

THE RECOMMENDED RASTAFARI CODE OF CONDUCT

DISCUSSION AND RESPONSES

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PART 1

The Proposed Recommended Outernational Rastafari Code of Conduct

Web Forum

<http://groups.msn.com/RecommendedRasTafariCodeofConduct>

The address above is the Official Internet web group, set up solely for discussing the Proposed Rastafari Code of Conduct.

Group Moderator:
Ras Flako

All Rastafari Houses, Organizations and Individuals are encouraged to participate.

THE RECOMMENDED RASTAFARI CODE OF CONDUCT

*"By word and deed, we have sought to inspire Our beloved people to retain the past - to cleave to its faith, to preserve its tradition, to cherish its self respect; and to acclaim the present to recognize its challenges, to work diligently, to attain higher levels of achievement."
(The Law of Life, .Haile Selassie I)*

O Most high Jah Rastafari INI have love the habitation of thy house, and the place where thy honor dwelleth
Gather not INI soul with sinners or INI life with bloody men: In whose hand is mischief and their right is full of bribes.
But as for INI, INI will walk in INI I-tegrity
Redeem INI and be merciful unto INI
INI foot standeth in an even place: in the congregation will INI bless the Lord
Most High
PSALM 26

GENERAL CODE

Rastafari Family must

Accept the divinity of Haile Selassie I

Abide by the laws and teaching of Haile Selassie I (That is, INI must always read and overstand the selected speeches of Haile Selassie I and apply their relevance to INI daily lives for the betterment of humanity)

Respect and honor Empress Menen

Declare that Ethiopia/Africa is the mother land

Be

Non violent

Non Abusive

Abstain from Criminal activities, such as

Homicide

Rape

Money laundering

Theft

Human trafficking

Whoredom

Adultery

Fornication (Any one who enters into a relationship knowingly aware of person intimate situation with another as such to cause a break up or instability)

Drunkenness

All unnatural sexual acts

Such as

Homosexuality

Oral sex

Sex with animals or Sex with children

DO NOT

Abuse, slander or disgrace any Rastafari, brethren or sistren or others in public places either through the

Printed Press

Radio,

Television or the Internet

DIETARY PRACTICE

"And every creeping thing upon the earth shall be an abomination, it shall not be eaten, whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon all four, or whatsoever have more feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat, for they are an abomination"

Lev 11:41-42

"God (Jah) said, behold I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of the earth, and every tree, in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed, To you it shall be for meat"

Genesis 1:29

also

"The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nation"

Rev 22:2

ITAL IS FRESH ORGANIC AND UNPROCESSED FOODS

The highest form of dietary practice of the I-ncient Order of the Nyah Binghi is ITAL. This is followed by obeying the instructions outlined in the text of Lev11:41-42 and Rev 22:2

Rastafari who defends the ITAL way of life accept a more holistic and nature-oriented life style, that ones and ones sight to be more in harmony with the earth.

Ital diet cleanse and purify the physical being it also offers the most life-energizing way of sustaining the physical structure and the inner Irits in their original creation.

For them and those who sight a non ITAL way due to cultural background and other personal reasons they must acknowledge the fact that ITAL livity is the highest on the diet list and in time will embrace the ITAL trod

AVOID THE FOLLOWING

Pork

Animal products/ by products

Process foods /Genetic foods

Sodium salt

Alcohol

Tap or pipe water (use spring water)

AWARENESS

Be concerned with Re Education, Current Events, Politics of African Liberation, Repatriation and Reparation

Always proud to be African or of African decent

Properly maintain his or her children, raising them in the order of righteousness

Must not enforce religious practices on any individual, as religion is personal

"As we guarantee to each the right to worship as he chooses, so we denounce the policy that set man against man on the issue of religion"

Haile Selassie I Nov 2 1966

AVOID RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

"Above all Ethiopia is dedicated to the principle of equality of all men ,irrespective of difference of race, color or creed .As we do not practice or permit discrimination within our nation , so we oppose itwherever it is found"

Haile Selassie I Nov 02 1966

SPECIFIC CODE

Always respect the decision of the Council of Elders ,I-ncients Guardians of the Faith

Always acknowledge the contributions of the Patriarchs, Matriarchs and Founding Fathers of the Faith

Never use the I-ncients to obtain money for self benefits

Always acknowledge the contribution of African Leaders, African Liberators and Freedom Fighters, noting important dates and events

THE EMBLEM

The Emblem of Ethiopia the tricolor, Red, Gold, and Green, with the Gold charged

with the crown lion, in natural colors supporting a cross-staff bearing a Red, Gold and Green pennon, known as the Lion of Judah is the accepted emblem of the Faith

(Note The Green the uppermost color, the Gold in the middle, followed by the Red)

The Emblem must be

Present when representing Haile Selassie I and Empress Menen

Present at all individual gates

Raised high at all times

The Emblem must not be

Torn, or in Rags

Misused

The Tricolor Red, Gold and, Green

Must never be worn on feet or as socks

HERB SMOKING

The Hola Sacrament must not be Abused

Not be used for recreational purposes nor given to minors nor mentally disturbed individuals

Always remember smoking is an individual choice

RULES OF HOUSES OR MANSIONS

All rules of Rastafari Houses or Mansions must be obeyed as these rules relate to specific areas

Such as listed along with other groups not listed

Rules that govern the The Nyah Binghi Priests, 12Tribe Priests and EABIC Priests must be obeyed

Rules that govern the Nyahbinghi male/female, 12Tribe male/female, EABIC male/female must be obeyed

Rules governing the Councils and committee of the Nyah Binghi 12 Tribe, EABIC

and others groups must be obeyed

All Rules of the Nyah Binghi 12 Tribes EABIC and other groups that relate to the Binghi Grounds, The Alter of the Tabernacle the Nyah Binghi Drums and the Fire Key must be obeyed

Glory to word Glory to sound Glory to the blessed Iwa

Glory unto the Highest Jah Rastafari and Empress Menen

PLEASE RECOMMEND ANY CHANGES OR ADDITIONAL POINTS

Selon ena fiker igzee abiher yimmasgan

Peace and love, give thanks to Jah Rastafari

The following are responses from two different web forums

TAKEN FROM THE RASTAFARI CODE OF CONDUCT FORUM.

December 6th 2006

Greetings and love.

I have begun analyzing the proposed Rastafari Code of Conduct.

However, before I make any kind of input, I have a few questions before I submit my proposal.

1. How does the code of conduct affect the multi-national, multi- ethnic aspects of Rastafari? –
Are we going to address this issue based on His Majesty's sound to end and abhor racial discrimination wherever it is found? With the recent unfolding of ethnic mudslinging coming out of the SA "conference" if this reasoning is based upon racial purity, then I am afraid I will have to withdraw and so would a lot of "African Americans and West Indians" who have been "tainted" with White blood or other ethnic groups.
2. Is this reasoning going to include ones across the board, regardless of house or gender?
3. Is this reasoning a public forum?
4. Are the ones who will sit on this committee capable and committed?
5. Is this reasoning going to be endorsed by all mansions and organizations?

These are a few of I concerns, in order for the proposed "code of conduct" to have any kind of serious outcome, it MUST be endorsed, and supported by every Rasta across the globe. Notifications must be sent out to as many ones as possible, to make them aware that this reasoning is taking place, and that it will affect their lives when it is finalized.

This exercise in its finality will be the criteria by which one adheres to the tenets of the faith.

So let us not play.

In HIM service

Ravin-I

Response from Ras Flako

Greetings Ras Ravin-I

Haile Selassie I and Empress Menen love and blessings

“The lessons of life. If once they are missed are missed forever” H.I.M.

Re; the Code of Conduct

Question

(1) How does the code of conduct affect the multi-ethnic aspect of Rastafari?

Answer

Each Rastafari , multi-ethnic or multi-national must abide by the teaching of Haile Selassie I. Therefore concerning Religion and Racial Discrimination, Haile Selassie I states the following

“Above all, Ethiopia is dedicated to the principle of equality of all men irrespective of differences of race, colour or creed

As we do not practice or permit discrimination within our nation so we oppose it wherever it is found.

As we guarantee to each the right to worship as he chooses, we denounce the policy which sets man against man on the issue of religion.

As we extend the hand of universal brotherhood to all ,without regard to race or colour, so we condemn any social and political order that distinguishes among Gods children on this most specious of grounds “

Therefore the Rastafari Code of conduct will reemphasize that discrimination any guise will not be tolerated

1(b)

Answer Yes we are going to address the code of conduct based on the above words of His Majesty

Also the Rastafari creed speaks of righteousness and justice and love

The Creed states

“O Haile Selassie I of Ithiopia .InI own Ivine Majesty

Thy Irits trod into InI hearts to dwell

Help InI to forgive that InI must be forgiven

Teach InI love and loyalty as it is in Mount Zion

Endow InI with wise mind, knowledge and Iverstanding to do thy will.”

Question (2)

Is this reasoning going to include ones across the board, regardless of house or gender?

Answer- Yes

Question (3)

Is this reasoning a public forum?

Answer –Yes

Question (4)

Are ones who sit on the committee capable and committed?

Answer –yes however others can be added

Question (5)

Is this reasoning going to be endorsed by all mansions and organizations?

Answer –Yes

It is very important that the code is circulated to all mansions and organizations for their participation and final approval

Solutions must be in place to ensure that this is done as soon as possible

Where there are disagreements, acceptable points must be worked out to satisfy those affected

This would then enable the Global Rastafari family to realize the long awaited Inity

May Haile Selassie I and Empress Menen bless all our endeavors

Give Izes and thanks giving

Ras Flako

Greetings to ones and ones in the name of his Imperial Majesty, Emperor Haile Selassie I First, and Empress Menen.

I tune into Rastaites Site often so that I am up-to-date on up and coming events to do with Rastafarian Globally.

What has prompted I to send this e-mail, is The Recommended Rastafari Code of Conduct, which I read with great interest.

As a Rasta Queen, I would like to put forward a questions concerning the Recommended Rastafari Code of Conduct as follows:-

What steps will be taken to those Rases, being man or woman, who does not uphold the Code of Conduct to the fulness?

I am of the opinion that when implementing The Recommended Rastafari Code of Conduct that a system should also be in placed to call into questioning those ones who does not uphold the Rastafari Code of Conduct.

I am also of the opinion that all Houses or Mansions Globally, should choose 10 Rases (man and woman) who will be known amount the Rasta Community as the Justice Of Righteousness (JOR) of the highest calibre, capable of doing the work without partiality. The Rasta Community should have an input in electing the JOR.

Over the years I have seen amongst Rasta a lot of injustice being inflicted, i.e. jealousy, sabotage, carnal mind, vindictiveness, power struggle for leadership, division of families and much more. Unless these things are addressed and dealt with it will be hard for I&I as a nation of Rastafari people to move forward and accomplished greater things.

Peace and Love to I&I
Jah Rastafari
Sister Tashia

From: [Ras Siphwe Nathaniel](#)

Sent: 12/15/2006 9:08 AM

Greetings Ras Nathaniel
see response to Ras Ravin-I questions
share with others
thanks giving
ras flako

Note: forwarded message attached.

From: Fitzroy Floyd
To: Ras Ravin
Subject: Re: rastafari code of conduct questions
Sent: Friday, December 15, 2006 5:51 AM

Greetings Ras Ravin-I
Haile Selassie I and Empress Menen love and blessings

There is nothing wrong in asking questions
I will provide necessary answers
I do agree with the I general comments on the code InI must work towards ensuring that right ones are chosen and the highest integrity maintained (give thanks)

Now with regards to questions asked
The RasTafari Code of conduct was an agenda item for the RasTafari Inity Conference in South Africa
This Conference was hosted by the RYI/RUM as you are aware
This code of conduct should be presented by the I-ncient Council of the Nyah Binghi representative who attended the event
Unfortunately no delegates travelled to the conference due to financial difficulties
I as I-lect of records for the administrative council of the Order of the Nyah Binghi took the iniative to draft this recomended RasTafari code of conduct ,seeing the importance of it and the purpose that it serves
I there fore discuss the topic with ones and ones and saw the necessity for the Global response
Written authorization can be provided from the Icient Order if necessary

Ones and ones such as Ras Sela ,Ras Nathaniel ,Ras Iratton-I ,Ras Miguel Lorne and

others knows me well

Now Ras Ravin

I had previously chosen committee members Ras Sela ,Ras Nathaniel ,Ras Jahaziel
Sis Ijahnya The I and Muta baruka

,However Muta baruka is not showing much interest as before

He had previously recommended some clarity to the first draft which I made

I now withdraw him from previous list

I am therefore requesting your assistance on committee matters that is selection of
ones of highest integrity within your region and elsewhere if possible

Also indicate if I had made any incorrect choice of members

I know that this is a great task and without cooperation nothing will be achieved

As you are aware the message board is already up and ones are responding

Therefore a letter announcing the committee will be in order

Could the I share some duties with me on this matter ?

Re the Repatriation and Census programme proposed by Ras Nathaniel The Incient
Council and Administrative of the Nyah Binghi is yet to make a decision on the matter
i will make consultations first

Yes a formal document will be I-mailed or mailed to all houses and organizations
requesting representatives on the committee as soon their i-mails list is available or PO
box

please forward organizations or house contacts available to the I

I do hope my honest answers will satisfy the I and INI will share the work as it a great
task ahead

thanks giving once more

ras flako

From: [Ras Sipiwe Nathaniel](#)

Sent: 12/15/2006 9:16 AM

Rastafari moral code of conduct: praise and obey HIM Haile Selassie I. don't lie, cheat, steal,
kill. do good always. protect creation. let the hungry be fed, naked clothed, sick nourished, aged
protected, the infants cared for, the shelterless sheltered, the ignorant educated. be respectful,
give your best effort, be dignified in seeking wisdom, knowledge and understanding to do HIM Haile
Selassie I will.

From:  [Isismarydread](#)

Sent: 12/15/2006 10:25 AM

Questions from Ras Ravin
(answers in previous message)

Greetings and love...

Ras Flako, I man have a couple of questions for the I,...please forgive I for asking many

questions.

The Rastafari Code of Conduct is a very large and serious debate and works worthy to be overtaken. I can see this as a work that should not be attempted by uninformed Rastas, the likes of which we see everyday. The code of conduct committee should be people of long standing and has an extremely clear vision of this life and be of high moral integrity.

All Rastafari mansions and organizations should endorse this committee.

Which brings me to my questions.

