HAPI-MERIT



HIBER-NATION

Retreat

Edisto Island, SC

Gullah Sea Islands

February 17-19, 13024 (2024)





HAPI and MERIT are the male and female Abosom (Deities) animating the rivers of Asaase (Earth) and also the rivers of blood in the body (arteries - Hapi, veins - Merit). Hapi and Merit are central to our capacity to live and thrive individually but also as an Afurakani/Afuraitkaitnit



(African~Black) Oman (nation). Just as the rivers upon Asaase (Earth) and the rivers of blood within the body carry nutrients, rejuvenate and cleanse these bodies, so must we utilize our culture wherever we are to nourish, rejuvenate and cleanse those within our oman (nation), our communal body, to whom we are connected. This includes modeling and teaching proper notions of OBARIMA - Afurakani Manhood and OBAATAN - Afuraitkaitnit Womanhood which is the foundation for strong families and Amansesew-Nationbuilding/Restoration.

Our annual retreat is a training, cultural and ritual retreat for those who will model proper expressions of OBARIMA and OBAATAN rooted in our Ancestral Religious values. Attendees will be



educated and empowered via our workshops based upon our books OBARIMA and OBAATAN. Our books and related trainings are a philosophical basis for Manhood and Womanhood training and transformation inclusive of innovative forms of rites-of-passage for youth and adults firmly grounded in our Ancestral cosmology and manifest through our Ancestral culture. We further demonstrate through our PER ANKH NUT

workshop how these principal values are applied to the solar and Earth-cycles that govern every aspect of our lives. Our Ancestral rituals at **Epo Abenaa** (Ocean) and on **Asaase** (Earth) fully grounds us in these principal values.



The restoration of Afurakani Manhood and Afuraitkaitnit Womanhood, rooted in our Ancestral

Religious values, is key to the restoration of ODWIRAMAN - Purified Nation - Afurakanu/Afuraitkaitnut (Africans) in the Western Hemisphere. This is a foundational element of AMANNE - Afurakani/Afuraitkaitnit (African~Black) Nationism, the purification

(African~Black) men and women form strong marriages, raise strong children and build strong families - the cornerstone of the Afurakani/Afuraitkaitnit (African~Black) Oman (Nation). Moreover, we recognize the reality that the promotion of the insanity of dissexuality/homosexuality, transgenderism, etc. and interracialism is

of Nationalism, for grounded Afurakani/Afuraitkaitnit

the perverse agenda of the whites and their offspring to destroy the

fabric of our community. These sexually-deviant practices are against the

nature of Creation and thus against Afurakani/Afuraitkaitnit (African)

Ancestral culture and people. We reject them without compromise. All Afurakanu/Afuraitkaitnit (Africans~Black People) must be grounded in these principles.



February is the time of Hapi and Merit the Abosom (Deities) of the Inundation (misnomered 'Aquarius') - a cycle for the Purified Nation to become the Hiber-Nation for hibernation and rejuvenation in preparation for the abundance that will manifest in the Fefewbere - beautiful time or 'spring'. We will have separate training sessions for men and women as well as joint sessions.

Edisto Island is one of the Gullah Sea Islands in South Carolina. We return to this sacred Ancestral land because of its significance in our trustory as those Akofo - Warrioresses and



Warriors, who revolted against enslavement and waged war against the whites and their offspring. Our Ancestresses and Ancestors established independent Akofomaroon settlements on Edisto Island as they waged war to force the end of enslavement in North America.

[Edisto Island, 12862 (1862) - Afurakani/Afuraitkaitnit (African) Ancestresses and Ancestors]

"...Edisto Island during the American Civil War was the location of a number of minor engagements and for a time of a large colony of African-American escaped former slaves during the American Civil War (1861-1865). Edisto Island was largely abandoned by planters in November 1861 and in December 1861, escaped slaves began setting up their own refugee camps there. In January 1862, armed African Americans from the island and Confederate forces clashed and a Confederate raid in reprisal killed a small number of unarmed African Americans.

In January 20, 1862, a group of African Americans collected arms and fired upon Confederate pickets near Watt's Cut. Evans ordered Colonel Peter F. Stevens to take 100 infantry and a company of cavalry to put down the uprising and destroy supplies on Edisto, and Stevens' operation started on the 22nd. Stevens led the Holcombe Legion (also led by Albert Creswell Garlington and William Pinkney Shingler[10]) with 120 infantry and 65 cavalry to make an attack on the contrabands. On January 22, Stevens crossed the Dawho River and arrived at Edisto. Stevens learned that a group of African Americans had recently attacked a local plantation, and searched for them, eventually going to Point of Pines on Edisto Island across from Seabrook Island. Stevens arrived and captured some African-Americans. About four former slaves were killed or wounded, including women and elderly individuals, and about 14 were captured, also including women and elderly.

