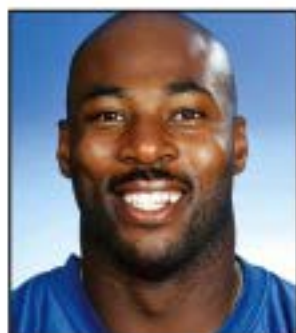




HBCU Living Legends



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N.C. HBCU Living Legends will honor Livingstone College President Dr. Jimmy R. Jenkins, Sr., as well as three Livingstone alumni this weekend during its Scholarship Gala.

The organization honors alumni of North Carolina's 11 historically black colleges and universities.

Jenkins is an alumnus of Elizabeth City State University.

Livingstone College alumni being recognized include Ben Coates, former NFL star of the New England Patriots

and CIAA football coach; Dr. Vergel Lattimore, president and professor of Hood Theological Seminary; and the Honorable Vilma Leake, a Mecklenburg County commissioner.

The recipients have all transformed their educational experiences at their alma maters into personal milestones and gateways for others. They are examples of when life's purpose matches up with their passion.

Last year's honorees from Livingstone were Bishop George E. Battle Jr., senior bishop of the A.M.E. Zion

Church and presiding prelate of the Piedmont Episcopal District, and chairman of the Livingstone College Board of Trustees; the now late Dr. James Walter Ferree, a United Methodist minister; and Brigadier General Velma Richardson, retired from the U.S. Army.

Livingstone's head men's basketball coach, James Stinson, was also recognized last year as an alumnus of Barber-Scotia College.

The event will be held Saturday, Aug. 24, at the Sheraton Imperial Hotel in Durham.