- 1) I am aware that we do not know each other physically so I ask the I, are you authorized in anyway to convene such a committee and reasoning.?
- 2) Would the committee get written and verified documents authorizing them to perform this task?
- 3) Before we begin the reasoning about the "proposed code of conduct" is there going to be a formal letter announcing the birth of the "code of conduct" committee.
- 4) How does the I see the "code of conduct" tying into the repatriation and census program proposed by Ras Nathaniel?
- 5) Will a formal document be sent out to all houses and organizations requesting a representative to sit on the committee?

Give thanks

In HIM service
Ras Ravin-I

RECOMMENDATION

"The sacred duty and obligation of all Rastafari sons and daughters is to struggle for the liberation of Africa, and its establishment as A WORLD POWER OF JUSTICE, and they shall actively utilize their mental faculties, their skills and their talents towards the achievement of this goal."

I want to know that this has been carefully considered by all conscious Rases who desire to establish a code of conduct. The above should be the main focus of all Rastafari sons and daughters, and it should be a major clause that precedes and determines all other code of conduct.

Please open this up for discussion so that more Idren and Sistren can participate.

GUIDANCE

Ras Jahaziel

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RE PROPOSED CODE OF CONDUCT

RESPECTFULLY.

A code of conduct that is commonly agreed upon by any group serves to facilitate A ONE-NESS OF DIRECTION and cohesion that enables progress.

Without such code of conduct, every community creates their own guidelines and their own Orders, and confusion and disunity therefore multiply and prevent progress. This has been one of the main hindrances to progress in the past. I therefore support this effort and would encourage all CONSCIOUS RASES to participate in this exercise and burn off the "do your own thing mentality."

However, this exercise will require broad participation, or else the resulting code of conduct will prove to be another source of contention and distraction.

SPECIFICS

(1) It should also be added that a people in bondage should avoid creating a code of conduct that causes occasion for distraction from their fundamental goals. For example, when such code of conduct gets too particular on things like **SOCKS** one opens the door wide for unnecessary contention. We should have learned by now the lessons of THE RELIGIOUS POLICE AND PHARASEES who were sent by the Devil to hold up the zion train with their distracting focus. The whole issue concerning arrangement and placement of flag colors has already exhausted too much energy in the past and has consistently proved to be A DISUNITING FACTOR.

(2) Another thing that ought to be considered is that unless one can show THE MONEY-LESS PEOPLE how to get money one should not try to LIMIT their ability to acquire money. I am referring to this recommendation that targets the livelihood of too many disadvantaged sufferers. **"Never use the I-SHENCE to obtain money for self benefits."** One should not forget that it is the hypocritical oppressor who has made millions from selling rum who created the taboo about selling herb.

There may be perhaps more to discuss in the future but I prefer to give other Idren and Sistren the opportunity to make their input. I respectfully ask the Idren to carefully consider these things before instituting a code of conduct that provides more opportunity for distraction from the fundamental goal of all conscious Africans: AFRICAN LIBERATION.

Ras Jahaziel

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Greetings and Rastafari Blessings,

Regarding "authorization" to convene a committee to deal with the proposed Rastafari Code of Conduct raised by Ras Ravin:

"1) I am aware that we do not know each other physically so I ask the I, are you authorized in anyway to convene such a committee and reasoning.?", and

4) How does the I see the "code of conduct" tying into the repatriation and census program proposed by Ras Nathaniel?

it should be noted that:

According to the Rastafari Global Reasoning Final Report, during the Panel: Organization, Centralization, Communication and Networking, the Panel Chair, Junior Negus, emphasized that

"Rasta have organizations on local, national and international level. Without centralization the organ alone is not effective. The computer is instrument to bring centralization. Nyahbinghi warriors have sole desire which we put to repatriation so it's a way to centralize."

In the same panel, Ras DaSilva reasoned that

"People want to go home but who will send us home. We will have to send ourselves home. . . . After a year and a half, when we leave here we must have a proper understanding, a global understanding of the way forward."

Following the panel reasoning, the session was organized into a workshop to produce the following:

(i) Organizational Chart(s) for the Organization and the legal identity of the Global Rastafari Organization

(ii) Directory of relevant international agencies and initiatives with contact names and addresses for building strategic alliances.

(iii) Information technology resources needed for the International Global Communications and Networking in order for the Global Secretariat to function.

(iv) Charter of Righteousness – A Moral Charter to be produced by the Elders

Thus, it was in the 2003 Global Reasoning that authorized this task to be done alongside the Repatriation exercise.

Further, in February of 2006, the RYI sent a representative to Jamaica to reason on the Inity Summit. As the RYI Representative Ras Peter (Binghi Itah) reported from the RYI Trod to Jamaica [<http://www.rastaites.com/news/hearticals/Inity/ryi/ryi2.htm#1>]

"The proposed unity conference in SA was presented by I-man Ras Peter Rembuluwani Vhulahani, as the repairer of the bridge and to solidify Rastafari under one voice globally, I-man also asked the family in a Diaspora to rise to the occasion and pick up the task and work together in one accord with ones and ones blessings and support. However, all the mansions and Houses ENDORSED THE INITY CONFERENCE in South Africa November 2006. There were concerns raised during the reasoning, that the family in Jamaica request and would like to see the bredrens

and sidren in South Africa working together in one inity and bring the Inity to the fullness of the Emperor's mission on unity. Several topics were presented to me concerning items on the conference agenda, that is:

1. The establishment of the Rastafari Global Secretariat
2. Repatriation/census/reparation planning/co-ordination and implementation
3. Promotion and implementation of Organic Agriculture in Africa and Diaspora
4. Reestablishment of African Tradition in InI daily endeavours
- 5. Establishing a Rastafari Code of Conduct**

Thus, the Rastafari Code of Conduct proposal was ratified during the organizing of the Rastafari Global Summit. Again, it is an agenda issue alongside that of Repatriation.

Ras Flako, as the authorized Ilect of Records of the Nyahbinghi who has kept regular email communications and was part of the 2003 Global Reasoning, is authorized to call a committee.

From:  [Rasflako1](#)

Sent: 12/15/2006 3:53 PM

Greetings Ras Nathaniel
Love and Blessings
I have forwarded your response to the Incient Council of the Nyah Binghi
awaiting a response
Ras Flako

From: [Binghi Haiasi](#)

Sent: 12/15/2006 10:16 PM

HIM Haile Sellassie I Liveth & Reigneth!!!

I give thanks for the invitation to participate. As far as attempts to codify InI livity go, this is as good an effort as any I have seen. I wonder if Idrens have ever meditated on why the Incients of days have never written books of codes and guidelines?

The project is not of great interest to I for this reason - if the whole of the prophecy, and the whole of the words of HIM are not sufficient code for a man, then it is because he is a wicked man! Why and how is it that Rastas have managed without code for all these millions of years? I think many valuable lessons can be found in the answers.

The Rastafari nation is a nation of righteousness, I am not interested in the reggae nation. The livity that InI forerunners - specifically Counsellor Howell has bequethed to InI - is a life free of crime and sin, a life of sovereignty, and a life of prosperity. If it requires code, and police and soldier to enforce code, then why even bother with a Rasta nation? What would make it different from baldhead nation?

Peace and love in Rastafari hola name!!!

Binghi Haiasi

Greetings and Rastafari Blessings in the Most Precious Name of HIM Haile Selassie I,

First: I am little 5'7", 130 lbs. dark-brown skinned Ethiopian born in America whose six generation "great" grandfather Baleka (1770) told his grandson of his Zulu ancestors. I&I must be careful of the little brown skin Indian man named Binghi Haisi who has broken all moral codes by slandering two Rastafari brethren who have done tremendous works. This man claims to champion "Black Supremecy" yet fails to respect Black leadership within the Rastafari Family. Binghi Haisi tried to sabotage the Rastafari Global Inity Summit in Azania which the very black Rastafari Elders of various mansions **BLESSED**, and is now trying to sabotage the effort to establish a moral code of conduct called for by the very black Rastafari Elders. Binghi Haisi writes: "The project is not of great interest to I." If it is not of great interest to Binghi Haisi then why get on this website specifically I voted to **FORWARDING** this matter of great interest, only to work in direct opposition to the purpose. FIYAH BURN SABOTEURS.

Second: Binghi Haisi writes: "The livity that InI forerunners specifically Counsellor Howell has bequethed to InI" Leonard Howell, great as his contribution was, was not the first Rasta, nor was he beyond reproach. Leonard Howell himself admitted in the Jamaica daily Gleaner in 1940 that he learned the tenets of the Ras Tafarites and then returned to Jamaica to preach it (**read** Helen Lee's book.) Speaking of moral issues, he plagerized Rev. Fitzhugh Ballentine's Royal Parchment Scroll of Black Supremecy. However, since Binghi Haisi has asked, "I wonder if Idrens have ever meditated on why the Incients of days have never written books of codes and guidelines", then check Leonard Howell himself. **Read** the Promise Key, especially the chapter "How to Fast". Wasn't that a guideline, an instruction? Also, if the I ever check how life was lived at Pinnacle, it was nothing but rules, guidelins, order, etc. Howell himself, in the chapter named "Balm Yard" writes:

"First and last every soul for admission must be believers in the power of King Ras Tafari the living God."

Leonard Howell also writes:

"Man and women can marry right in School if you are of a respectable proportion of dignity. **Black must not marry white nor white black**, race enmity.

Always be a respectful diplomat, always give an intelligent reply to every person that approach or write you on any subject always ask for the full value inside the nature of any written subject.

Do not watch and peep your wife or husband, you are only digging a grave for yourself.

Now my dear people let this be our goal:

Forward to the King of Kings must be the cry of our social hope.

Forward to the King of Kings to purify our social standards and our way of living, and rebuild and inspire our character.

Forward to the King of Kings to learn the worth of manhood and womanhood.

Forward to the King of Kings to learn His code of Laws from the mount demanding absolute Love, Purity, Honesty, and Truthfulness.

Forward to the King of Kings to learn His Laws and social order, so that virtue will eventually gain the victory over body and soul and that truth will drive away falsehood and fraud.

Members of the King of Kings arise for God's sake and put your armor on.

Is that not a code, a guideline? So it is pure rubbish when the little brown skin saboteur named Binghi Haisi writes, "Why and how is it that Rastas have managed without code for all these millions of years?" Rasta has always had codes, guidelines, oaths etc.

Third: Before Leonard Howell, Robert Athlyi Rogers wrote in the Holy Piby:

CHAPTER 3

GOD'S HOLY LAW TO THE CHILDREN OF ETHIOPIA

Great and manifold are the blessings bestowed upon us the oppressed children of Ethiopia, by His Divine Majesty, Lord God Almighty, King of all mercies, when by his most holy command His divine highness, Christ, Prince of the Heavenly Kingdom, descended and anointed us that we may be prepared to receive these noble men, servants of God and redeemers of Ethiopia's posterities. His honor, Marcus Garvey and colleague, his holiness the shepherd Athlyi, supreme minister of God's Holy Law to the children of Ethiopia, may we show gratitude to our God by being submissive to his teachings through these his humble servants, and submitting ourselves in obedience to his Holy Law that we a suffering people may reap the fruit thereof.

When as it was the intention of others to keep us forever in darkness, by our faithfulness to the Law we shall in time prove to the nations that God has not forsaken Ethiopia.

The Holy CommandmentsI

Love ye one another, O children of Ethiopia, for by no other way can ye love the Lord your God.

II

Be thou industrious, thrifty and fruitful, O offsprings of Ethiopia, for by no other way can ye show gratitude to the Lord your God, for the many blessings he has bestowed upon earth free to all mankind.

III

Be ye [concretized](#) and ever united, for by the power of unity ye shall demand respect of the nations.

IV

Work ye willingly with all thy heart with all thy soul and with all thy strength to relieve suffering and oppressed humanity, for by no other way can ye render integral service to the Lord your God.

V

Be thou clean and pleasant, O generation of Ethiopia, for thou art anointed, moreover the angels

of the Lord dwelleth with thee.

VI

Be thou punctual, honest and truthful that ye gain flavor in the sight of the Lord your God, and that your pathway be prosperous.

VII

Let no people take away that which the Lord thy God giveth thee, for the Lord shall inquire of it and if ye shall say some one hath taken it, ye shall in no wise escape punishment, for he that dieth in retreat of his enemy the Lord shall not hold him guiltless, but a people who dieth in pursuit of their enemy for the protection of that which the Lord God giveth them, shall receive a reward in the kingdom of their Father.

VIII

Thou shalt first bind up the wound of thy brother and correct the mistakes in thine own household before ye can see the sore on the body of your friend, or the error in the household of thy neighbour.

IX

O generation of Ethiopia, shed not the blood of thine own for the welfare of others for such is the pathway to destruction and contempt.

X

Be ye not contented in the vineyard or household of others, for ye know not the day or the hour when denial shall appear, prepare ye [p. 38](#) rather for yourselves a foundation, for by no other way can man manifest love for the offsprings of the womb.

XI

Athlyi, Athlyi, thou shepherd of the holy law and of the children of Ethiopia, establish ye upon the Law a Holy temple for the Lord according to thy name and there shall all the children of Ethiopia worship the Lord their God, and there shall the apostles of the shepherd administer the law and receive pledges thereto and concretize within the Law. Verily he that is concretized within the Law shall be a follower and a defender thereof, more-over the generations born of him that is concretize within the law are also of the law.

XII

O generation of Ethiopia, thou shalt have no other God but the Creator of Heaven and Earth and the things thereof. Sing ye praises and shout Hosanna to the Lord your God, while for a foundation ye sacrifice on earth for His Divine Majesty the Lord our Lord in six days created. the heaven and earth and rested the seventh; ye also shall hallow the seventh day, for it is blessed by the Lord, therefore on this day thou shall do no manner of work or any within thy gates.

The Shepherd's Prayer By Athlyi

O God of Ethiopia, thy divine majesty; thy spirit come in our hearts to dwell in the path of righteousness, lead us, help us to forgive that we may be forgiven, teach us love and loyalty on earth as in Heaven, endow us with wisdom and understanding to do thy will, thy blessing to us that the hungry be fed, the naked clothed, the sick nourished, the aged protected and the infants cared for. Deliver us from the hands of our enemies that we prove fruitful, then in the last day when life is o'er, our bodies in the clay, or in the depths of the sea, or in the belly of a beast, O give our souls a place in thy kingdom forever and forever. Amen.