However, residents of the camp who were staying in the area had been given an alarm and many fled before the Confederates arrived. On January 23, Union Navy Lieutenant Alexander C. Rhind reported that in response to the attack, he had collected 100 to 150 refugees he found at Point of Pines and ordered the



Crusader to shell houses along the river which were reported to house rebel troops. Since that time, he reported that contrabands had been coming in constantly, and were also settling on Botany Bay Island, one of Edisto Island's barrier islands. By February 3, Treasury Agent Edward L. Pierce estimated the camps numbered 2,300, while on February 10, Du Pont estimated eight to ten thousand, and the risk of famine and disease was increasingly apparent."





Vegan food, ritual, culture. Also, Gullah-Geechee cultural heritage tour. Learn about the various Afurakani/Afuraitkaitnit (African) nations who united to wage war against the whites and their offspring to end enslavement and establish their own nation...

Schedule Highlights:

Memeneda (Saturday - February 17th)

- ABOA NKWA Sacred Ritual Movement for Health and Wellness [www.odwirafo.com/Aboa_Nkwa.html]
- Cosmology of HAPI and MERIT training workshop Joint 2-hour morning training session for men and women.
- OBARIMA and OBAATAN training workshops. Separate 2-hour trainings for men and women operating concurrently.

Awusida (Sunday – February 18th)

- ABOA NKWA Sacred Ritual Movement for Health and Wellness.
- Ancestral Ritual Epo Abenaa (Obosom of the Ocean)
- Balanced Relationships leading to Balanced Marriages rooted in Obarimasem and Obaatansem
- AHODWIRA and AHONIM: Ritual purification for Self-Consciousness Key to Effective Amansesew/Nationbuilding-Restoration.
- Gullah-Geechee Cultural Heritage Tour/Exploration Nana Abenaa Araminta (Harriet Tubman) River

Dwooda (Monday – February 19th)

- Sunrise ritual at Ocean
- Departure



OBARIMA, AHODWIRA and HAPI-MERIT trainings conducted by Odwirafo, author of OBARIMA and related books.

OBAATAN training conducted by Amma Maati. Amma Maati is the Instructor for the 13-week OBAATANSEM - Afuraitkaitnit

Womanhood online course.

Joint session on

Afurakani/Afuraitkaitnit

(African~Black) relationships and Ancestrally grounded masculinity and femininity conducted by Jojo Maati and Amma Maati. Jojo and Amma are the husband and wife team who host the podcast Red Moon and Purple Saturn. Jojo Maati is also the Founder and Instructor of the HERU CORE program for Afurakani male youth.





Registration: As is true of all of our events, registration for Hapi-Merit is open to Afurakanu/Afuraitkaitnut (Africans-Black people) only.

Registration Fee: \$200 - Includes the trainings, vegan meals and the soft-cover books for each session. Married

or engaged couples receive a 50% discount on registration - 2 for the price of 1.

Pre-requisites: Attendees of Hapi-Merit must have completed the following of our online courses:

KUKUU-TUNTUM: The Ancestral Jurisdiction

MMARA NE KYI: Divine Law/Love and Divine Hate

UBEN-HYENG: The Ancestral Summons

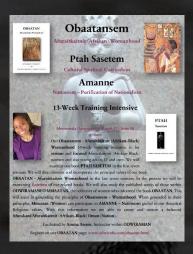
OBARIMASEM: Afurakani Manhood or OBAATANSEM: Afuraitkaitnit Womanhood

(Obarimasem course is for men only - Obaatansem is for women only)











These courses are foundational with regards to Ancestral Religion, Culture and Nationbuilding/Restoration. The pre-requisite ensures attendees are all on the same page as we expand our knowledge base and our capacity to impact the Afurakani/Afuraitkaitnit (African) community via our Hapi-Merit retreat.

These archived courses can be taken concurrently on your own schedule. See our AKONGUASUA - Institution page to access the online archives of these courses and all 34 of our online courses: www.odwirafo.com/akonguasuapage.html

Lodging: Lodging is not included in the registration fee. Attendees can find vacation rentals of condos, beach houses and apartments via 'vacation rental by owners' websites for Edisto Island (e.g. www.vrbo.com). Note that many rentals are booked well in advance to ensure availability and an affordable price. Attendees can also coordinate to share lodging at a beach house or villa to reduce their lodging expenses by 25%-75%.

Payments: You have the option of paying the entire \$200 fee to reserve your space or you can also pay 50% (\$100) to reserve your space with the remainder being paid as installments over the following months.

Register on our site: www.odwirafo.com/Hapi-Merit.html Contact us at: kwesiakhan@gmail.com