1. The first NBCC Congress was held in 1987.
2. Over 1,500 Catholic Christians gathered at Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.
3. The Congress is held every five years to discuss the challenges and accomplishments that face the Black Catholic society and Church.
4. During this Congress, the NBCC is “Celebrating 25 years of ‘What We Have Seen and Heard.’”
5. A theme is developed for each Congress. This year’s theme is: “Faith Engaged: Empower. Equip. Evangelize.”
6. During the 2012 Congress, the NBCC will be presenting the “2011 National Black Catholic Survey,” conducted by Notre Dame University.
7. All three days will be filled with workshops, general seminars, networking and Mass.
8. Topics discussed at the Congress may include:
   - Catholic Social Teaching
   - Conflict Resolution Skills
   - Consecrated Life
   - Equipping Souls for Ministry
   - Evangelization: God's Way
   - Faith Formation
   - Fr. Augustus Tolton
   - Fund Raising/Stewardship
   - Healing Families Seminar
   - Leadership
   - Parish Life-Closings and Mergers
   - Prison Ministry
   - Strengthening Marriages
   - Successful Parish Models for Leadership
   - The Culture of Life
   - Theology of the Body
   - The Challenge to Be Catholic Today
   - Youth Track