Fourth: The 1983 Rastafari International Theocracy Assembly (RITA) Twenty-Two Main points state:

(10) The Promotion of Social Harmony

(14) The Full Appreciation of Rastafari Daughters

(15) The Practice of the Highest forms of Self-Discipline

(16) The Clarification of the Theological Differences between I&I

(17) Documentation of the Teachings of the Elders

(18) The questioning of the Bible as the Conceptual Foundations of I&I

(19) The recognition of the Nyahbinghi as the International Ivine Order of the Rastafari Community.

(20) Organization of protection for members of the community against Brutality and Oppression. (Ras Siphwe Nathaniel note: read **POLICE**)

(21) The Development of Good Family Life

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Fifth: All of number four above was subordinate to

(1) The establishment of a Sovereign Government and Secretariat with

repatriation getting priority. (!!!!!!!!!!!)

Sixth and Finally: check the following words from various speeches of His Imperial Majesty:

"Throughout history, it has been the inaction of those who could have acted;

We must act, to shape

and mould the future and leave our imprint on events as they pass into history."
. . . . "As generations come and go, those **assuming responsibility for the period** ...
...."It is because **the present generation is cherishing and keeping intact what it has received from the past that it has succeeded in attaining its present stage of development, by making the necessary changes and improvements called for by conditions now existing.** . . .

It has been fulfilled as a result of God's blessing and His Divine guidance. . . . **It will be self deceiving and a waste of time to advocate dialogue with those who are not ready to listen,** By the actions you take you can also illuminate the pages of history. . . . There is always something moving, brewing. There are ambitious people everywhere. Wicked people. The only thing to do is to deal with them with courage and decision.

One must beware of uncertainty, weakness or conflicting emotions - they lead to defeat.

Is a representative responsible only to a constituency or to the particular group or interest which has chosen or appointed him? Certainly this responsibility Must be an element in the thought and action of such a man, **but there are higher values and greater interests and responsibilities than these.**

. . . . **Let us take action now, action which, while taking account of present realities**

The challenges and opportunities which open before us today are greater than those presented at any time in Africa's millennia of history. The risks and the danger which confront us are no less great. The immense responsibilities which history and circumstance have thrust upon us demand balanced and sober reflection. If we succeed in the tasks which lie before us, our names will be remembered

and our deeds recalled by those who follow us. **If we fail**, history will puzzle at our failure and mourn what was lost."

From: [Ras Sipiwe Nathaniel](#)

Sent: 12/17/2006 12:04 AM

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From:  [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/15/2006 11:46 AM

Greetings Sister Tashia

Haile Selassie land Empress Menen love and blessings

Give thanks for the interest and contribution

In response to your concerns

The recommended Ras Tafari code of conduct will provide guidance for INI progress to attain the higher state of livity

It will also expose the own way behaviour of ones and ones who prefer to do their own thing

Now if Ras Tafari, male or female within any house or mansion fail to uphold the code in totality or sections of it

It is the duty of the administrators of houses or mansions who validate this code to identify the concerns of the individual and provide workable solutions to correct the situation

However each individual within the group who affix their signature to uphold the code are accountable to themselves and to RasTafari family in general

Therefore the individual must be willing to make good the situation with given assistance

Now for those outside house or mansion they should be encouraged to be within the group, none the less the code should be shared among them so they can be made aware of Ras Tafari livity and make their contribution

All house or mansion should choose ones and ones of highest integrity to ensure non partiality

It is also the duty of the house /mansion to ensure that the code is properly ratified
this can be done by having group discussions and forwarding tabulated results from same to the
message board

I also to have identified the multiple divide

Therefore INI must work through this collective effort for greater healing

May Haile Selassie I and Empress Menen crown our efforts with success
respectfully
ras flako

From: [Binghi Haiasi](#)

Sent: 12/15/2006 10:41 PM

Hail to the iverliving Haile Sellassie I Almighty!!!

I share the same concern as the sistren. The code is only as useful as the authority which
sanctions it. At present, if recourse is that mansional authorities are to uphold the code - then
there will be 3 different levels of code compliance, based upon the incumbent culture of each
mansion. This would not be a significant advance, no matter how excellent the code itself.

I personally have never met a Rastaman yet who needs a code. Every Rastaman is a living code.
So, who is the code for?

Ras Flako - I should inform the I that I am one of those who vigorously opposed the publishing of
the 1992 Nyahbinghi Guidelines because I found it completely alien to HIM own tradition of
Nyahbinghi. .I have accepted it as a humble soldier, yet I know it is absolutely the wrong type of
documant for InI to be putting out. We have been given no such authority - no elder from JA has
yet even correctly interpreted the word Nyahbinghi to I. The Nyahbinghi can be "guideline[d]" by
one Man only. Obedience to HIM should be the focus everywhere - in the west, and everywhere.

Furthermore, what possible input can be made to this by ones who are not grounded within the
livity? This is a matter for the Incients of minimum 30 years tradition, if it is a matter of substance.

With thanksgiving and Ises for the opportunity to share my few thoughts,

Binghi Haiasi

Greetings my comments and questions are in red
Ras Ravin-I

THE RECOMMENDED RASTAFARI CODE OF CONDUCT

*"By word and deed, we have sought to inspire Our beloved people to retain the past
- to cleave to its faith, to preserve its tradition, to cherish its self respect; and to
acclaim the present to recognize its challenges, to work diligently, to attain higher
levels of achievement."*

(The Law of Life, .Haile Selassie I)

O Most high Jah Rastafari INI have love the habitation of thy house, and the place where thy honor dwelleth
Gather not INI soul with sinners or INI life with bloody men: In whose hand is mischief and their right is full of bribes.
But as for INI, INI will walk in INI I-tegrity
Redeem INI and be merciful unto INI
INI foot standeth in an even place: in the congregation will INI bless the Lord Most High
PSALM 26

GENERAL CODE

Rastafari Family must

Accept the divinity of Haile Selassie I

TRUTH – NO EXCEPTIONS

Although we would find that there are some who will disagree with this

Abide by the laws and teaching of Haile Selassie I (That is, INI must always read and overstand the selected speeches of Haile Selassie I and apply their relevance to INI daily lives for the betterment of humanity)

TRUTH

Respect and honor Empress Menen

TRUTH

Declare that Ethiopia/Africa is the mother land

TRUTH

Be

Non violent

TRUTH

Non Abusive

TRUTH

Abstain from Criminal activities, such as

Homicide

Rape

Money laundering

Theft

Human trafficking

Whoredom

Adultery

Fornication (Any one who enters into a relationship knowingly aware of person intimate situation with another as such to cause a break up or instability)

Drunkenness

All unnatural sexual acts

Such as

Homosexuality

Oral sex

Sex with animals or Sex with children

TRUTH ALL OF THE ABOVE

DO NOT

Abuse, slander or disgrace any Rastafari, brethren or sistren or others in public places either through the

Printed Press

Radio,

Television or the Internet

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DIETARY PRACTICE

"And every creeping thing upon the earth shall be an abomination, it shall not be eaten, whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon all four, or whatsoever have more feet among all creeping things that creep upon the earth, them ye shall not eat, for they are an abomination"

Lev 11:41-42

"God (Jah) said, behold I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of the earth, and every tree, in which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed, To you it shall be for meat"
Genesis 1:29

also

"The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nation"
Rev 22:2

ITAL IS FRESH ORGANIC AND UNPROCESSED FOODS

The highest form of dietary practice of the I-ncient Order of the Nyah Binghi is ITAL. This is followed by obeying the instructions outlined in the text of Lev11:41-42 and Rev 22:2

Rastafari who defends the ITAL way of life accept a more holistic and nature-oriented life style, that ones and ones sight to be more in harmony with the earth. Ital diet cleanse and purify the physical being it also offers the most life-energizing way of sustaining the physical structure and the inner Irits in their original creation.

For them and those who sight a non ITAL way due to cultural background and other personal reasons they must acknowledge the fact that ITAL livity is the highest on the diet list and in time will embrace the ITAL trod

AVOID THE FOLLOWING

Pork

Animal products/ by products

Process foods /Genetic foods

Sodium salt

Alcohol

Tap or pipe water (use spring water)

This is a touchy subject, as we well know that some Rasta organizations do in fact permit the use of all of the above and practices some things that will most defiantly be against the codes

AWARENESS

Be concerned with Re Education, Current Events, Politics of African Liberation, Repatriation and Reparation – **see proposed repatriation documents and census proposals- be concerned with justice and liberation**

Always proud to be African or of African decent

Always proud to be a Rastafari Ingel

Properly maintain his or her children, raising them in the order of righteousness

Must not enforce religious practices on any individual, as religion is personal

Even as one must not enforce religious practices, so to must the people who don't vision HIM as the almighty god, but consider themselves Rasta

"As we guarantee to each the right to worship as he chooses, so we denounce the policy that set man against man on the issue of religion"
Haile Selassie I Nov 2 1966

AVOID RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

"Above all Ethiopia is dedicated to the principle of equality of all men ,irrespective of difference of race, color or creed .As we do not practice or permit discrimination within our nation , so we oppose it wherever it is found"
Haile Selassie I Nov 02 1966

SPECIFIC CODE

Always respect the decision of the Council of Elders ,I-ncients Guardians of the Faith

Always acknowledge the contributions of the Patriarchs, Matriarchs and Founding Fathers of the Faith

Never use the I-ncients to obtain money for self benefits

Always acknowledge the contribution of African Leaders, African Liberators and Freedom Fighters, noting important dates and events

THE EMBLEM

The Emblem of Ethiopia the tricolor, Red, Gold, and Green, with the Gold charged with the crown lion, in natural colors supporting a cross-staff bearing a Red, Gold and Green pennon, known as the Lion of Judah is the accepted emblem of the Faith (Note The Green the uppermost color, the Gold in the middle, followed by the Red)

Consider also the EABIC version of said emblem

The Emblem must be

Present when representing Haile Selassie I and Empress Menen

Present at all individual gates

Raised high at all times

The Emblem must not be

Torn, or in Rags

Misused

The Tricolor Red, Gold and, Green -

Must never be worn on feet or as socks

HERB SMOKING

The Hola Sacrament must not be Abused

Not be used for recreational purposes nor given to minors nor mentally disturbed individuals

Therefore based on the above proposal the use of herb at nightclubs and parties are forbidden.?

Always remember smoking is an individual choice

RULES OF HOUSES OR MANSIONS

All rules of Rastafari Houses or Mansions must be obeyed as these rules relate to specific areas

Such as listed along with other groups not listed

Rules that govern the The Nyah Binghi Priests, 12Tribe Priests and EABIC Priests must be obeyed- **How does relate to dietary rules?**

Rules that govern the Nyahbinghi male/female, 12Tribe male/female, EABIC male/female must be obeyed

Rules governing the Councils and committee of the Nyah Binghi 12 Tribe, EABIC and others groups must be obeyed

All Rules of the Nyah Binghi 12 Tribes EABIC and other groups that relate to the Binghi Grounds, The Alter of the Tabernacle the Nyah Binghi Drums and the Fire Key must be obeyed

Glory to word Glory to sound Glory to the blessed Iwa

Glory unto the Highest Jah Rastafari and Empress Menen

PLEASE RECOMMEND ANY CHANGES OR ADDITIONAL POINTS

Selon ena fiker igzee abihher yimmasgan

Peace and love, give thanks to Jah Rastafari

I was glad when they said unto I, come let us go into the house of the Living I
Jah Ras Tafari Haile Selassie I

Greetings Ras Ravin
My answers to your questions and comments

DIETARY PRACTICE

Avoid the following

- (1) animal products /by products
- (2) Processed foods /genetic foods
- (3) Sodium salt
- (4) Alcohol

COMMENTS

This is a touchy subject, as we well know that some organizations do in fact permit the use of all the above and practice some things that will definitely be against codes

RESPONSE

I do agree that this is touchy
However touchy this may be the Biblical references of Lev11:41-42 ,Gen 1:29.Rev 22:2 cannot be ignored as they are building blocks of the livity

It is medically proven that some foods do severe damage to the physical structure

ITAL meals are very good options so check it

Can you imagine a RasTafari banquet with those listed foods on the table?

Now Ras Tafari organizations who in fact permit the use of harmful foods (or to them it is not harmful until the doctor say so, and disease set in)

It my opinion that proper planning and research should be done to provide alternative holistic foods

RasTafari is blessed with much land for cultivation

The I- ncients always remind me that Rasta mans should always eat from his own vineyard

I therefore recommend the eating of life giving foods

AWARENESS

Be concerned with Re-Education Current Events, Politics of African Liberation, Repatriation and Reparation

COMMENTS

See proposal Repatriation Doc and census proposal be concerned with justice and liberation

RESPONSE

I presently reviewing Conference reports along with other material to form an opinion

AWARENESS (B)

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COMMENTS

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RESPONSE

I do agree

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COMMENTS

Even as one must not enforce religious practices, so must the people who don't vision H.I.M as God, but consider them selves Rasta

RESPONSE

For those who sight H.I.M as God for them it will be a Godly reward
Others who sight H.I.M as King for them it will be a kingly reward

One Haile Selassie I for us all

. Every one will be fully paid according to his or her works

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COMMENTS

Consider the EABIC version of the said emblem?

RESPONSE

Another touchy subject
Let's examine some facts

Haile Selassie I traveled on the wings of wings to Jamaica note the emblem on the Royal Air Craft

References on Itheopian Emblems can be found in JAHUG Vol 2 Edition 2 (NyahBinghi Theocracy Reign, Title) page 62

I would be such Joy to experience a yard and abroad see
Both Emblems flying on either Ibernacle grounds without the Fiya Bunning

A mature approach must be taken to fix this

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The Hola Sacrament –must not be used for recreational purposes or given to minors or mentally disturbed individuals

COMMENTS

Therefore based on the above proposal the use of herb at night clubs and parties are forbidden

RESPONSE

The Hola Sacrament –These words have to be taken seriously

Incient Bongo Shephan Priest of the Incient Order of the Nyah Binghi States

‘Now the herb is our sacrament inna the congregation of righteousness’
I ask how does this fit into dance halls and clubs.?

He further states

“We Rastaman we use herb as our communal meal with the chalice
Now if the herb is so sacred ,.as a communion for the congregation of righteousness , I don’t see that man should be running up and down –with a big splif inna him mouth or a ganja pipe outer him mouth “

The herb is not treated as a sacrament when used at parties and clubs that is a pleasure move and not a communication link to the Most High

RULES OF HOUSES OR MANSIONS

Rules that govern the Nyah Binghi Priest, 12 Tribes Priests EABIC Priests must be obeyed

COMMENTS

How does this relate to dietary rules?


