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Dear Friends, Patrons, Supporters and My Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.:

The Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter, and The Alpha Foundation of Howard County, Inc. (AFHC) are delighted to welcome you to our 47th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast. We are humbled by your support and patronage of this event to celebrate the life and legacy of our beloved fraternity brother, Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., as well as our efforts in closing the achievement gap and assisting students in developing academic and social competencies needed for college and career readiness.

The Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter was chartered on March 1, 1975, by thirty-four Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., that were committed to upholding the true meaning of brotherhood and the aims and objectives of our dear fraternity. For more than forty-three years, the chapter has subscribed to the fraternity's guiding principle of "*Esprit de Fraternite*", providing service and advocacy for the residents of Howard County and surrounding jurisdictions. Most notably, the chapter is highly engaged in promoting educational and civic initiatives that are designed to inform and uplift our citizenry, especially those traditionally marginalized and underserved. Some of our signature initiatives include the following:

- **Project Alpha** provides educational workshops and skill-building sessions regarding issues of responsible behavior and healthy relationships targeting teenage males.
- **A Voteless People is a Hopeless People** focuses on voter education and training for the Howard County community, as well as voter registration and assistance.
- **The Alpha Achievers Program** targets young males of color in Howard County high schools in efforts to promote character growth, leadership training, and critical thinking skills.
- **The Harambee Conference** annually provides workshops and resources for students regarding college and career readiness.

• **The High Achievers Program** targets young males of color in Howard County middle schools in efforts to build academic and socio-emotional competencies.

• **The Leadership Development Institute** seeks to equip high school students with vital leadership skills needed for post-secondary success.

• **The Ojise Oratorical Contest** encourages critical thinking and develops oratorical skills for young males of color in the Howard County Public School system.

• Scholarships and Awards are provided to deserving Howard County students as they matriculate to college, at the level of more than \$10,000 annually.

Our theme for today, "*A Return to Normalcy: Transforming Dark Yesterdays Into Brighter Tomorrows*", conveys that the true measure of a man's greatness is not the number of servants he has, but the number of people he serves. Dr. King's legacy of selfless service is a perfect embodiment of today's theme, and inspirational reminder that as Alpha men, we must remain steadfast and true to our motto, "*First of All, Servants of All, We Shall Transcend All*" as we continue to lead the way in service to communities around the world.

The Brothers of the Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter and The Alpha Foundation of Howard County, Inc. are sincerely appreciative for your attendance today, and continued support of our endeavors. We ask that you please mark your calendar for our 48th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast in 2023 – we look forward to seeing you again!



Sincerely,

**J. Craig Bailey**  
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**W**elcome to the 47th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast, our signature event to honor the life and legacy of Brother King and to highlight our quality educational programs for youth enabled by your financial support. Despite the receding endpoint of the coronavirus pandemic, we are grateful for our ability to safely gather and welcome you in person for this special occasion!

We offer our sincere condolences to those that have experienced the loss of loved ones since our last time together (January 2020). We hope that precious memories bring you peace and comfort and warm your hearts forever. We know that the past two years have been unprecedented and challenging for our nation, community, and families. We have experienced a deadly riot at the U.S. Capitol, observed an uproar over critical race theory in public education, supported our children with virtual instruction as school buildings remained closed, and endured the rapid loss of family and friends suffering from COVID-19 and other illnesses. Yet, the spirit of perseverance and resilience has allowed us to overcome these obstacles, and it is the same spirit that will enable us to continue moving forward.

This morning's theme, "A Return to Normalcy: Transforming Dark Yesterdays into Brighter Tomorrows," was selected because we dared to hope that things would resemble pre-pandemic normalcy by this point. However, the pandemic continues – and is even surging in some places due to the emergence of more transmissible variants. It leaves us to wonder whether we are actually living our new normalcy – forced to rely upon social distancing, face coverings, hand washing, routine testing, and vaccination boosters as part of our societal rituals.

