of Paul VI's CALL TO ACTION "Various forms of discrimination continually reappear - ethnic, cultural, religious, political. Human rights are still disregarded, or else they receive only formal recognition. . . . If beyond legal rules, there is really no deeper feeling of respect for, and service to others, then even equality before the Law can serve as an alibi for flagrant discrimination, continued exploitation and actual contempt. Build up the human city, for here grows the body of a new human family a body which even now is a foreshadowing of the new age."

RACIAL GENETICS

NCCIJ's Research Program for the 70's-Truth in Racial Genetics will provide a responsible, scholarly reply to racist geneticists who claim that Blacks are inferior to Whites. This unique NCCIJ program will engage teams of sociologists, psychologists and geneticists to refute such American racial theorists as Herrnstein, Shockley, Jensen and Eysenck, whose thesis is White intellectual superiority, and Black genetic inferiority. NCCIJ will employ high level research teams to study all available data from the viewpoint of psychology, biology and sociology in this crucial area. The NCCIJ study will continue over a two year period. Equal opportunity for Blacks demand careful exploration of the Truth in Racial Genetics.

THE CATHOLIC PRESS

NCCIJ's Education Program for the 70's - The Catholic Press and Social Justice. "Let the Church strive immediately, and most energetically to use the instruments of social communications effectively in the many fields of the apostolate." (Decree on Communications). NCCIJ's program - The Catholic Press and Social Justice seeks to do just that, see if the Catholic Press is energetically and effectively being an instrument in the apostolate of Interracial Justice and Social Concern. NCCIJ will concentrate on Diocesan Weekly Newspapers, that educate millions of ordinary American Catholics. NCCIJ will determine the extent of their coverage of social issues, race, poverty, ethnic relations in the U. S., domestic peace issues and international human relations. Diocesan papers will be judged by the use of materials sent to them by the two national religious news syndicates, National Catholic News Service and Religious News Service (Inter-faith), in the crucial areas of social justice. Diocesan weekly newspapers will also be rated on their coverage of local human rights and editorial positions. The NCCIJ Program - The Catholic Press and Social Justice will be a major contribution to the literature of Catholic communications and to American Journalism in general. Above all, it will highlight the educational responsibility of the Press in the apostolate of Interracial and Social Justice.



POLICE MINISTRY

NCCIJ's Action Program for the 70's—Religious Ministry to the Police Profession. Rarely in American history has the role of the police been more difficult or more important than it is today. Rarely has our society expected so much from police officers and depended on them more, on their dedication and restraint, for its growth as a free and democratic society.

NCCIJ has created a program to show how the forces of religion can better minister to the men in the police profession, how religion can more effectively nurture and strengthen the moral character and idealism of policemen so that they will be better able to meet special demands in serving an interracial urban society. NCCIJ's goal is to improve police performance in regard to police minority relations in areas, Philadelphia, Seattle, Milwaukee, New York, New Orleans and San Antonio.



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"It is to all Christians that we address a fresh insistent CALL TO ACTION. It is not enough to recall principles, state intentions, point to crying injustices and utter prophetic denunciations; these words will lack real weight unless they are accompanied for each individual by the livelier awareness of personal responsibility and by effective action." Paul VI.

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