

*City Councilor Kenneth Reeves
and the
Cambridge Historical Commission*
are pleased to present a talk by

Rev. Frank Dorman
*African American Roots
and the Millenium*

author of
TWENTY FAMILIES OF COLOR
IN MASSACHUSETTS,
1742-1998

Sunday, March 21, 1998
Union Baptist Church
874 Main Street
3:00 p.m.

Cambridge descendants of the 20 families
will be invited to share their reminiscences.

Light Refreshments will be served.

For more information,
please contact the Cambridge Historical Commission
617 349 4683

Please join us!



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To the Honorable, the City Council:

City Councilor Kenneth Reeves and the Cambridge Historical Commission are pleased to present a talk by Reverend Frank Dorman entitled, "African American Roots and the Millennium." The program will take place Sunday, March 21st at the Union Baptist Church, 874 Main Street, beginning at 3:00 p.m. Rev. Dorman is the author of the book, *Twenty Families of Color in Massachusetts, 1742-1998*, which explores the family histories of black Civil War soldiers and sailors from Massachusetts. Cambridge descendants of the 20 families in the book have been invited to share their reminiscences after his talk.

Rev. Dorman is a former teacher and retired minister of the United Church of Christ who conducted a social activist ministry for forty years. His book brings together three strands of his life: a life-long love of history; his deep concern for racial justice; and an interest in genealogy, which Dorman calls "a ten-year obsession." He hopes the book will encourage others to explore African-American genealogy, which he believes will contribute "to an increase in family pride and individual esteem in communities of color, a strengthening of family ties, and a growing awareness ... of the valuable contributions that minorities have always made to the history of this country."

For further information on the March 21st program, please call the Cambridge Historical Commission at 617 349 4683. We hope you will be able to join us.

Sincerely,

Charles M. Sullivan
Executive Director

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