

# Mo' Interviews

## Barack Obama

By Mo'Nique

**Not long before Barack Obama was elected the 44th President of the United States of America, the inspirational Senator from Illinois took a break from the campaign trail to talk politics with Mo'Nique.**



President Barack Obama

**Mo'Nique:** Hello

**Barack Obama:** Hello. Is this is Mo'Nique?

**This is Mo'Nique. Good morning.**

How've you been doing?

**Absolutely wonderful. Okay, I've got to say this to you because I've been in prayer all night.**

Well there you go. I believe in prayer. So tell me what you're praying for.

**I said God, what do I call this brother because he's such my family. He's our family so what do I call him?**

You call me Barack. No doubt about it. You don't have to waste a prayer on that one.

**Yes! And that's until November 5<sup>th</sup> we'll call you mister President.**

There you go. How've yall been?

**We're absolutely wonderful brother. And here's a question that we have. Because the world never thought we would see this day, not just black people, the world never thought we would see the day that a black man was gonna be President of the United States of America. How does it feel?**

Well we still got a lot of work to do now.

**We do baby but we're claiming it.**

We can go ahead and claim it but we still got a lot of work to do because its gonna be a tight race all the way through. We're in Michigan today traveling in Grand Rapids and East Lansing and then we're gonna be in states like Ohio, Virginia and North Carolina. All these races are gonna be tight and the key message that I've got today to all your listeners, and I know that there are a lot of listeners to Mo'Nique, you've got a lot of influence Mo'Nique so you've got to make sure all sister friends up in the beauty shops, brothers in the barbershop, everybody is registering and everybody is going out to vote. We can't have people sitting on the sidelines in the most important election in our history.

**We truly have on our cheerleading outfits here. We are screaming as loud as we can, Barack Obama. Now I know that everybody's saying what can you do when you become President? Here's a question we have, what do you need us to do once you become President to help you to get America back to where it needs to be?**

Well I think that's a great question. I appreciate that. Obviously I'm gonna have an ambitious agenda. I wanna make sure we get healthcare for every American, I wanna help create jobs, in the city's we're rebuilding our infrastructure and weatherizing homes, laying broadband lines. I wanna make sure our schools get fixed, investing in early childhood education and paying our teachers more, giving colleges scholarships. But you know what? A lot of the things that we need to do in our community, government can't do by themselves. So lets take education as an example, we've got to have parents turning off the TV sets and we gotta have them putting away the video games and making sure their child is doing their homework. As busy as Michelle and I are, we are still working with our kids everyday. By phone or what have you to make sure they're getting the help that they need to succeed in school. I think that one of my big messages, should I have the honor of being President, but even if I don't, is that we've got to do better by our kids. Fathers in particular have to start being in the lives of their kids in ways that they've just not been in our community for too long.

**For all of yall that's listening right now, all the board of directors that's listening right now to our soon to be President of the united states of America, I have to say when I first heard Barack Obama was running for President, I said, "Wow! Here's a brother, he's running for President." But the moment I heard you speak I said, "Wow, he's an incredible man who's going to make a difference in the world and we so are behind you, so support you because what you stand for, who just happens to be a brother, and we just so appreciate you, we're behind you, we support you. Anything you need from us, Barack, don't hesitate.**

Well you know I won't. And listen, I'm a big fan of your work. We've got all kinds of stuff going on all across the country. We're gonna be having entertainers and musicians going out there encouraging people to register and encouraging people to vote. Just tune in to our website [www.barackobama.com](http://www.barackobama.com) and as I said if you need to know how to register you can get it through our website or you can go directly to [www.voteforchange.com](http://www.voteforchange.com). We just can't afford another four years of what we've seen

over the last eight. And I really hope that everybody understands you're gonna make a difference. And if you're already registered and planning to vote make sure that you talk to cousin Pookie and Ray Ray out there. You tell them now is the time to get off the couch.

**Now I'm gonna put this out there Barack, if you should need a secretary of state, I'm gonna just put it out there for you.**

You're ready huh?

**I'm ready baby. If you just need one I'm ready. Brother keep doing what you're doing. We love you. God bless.**