RESPONSE

RasTafari trod is not a food trod but a righteous trod

However the importance of good dietary practices is of uttermost importance
The Incient Order of the Nyah Binghi recommends the Ital, Diet
What others say about this?

Oh Haile Selassie I and Empress Menen Bless InI abundantly with tolerance and
overstanding so that InI can do thy will

Give thanks
Ras flako

From:  [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/18/2006 8:54 AM

Greetings Ras Nathaniel
Izes I
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Reads DO NOT
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through the
Printed Press
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Are you becoming a victim of this ?
be carefull

ras flako

From:  [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/18/2006 12:07 AM

Greetings Ras Nathaniel Love and blessings
The RITA 1983 22 point proposal emerged from a series of reasoning sessions held by all
mansions within the house of Jah Ras Tafari
Main categories covered
spiritual /cultural economic, health and education, administration and fund raising, with
repatriation the main focus
Point (1) of the 22 resolutions states
Ras Tafari International Divine Order of the Nyah Binghi should be the responsible source to
provide spiritual guidance regarding Ras Tafari Foundation and Livitical Authority
The Council of Incients are consultants of the house as they maintain the Inciency over the years
They must be respected

Points put forward by the I are good reminders of those 22 resolutions
Which are the responsibility of the all mansion committee or group
This group is led by the Incient Order as stated by RITA
It is only through this collective effort can any thing meaningful be realized
Though time has elapsed, the blue print is already drawn and ready for use
Now instead of pointing to unfinished work which is the business of Ras Tafari mansions

A fact finding research should be commissioned to see where problem areas exist and provide solutions for same

There are enough resource ones available to do so

Those 22 points should not be dealt with in bits and pieces as each point link the other

For my part It require strong financial backing to achieve real results

Who will put up those funds ?

The reggae artist wont ,as they have their own agenda

Where are the all mansions FUNDS ?

Now concerning Repatriation

The proposal pointed to the setting of a financial committee to establish a financial system, geared primarily towards REPATRIATION

the need is still there

I therefore do not see the necessity to add these points of RITA 22 to the Code of Conduct

The Code of Conduct deals with specific behavioural patterns and not things hoped to be achieved through group effort

I give thanks for your efforts however on this matter

IZES I

Ras Flako

From: [Ras Siphwe Nathaniel](#)

Sent: 12/18/2006 9:58 AM

Greetings and Rastafari Blessings Ras Flako,

Give thanks for the good reasoning. With respect to Rastafari Sons and Dawtas

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Question:

IS IT A MORAL DUTY TO SUPPORT THE RASTAFARI GLOBAL GOVERNMENT/RASTAFARI GLOBAL SECRETARIAT?

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IS IT A MORAL DUTY TO RECOGNIZE THE NYAHBINGHI ORDER "as the International Ivine Order of the Rastafari Community"? (RITA #19)

IF the answer to the above is yes, then I&I ought to give specific clear instructions on how to fulfill these moral duties.

Question:

Is it a moral duty The Tricolor Red, Gold and, Green Must never be worn on feet or as socks?

If that can be included in a Rastafari Code of Conduct, why not specific instructions that tie together and fulfill RITA points #3,4,9

and 19. I agree with the I that "Those 22 points should not be dealt with in bits and pieces as each point link the other"

What I&I don't need is a Rastafari Code of Conduct that can not be enforced. The way to enforce a Rastafari Code of Conduct is through positive enforcement. For example, the proposal that all I&I must purchase Nyahbinghi CD's through a yet-to-be-established Rastafari International Trading Company (RITC) can serve the enforcement mechanism since it is proposed that ALL PERSONS LISTED ON THE RITC REGISTER (those who have followed the procedure and purchased the Nyahbinghi CD's) TO BE RECOGNIZED AS MEMBERS OF THE RASTAFARI NATION BY THE UNITED NATIONS, THE AFRICAN UNION, AND OTHER SUCH INSTITUTIONS. Only such persons would then get the benefit of programs and resources made available by such institutions and the Rastafari Global Secretariat (RGS) itself.

This is one "touchable" answer to the finance issue that the I raised.

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It is proven that the mansions don't have funds because the mansions do not enforce membership dues, collective economic markets, and concert fundraisers.

I wonder if the I is reading carefully the financial program being put forward. Operation Reggae Funding (ORF) is a financial program to collect US\$1 from each and every person at every reggae show. The Reggae artists are not being asked to put up funds. The reggae artists are being asked to Respect RITA 22 Points just like everyone else. ORF is proposing to use existing reggae shows, THE VENUES, as the most expedient way to collect the widows' might from the people who love I&I music, seen? (see parable of the Widow's Might). This collected widows' might to be used for Rastafari Government administration, with Repatriation as the first priority. All of this is what RITA 22 Points means.

So, now I&I have two programs to both organize and centralize I&I in the fulfilment of multiple RITA 22 Points that can finance themselves IF I&I have the courage to include them in a Rastafari Moral Code of Conduct.

Any general Moral Code that does not include such measures will be a toothless document.

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From:  [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/20/2006 1:34 AM

Greetings Ras Nasthanial
Give Jah RasTafari thanks and Izes

QUESTION

It is a moral duty to support the RasTafari Government /RasTafari Global Secretariat

ANSWER

This is a general question to the all mansion

Now some RasTafari claim that they are a Government within a Government or Government in exile

INI have to be realistic about Government affairs and our ability to govern ourselves within any given country

Some RasTafari support State Government while neglecting their own affairs

RasTafari Government must be clearly defined with the ministers listed with responsibilities and funding to carry out Governmental duties

Other wise it is just talk

QUESTION

It is a moral duty to contribute to Shashamane land grant?

ANSWER

I man will first ask some questions

How many Ras Tafari knows about the Shashamania land grant ?

What means is set through international banking institutions to collect moneys for the land grant?

Why was the land grant neglected over so many years?

INI should never take the gift of the land grant of H.I.M. for granted and this resulted in so much misery and suffering

QUESTION

Is it a moral duty to recognize the Binghi Order

ANSWER

The 12 Tribes ,EABIC along with free Irits Rasta have already done so

However how often any of those mentioned have frequented Binghi Admin meetings to make valuable contributions

To accept the Incient Order and not contribute to its empowerment is not good enough

QUESTION

The Tri color Red Green Gold must never be worn on feet as socks?

ANSWER

The ltes.Gold and Green when worn on feet ,the lowest part of the body is subjected to trampling ,stamping, wearing down ,dirt and grime

Is that acceptable?

Those who make these socks most time are non Rastas and do so for commercial reason as every thing in RED ,GOLD GREEN attract dollars and no contribution is forwarded

The I wish is to enforce the RITA 22 or sections of it into the code

However all proposal including RITA 22 deserve a seperate message board

The should carefully note that RITA 22 has being ratified ,blue printed and officially signed by the all Mansion present 1983

There is some neglect for whatever reason I cannot explain ,however in time I will investigate the matter

QUESTION

It is proven that all mansion do not have funds because the mansions do not enforce membership dues ,colletive economic market and concert fund raisers

ANSWER

Partially true as the 12 Tribes have done well in this effort

I am not sure of the EABIC

The Nyah Binghi make contributions on the spot and accept donations

No on going fund raising drive ,thus no great pool of funds

membership dues cannot be enforced as there are abundant self employment/employment among RasTafari Families

remember there are children to be cared for

QUESTION

Iwonder if the i reading carefully the financial programme being put forward ,operation reggae funding etc

ANSWER

yes

brilliant idea

However I have not seen the response

How about instead of seeking the 1\$US

why not encourage the all mansion to create the

ALL MANSION REGGASE BAND,RECORDING STUDIO AND RASTAFARI ARTIST


MANAGEMENT

then the real funds will be flowing

these are my vibes on the matter

More Izes

ras flako

From:  [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/21/2006 2:47 AM

Greetings to all

Haile Selassiel and Empress Menen love and blessings

This just a reminder to all that the Recommended Code of Conduct points should be carefully analyzed

.All comments and answers to questions should also be carefully read

It is further expected that board members clearly identify the following

(1) Sections of the Code that they are in agreement with

(2) Sections where there are disagreement, provide comments or alternative solutions

These solutions put forward will be further reasoned upon and a decision taken for their inclusion or exclusion in the Code


By completing this activity through healthy discussions each board member will play their role in

fully participating in the process of realizing the accepted Ras Tafari Code of Conduct

May Haile Selassie and Empress Menen bless Inl works with success

IZES I

Ras Flako

From:  [ravin-i](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/21/2006 11:30 PM

ises.

when posting a reply or comment or concern, please be reminded that posting in anger or haste will not help to generate healthy discussion, remember what you say will help to decide how the code of conduct is accepted or disregarded.

Careful consideration is encouraged, so that righteous decisions are made.

Bless

ras ravin-i

TTRU Global Coordinator

From:  [Bethyscuba](#)

Sent: 12/22/2006 11:06 AM

Hail I,

All things must be done in Humility and Meekness of

Spirit if the outcome is to be fruitful. Anger and

Hostility only serves to retard growth within Inl

Nation.

Blessed Love

Sister Telicia

From: [Ras Siphwi Nathaniel](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/23/2006 1:49 PM

On 12/18/06, **Rastafari_Global_Government IRIE**
<rastafari_global_government@hotmail.com> wrote:

Greetings and Rastafari Blessings Ras Kofi,

Give thanks for the I reasoning. . . . Regarding Haiasi words, I know what he means. It is the same as when the Elders said that Rastafari is an INBORN ICEPTION, seen? No true? So in a sense, I agree that TRUE RASTA don't need any kind of papercy, seen!

However, the I also must recognize that most of those professing to be Rasses are not behaving as such, and that the collective needs of the community demand some kind of Code of Conduct. To I, this is an instance of HIM Haile Selassie words

"necessary changes and improvements called for by conditions now existing. . . ."

I sharing this reasoning with the other links I have in Atlanta for I&I upliftmant, seen? Also, since I&I trying to build a centralized location for collective reasoning, will the I post the I rasponse at RecommendedRasTafariCodeofConduct@groups.msn.com or allow I to post it?

Most Heartically and Respectfully,

Ras Sipiwe Nathaniel

Hail up, beloved Ras

I didn't feel the need to post the message beacuse it was more of a personal reasoning to de I. If de I feel to post it, I have no objections. My elders have taught me to "listen twice and talk once." With respect of public forums, I see where this advise is quite valuable. I prefer to remain behind the scenes in some instances and offer advise to idren as a means of developing startegy more than anything else.....

Yes I . The reality of the "inborn concept" is full, but as de I know, based on the fall of man, there is still need to re-emphasize or "re-teach" what is already supposed to be written on the table of the heart. My main concern is not with the process of edification and collective exhortation to good works and pure livity, but on the energy we spend on what is seemingly re-invention of the wheel. What I mean is not that we don't need a code, but that we already have a code....more than just the natural code of our instincts...the code I am talking about is H.I.M teachings. So in a practical way, and in a way that also shows administrative maturity in psychologically dealing with our people after 500 years of constant policing, we should be putting more of an effort into making the all - wise and perpetually practical teachings of H.I.M known to all of our people. This is what should be made mandatory **ABOVE ALL**. While this may be happening on some level, it should be the **substance** of mandates coming from the council of Ancients, or from any other administrative body of Rastafari.

From the perspective of human nature, which we must never forget that we are dealing with (regardless of if we named Rastafari or whoever) it is always more effective to present things from a perspective of personal empowerment, as opposed to penal codes or punitive measures. Not only would these teachings empower ones' sense of self, but subsequently it would help to form naturally accepted parameters in terms of social interaction and livity as a whole. A wise man, Elijah Muhammad, once said that we should not "condemn a dirty glass, but put a clean glass next to it, and the dirty glass condemns itself." So my reasoning is not an attempt to throw any sort of monkey wrench in the vibes that ones are promoting in the name of upstanding livity, but to remind ones while we are on our journey together that we are not facing anything new, and that oftentimes when dealing with situations that we've dealt with for centuries, new approaches are needed. we have a history of codes and guidelines...METU NETER, HAMMURABI, KEBRA, FETHA, MOSAIC LAWS, ETC. De I mentioned Howell earlier. The Christ man himself had to confront the Scribes and Pharisees 2000 years ago on this same issue. the Scribes were "versed in the Law OF MOSES," BUT FORSOOK THE MOST IMPORTANT LAWS OF THE INIVERSE WHEN ADMINISTRATING OVER ISRAEL! In that time, like in this time, the Law is truly for the lawless! And while the argument can be made that there is much lawlessness amongst Rastafari, I suppose where we are right now is deciding how best to deal with it. I submit that education above all is the cure for ignorance. Ignorance, of course, is the main culprit in the realm of lawlessness. I have observed with my own eyes, for instance, how multitudes of imples in Jamaica are held in relative darkness and are bound to social and intellectual "boxes" because of lack of access to HIM teachings, or other scriptural books of importance. I've seen how influential members of the congregation that do have access to these books have hoarded the information, almost in an attempt to maintain a sort of "authority" by mystically "revealing" to the congregation teachings in a "slow release" manner. Hotta fiya burn. These teachings that ones may try to hold to themselves, of course, are disseminated over the world by Frontline and other companies:)

Ras, there are many issues here at question, and we are all working hard, I trust, to put logs on the fire of destruction for the roman empire. These same logs are what we are using to refurbish the structure of our own House. So all I am saying is that from an administrative level, instead of telling people what NOT to do, let us spend that email time and print resources and energy on showing the words and works of His Majesty. Let us make the memorization of those lessons mandatory, like other successful nations do with their Saturday schools, etc. Let us study the science of leadership, so that we can be most effective. Lao Tzu said **"A leader is best when people barely know he exists, when his work is done, his aim fulfilled, they will say: we did it ourselves."** He also goes on to say (I can't find the quote right now) that of all the various paradigms of leadership, the best is by moral influence. the least among his list is by making it impossible for ones to do "wrong." i am well familiar with the fact that HIM have a constitution, and even revised it twice. This does not discount the fact that as a people, we respond more lastingly and meaningfully to quotes of "you have the power to..." instead of "thou shalt not..." i know that there is so much to this issue, and I would like to conclude by saying that ANYTHING that helps us to move forward as a people is ilafal and honorable. I simply feel that the leadership must first study history objectively, and must study the nature and irit of the people that it is leading. The whole purpose, of course, is to transform the collective energy into one that is most effective. The purpose is not to simply say that "we have published

these codes for the record." It's like the whole "give a man a fish" as opposed to "teach him how to fish" vibe. Hopefully I am making sense.

