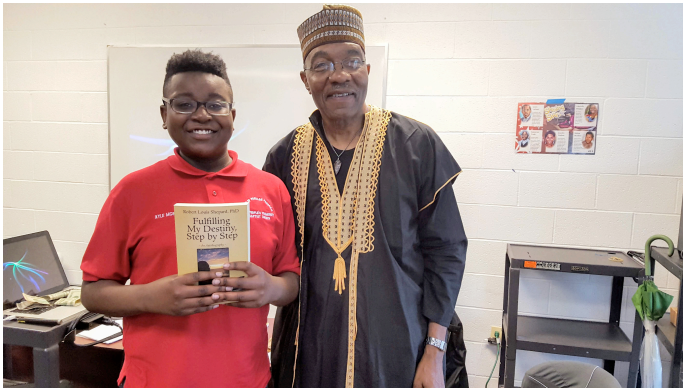


## Book titled “Fulfilling My Destiny” used in Rites of Passage Program to Emphasize the Importance of Dreaming Big



For nearly two decades, People’s Community Baptist Church in Silver Spring, Maryland has hosted a 26 week program for young African American youth 11-16 years of age. The program, called “**Men’s Rites Of Passage (MROP)**,” marks an important period in the life of the young men as they transition from adolescence into manhood. The MROP program consists of 4-5

hours each Saturday of the school year, with activities and teachings that emphasize spiritual centered-ness, Black history, leadership, and community involvement.

Leaders of the 2019 MROP program selected the book “**Fulfilling My Destiny, Step by Step – An Autobiography -**” as the primary book to emphasize the importance of dreaming big.

The closeout session consisted of the author providing words of wisdom to the young men, answering their questions, and autographing their books.

