Religion has always been an important part of African Culture. During the period of slavery, Africans were brought to the Western World and forbidden to practice their country’s religion. Africans realized Christianity as a channel to express their traditional values. African influences transcend music, dance, poetry and inspiration.

**Research Question**

Do African religious influences remain in the Black Church today?

**Methodology**

We conducted a comparative analysis of **four key areas** of African religious influence on the Black Church by:

a) Reviewing the key components of African religion

b) Comparing the influence of dance, poetry, music and motivation on the Black church today.

**Findings**

Our research has lead us to understand the impact of African religious influences in the Black Church. Overall this assignment was not only able to increase our experience in the field of Africana Studies but also change our religious perspectives. As most of us in the group are members of / and or descendants of the Black Church, we were able to share our findings with members of our churches and provide historical significance to the influences impact on the Black Church.

**References**