In solidarity
Ras Kofi

Further reasoning from Ras Kofi:

One thing that I neglected to say is that the brother was incorrect in his assertion that we have lived for millenia "without a code." In contrast, we have ALWAYS had a code of conduct. That's what my real point is. We need more than a code. It's really something else, something deeper, that is missing. They say that the definition of a fool is someone that keeps doing the same thing and expects different results.

More love

From:  [WiseNeighborlyPandora](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/27/2006 2:30 PM

Highly Bless,

I have read over the Code of Conduct twice and intend on analysing it again.

In reference to the Dietary Law. I totally agree that it is a must that we take care of our temples being mindful of what we consume; However, you can take a horse to the water but you cannot make him drink. Through my experience defending the Faith I saw that many were shunned from the Livity because of what they ate and were told they cannot be 'Ras' if they consumed meat dairy products and so on. YET in turn if I n I suppose to be the reflection of HIM.....what did He and the Royal family eat? If you are vegan then you are vegan if you're not then you're not THAT I feel is personal along with religion. I feel it best that we show that we moreso encourage/promote healthy eating rather than DEMAND. I have met many WISE elders(120+years old) in Africa that consume meat and so on and their auras and persononas are bright, strong and rejuvenating. If we say we are free then why is it that we demand/create so many limitations? HIM teaches us that WE MUST OVERCOME OUR PETTY DIFFERENCES"


In reference to the Emblem....how is it that in the beginning you stated red gold and green then at the end in brackets depict the tricolor order to be green gold and then red? In the Aethiopian Anthem we often chant..."with our RED GOLD AND GREEN FLOWN O'ER US....." even in any songs for that matter its Red Gold Green always in that order yet still we must fly a flag with Green Gold and Red chanting Red Gold and Green? Niyahbinghi often declare and say "RAINBOW Circle Throne" A bit confusing to someone who may just be starting out in the livity. I encourage that ones take a moment to analyse the sequence of colours in the rainbow for clarity. I dislike touching this topic... there is so much bickering going on in the 'Ras' houses about this which should not be. Many have the brains but no common sense and everybody wants to be a chief gwan like dem careless of who the REAL chief is.

Now.....I noticed there was no real specific mention of conduct highlighting the female except for the oneliner about honouring Empress Menen. Many men

in this livity take advantage of being the 'head' of the household and HONOUR needs to be broken down. Head of the household does NOT mean that you DOMINATE over your female. Man and Wombman have their individual roles/missions and purposes in life even though a bond has been established. My kingmon cannot answer to the Almighty for my rights and wrongs and neither can I for him....which in turn should show us that its about BALANCE. In this 'conduct' purity and harmony was mentioned. If Man can show equalness, purity and harmony with MOTHER nature then the same conduct should apply to Wombman.

This was jus my personal vibe...no disrespect to anyone but just know say that African history OURstory is much older then the Bible. T'is only through faith that most of us feel that our 'way of life' is THE way of life yet in reality NO ONE not ANYONE knows for sure. It is good to be able to identify the self under a certain banner or certain house but at the ending of the day t'is but You and Jah. From we dehya pon de battle field its not about house and banner its about right and wrong.....good vs evil. I defend and declare the good me nah business with evil.....Freedom Redemption Black International Repatriation.

Give thanks....

From:  [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/28/2006 1:38 AM

“Progress and work have no boundaries It is therefore, the duty of each one of us to contribute in full measure to this noble aim”----Haile Selassiel

There are ones and ones outside the domain of Houses or Mansions who claim to be Rastafari

Most abide by their own rules and regulation, while others abide by the kingciples of Haile Selassie

. In the former years society at large have made judgment calls of Rastafari livity not knowing who is who

However there are some encouraging examples of changes as there are presently the acknowledgement of RasTafari houses or mansions

If there was a time in history of the administration of the Nyah Binghi Order where the Important Utterances of Haile Selassie I was not on the priority list

I am not aware of it

From the I-ncient Council stand point, excerpts from the Utterances of Haile Selassie I are clearly placed inside the Granville Pit Four Ibernacle for all to read also complete speeches are always read at meetings, Nyah Binghi celebrations and house events

The Recommended Code of Conduct put forward should not be viewed as historical document

The points listed are real concerns

RasTafari of up full livity are now challenged to share their knowledge by strengthen others so

that the Global RasTafari family can benefit and grow in perfect love and harmony

Through the I-vine powers of Haile Selassie I and Empress Menen

Give thanks

Ras flako

From: [Binghi Haiasi](#)

Sent: 12/28/2006 6:39 PM

Hail Ras Flako!

Ises to His Majesty Itinually! here is my 2 cents overstanding of why traditional Idrens are reluctant to write 'How to be a Rasta' type text manual - it is because InI did not receive the tradition from a textbook, rather through a mystical transmission from father to son, and brother to brother. What InI are saying is the riches of the tradition will not yield themselves to curiosity or, even dilkigent study. The tradition will yield its precious cargo only to devotion and loyalty. Tradition is not inherited in a lumpsum, it is acquired through sacrifice and labour. Being that the Rastafari faith is inseparable from the Rastafari livity, and the livity is known and identifiable worldwide by HIM name, Rastafari, InI are asking Rastafarians to sep up to the traditional livity, to the labour and sacrifice which may not be sidestepped, through the traditional process known as grounding. Only then you will know what InI know, and you will defend it same way like InI, because you will become a living lestimony to the wisdom and strength of the tradition, and a living code to the blighted and benighted black peoples emerging from slavery and colonization.

I have witnessed that when 'How to be a Rasta' type manuals are put out, they become tools of evil in the hands of ones whose interest is in acting the role of Rasta to deceive the innocent, rather than actually living the traditional livity. There is no substitute for tradition. That is why there is no substitute for a Rastaman.

Giving thanks for the I diligence, and service to the Incients, with perfect love in the name of Rastafari Almighty!

From: [Sis Ichelle](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/27/2006 1:56 PM

as a member of a Rastafar! sistren's webgroup, i see heartbroken sistren and broke-apart families being caused by this "King Soloman behaviour" time after time. However, it was one item i did not see addressed on the Code.

Therefore, i would like to nominate this matter to be reasoned on for ini proposed Code, as i feel it is crucial to the family worldwide.

give thanks

From:  [WiseNeighborlyPandora](#)

Sent: 12/28/2006 8:31 AM

I STRONGLY agree....

From:  [Bethyscuba](#)

Sent: 12/28/2006 1:41 PM

Greetings to my Rastafari Family, in the name of His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I and Her Majesty Empress Menen!

This topic that Sister Ichelle proposed is an interesting one, it would be great if this topic be addressed by the Masses!

Rastafari Love!!

From:  [SisIriyah1](#)

Sent: 12/28/2006 8:21 PM

Haile I

Selassie I

this sis would like to reason that in I sight, most of the things reasoned upon being in the "Code" have already been written, and if InI are true Ras then InI should already know how to live to the best of InI ability in order to best live as HIM would have InI live. it is a concern that many ones that have been in the trod for long time are not even living as HIM and the elders have taught from creation, so what is going to make this any different? there is nothing new under the sun. i am open to reasoning with open minds and hearts. instead of rewriting what for the most part has already been written, this sis sees that many things are not being addressed collectively with much seriousness. InI find that major concerns are being overlooked while trying to reestablish a code with guidelines for eating, wearing socks and sex.

so, **in addition to** what has been written down for this new "Code"....some things to reason about including might be (after reasoning with MANY sistren over the past two weeks).....

a more formal overlook of what entails a Rastafar I family, the king or queen being either with or without youth. updating what has already been written in the Jahug....perhaps more modern in some aspects, while keeping to groundation teachment....respecting each mansion's guidelines.

education must be addressed.

an online as well as printable overview of how to go about homeschooling with links for each states standards as well as sources for the outernational Rastafar I family to utilize in said homeschooling.


this sis would like to see some sort of outline for ones to go by in order to prepare themselves to repatriate....there are skills that need to be learned and preparations to be made in order to not only settle on the land, but to be of help to one and ones once ones do repatriate. InI cannot repatriate or relocate without knowing what is expected of InI....

this sis thinks that some serious debate needs to be done in order to better organize InI works and "writtten in stone" guidelines established.....(example: one set of ras collectively (mansionwide) in cleveland might be the committee that goes about and sees about companies donating software, computers, anything technological that the Shashamane School needs. then perhaps the ras in brooklyn can be the committee that has fundraisers, yardsales, bakesakes etc. in order to raise money to buy books and school supplies for the school .) if ones have specific things that ones are rasponsible for, the flow of things to build on the land would be taken care of and ongoing. there are a myriad of things that could be specifically delegated in order to get collective works done.

just some things to think about....so many ones think that InI livity as Rastafar I is a joke thing, and to this sis, simply rewriting what has already been written will serve no purpose if there are not guidelines in all things included.

Selassie I each and every time.

Sis Irijah

From:  [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/27/2006 11:50 AM

Yes Ras Tafari is I light

InI trodding in Jah light

InI trodding in the foot steps of the King Hi -Way

(King H-Way Chant)

Many things are being spoken of one self, like call one self Rastafari but not following the instructions given by Haile Selassie as detailed outlined in the selected speeches of H.I.M and other texts and not having a livity for INI to behold

It is not good enough

Reading the speeches of H.I.M.without its practical application to daily lives is not good enough

I have grown upwith I-ncients, and have seen the trod

In the early days, very little speeches of Haile Selassie I was available

It was more a Biblical trod as psalms and prophecy was recited from memory with great accuracy

As speeches became more available the Incients apply both HIM speeches and Biblical prophesies to the livity

In the age of the revelation of knowledge where technology is at the finger tips and wise minds compete for their position in society the I-ncients gave birth to Ras Tafari sons and dawtas and much is expected of them

With the fading eye sights of some I-ncients (not their inner vision) Ras Tafari youths and elders

should take charge of RasTafari literature

RE the Speeches of His Majesty and RasTafari history, and ensure that the necessary

RE: Education is carried out

Now those all wise minds of Ras Tafari must desist from finger pointing the I-ncients

Always I-call that it was the I-ncients who had paved the way and set the foundation for Ras Tafari Global conquering over land and sea

It was the I-ncients who had declared without apology that Haile Selassie is the All Mighty I

It was the same I-ncients who had faced the fire from I-ception and never got burnt, as good will always conquer evil

It was the I-ncients who broke the colonial, chains and opened the eyes of the masses to serious injustice and misrule of law and order by the state

Now RasTafari has become the conscience of the people and cannot be ignored any longer

Some Ras Tafari however brilliant take the trod for granted as life with dread locks become so easy , normal and accepted

In the early days, you would have to hide, and walk miles to cover ends

If you are lucky public Transport will take you, some times with multiple policing

Housing, health education of self and children far fetched

It now time for RasTafari youths and elders to forward their positive contributions

It is required that RasTafari youths and elders

(1) There is much work in Ras Tafari administrations, houses or mansions to be done

(2)Financial contributions and kind could be forwarded to houses or mansions, although this is being done, more ones could be involved as the need is great

The I-ncients are still on the battle field as InI never get weary

However there is great concern about daily activities of the trod as ones and ones began to stray from the foundation, as such checks and balance have to be made,

This not policing as some now present

I have much discredit done to Rasta by those who wear RasTafari garments

Where in our accountability to Haile Selassie and Empress Menen? He has already given us charge of our affairs

What will be our report?

We are also accountable to our families also to the house or mansions of our choice

Every organization have its rules and regulation even families have code of conduct

The wrong must be made right

For those who can guide them selves through the glory and divine powers of Haile Selassie I

I MAN GIVE THANKS

For others who are stumbling along the way and need strength and direction

Lets give a guiding hand

Ras Tafari and Empress Menen love and Blessings to all

Ras flako

From: [Binghi Haiasi](#)

Sent: 12/28/2006 9:18 PM

Ises HIM!

Ras, the I can see while the original intent may have been to arrive at a behavioural agreemant, the issues ones are raising range far wider and deeper in scope - i.e. domestic balance of man and woman, monogamy over polygamy, moral duty toward Shashamane, and so on and so forth - issues which perhaps more appropriately belong to the realm of culture and philosophy.

"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" - this is the best behaviour code I ever saw. The Rastaman lives this. The wicked also live this! I humbly submit this code is capable of separating the righteous from the wicked with unerring accuracy!

Rastafari perfect love be upon all the family for lver!

From:  [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/29/2006 9:54 PM

"Let set our goals too high ,let us demand more of our selves than we believe we possess HasieSelassie I

Greetings Ras Tafari Family

Now the I-ncients have trod the trod ,paved the way and set the livity ,that Iml inherit today

The livity of the Incients is both oral and practical .It would be very helpfull for ones and ones close to the I-ncients record their thoughts ,thus clearing the way from all misconception

The tradition that Binghi Haiasi mention is very important .Some RasTafari

youths ,even elders have never attended a groundation or Issembly
In the early years of Rastafari trodding .A groundation was an Ital affair
(1)Abundant food and i-scents
(2)No lbernacle
(3)No man quarters /woman quarters ,(ones and ones provided their own
sleeping materials)
(4)No city ises
(5)No turban/emblem war
(6)No house or mansion .Total RasTafari Inity
Now what InI have now is the Order of the Nyah Binghi ,the EABIC,12 Tribes
and many others ,Each holding their own
The Traditional livity that Binghi Haiasi mention in this time as I man sight
,must come from a combine effort by the all mansion . It would be realistic for
the original groundation be presented for several lights showing the llafulljoy of
harmonious livity
even for a special occasion instead of these seperate Binghi lses
It is not the intent of the Recomend Code of Conduct to set"The How to be a
Rasta"but instead it is :How to conduct your selves as a Rasta"

More ises every lwa
ras flako

From:  [EmpressDahiyya](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/29/2006 10:26 PM

Blessed Honorable Greetings Elder Ras Flako and collective:

Give thanx for opening up discussions l-garding this. I too, in many of I&I dealings have come across times where we have to take the mystical to a practical level and verbally or written, outline our purpose. But most of the time we outline our common purpose, as oppose to actual rules of conduct. It has been I&I lxprience that those that dont' just talk about it, but BE about it, their livity is for the most part clean. When I say clean, I&I nah really talk about rites and rituals. I&I is referring to the caddiness and backstabbing and all the dismantling factors that exist within the movement are commonly phased out.

Sure, there are alot of what I call "secular" Rastafari, where they know somewhere deep within that Rastafari speaks the truth and therefore grow dem locks and call themselves Rastafari, but never made a full lmmittment to the fullness and therefore do not conduct themselves according to the livity. Every movement, every religion, every culture has this dichotomy going on.

