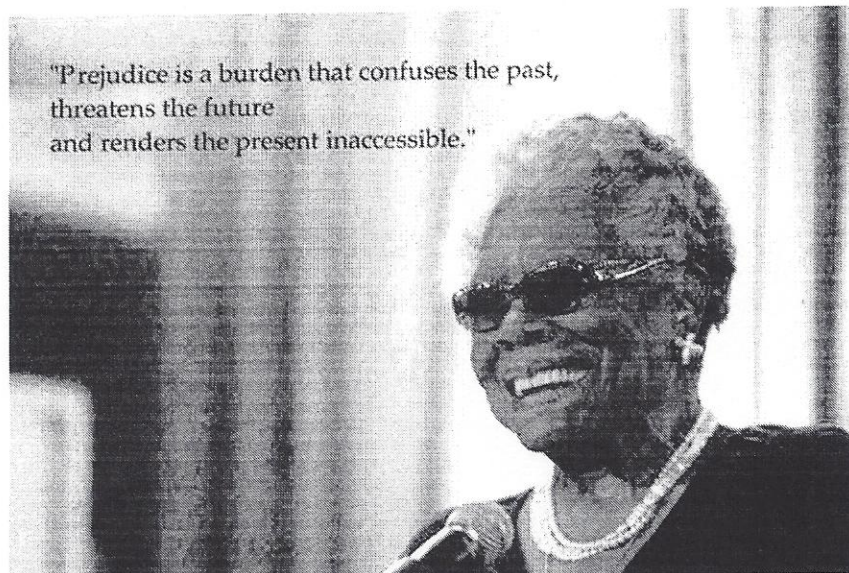


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IN HONOR OF "MAYA ANGELOU" (April 4, 1928 – May 28, 2014)



"You may write me down in history with the bitter, twisted lies – you may trod me in the very dirt, but still, like dust, I'll rise." From "Still I Rise," a poem in a 1978 collection by Maya Angelou.

Mr. Williams interviewed Mr. Angelou twice this month. They touched on several topics, including the kidnappings by Boko Haram, her Christian faith, Los Angeles Clippers owner Donald Sterling and Forgiveness.

On Mr. Sterling: "Do you realize that even 25 years ago, had he done this there would be nothing; there would be a few heads turning maybe. Bud do you realize that this man has been banned? With all of his money and all of his history and the white skin which covers his whole body."

On Forgiveness: "I've learned that forgiving is one of the greatest gifts that I can give myself. When I forgive other people, I let them go; I free them from my ignorance. And as soon as I do, I feel lighter, brighter and better. I like that feeling, so I don't carry somebody else's mistreatment of me around as baggage. That's one thing that I've learned. I've learned to laugh [and] try to laugh as much as I cry. Yes, I'm still practicing; I'm working at it."

Ms. Angelou also admitted still being a work "in progress" when it came to Christianity, saying that "I'll still be working at it at 96. If I'm here, I'll be trying to be a better human being, a better writer, a better friend and a better beloved."

Maya Angelou peacefully passed away Wednesday morning, May 28 at her home in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, at age 86. Her legacy will live long in our hearts and minds.