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December

- 7 - Pearl Harbor Day
- 22 - International Arbor Day, Winter Solstice
- 24 - Christmas Eve
- 25 - Christmas Day
- 26 - 1st day of Kwanzaa
- 31 - New Year's Eve

Kwanzaa's 7 Principles

- Umoja** (unity): Striving for togetherness with our families and communities
- Kujichagulia** (self-determination): Deciding for ourselves who we are, who we want to be, and what we want to do
- Ujima** (work and responsibility): Working together to build and strengthen our communities
- Ujamaa** (cooperation): Building and supporting African American stores and businesses and benefiting from them together
- Nia** (purpose): Setting personal goals to make our communities strong
- Kuumba** (creativity): Thinking of ways to make our community and the world a better place
- Imani** (faith): Believing in ourselves, our communities, and the people around us

Kwanzaa

by Sonya P. Pierce

Photo: Wikipedia



In 1966, Kwanzaa was created by Maulana Karenga and the Us organization in Los Angeles during the civil rights and black power movements. It was created to honor African American people, heritage, culture, achievements, and future. Kwanzaa, which means “first fruits”, is celebrated from December 26 until January 1.

Each day, a candle is lit in honor of the celebration. A total of seven candles are held in a candleholder called a kinara. The middle candle, black, is lit on the first day and represents unity. On the left side, three red candles represent the past, particularly ancestors and

those brought to the United States as slaves. The three green candles on the right symbolize hopes and dreams for the future. As a candle is lit, families discuss one of the seven principles of Kwanzaa. The week includes African attire and decor, food, music, and gifts.

Today Kwanzaa has expanded beyond African American homes and communities and is also celebrated in museums, libraries, and religious institutions. Kwanzaa’s universal themes allow the holiday to be embraced by people of all backgrounds.

Source: Celebrate Kwanzaa by Carolyn Otto

Holiday Celebration

The 13th Annual HD Pope Holiday Celebration is scheduled for Saturday, January 2, 2016. The much anticipated event will be held at the Dunn Center of Performing Arts located on the campus of North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount, NC. Tickets are limited and must be obtained in advance from one of the funeral home locations. No tickets will be available at the door. Please bring new/slightly loved coats to support our Coat Drive.

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