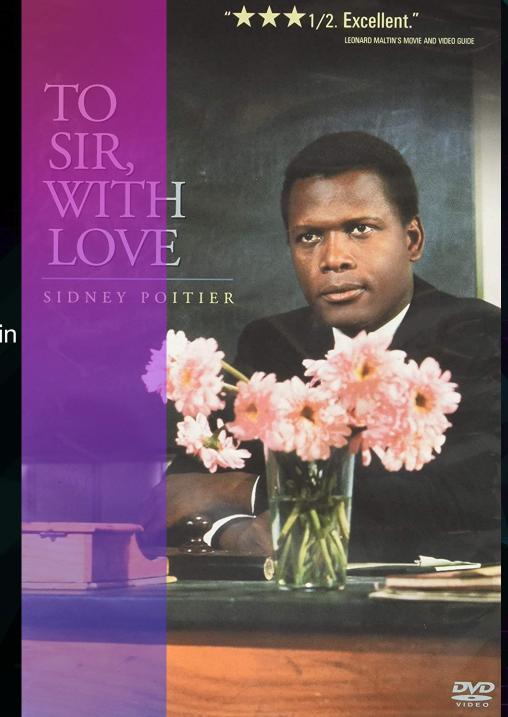
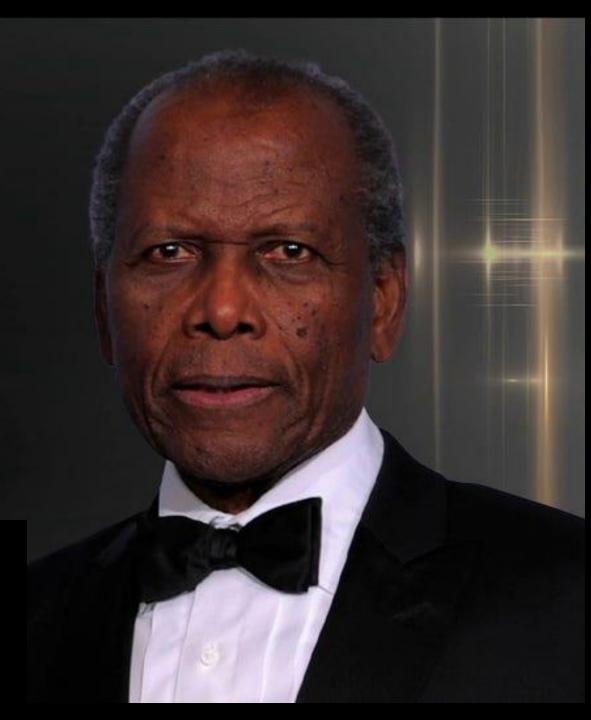
## To Sir with Love

Sermon by Bishop Andy C. Lewter, D. Min



## SIDNEY POITIER 1927-2022

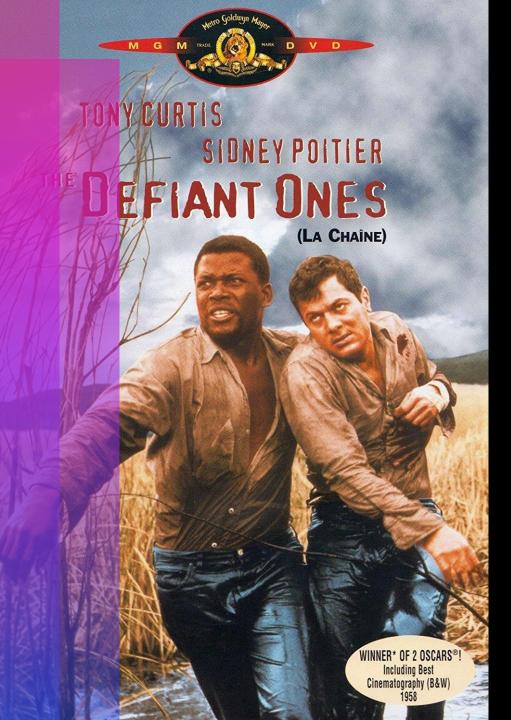
This past week I have been binging on Sidney Poitier movies in light of the death of said actor at age 94





I particularly enjoyed his first starring role in the movie

"No Way Out" released in 1950 with Richard Widmark



And who could forget his memorable portrayal of an escaped convict in "The Defiant Ones" released in 1959 with Tony Curtis





In 1967 he was the highest paid actor of the year having made "To Sir with Love", "In the Heat of the Night" and "Guess Who is Coming to Dinner"

As a child I remember that **Sidney Poitier was** the first actor I saw on the big screen who was not a butler, chauffer or other domestic

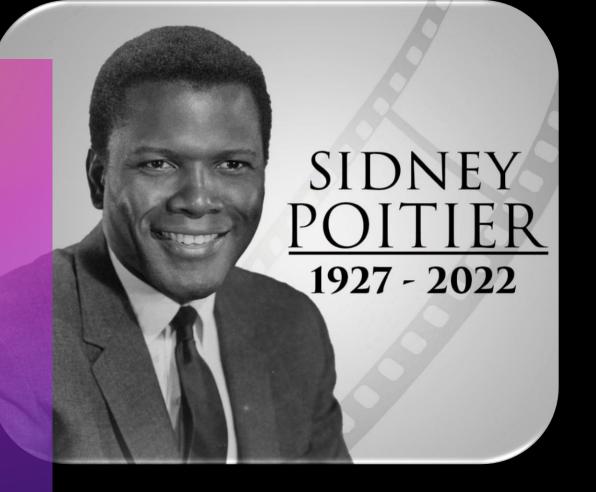


The passing of Sidney Poitier marks the end of the big budget Hollywood films of the 40's to the 90's



 In addition to his contributions on the silver screen he was also a major contributor to Dr. Martin Luther King and the modern civil rights movement





Today we pause to pay homage and honor a true **American** hero