

That would be the best way to describe the ceremony scheduled to take place at noon today in Birmingham's [Kelly Ingram Park](#). Today a plaque will be installed honoring the ministers that inspired the *Ministers Kneeling* statue.



**Photo:** Preachers praying. [acnatta](#)/Flickr.

Participants in the rededication ceremony will include representatives from Mayor Larry Langford's office; Mrs. Fred Shuttlesworth; Ms. Odessa Woolfolk; Bonita Conley, famed operatic and gospel singer; plus members of the families of the ministers whose actions in 1963 inspired the statue - Rev. N. H. Smith Jr. of New Baptist Church, Rev. A.D. King of First Baptist Church of Ensley and Rev. John T. Porter of Sixth Avenue Baptist Church. Today's *Birmingham News* [provides the background story](#) about why today's ceremony is taking place.