

## RELIGION AND HEALTH ROUNDTABLE

## **Faith Village Connections**

Dr. Fayron Epps,
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Wednesday, December 4, 2019 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Candler School of Theology, Rita Anne Rollins Building, Room 447



Supported by grants from the Goizueta Alzheimer's Disease Research Center, Health Resources and Services Administration, Oregon Alzheimer's Disease Center, Alzheimer's Association, and National Institute on Aging, Dr. Epps is examining ways in which faith traditions, particularly African American faith traditions, can serve as the platform both for promoting the quality of life and engagement of persons living with Alzheimer's and related illnesses and also for sensitizing community institutions, especially churches, to be more aware, receptive, and supportive with regard to their members who are living with these illnesses and their family caregivers.

Dr. Epps leads a collaborative, Faith Village Connections, and a community program entitled, Dementia-Friendly Faith Villages. The goal of the community program is to partner with faith-based organizations anchored in African American communities to better support families affected by dementia through education, environmental modifications, and the expansion of dementia resources and support programs. She is currently working with several African American churches in the metro Atlanta area with plans to spread the program across Georgia over the next 5 years.

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