

## **AFRICAN FAMILY INDUCTION CEREMONY**

African Focus Inc., organize the African Family Induction Ceremony as a conduit through which the artificial barriers that exist between Africans and their relatives in the Diaspora can be erased. It lays a foundation for the formation of a new African family based on mutual respect, love and inclusion. By bringing families together in a very historical personal way it encourages dialogue and interaction between Africans and their cousins in the Diaspora. If the destruction of African families and lives that occurred due to slavery were to be addressed, it will start with Africans living in Africa today to take a sincere and honest step to acknowledge as well as work towards restoring the stolen dignity of their brothers and sisters in the Diaspora by providing them a platform to share the African destiny. For until these steps are taken the continent will not know peace, freedom, or progress for its survival depends on its ability to encourage African children all over the world to take part in the African social, economical and political dream.

The African Family Induction Ceremony provides the inductees and their families with a unique opportunity to learn about the rich cultural heritage of their new family and to identify with their new family's tribe, community, state and Country. It provides the first step in reconciling our people because for one to travel to Africa in a meaningful way he or she has to have a base, not in the big hotels, but with a family, with community ties. Induction is meant to celebrate our heritage and give our brothers and sisters an opportunity to identify with a particular community whose responsibility it will be to emancipate them into the culture and more importantly take them to Africa as a member of the community not as visitors on a two weeks Safari tour rather an opportunity to feel the air, stay with the people and be appreciated.