Basically my point is, I&I see that ones rise up to divine livity naturally when ones naturally internalize His and Her Majesty's lvinity as examples to their own lvinity. If you impose a rule or regulation on one before they are ready, then they have yet to rise up to the principle. In I&I opinion, they then perform the principle superficially and are "going through the motions". To I, the scripture that Jah will weed out the tares speaks about how those who has the Kingciples written within and need not written code of conduct are naturally going to rise up, whilst those who need a law (law for the lawless) is not at a level and therefore will transgress the law no matter what you do. I&I have much to correct in I&I livity, but I&I know that the basics are in place, in addition to lvine levels. I&I seek to stay humble in order to allow Jah to l-fect me in every way. I&I speak about my own lxprience. I'm not saying this is right or wrong, as I'm sure ones can come up with lxamples of why my reasoning is not applicable in certain situations. What are your thoughts on this?

I humbly submit this reasoning.

Eternally,
Mama FiYah

From: 🤖 [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 12/30/2006 12:06 AM

Sis IrieJah
Isesl

Now in reality ,if some of Inl are true Rasta ,Inl would how to live and abide by the high standard set by HaileSelassioe and Empress Menen

However for some it is not so ,as Inl now encounter wolves in sheep clothing ,wearing the garments of Farl but not with Inl. seen I

The points put forward as

(1)RasTafari family structure

(2)Responsibility of the parents for the education of their children ,through regular school or home school ,will be considered

I man sight that Inl Repatriation must be championed through the all mansion collective along with the assistance of the AU and home based Governments

Inl have to spear head the move

It is also the responsibility of any group or organization to formulate a project and make it a success also each group have their own constitutional and administrative rules

However the Recomendated Code of Conduct aim is to improve ones behaviour and better ones and ones relationship through daily contact .Those who are already blessed with good behaviour must teach others and help them to attain their high standard

I more Ises

Ras Flako

Sent: 12/30/2006 12:58 AM

From: 🤖 [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Important notes on the EMBLEM

It is written that ---the horizontal tri-colour (green over gold over red) originally took the form of three pennants

After World War 11 the gold was changed with a crown Lion , in natural colours, supporting a cross –staff bearing a green gold and red pennon ,known as the “Lion of Judah “It should be noted that the Lion is depicted walking away from the hoist

Amongst the reason given for the adoption of colours are

(1) They represent the three parts of lthiopia .Tigre(red)Amhara(yellow)and Shoa(green)

(2)The colors are those of the Rainbow a frequent phenomenon in lthiopia

(3)They represent the three Christian virtues Faith(red)Hope(green) and Charity (gold)

When Emperor Haile Selassie I returned after five years exile in January 1941

He hoisted the green, gold and red Standard bearing the brown Lion of Judah with the Amharic inscription "Lion Of Judah, King Of Kings of Ethiopia."

For further clarity on the matter

This is a reasoning with Incient Bongo Tony (Order of the Nyah Binghi

Bongo Tony states that some Incient Rastafari in Jamaica in the early days of truth seeking worshiped through the Coptic Faith of Alexandria which was the mother church of Ethiopia

The emblem of the Coptic at that time was the horizontal tri-colour (red over gold over green) This emblem was preferred by most with a small minority choosing the tri-colour (green over gold over red) both emblem had the picture of Haile Selassie I neither had the crown Lion

However due to the passage of time and more facts on Ethiopia available It was known that the Ethiopian Orthodox Church was now the mother Church of Ethiopia thus replacing the Coptic Church of Alexandria

Rastafari realizing this wanted a name to replace the Coptic and the Orthodox

Thus a series of meetings was then held at different locations in Jamaica region for a decision on this matter

At a special meeting held at Water House in Kingston Jamaica Incient Bongo Hugh I recommended the name "The Church of the Nyah Binghi"

The fact that ones and ones had already accepted the name Nyah Binghi as the chanting and celebration Iwa was called Groundation, Assembly or Nyah Binghi

The new name The Church of the Nyah Binghi was accepted

Resulting from this the emblem of choice was now the horizontal tri-colour (green over gold over red) with the crown Lion in the gold

RELATIONSHIPS

In relationship Haile Selassie and Empress Menen has shown us the living example

A woman must be given her full respect in the home, outside the home

she must in turn forward the same respect or then Dis respect will set in, seen I, No one way road. Both responsibilities are clearly defined thus there should be no conflict


DIET

Just an advise .For those who know the dangers of meat eating and the dangers involve in consuming other products and fall victims that doctors have to pronounce the verdict

Always remember Ital was always an option

give thanks and Itinual Ises

ras flako

From:  [Rasflako1](#) (Original Message)

Sent: 1/3/2007 6:17 AM

Let righteousness cover the earth as water cover the sea

InI know that ones and ones who have exemplified the highest livity shine above all and remain living testimony of righteousness . Fashion dread is InI concern also pretenders of righteousness ,not willing to accept correction or guidance in any form I agree that those who internalize His and Her Majesty Ivinity as examples of their livity know how to conduct them selves There are many others who are not so inclined who are not within mansion or group who have no Incent to reason with and little or no access to the teachings of His Majesty InI must make an effort to provide guidance

Even at the basic level of life there are rules and regulations Are all these rules considered as policing or imposing? It is my concern that Rastafari livity should be the accepted standard by the Global Rastafari family

One must be committed to be Rastafari, as I see the world watching our every move ,(seen I)
The recommended code of conduct point to the fundamentals of what is expected I have heard many speeches by the gifted always remember the l-ncients are of few words but strong in faith
There are law for the lawless as there law for the righteous nothing exist without a balance

It would be very helpful to identify the following

- (1) acceptable points within the code of conduct
- (2) recommend changes for areas of concern
- (3) recommend points to be included

This would provide greater awareness into what is required to move RasTafari families towards collective strength and harmonious existence

Blessings and Ises

Ras flako

TAKEN FROM THE HAILESISTERS FORUM @ MSN

msn link:

http://groups.msn.com/HaileSistersInternational/general.msnw?action=get_message&IDMessage=18064&ShowDelete=0&CDir=-2

From: [Ithiopian Empress](#)

Sent: 12/17/2006 6:47 PM

I n I is a **Nyahbinghi Woman**. I n I can only reason pertaining to I n I livity. Rastafari Woman (of the the Nyahbinghi Order-**CHURHICAL** Livity) must abide to the Laws and Precepts of the Almighty Creator Emperor Haile Selassie I the First as spelled out in the HOLA SCRIPTURE (the Ible) and the Nyahbinghi Guidelines. Anything Different is NOT of I n I Livity. The Ible Says:

Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the Living I, Haile I Selassie I, King Rastafari. Blessed are they that keep HIS testimonies, and that seek HIM with the whole heart. They also do NO iniquity: they walk in HIS ways. The Black King and Emperor hast commanded us to keep HIS precepts diligently. So as children of the MOST HIGH I n I have respect unto all Haile I's commandments.

The Nyahbinghi Woman

The Nyahbinghi woman must abide by Emperor Haile Selassie I Ivine laws.

During I-semble, the Nyahbinghi women are responsible for the teaching of the children with special emphasis on the Amharic languages, His Imperial Majesty Emperor Haile Selassie I, Black History and other aspects of Rastafari Ivine livity.

She is not permitted to administrate around the altar or to prophecy before the congregation. A Nyahbinghi queen does not play the drums at an I-semble but does play the SHAKA (Shaker) or TIMBREL. She may participate in governmental administration, as in the taking of minutes, writing/reading of letters or any other works she is capable of doing, as seen by the House. She should also strive to improve her livity and skills/education so that she may be of greater strength to the Theocracy of Emperor Haile Selassie I and the family.

She must be attired in modest apparel at all times and must not wear pants or revealing garments. Her head must be covered during an I-semble or when congregating among the brethren or outside her gates.

As H.I.M. is the Head of the Nyahbinghi Order, the Nyahbinghi queen must recognise her kingman as her head. She must be loyal to her king head in all things concerning righteousness and at all times. If there is a misunderstanding between her and her king man, the matter should be brought before the priest or the Council of Elders who will deal with the matter privately and constructively.

During her monthly issue (period of 7 days), the Nyahbinghi queen does not attend, I-semble or congregate among the brethren.

When the Nyahbinghi queen brings forth a prince, she should stay away from an I-semble for a period of 3 months. If she brings forth a princess, she should stay away for a period of 4 months.

The Nyahbinghi woman must abstain from whoredom, adultery, fornication and all sinful acts that are an abomination to the Most High. She should keep her temple clean, refraining from use of flesh, drugs, alcohol and all harmful articles of food that are forbidden. The wearing of jewelry is not forbidden but the piercing of the ears is against the will of JAH. The plaiting of locks is forbidden as it is written in the book of II Peter 3: 3, "Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of plaiting the hair." The Nyahbinghi woman is nonviolent, non-abusive and non-partisan. She must also be free from all corruption as a true daughter of JAH Rastafari.

<http://www.nyahbinghi.org/nyahbinghi/binghiwoman.htm>

From: [sis rachel](#)

Sent: 12/19/2006 6:12 PM

Greetings,

I was reasoning with my king-man about this last night. I did check out the website, I have mixed feelings about it. I do think there should be certain protocols that all of Fari should adhere to, for example in I opinion, to be called by His perfect name one should sight HIM as the Almighty I Am. However the harvest time is near and let those who have ears hear. JAH will separate the sheep from the goat. This trad is not for everyone. His Majesty defines every aspect of InI livity. Any issue that could possibly face InI JAH has a perfect answer for. His word sound and the bible should be sufficient guidance to live a Right life. Will this document be upheld? Will this make ones conduct themselves properly? I don't know..... but I don't think so.

From:  [Humbleissa](#)

Sent: 12/20/2006 11:51 AM

GREETINGS,

IT SEEMS THAT IN THIS TIME WITH SO MANY NEW PERSONS BE ATTRACTED TO THIS MOVEMENT OR WAKING UP TO THE TRUTH OF THIS MOVEMENT...THERE ALMOST SHOULD BE A CODE OF CONDUCT SO TO SPEAK. I VERY MUCH AGREE THAT THERE IS ALOT OF LOOSE DOCTRINE AND AS TIME GOES BY, IT BECOMES EVEN MORE LOOSE. PART OF THE PROBLEM OF THAT HAPPENING IS BECAUSE THERE IS NO SET CODE TO LIVE BY. ALTHOUGH WE PRACTICE THE TEACHINGS OF THE BIBLE, IT IS NOT DEFINED IN PARTICULAR EXACTLY WHAT SHOULD BE UPHELD. RELATIONSHIPS ARE NOT

DEFINED AND OFTEN BREDREN HAVE MORE THAN ONE QUEEN OR AT LEAST TRY TO....WHEN THAT TYPE OF VIBES IS NOT UPHOLD HIS MAJESTY'S CONDUCT. I'M NOT PARTIAL TO "RULES" SO TO SPEAK...BUT IT'S ONLY NATURAL THAT SOME PEOPLE NEED THEM. THE ONLY PROBLEM IS WHO IS GOING TO KEEP THEM IN CHECK SINCE THERE ARE SO MANY SELF-PROCLAIMED RASTA WITH NO HOUSE? THIS IS A VERY GOOD TOPIC TO DISCUSS... COME FORWARD AND REASON!

From:  [Emp_Moon](#)

Sent: 12/20/2006 3:57 PM

Greetings Sistren,

I'm happy to see this as a topic. I think we all need to be carefull not to put ourselves in a box with a different name. So many of the sistren that I've talked to are not clear of what the "rules" are. My question is how can you get spiritual growth inside a box of rules? Who will these people be that set up the code? What will the punishment be if you dont follow the code? It sounds religious to me and not all that spiritual. Looking forward to reading your responses.
Emp_Moon

From:  [Humbleissa](#)

Sent: 12/20/2006 4:21 PM

Good point sistren. Especially when rastafari is out of the box altogether. I do think some people still need some code of conduct because not everyone has come into this consciousness and left babylon thoughts, concepts and ways out of it.....truly!

From: [prayingHIM](#)

Sent: 12/20/2006 5:02 PM

i wouldnt call it a "box of rules"
ini do have guidelines -- i look at it more as a shortcut - to reading scripture/all HIM's teachings. jus like Issa stated about the growth of the movement, it is so many of ones who like reggae music & feel that it equates Rastafari livity. To those new and/or jus interested in, it could provide dem answers to questions & a "document" to look at & say okay this thing not for i - that way, nobody time/effort/inergy get wasted.

it is imperative that ini look not jus at iselves, or ini immediate community but focus on NATION BUILDING as a reality. it would be romantical to think that once ones embrace Rastafari livity dey will be able to fully turn away from some cultural habits, i feel that a Code of Conduct would clarify those things that are truly of Rastafari livity.

ones to set up the code would be a Council of Elders. this thing is nothing new really - jus making it official
as far as enforcing, perhaps taking it to elders of the community - all things to be worked out in time
if ones check it, the i will see, this is a very ruff draft

Guidance

From:  [Emp_Moon](#)

Sent: 12/20/2006 8:44 PM

Thanks for the response!

For me RastaFari is a spiritual journey. I think that the reason we have trouble because it's hard to know what people think RastaFari is. This is why in different parts of the world Rasta are fighting for different things. Some sistren are fighting for there children to be able to go to school with locks, while others in a different place think RASyouth dont need to go to school. Is one or the other right? Is one more RAS than the other? Again what does these rules have to do with the spiritual journey? If we get caught up in what everybody is supposed to be doing and what they are supposed to look like then how can we really work on NATION BUILDING.

Emp_Moon

From:  [ravin-i](#)

Sent: 12/20/2006 11:01 PM

Rastafari greetings..

it is good to see that this aspect of Rastafari Livity is being discussed. for all the years the Rastafari nation **has** had an "open door" approach.....as time has gone on, the need has arisen to implement some sort of code of behavior, each one who has responded to this conversation has asked legitimate questions.

i believe that all comments will be looked at and studied carefully, the enforcement of these rules will depend on the individual and whatever organizations they belong to, to uphold this morality. Discipline will also come from said organizations according to their constitutions and mandates.

while we "fight" for things to be better, we will also have to remember and take into consideration i n i behavior towards i n i Sistren, children and elders and ldrens. All have drawn some good talking points.

