
STUDENT CHRISTIAN UNION

OF

Florida Normal & Industrial Memorial College
SAINT AUGUSTINE, FLORIDA

PRESENTS

LANGSTON HUGHES

*Internationally Famous Poet, Novelist
and Lecturer*



MONDAY, MARCH 15, 1954

8:00 P. M.

Heckscher Gymnasium---Campus



LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING

JAMES WELDON JOHNSON

Lift every voice and sing, Till earth and heaven ring.
Ring with the harmonies of liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the listening skies
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea,
Sing a song; full of the faith that the dark past has
taught us;
Sing a song; full of the hope that the present has
brought us;
Facing the rising sun; of our new day begun,
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod, bitter, the chastening rod;
Felt in the days when hope unborn has died;
Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet,
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come; over the way that with tears have
been watered.
We have come; treading our path through the blood
of slaughtered.
Out of the gloomy past, till now we stand at last;
Where the white gleam, of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on our way,
Thou who has by thy might, led us into the light;
Keep us forever in the path we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places our God where we
met Thee.
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world we
forget Thee.
Shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand,
True to our God. True to our native land.



Born in Joplin, Missouri, February 1, 1902, Mr. Hughes has been described often by literary critics as "a poet of the present generation who interprets first of all life itself". He writes with a depth of understanding and range of knowledge which transcend the barriers of race. His books have been translated into French, Italian, Spanish, Swedish, Chinese, and other languages abroad. He has written for radio, motion pictures, Broadway revues, and for such concert artists as Marion Anderson, Lawrence Tibbett and Muriel Rahn.

A former visiting professor in Creative Writing at Atlanta University, and author of "Simple Takes a Wife" and "Famous American Negroes" published this year, we are happy to welcome Mr. Langston Hughes to our campus at this time.

PROGRAM



Music—"Lift Every Voice and Sing" Audience

Solo—"The Negro Speaks of Rivers" Bonds

Soloist, Estella Mathews

Words by Langston Hughes

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Choir Group—"As I Go" Huntley

Soloist, Christine Morris

Intermission

Solo—"At the Feet of Jesus" Hall Johnson

Soloist, Estella Mathews

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REMARKS

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COMING EVENTS



Religious Emphasis Week.....	March 21-26
Founder's Day	April 24
May Day	May 1
Spring Recital—(College Choir)	May 14
Baccalaureate Service	May 23
Commencement	May 24
Summer School (Opening Date).....	June 14

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