

**“Bishop Tolton will provide an analysis of the interconnectedness of Christian hegemony, American capitalism, racism, homophobia and patriarchy. He will propose his formula for the intersection of multiple movements which he believes is the antidote to the imperialist desire and impulse. As an African American, gay affirming Pentecostal Christian whose work is based in East Africa, Bishop is uniquely positioned to call the American mainline Christian communion, the traditional Black Church, and the Black Lives Matter movement into an integrated web of social justice organizing that can radically and righteously reorder our global economy and heal race relations around the world.”**

**Bishop Joseph William Tolton is the Founder and President of Interconnected Justice, established in 2019. The strategic intent of the organization is to be a force uniting a global racial justice movement in which the continent of Africa and its diaspora build an ecosystem of self-defined and determined advocacy.**

**The Bishop’s passion for connecting Black Lives Matter and Pan Africanism flows from his deep convictions that the global project of our lifetime is to dismantle white supremacy and to deconstruct patriarchy. Bishop Tolton believes this is a spiritual project that demands highly connected secular activism.**

**As an LGBT Global faith leader Bishop Tolton continues to serve as the Bishop of Global Ministries for The Fellowship of Affirming Ministries. In this capacity, he designs and manages TFAM’s justice ministries and collaborations outside of the United States with a focus on East Africa. Bishop Tolton works directly with leaders to build integrated justice movements connecting activists with civil society advocates, media professionals, academics, and political leaders.**

**Bishop Tolton graduated from Vassar with a BA in religion, and also earned an MBA from Columbia University Business School.**