



Recognizing atonement

Sentinel-Voice photo by Ramon Savoy
 Sister Dorothy Muhammad of Muhammad Mosque #75 serves food during Friday's third anniversary celebration of the Million Man March at the Community College of Southern Nevada, Cheyenne Campus.

Nation of Islam leader urges America to atone

By Kalpana Srinivasan
 WASHINGTON (AP) — Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan marked the third anniversary of the Million Man March by calling for Americans to seek atonement, using President Clinton as an example of the need for redemption. Farrakhan said Friday night he returned to the capital not to "placate Washington, but to cry out against America for her wickedness." He pointed to Clinton's personal troubles as an indication of a

greater sickness plaguing the country. "America is under judgment," he told a crowd of more than 1,000 at Howard University in remarks carried on satellite television and over the Internet. Recent disasters, including hurricanes, have come in response to the nation's sinful behavior, he said. If Clinton truly humbled himself, Farrakhan predicted, "God would not let a storm touch the country for 90

days." He urged his listeners to observe a day of atonement and seek to repent for their sins and reform themselves. Farrakhan said he was stirred particularly to think about the nature of lying by the recent impeachment proceedings launched against Clinton in the Monica Lewinsky affair. Referring to the biblical story of Adam, he called Clinton's linguistic denials of wrongdoing a "fig leaf" to try (See Atonement, Page 15)

Weather dampens British version of Million Man March

LONDON (AP) — Rain on Saturday dampened what black activists had hoped would be Britain's answer to the Million Man March in Washington DC. About 2,000 people marched to London's Trafalgar Square on the third anniversary of the Washington gathering that focused on the role black men could play in helping their communities. Organizers had hoped for 10,000 people.

The event, dubbed March 10,000, was organized by the Black United Front, an umbrella group representing organizations like the Society of Black Lawyers, Operation Black Vote and black Christian organizations — as well as Louis Farrakhan's Nation of Islam, which ran the Washington march. Standing under a banner describing the march as a "Holy Day of Atonement," Leo Mohammad of The Nation of Islam's West

London chapter urged marchers to "try to keep dry." "Today ... is going to be a peaceful one where black people can come together," he said. Speeches focused on problems in the black community including poverty, poor education and drug abuse. Retired welder Wilfred Gier, who traveled from Birmingham in central England for the event, said

black Britons do not "have a history of big black marches like the civil rights movement in the United States but the point is we have to start somewhere and perhaps sometimes in the future this will become a bigger event." Birmingham photographer Desmond Ebanoes said he came "to see if I could bring something positive back to my

community." "This is being organized by black people who like themselves, which is a very powerful thing," he said. London organizer Simon de Banya said for a non-musical event, "this amount of black people is not a bad achievement, especially since the Nation of Islam ... receive a bad press generally and black people are often

suspicious of them." "It is a very positive thing to see so many people congregating to hear about serious issues," he said. At the original Million Man March on Oct. 16, 1995, two million African-American men descended on the U.S. capital to dedicate themselves to solving problems in their communities.

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