The life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. remind us to never stop striving for a brighter tomorrow despite the intensity of the darkness. Dr. King never wavered on transforming the darkness of racism into the brighter tomorrows where equality and opportunity would become a reality for all, regardless of race, creed, or color. Dr. King remained optimistic and steadfast in his belief that a brighter day of normalcy was on the horizon. In fact, it was during his infamous March to Selma (1965)

where he stated, "the only normalcy that we will settle for is the normalcy of brotherhood, the normalcy of true peace, and the normalcy of justice." Together, we will allow this legacy of Dr. King to continue guiding us forward in returning to normalcy. We move forward, strengthened in our commitment, to continue our unequivocal efforts in promoting manly deeds, scholarship, and love for all humanity, for the future of our youth and young adults – especially those who have been historically underserved and disparately impacted by the pandemic.

The Alpha Foundation of Howard County, Inc. (AFHC) was created as a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt entity to provide funding for the educational initiatives sponsored by the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. - Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter. We seek to provide youth in Howard County with academic enrichment that further enables success in postsecondary training and education, and ultimately, creates a clear pathway for life opportunity and success. Alongside community support and partnership, the AFHC works in conjunction with the chapter to provide educational programming that assists our motivated students towards achieving ambitious goals, including leadership experience, increased academic performance, and financial assistance for higher education.

Again, thank you for attending, and your ongoing support of our educational programs is appreciated. Your generosity is a cornerstone in our efforts to ensure that Howard County students are prepared for scholastic success, entry into the workforce, community service, and leadership. We look forward to seeing you again next year!

Sincerely,

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Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter entrusts to its Education Committee the task of developing and monitoring educational programs that benefit the African American young people in Howard County. The most visible of those programs is the Alpha Achievers program.



### ■ Alpha Achievers

Established in 1997, this nationally recognized program enables African-American males to achieve and maintain a 3.0 grade point average or higher. The program promotes character growth, leadership skills and critical thinking, while encouraging its members to become full citizens of the school and the community. They are required to develop relationships with Howard County middle schools and annually complete 21 hours of service learning.

### ■ Harambee Conference

This annual conference provides the opportunity for student representatives of Alpha Achievers Chapters throughout Howard County to convene around a theme of uplifting themselves and the community.

### ■ High Achievers – Go To High School, Go To College

Prepares African American male middle school students for the academic, emotional and social transition that occurs upon entering high school through a series of extracurricular and school based activities.

### ■ Project Alpha

Provides education, motivation and skill building on issues of male responsibility, relationships, teen pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases for males ages 12 -15. The inaugural Project Alpha conference was conducted in 2018 at Howard Community College.

### ■ A Voteless People is a Hopeless People

Members of Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter volunteer at several polling stations during the election season and, at high schools, provide voter education in collaboration with the Alpha Achievers.

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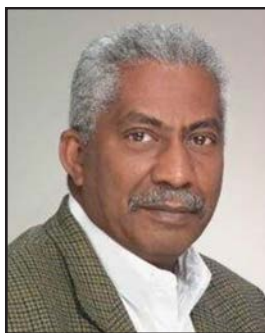


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Greetings Friends,

Thank you to my Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter for hosting the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. breakfast. It is wonderful to be gathered in person again to remember and honor the transformational work of our Good Brother Dr. King with our community.

Although we have made significant progress over the past year to combat this pandemic, our work continues to ensure a brighter tomorrow for all. The challenge and controversy we face today are not insurmountable. Our Brother, Dr. King, provided us with the tools, but we must find the will, the power, and the fortitude within ourselves to keep moving forward and demonstrate our ultimate measure.

Our experiences over many generations have taught us that we can accomplish great things when we work together as a Fraternity, as a community, and as a Nation. We are sitting on the brink of enormous opportunity to emerge a stronger and a better community for all. By working together, we can make Dr. King's dream our reality for current and future generations.

Thank you to all of my Brothers, and our greater community who inspire us every day with acts of service, graciousness, and kindness. Keep pushing, keep persevering, and keep serving. Our community thanks you for it.

Sincerely,

Calvin Ball  
Howard County Executive





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*Alpha Foundation of Howard County, Inc. and the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. – Kappa Phi  
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47th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Breakfast*

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend warm greetings to all those gathered for the 47<sup>th</sup> Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Breakfast. I would also like to welcome this year's keynote speaker, Pierre Thomas.

The Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and the Alpha Foundation of Howard County continue to make a transformative impact on the Maryland community by providing educational and programming activities for young African American men in Howard County. These programs promote character development, academic excellence, and social entrepreneurship and encourage their members to become leaders in their schools and their communities.

The theme of this year's event, "A Return to Normalcy: Transforming Dark Yesterdays into Brighter Tomorrows," provides an occasion to reflect on Dr. King's legacy as we emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic.

I would like to commend the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and the Alpha Foundation of Howard County for making this tremendous occasion a reality. Please accept my best wishes for a memorable event.



Sincerely,

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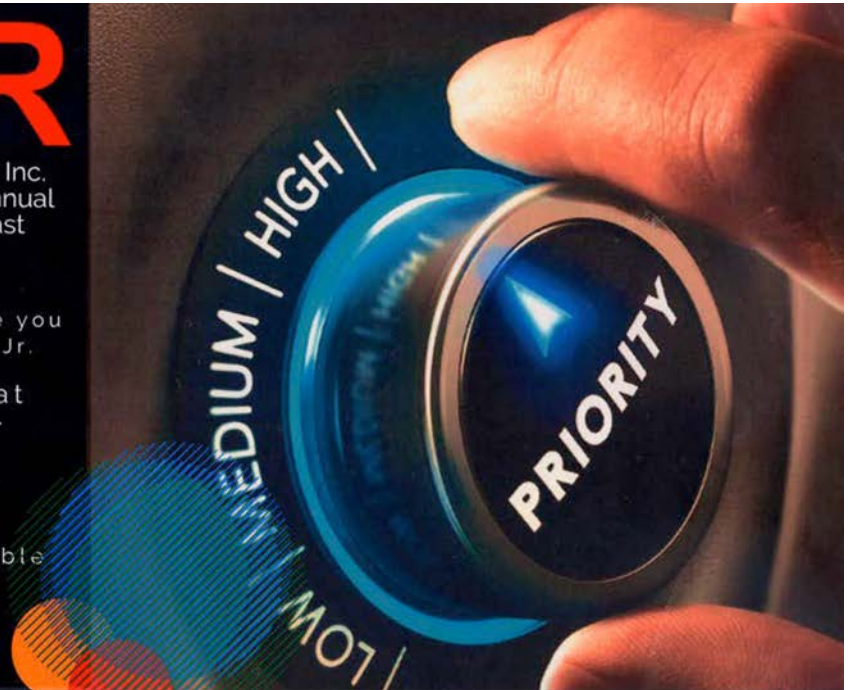
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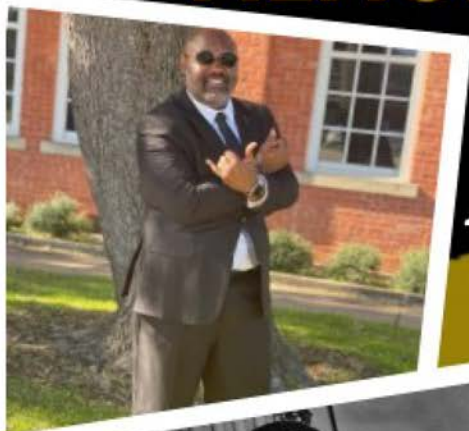




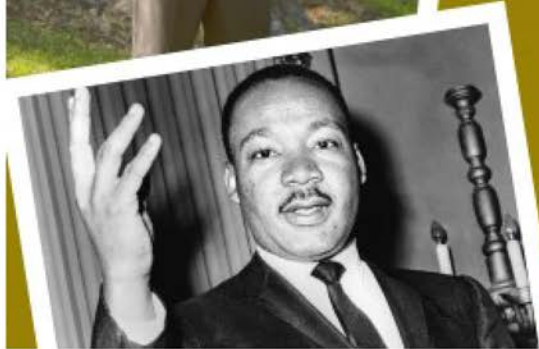


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KEYNOTE ADDRESS SPEAKER

*Bro. Pierre Thomas*

CHIEF JUSTICE CORRESPONDENT - ABC NEWS

Pierre Thomas is the Chief Justice Correspondent for ABC News. He joined the network in November 2000 and reports for “World News Tonight with David Muir,” “Good Morning America,” “Nightline,” “This Week with George Stephanopoulos” and all platforms including ABC News Radio and Digital.