I expect there will be much resistance to this conversation, but it will be done, this call to duty is for each and every Rasta, man and woman alike. so please voice your concerns and ask as many questions as necessary.

in HIM service
Ras Ravin-i

From:  [ravin-i](#)

Sent: 12/20/2006 11:17 PM

THE FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM general Salem OF THE RYI OD SOUTH AFRICA - TAKEN FROM THE GLOBAL INITY CONFERENCE

"On installing the Rastafari Global Secretariat; It was not possible to establish this body without the participation of the Diaspora, but all Mansions in Zion attended, save for saboteurs. On Finalising the Five Year Plan of Action; This is still within the time-frame of the plan since it expires in 2007 On making initial funds for the Secretariat to begin their work; This also was on hold for a later date when everything is in place On promotion and implementation of organic agriculture in Africa and the Diaspora; InI had hoped that InI agricultural projects be linked with those in the Diaspora, still possible. On the Re-establishment of African Tradition in InI daily

endeavours; The concept of "Ubuntu" which is Africanness must be adhered to, and reasoned on. Establish a Global Rastafari Code of Conduct; This was done by the Rastafari Global Leadership recently.

Passing the rod of correction, projecting the Nation to the future was the theme of the conference, so the Global Rastafari Code of Conduct is a way of doing this and the envisaged "Charter of Righteousness" to be given to the Family by the Incients, is another anticipated document."

"Only one issue have been resolved of the items that were on the Agenda, the proposed Code of Conduct for the Global Rastafari Family, for this InI say Glory to the Nyahbinghi Order of Rastafari, for InI did ask for guidance, input and further works. That the Ancient Order of Nyahbinghi responded to the request by Sons and Dawtas of H.I.M Emperor Haile Selassie1 in Zion, this leaves no doubts as to who the leaders of Rastafari are, InI will be reasoning about the Code of Conduct in all InI future gatherings for the year, will give InI recommendations. Forward Ever, Backwards Never."

One God, One Aim, One Destiny, One Agenda
Heartical Raspect and Blessings
General Salem (R.Y.I) RSA

From:  [OriginalRootzDawta](#)

Sent: 12/21/2006 7:22 AM

I guess one key point that has to be worked out is this: Is Rastafari a way of life or a belief system? Or both? Is it fair to require ones and ones to drop their original cultures to adopt Rastafari culture? If one doesn't embrace Rastafari culture but still accepts the divinity of His Majesty, what then? What about it one upholds all the aspects of Rastafari culture but not the divinity of His Majesty? See, I think this is where it gets a little sticky. For example, if I were Muslim, there are certain doctrines I must uphold to say I am Muslim (and there are differences across the board). But, at the same time, depending where I am from, I can hold other non-Muslim traditions so long as they don't interfere with the basic tenets of my Muslim faith. So as I see it, I think this should be more the focus--figuring out what the tenets of Rastafari faith are and then moving on to the culture, which, I think will differ across the board. And for what it's worth, in my opinion, Christians can't call themselves that without accepting the divinity of Christ. I think for Rastafari, accepting His Majesty (and Her Majesty for that matter) as divine, is basic. But I've learned that this is not always the case

From:  [Shine 82](#)

Sent: 12/21/2006 8:40 AM

I'm glad to see this thread of discussion, as this is what I joined the group to discover.

I have a few contributions to make to the discussion. I think I totally agree with those who have emphasised the importance of the spirituality of the movement, and the non-doctrinal or non-religious bias Rastafari has to offer. So, in light of this, of course a Rule Book or "code of conduct" could prove controversial and problematic eventually.

I think a **book of meditations**, put together by contributing Incients (both sons and dawtas of all houses) could serve this situation well. Rastafari is a spiritual livity that essentially recognises the majestic mystic of InI African Self. Selassie arrived in flesh to show us the sign, as fulfilment of Incent prophecy. Prophets and Priests enabled us to open our ears, eyes, hearts and minds to surrender to the Universal Truth. A Book of Meditations with notes and passage references for key Biblical scriptures, articles for reasoning as highlighted by the Incients, and generally a signposting book of things to begin to think about. A reference that can put you in the right

frame of mind to hold the right meds, and begin to fully overstand the Self and how to perpetuate this meditation in the daily works.

Jah in Ini has the answers, only an unlocking is necessary.

For example, I would like the Book of Meditations to include some aesthetic meditations, to overstand Human desire and need, and the Babylon manipulation of these as temptation. Once I can begin to overstand this trickery, and reconnect with the NEEDS of I African Self, I will not need a code of conduct to order me to dress modestly, adorning myself as a Queen, presenting myself as such, free from the grasp of demonic trickery, ever ready and properly attired to kneel at the Throne of my King.

I think these kinds of meditations could serve as an answer to many of these questions. The inspiration will enable those who wish to include an observance of their own cultures to do so under the inspiration of universally righteous teachings.

Blessed Love!

Jah! Rastafari.

From:  [Humbleissa](#)

Sent: 12/21/2006 10:17 AM

"Again what does these rules have to do with the spiritual journey? If we get caught up in what everybody is supposed to be doing and what they are supposed to look like then how can we really work on NATION BUILDING"

I hope you don't feel that i'm singleing you out, i'm not. You just made remarks that are good to elaborate on sis.

Greetings....sistren...good argument (and i use argument just as a term)
However...i just want the I to site things a next way if possible.

The spiritual journey is personal....for anyone. We are likeminded, but each of our journies is for only you or I or a next sistren....this is part of nation building. If some guideline isn't set, you have a whole bunch of intrest and no direction. This is already a big problem for those of us that been around long enough. Lack of nation building to me is because there is too much loose doctrine and freedom....so to speak. It's not religious to set rules and boundries.

We cannot forget the Marcus Garvey movement! Look at the incredible numbers of people gathered together for one cause of repatriation and rebeling...because they had rules and standards to live up to....same thing with MLK, black panther party and others.

Discipline is NECESSARY when a commitment has been made by several people who have agreed to come together to accomplish anything otherwise, it just can't happen with a bunch of mis-directed energy.

Were not worried about what anyone looks like, were worried that our total goal isn't going to be accomplished. I think that's the bigger issue here. If it means you have to come to work in a suit or uniform each day...that's the protocol to follow. It's just part of the job. Marcus made each nurse have a uniform, each man have uniform...it gave the people a direction and sense of pride to wear it knowing what the ultimate accomplishment would be.

I totally overstand the concerns and the rebellion one and ones might present against this proposal, but it's the most simple proposal so far and worthy of

consideration. There are enough ones filtering in to Rastafari that have no clue how to conduct themselves. Some don't know how to treat each other, others talk about living an example and can't do it....this is nearly like a safety net to remind how and what to do with themselves...and again as i said, for those of us who know...we know. It seems it's more for those who don't know and need the direction.

This is a tool toward nation building, it's all in our perception.

From: [sis rachel](#)

Sent: 12/21/2006 4:42 PM

Bless,

I will go post this on the official website when I get a chance. Again here is my concern, let me brake it down real simple, whoever is to get vexed, get vexed, this is how I see it.

I live in Los Angeles. Truly the valley of dry bones. There is no order here nor is there any unity. The community is scattered. The communication is scarce. The rare voice of the Elders here are drowned out by the f.....

For the life of me I can't see how anything can be enforced out here. Adultry and fornication is the norm, and daughters raising youths alone and struggling is what we are dealing with. In this past year so many sisters here were displaced with no where to go.... how is this going to be fixed by a paper when everywhere InI look big old Rastamen playing the part of babylon whores and sisters accepting it or worse being homewreckers themselves.

Is some Ifficial Elder going to come out here and hall up all of these ones who have succum to fleshly things?

See, when just one does wrong it stands out and can be corrected, when theres lots of people doing wrong and encouraging one another in the f..... it becomes a way of life.

Maybe in places where the community is organized and the upholders of Right are more than those who don't this might work, but for we out here if we don't leave the f..... and get out soon we will catch the judgement that is to come. I mean 6 leagues under the sea.

From:  [ravin-i](#)

Sent: 12/21/2006 6:08 PM

hail the i sistren...

i totally overs your frustration, we in the north east face the same situation, his code is needed and the judgment will not come from Icients, but HIM.....Rastaman and woman will be known by their works and words and actions.....they will be judged by their peers accordingly....for the ones

that do uphold the code of right actions, theirs will be the promise of HIM.....it is not necessarily for i n i to judge.....all actions have reaction....and every cause there is an effect.....so turn your frustration into patience and put your house in order....and prepare to reach other heights....otherwise as you say...6 leagues under the sea.....make the necessary preparation to get out.....or be like the people in Noah's time...they thought he was crazy.....but i am telling the i.....the code of conduct will lead to other things that needed to be done a long time ago.....

From: 🤖 [Emp_Moon](#)

Sent: 12/22/2006 5:15 PM

What Marcus Garvey, MLK and the black panther party had in common was a common goal. The people that followed them had the same common goal. If we all have the same goal then all those other things are trivial.

What do you mean conduct themselves?

Where?

Around who?

Are you saying that without uniforms people don't know who they are and what their job is to be?

Since when was Ras trying to go mainstream?

If they don't know, who are you to tell them? People grow into their own spiritual paths in their own time.

Is there no room for people to grow? Different life experiences grow people at different rates.

This Code has nothing to do with what's in one's heart but it seems material and super religious.

If one person thinks they are living an example and they are not, what does this have to do with you?

We are not judged as a group.

One has to maintain individual works.

Like minds come together.

We'll still end up in the same place. Together.

Like you those who know.... we know.

From: 🤖 [selahsayi](#)

Sent: 12/22/2006 8:53 PM

Blessed sistrin

i am new to this group and this trod...well perhaps i've been on this trod all i life but am just recently coming into consciousness about what i'm walking towards...i have been watching this site for a while now, and i find the reasonings here most helpful. i am in a state of de-program as i have become more and more aware of how deeply this babylon mentality has dug its claws into i thoughts and actions. i find iself reading things here (and in reasonings with a close bredren) that make me feel like a rebellious teenager...angry, indignant, etc... but then i have to stop. i am trying to take a good hard look at what i feel, and WHY!!! am i having these thoughts because babylon has conditioned me to think and feel in certain ways? most often the answer is yes. i read the code of conduct, which seemed a bit like any other religious dogma i've encountered in my seek. i found it somewhat helpful, although many of the concerns that have been voiced here, i also felt. my bredren once expressed to i that jah has written the answers in all of i hearts, and that ones must first look to HIM to find the truth. this code of conduct will definitely be useful for those who see it and decide they are not intereseted (as prayzing him pointed out) but even amongst iselves we still debate about issues, (kings with more than one queen, going to clubs, covering i crowns etc) how can ones create a code of conduct that is agreed upon when we don't all agree about certain aspects of the livity? I consider myself a follower of rastafari, not because i livity reflect it perfectly, i have a LOOONG way to go, but because i heart tells me to follow i KING! I LOVE shine82's suggestion for a book of idetations as i think this will give ones just beginning the trod a place to go for answers of their own, discovery of iself and i truth is a major factor of the

rastafari trod! once ones know the value and worth of the ivinity within, it becomes natural to carry iselves as kings and queens, because ones will see that we are!!! at the end of the night, before the dawn breaks, there is no one for i to face up to except JAH, and that is why we each have to make this movement in our own way...

keep reasoning sisters, as queens, as dawtas, as seekers, as faithful followers and lovers, i need ALL of this input, all these reasonings and idetations, all the support!!

From: 🤖 [Emp_Moon](#)

Sent: 12/22/2006 10:52 PM

Thank you for your input. you bring up some powerful topics that may need to be discussed. You said that better than I could have. Keep on your journey we do naturally grow into our rightful position. Everybody's job is different.
Bless

From: 🤖 [theJoyous_one](#)

Sent: 12/23/2006 11:02 AM

O.RootsDawta, you must be reading my mind because those were my exact questions..... being at a crossroads myself between Christianity and Rastafarianism...

My question is this, what happens when the masses become too caught up in following these codes and doctrines???? Won't they then become keepers of religion and not livers of spirituality??? Hasn't this been the affect of most religious denominations

From: 🤖 [Princess_Isan](#)

Sent: 12/24/2006 8:16 PM

Greetings,

So what then are the ten commandments of the bible, are these not guidelines and codes on how to live our life? The code of conduct to me shouldn't be seen as a religious thing but rather should serve as guidelines that would help us stay in tune on our spiritual journey. If you saying a code of conduct is too religious, that the teaching of the bible are too religious. ...just my 2 cents.

Blessed love

From: 🤖 [Emp_Moon](#)

Sent: 12/25/2006 2:22 PM

Without the ten commandments of the bible one knows not to do all those things. My concern is that this code is material. Anyone can say that they do these things. It will be the same as saying I'm a Catholic. Now these are the things that make me catholic. Too material. The conversation about the bible is a whole other thing with other issues. Sistren I think we need to read more than just the bible to help shape our true spiritual journey. What do you have a conscious mind for

then? We dont need to be told everything. You have to live and learn. What do you think the people were doing before the ten commandments? Before the bible? Research is important. If we trust what the next man tells us we keep going in cicles without our own understanding. How can we beleive that because we all are doing the same thing it's better? Then it would just look like we are all on the same page. Same thing with church. How many of those people really live the way they say they should? They may all come to church and say they are whatever religion that is, but when they go home they do what they want. People will always be who they want to. Personally it does me no good to think people are down for the same thing I am. It's not my place to judge. I cant even judge my position so how can we say to someone, these are the things you have to do in order to be part of our club. I never thought that was the point of RAS. What happened to just good old respect. How will anyone monitor another persons lifestyle? Why would anyone monitor another persons lifestyle? How do you have time for that? Are we not that concerned about the bigger picture? I refuse to beleive that people need a set of guidelines to live. I know that creation gives us everything we need. I was not born with a bible tucked under my arm. A conscieous mind I was born with. Sorry if this upsets anyone but I thought this was about nation building and not where we put a flag or how it looks when we put it there. How many homeless families are being helped with our new code? Whats the real purpose? When do your everyday actions come into play? Will it be okay if I did everything that the code says but I dont pray? Who is going to know that? Creation that's who will know. So why is anyone trying to prove they RAS?

From:  [ravin-i](#)

Sent: 12/25/2006 5:55 PM

are you rastafari emp moon?

you said.....are we not concerned with the bigger picture?

and exactly what is the bigger picture,?

From:  [Emp_Moon](#)

Sent: 12/25/2006 7:06 PM

If I say that I am what does that mean to you? If I say that I'm not what does that mean to you? You see it's not important what we think of each other. Do we not agree that our people should be in a healthier state of mind? Do we not agree that our people are dealing with issues that only we can fix?

My questions:

Now that you still dont know if I'm RAS does it change how you will respond?

