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Dr. Edward P. Wimberly to Speak During Tougaloo College Religious Emphasis Week

Tougaloo, MS – Dr. Edward P. Wimberly of the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, GA will visit the Tougaloo College campus to speak during Religious Emphasis Week (March 27–29, 2006). The theme of the week-long celebration is “Claiming God, Reclaiming Dignity.”

Dr. Wimberly is a published author with several volumes and scholarly articles to his credit. He will address the Convocation on Wednesday, April 29 at 10 a.m. in historic Woodworth Chapel on the College campus. The event is open to the public.

Dr. Wimberly received his Bachelor of Sacred Theology, Master of Sacred Theology and Doctor of Philosophy degrees from Boston University’s School of Theology. He received his bachelor’s degree in history from University of Arizona.

Founded in 1869, Tougaloo College is a private, historically black, coeducational, four-year liberal arts institution, located in Madison County, on the northern edge of Jackson, Mississippi. Known nationally as “The Cradle of the Civil Rights Movement in Mississippi,” the College is led by its first female president, Dr. Beverly Wade Hogan. The 13th president of Tougaloo College, Dr. Hogan is a 1973 graduate of the College and a native Mississippian. Under her visionary leadership, the College boasts a student retention rate of 78% and ranks as one the top five historically black colleges and universities whose graduates earn their PhDs in the sciences. More than half (66%) of its graduates enter graduate and professional schools immediately after graduation. Today, Tougaloo College is the leading producer of African American health professionals, including over 40% of the physicians and dentists, practicing in the state of Mississippi. It has produced more than one-third of the state’s African American attorneys and educators, including teachers, principals, and school superintendents.