

Mike Weaver



Dr. Mike Weaver, researcher, educator, filmmaker, author and social entrepreneur has built a strong reputation for helping colleges/universities, organizations and individuals succeed. He is chairman and CEO of SeaGull Industries, Inc., an Atlanta-based research and educational materials consulting company specializing in Education, Not-for-profit and Multi-Media markets. Some of SeaGull Industries' clients have included Clayton County Commissioner's Office, Fort Valley State University, City of Atlanta Department of Community Affairs, the State of Colorado Public Health Department, Cities in Schools, and the Langston Hughes Performing Arts Center in Seattle, Washington.

Weaver is the author of *The Roots Cried Out: Hurricane Katrina One Year Later- Real Life Lessons from Young Adults in New Orleans and South Africa*. The Roots Cried Out is based on his cutting edge and ground-breaking research with college students upon their immediate return to New Orleans after displacement following Hurricanes Katrina and Rita. Throughout his career he's published and co-authored peer-reviewed scholarly journal articles, as well as op-eds in various national publications and websites. *He Ain't Happy- Urban Male Youth on the So-Called American Dream* is a 90-minute research documentary examining the impact of drugs and violence on the dreams of young Black males in 21 U.S. cities. The film will be released in 2009.

Actively involved in education, Weaver is a former adjunct professor at Morehouse School of Medicine and research assistant professor at Morehouse College. He has taught public health courses at a Guyana (South America) medical school. His extensive travels have included the Caribbean, Europe, Africa and Asia.

Dedicating his life to youth and community organizing, Weaver founded the Atlanta University Center Volunteer Task Force in 1987, a student-based organization with a membership of over 500 college students; and T.A.R.G.E.T. Prevention in 1992, a peer-led health education opportunity for teens in underserved communities throughout Atlanta.

Dr. Weaver holds a bachelor's degree in Computer Science from Morehouse College; a master's in Public Health with a concentration in Health Education from University of South Carolina and an earned doctorate in Public Health with a concentration in Health Behavior from University of South Carolina. He and his wife Yolanda, an Atlanta public school educator, have three sons, Malachi, Noah and Solomon.