From special counsel Robert Mueller’s investigation targeting President Trump to the Pulse Nightclub shooting in Orlando and the Boston marathon terrorist attacks, Thomas has covered countless major news stories during his time at ABC News. Thomas reported on the death of George Floyd and the protests against racial injustice and police brutality that arose in the wake of his death.

In 2020, he conducted two exclusive interviews with Attorney General William Barr. FBI Director Chris Wray spoke to Thomas in December 2019 following the release of the DOJ watchdog report focused on the Russia investigation. In 2021, Thomas conducted the first exclusive television interview with U.S. Capitol Police officer Harry Dunn who protected the Capitol against armed insurrectionist on January 6. Dunn’s actions and experience, including being called the N-word 15 times during the attack, was a part of the second impeachment trial of former President Donald Trump. Dunn was the first U.S. Capitol Police officer to speak publicly about the events.

Thomas has led many important investigations at ABC News including: insight into how COVID-19 spread so broadly and quickly throughout the United States, an analysis of voluntarily reported arrest data which revealed a stark racial disparity in the U.S. and an in-depth look at the opioid epidemic crisis in America.

Thomas was a key member of ABC’s team of correspondents covering the terrorist attacks of September 11th, and he continues to report on all aspects of the aftermath of those attacks. The network’s coverage of the 9/11 tragedy was widely recognized for its excellence, winning the prestigious Peabody and Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Awards and an Emmy Award.

Thomas also participated in a “World News Tonight with Peter Jennings” broadcast, which won the Edward R. Murrow Award for best newscast in 2005. In 2009 Thomas received an Emmy Award as part of team coverage of the inauguration of President Barack Obama and, in 2011, the Houston Association of Black Journalists honored him with its Pinnacle Award. In 2012, Thomas was named Journalist of the Year by the National Association of Black Journalists.



He was a key part of the ABC News team honored with three additional Murrow Awards: in 2012 for the network’s coverage of the tragic Tucson shooting and the killing of Osama Bin Laden—and again in 2014 for ABC’s coverage that included the Boston marathon terrorist attacks. He was also part of the ABC News team that received 2016 Murrow awards for Overall Excellence and Breaking News. Thomas also played a critical role in ABC News breaking coverage of the Pulse Nightclub shooting in Orlando

which was honored with a 2016 Emmy Award.

In 2018 he was honored with a Murrow Award for his radio series on the Fentanyl crisis. Thomas was named the recipient of the RTDNA 2015 John F. Hogan Distinguished Service Award, which is named after the organization’s founder and first president and honors contributions to journalism and freedom of the press. Past recipients include Walter Cronkite and Hugh Downs. He has been honored to serve as host of the RTDNA’s First Amendment Awards, first in 2016, and then again in 2019, at a time when he was helping to lead the coverage of the special counsel Robert Mueller’s investigation targeting President Trump. He has been featured in the American Journalism Review and has been the focus of hour-long C-SPAN broadcast about his career and thoughts on journalism.

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A former Washington Post reporter, Thomas was part of a team whose work was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize for reporting on illegal gun use in the Washington, D.C., region. While at the Post Thomas received the Pass Award from the National Council on Crime and Delinquency for his article “Beyond Grief and Fear,” twice won the Mort Mintz Investigative Award and was a finalist for the Livingston Young Journalist Award.

He started his career at The Roanoke Times and World-News. He is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and is a member of the National Association of Black Journalists. Thomas is a past chairman of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press and is a member of the Gridiron Club, the nation’s oldest and one of its most prestigious journalistic organizations.



