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15 Greatest Black Women Preachers

Experts and leading Blacks name select group of ministers

The Rev. Suzan Johnson Cook, founder and senior pastor of Bronx Christian Fellowship Church, N.Y., was praised for the seamless construction and creativity of her sermons. Dr. Cook also received high marks for compassion. "She is better than anyone I know in relating the Gospel to the present-day needs of people," a fellow minister said. Dr. Cook, who was the only minister appointed by President Clinton to the National Advisory Board on Race, is the editor or co-author of several books, including the acclaimed, *Sister to Sister: Devotions For and From African-American Women*. Another book, on spirituality for women in the workforce, will be released soon. She is "a superb preacher and an excellent writer," concludes another respondent.