

## Australia Reformed African-American Vision Trip

### Vision

It all started for MTW in 1970 with **Australian Aboriginal Mission** which in those days was called World Presbyterian Mission. Initially, even the church planting efforts among Anglo/whites were to locally support the Aboriginal missions. Today, well-meaning ministries among the Aboriginals are doing good works but **almost all the missionaries are still white Australians**. To black Australians, generally speaking, the white skin color is a reminder of heavy baggage from the checkered and painful not-so-distant past.

It is more common for Australian Aboriginals to look to African-Americans as people of common affinity. To these Australian blacks, their **hero figures are the African-Americans** who are the success stories in politics, entertainment, athletics, business, etc. They commonly immerse themselves and express themselves through the medium of African-American culture.



Aboriginal Art

### Purpose

Our goal includes not only hosting Australia vision trips, but also **promoting MTW missions within the African American community**. We are inviting a few specific leaders to partner with MTW to spread the news about the need for people of color to "GO." The objective of these preliminary trips is to break new ground, and to promote this opportunity among Reformed African-American church communities.

One of our overall desires is to **identify a leader, preferably African-American**, who will take up the cause of the Australian Aboriginal Mission. We are asking those coming to Australia to see, listen, feel, study, learn, and pray about the Lord's calling as well as to share with others within their network. We are also looking for someone to lead this effort. Would you consider that?

### Why Should I Go?

It will not be easy. There will still be cross-cultural challenges, and due to the extreme conditions (poverty, remoteness, etc.), it will take an extraordinary commitment to the Lord's calling. But this is also an amazing and timely opportunity. Our goal is to lay the foundation for Reformed African American Christians to catch the vision for Aboriginal mission via vision trips and short-term mission trips, so that the Lord would call a long term servant.

**Dates:** July 5-19, 2018

**Cost:** \$5,700 including airfare

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