Why?

Why get so caught up in trying to figure out what others do?

How does that reflect on you?

From:  [rasdaniel421](#)

Sent: 12/25/2006 7:06 PM

theres too much loose interpretaion of Rastafari. Inl forefathers and foremothers, who have trodded before this generation, did so upholding a set of values and troditions, and since we are saying that we are a part of the same culture, we must live by those same troditions and values. Rastafari is a valid culture, with its own style of music, dress, language, morals,etc.. the purpose of the code of conduct is not to dictate ones life, but to outline the ways of the culture. This way we know for ourselves what is and what is not Rasta behavior. Nation building starts with the individual, and then the house,and then the rest of the community. So before we can do anything together as a nation in the name of Rastafari, everyone must behave as Rastafarians. Otherwise

repatriation will only be a relocation of babylonian minded people.

From: 🤩 [Princess_Isan](#)

Sent: 12/26/2006 10:53 AM

Greetings

No, INI do not go around with a bible tucked under my arm, nor do i go around judging ones on a material basis. I agree that the consciousness is within everyone. However within every system of beliefs there has to be an order. Spiritual must be inclined with material..we cannot forsake the one or the other..So you saying once we are conscious there is no order, its just the spirit then??? Everyone is going there own way ...

Unity is a must

From: 🤩 [Humbleissa](#)

Sent: 12/26/2006 2:10 PM

Blessed,

You said "What Marcus Garvey, MLK and the black panther party had in common was a common goal. The people that followed them had the same common goal. If we all have the same goal then all those other things are trivial. "

All of rastafari doesn't have the same common goal and that's part of the point and I just want to point out what they had in common besides their goal is ORDER>>>>>>That's what I am talking about. It's not about the suit, but if your flesh isn't in order, how can your spirit be in order?...i think the bigger conversation is being misconstrued here. Some things just need to be defined and if you look at your spiritual life, it's defined by something and either in order or not in order.Did we get our irits together before taming our flesh or our flesh tamed before getting our irits?

If it's not defined, our goal cannot be the same. I look around and it's obvious to me that this reasoning is not acheiving a goal, we are not on common ground here. If the goal is to get on common ground with so many opinions of what should be what....how is that accomplished unless some form of mainframe is set up....just like the bible or speeches of his majesty. Were his words spoken for people to not abide by or at least try to live up to? There are so many doing what they want under the banner of rastafari by their own order, not that of HIM or Empress Menen. No one said you have to follow the "rules" if you don't want to. I think it's a simple mainframe just like the Nazarene vow or the ten comandments for those who need it. Just like this board. Everyone has reason in turn. It's there for your or my benefit of direction if needed, it's not force fed. Your freedom is not being jeopardized and neither your spiritual life.....

There is a "how to" for just about everything in the universe...a guideline. For example....There are people calling themselves "vegetarians" though they eat fish.....it's called pescatarianism if you also eat fish and no other meats...but because people are misinformed, they continue to assume they are vegetarians and assume that fish is not meat. Unless defined, who will know? I am just hoping that the i can see that I mean no harm in the reasoning but to just share my thoughts.

Guidence and love.

From: 🤩 [Emp_Moon](#)

Sent: 12/26/2006 4:46 PM

Why are you trying to judge other peoples flesh and spirit?
Why is this definition so important?
Dont we have love and right intentions in common?
Why cant we have a common goal?
Love dont have no order!
Right intentions dont need no order!
How will you know how to define ones heart (it's not yours)?
How will you control the way one perceives selected speeches of Haile Selassie I?
Why the huge concern with what people call themselves?
How does this reflect on you?
Is this code to show others what you beleive? To seperate the sheep from the wolves?
How does this code insure a common goal?

As we type we are teaching. The sistrens new to RAS have to grow through their own road. Sure the code is a good "mainframe", but are we not telling them that this is where you stop? Now that you've done the things the code suggests your RAS. Is that all to it? Dont we want to create a "springboard" for the future? Dont we want to give them more than how your house should look and in what order the colors should be in? Now that they know that ,what now? Do we really have time to be concerned with how people are having sex? How would you know anyway? Like I said I cant judge my posititon so I dare not judge others. People will always do what they want.

Just because there is a "how to" book dosent mean you dont already know better or will learn better. When people learn better they do better. This learning experience is theirs alone. No code can change that. They will grow into all those things and hopefully more! Greater than a code!

No harm taken. I'd rather have this conversation, then not to have it.
Bless

From: [sis rachel](#)

Sent: 12/26/2006 5:54 PM

Everything in this Universe has Order.....

The opposite of Order is Caous (sp?)..

From:  [Humbleissa](#)

Sent: 12/26/2006 5:57 PM

I'm not making a judgement on anyones flesh and spirit.... And i'm not going to allow anyone to accuse me of that because it's certainly not my intention and I don't know why you are saying that.

Definition is not as important as knowing what you stand for first of all so it can be defined and not everyone has love and right intentions in rastafari....

all of us also don't have a common goal....love does have order....the whole universe and it's energy is based on order....

right intentions need order and direction. Any intention needs order and direction. Even an atom has order and if it's out of order...it causes chaos.

I cannot define a persons heart and that's not what my reasoning is about. You and I both know that is Jah's job.

I cannot control how a person percieves anything....only bring clarity when needed so that a person can define it for themselves....hence, document.

There is absolutly no concern what you call yourself to INI. It doesn't reflect on me becuse I live right and I know what i'm supposed to do as far as works, livity and etc....again, hence....this forum my works. This code is not to define who is and isn't anything like i said before, which probably wasn't heard.

This code is not to show anything to anybody who doesn't want to accept it...hence, the I. It's not to separate anyone from anyone....each person should check their own self....and no common goal can be insured by any means if everyone is not on the same wavelength.and i am starting to feel as if your blowing the reasoning way out of proportion. No one said i can tell people how to live, or know their hearts and so and so sistren....your missing the simplicity and reading too deep into a simple conversation as if you are personally violated. It does not seem created in judgement...however as you talk of me passing judgement you are at the same time passing it on the document and others reasoning about it.

Each person lives the life they choose, no one is judging that. I don't know your heart and no one knows mine...but only Jah alone. If you can't see that the code of conduct is simply a guideline like one you would encounter within the Bobo congregation or TTOI....I don't know what to tell you. They have guidelines with each house of rastafari on how we should move within it....i don't hear anyone complaining when they have to remove jewelry before entering the sabbath meetings at the taba...it's just what we should do because it's a guideline....it's plain and simple. Same thing as not being able to beat the drum at binghi. It has nothing to do with control.....it's simply ORDER and although I keep giving examples, you are still not overstanding where i'm coming from. We are not here to argue or fuss, but to share....

We can go back and forth here all day...but normally in a reasoning people try to see eachothers point on view.....i'm seeing yours, but feeling like your misinterpreting mine.

From:  [Emp Moon](#)

Sent: 12/26/2006 8:18 PM

I think you have taken my Questions personally. I wasn't asking about your personal life. That has nothing to do with me. Your right not everyone has love and right intentions in Rastafari but if they don't that's for them to deal with. If you are doing what you are supposed to be then keep doing it. They will get it. You can't give people an understanding. I'm not going to reply about your accusations, you get to deal with that.

Natural order and man's order are two different things. Is it not man that has come up with this order?

If we are not concerned with reflections then why the anger? You speak of the simplicity of it all. That I agree with. I think it's even more simple than that.

You don't have to prove your works to me. I think we are getting caught up in trying to prove ones self. Why? That's what I think this code will do. This is my point. I understand the "rules" to all the "houses" of Rastafari. Are these not the "guidelines" that separate us. In trying to prove to the people around you what you stand for what are you gaining? I can't understand how you will clarify for someone when these simple questions rustle your feathers the way they do.(that was for you personally). I thought this was a reason.

When I spoke of passing judgement that wasn't for you personally(I don't know you). I think you are taking the fact that I don't agree as I don't understand.

From:  [JahB07](#)

Sent: 12/26/2006 10:10 PM

greetings, iman overstand the code of conduct as a written outline of the self discipline that is Rastafari livity... let we remember the proposed code of conduct is being directed and composed by ancients within the order of Rastafari from the houses, mansions, organizations, and individuals that make up the nation, for the purpose of strengthen the rasta nation burnin out confusion and slackness that has tried to infiltrate.. it comes like a bridge for Rastafari to reach a

common understanding leading ini towards cooperation.. if we know overstand, and live by the principles of Rastafari then we will not feel threatened bless

From: [prayzingHIM](#)

Sent: 12/27/2006 10:08 AM

"Natural order and mans order are two different things. Is it not man that has come up with this order?" - while this is a correct statement, the answer to the question would be no.

the Code is based on HIM Word

it is so many people out here wearing locs & Bob Marley shirts & do all types of fuckery & still tryin to define demselves or characterize demselves as Rasta, that is why ini need the Code. plain & simple document that breaks it down for ini to show these same ones or to show ones who say well i friend is Rasta & s/he rob or steal or sell coke or womanize or deal with Book of the Dead & Egyptian gods etc. feel me?

it is not to have a judgment board deem you as not Rasta if you backsliding, but a Code to live up to -- look at the food section - - if one & ones not eatin ital - at least to strive to that or accept that ital is the highest form of healthy eating - given to ini from the Most High, not no food pyramid or DIetician

jus as ini know it is certain guidelines that are followed when in Tabernacle, it is certain guidelines that must be followed when ini in the community also. the guidelines have already been written, this document is putting it down for ALL Rastafari family worldwide so that ini can be of one mind

From: [prayzingHIM](#)

Sent: 12/27/2006 11:55 AM

i must also add
at Global Initiy Summit - incients have already suggested & ratified that this Code be documented & so it will be done.
so, fussing about whether or not ini have one is fruitless --- take that same inergy & put it into reasoning on the Code itself.
what particular items should be included ?
how should it be stated?
what items should be left up to each individual personally? etc

From:  [Humbleissa](#)

Sent: 12/27/2006 12:07 PM

So far you have taken everything i reasoned about out of context and turned it back on me to make it seem as if i'm taking it personal which i'm not. Obviously you didn't notice what you wrote. It's apparent to more than myself i'm sure, that you like to bicker.and i'm not larging up my works, but at least im doing my best to do something in this world besides pick apart another person and not take responsibility for my actions. At this point you have selfishly turned the reasoning the other direction...and no i don't take the comments personally and never said i did....

I'm used to being singled out by the way...and if you wished for me to exit the convo...you got it. I'd rather keep my peace that allow you to try to suck me into chaos.
Peace

From:  [Emp_Moon](#)

Sent: 12/27/2006 1:12 PM

I cant control the way you interpret what you read. To exit the conversation does not help me to clarify. These are simple questions not directed to you, but to us as a whole.

All items should be left to the individual personally.
Maybe this code should include spiritual practices and not just things.
These are the things we've been conditioned to beleive makes us RAS.

How can you not be taking it personal if you think I'm turning things on you.
this is personal... If you are used to being singled out, why did you do it to me?
i didnt know we lost the peace.
Again I thought this was a reason.

From:  [Emp Moon](#)

Sent: 12/27/2006 1:24 PM

Again, I dont live my life to impress others. Your accusations are yours alone to deal with. Why do think I'm trying to pick **you** apart. NOT PERSONAL. When I said , "How do you know" I meant "How do we know". Your taking this all way too personal. So I will leave you alone. You did answer some questions for me though. My last question? If i were new to RAS and had all those same questions how would you have answered them? Would you then take them all so personally?

From:  [Princess Isan](#)

Sent: 12/27/2006 3:09 PM

Greetings,

It seems as though because those of us that do agree with the code of conduct, that we are agreeing to judging others clearly thats not the case. I don't see why its causing such a fuss..

Emp Moon you mention spiritual practises, what are some of these practices that should be included?

From: [joseph](#)

Sent: 12/27/2006 4:12 PM

Perhaps I am missing something, but including the Mission Statement or purpose of the definition might be useful, along with a definition of punitive action(if any) if ones and ones don't hold up. If many of use know that eating veg is often the highest form (although some disagree dependant upon blood types, only mentioning as a form of acknowledgment of other ways of thought), we all know or should what the 10 commandments are, most of us have access to HIMs speeches etc. but I think that what some people are alluding to are the potential consequences of not adhering to one or more of the items upon the list.

If we are to try to unify all the mansions I don't see how we can define how ones perform their acts of worship as this is where we often differ. I do believe that we can focus on building up Africa, and her peoples over lists of to do and not to do lists. I do not disagree that it is best that ones and ones live up, for I believe that those of us that are committed to this walk are striving for this aim. It is not enough to read Marcus, the Bible, HIMs speeches once. As we grow and change we must continue to study, continue to try to improve; continue to cleanse our temple, physically, spiritually, and emotionally.

There are many areas in which we have had disagreement in the past: to name a few:
reparations
repatriation

emmigration
race and place
locks
food

I do believe that we with great effort and patience could come to a place of balanced agreement in terms of goals.

Then at that point it is up to each one to accept, reject, deny, or embrace the declaration of the elders.

Just my two and a half cents.

Peace - One Perfect Love

From: 🕶️ [rasdaniel421](#)

Sent: 12/29/2006 6:21 PM

we already know the goals of the Rastafari movement. His Majesty declared them a long time ago. the purpose of the code of conduct is not to tell ones how to worship. it is more focused on the morals and culture of Rastafari people. the "consequences" of not adhering to the code of conduct will not be punishment or anything like that. this isnt some kind of babylon religion where ones would be persecuted, we only wish to tighten up the nation. this is where the community becomes involved. ones and ones should let their bredren and sistren know when they step out of line. nobody has power over anyone else. we all must work together as equals to "enforce" the code of conduct. the reason why Afrikan civilizations arent so big on jails is that the communities have there own codes of conduct, and they all do their part in making sure that everyone lives accordingly. we must come out of our babylonian mentalities and assess this situation from an Afrikan point of view. Haile Selassie I is the Judge, and we must follow in His footsteps. in doing so we cant go wrong. let us not focus on what should happen if we DONT live by the code. this is just negativity and a waste of time. ones and ones should make suggestions of what should be included or left out of the code, or question things that are in the draft of the code. movin forward

From: 🕶️ [EmpressDahiyya](#)

Sent: 12/29/2006 10:02 PM

Greetings Sis Rachel:

Beloved, even Chaos has order.

Jah is in control, things are being positioned in this time. I&I simply trust in Jah and know that things will go accordingly to I-Majesties will. Let's stay focused!!

Eternally,
Mama Fiyah