

AFRICAN AMERICAN NONPROFIT LEADERS

Champions for Nonprofit Excellence and Social Change.

Rev. Wyatt Tee Walker & Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



- "Civil rights activist, author, and religious leader <u>described by MLK</u> as "one of the keenest minds of the nonviolent revolution."
- ♣ Born August 16, 1928 in Brockton, MA, graduated Magna Cum Laude (chemistry & physics) from <u>Virginia Union University</u>
- ♣ During the 1950s, ministered at <u>Gillfield</u> <u>Baptist Church</u>, founded the <u>Petersburg</u> <u>Improvement Association</u>, and served as Petersburg NAACP president, as well as VA Congress of Racial Equality (<u>CORE</u>) director
- ♣ Co-founded the Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) with Dr. King, helped organize the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom and assemble Dr. King's Letter from Birmingham Jail in 1963
- An expert on gospel music, published Somebody's Calling My Name: Black Sacred Music and Social Change



