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## **ADODI CHICAGO MOVES AHEAD WITH THE ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS**

CHICAGO, IL---Adodi Chicago the local organization held their monthly meeting and emerged with a new set of officers to guide the organization. The new officers pictured are from left to right Treasurer Glenn Wright, Vice President Keith Judon President Earnest Edward Hite, , Recording Secretary Israel Wright, and not pictured Corresponding Secretary Clarence Brown. All candidates were unanimously accepted by the body of the organization at the March 8, 2004 monthly general meeting.



“We look forward to being there to support your needs and desires and create a spirit of brotherhood throughout” says Earnest Hite, the newly elected President of Adodi.

ADODI, the plural ADO, is a Yoruba word that describes a man who "loves" another man. More than just a description of partners, in Africa, the ADODI of the tribe are thought to embody both male and female ways of being and were revered as shamans, sages and leaders.

Adodi Chicago was founded in of 1995 as a chapter of Adodi International an organization with the purpose of providing social services to men of African Descent who love each other to the Chicagoland area. The Adodi guiding principles assist us in the establishment of out place in community as same gender loving individuals as we reach out to others in need.

Adodi Chicago meets the first Saturday of each month from 2:00-4:00PM at the offices of Task Force for AIDS Prevention located at 1130 S. Wabash, Chicago, IL. Please feel free to contact us at Adodi Chicago P. O. Box 268975, Chicago, IL 60626 or by phone at 312-458-9584 or visit online at <http://www.adodichicago.org>

The 18th annual Adodi International summer retreat will be July 21st - 25th, 2004 (Wednesday thru Sunday) at Ramblewood in Darlington, Maryland. Please take advantage of the early bird special before May 23rd, 2004 at the rate of \$300.00 for the retreat! We offer installments of payments. Additional information and the ability to pay online can be found at the Adodi International website [www.ADODIIntl.org](http://www.ADODIIntl.org).