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Master of Ceremony: ..... Bro. Vic Carter  
Anchor, WJZ 13 (CBS), Baltimore

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Welcome ..... Bro. Dennis G. Kemp, Sr.  
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“*Lift Every Voice and Sing*” (Audience Participation) ..... Dream Launchers

Invocation ..... Bro. Rickey Harvey, Jr.  
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## BREAKFAST SERVED TO TABLE

Acknowledgments and Recognition ..... Bro. Vic Carter

Overview of Educational Programs ..... Bro. Vaughn M. Bradley, Jr.  
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Introduction of Speaker ..... Bro. Vic Carter

Musical Performance ..... Dream Launchers

Keynote Address ..... Bro. Pierre Thomas  
Chief Justice Correspondent for ABC News

Closing Remarks ..... Bro. J. Craig Bailey  
President, Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter

“*We Shall Overcome*” (Audience Participation) ..... Jarrett Baker Music

Benediction ..... Bro. Rickey Harvey, Jr.





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Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. - Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter  
Who Have Passed On To Omega Chapter



## ■ Edward T. Morgan, Jr.

- Date of Initiation: April 7, 1984
- Chapter of Initiation: Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter – Howard County, MD
- Transition to Omega Chapter: November 20, 2020
- Faithful Witness, Devoted Husband, Loving Father, and Brother Beloved



## ■ Richard G. Smith

- Date of Initiation: April 1, 1971
- Chapter of Initiation: Beta Alpha Chapter – Morgan State University
- Transition to Omega Chapter: April 23, 2020
- Life Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. and Charter Member of the Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter



## ■ George W. Hunter, Jr.

- Date of Initiation: December 1, 1960
- Chapter of Initiation: Beta Delta Chapter – South Carolina State Univ.
- Transition to Omega Chapter: December 15, 2020
- Strongly devotion to his family, community, and beloved fraternity brothers – he will be forever remembered and missed!



## ■ Irvin O. Kemp

- Date of Initiation: December 14, 1946
- Chapter of Initiation: Alpha Phi Chapter – Clark College (now Clark Atlanta University)
- Transition to Omega Chapter: April 5, 2020
- Life Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., U.S. Military Veteran, Analytical Chemist, Gerontology Professor – and extreme devotion to his family, church, and local community.



## ■ Alexander Leak

- Date of Initiation: September 1, 1960
- Chapter of Initiation: Nu Chapter – Lincoln University
- Transition to Omega Chapter: January 9, 2020
- Charter member of Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter and dedicated servant leader to his family and community.



## ■ Norris T. Jennings

- Date of Initiation: March 24, 2007
- Chapter of Initiation: Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter – Howard County, MD
- Transition to Omega Chapter: April 12, 2020
- Director – Alpha Foundation of Howard County (AFHC), Past President of the Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter, and loved by all!



## ■ Cecil G. Christian, Jr.

- Date of Initiation: April 1, 1951
- Chapter of Initiation: Beta Chapter – Howard University
- Transition to Omega Chapter: February 7, 2020
- Director – Alpha Foundation of Howard County (AFHC), Life Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Past President of the Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter, Past Chair of the Annual Dr. MLK Breakfast, and Inaugural Alpha Foundation of Howard County, Inc.

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# Historic themes and keynote speakers of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Breakfast

No.	Date	Location	Theme	Keynote Speaker	Chapter President & MLK Breakfast Chairman
1	January 16, 1976	American Cities Building Columbia, MD	The Dream Continues	Congressman Parren J. Mitchell District 7, Maryland	Bro. Melvin Bilal Bro. C. Vernon Gray
2	January 15, 1977	Slayton House Columbia, MD	Keep The Fight Alive	Senator Clarence Blount State Senator, Maryland	Bro. Joseph W. Collins, Jr. Bro. Orient Jackson
3	January 14, 1978	Oakland Mills Interfaith Center Columbia, MD	Dreaming of a New Day	Bro. James A. Joseph Under Secretary, Dept. of Interior	Bro. Joseph W. Collins, Jr. Bro. Melvin Bilal
4	January 14, 1979	Rouse Building Columbia, MD	Focus on Women	Ms. Bernadine Denning Director, Office of Revenue Sharing	Bro. Edward Young Bro. Harold Payne
5	January 13, 1980	Rouse Building Columbia, MD	The Dream Lives On	Bro. Melvin R. Goode Journalist	Bro. Edward Young Bro. C. Vernon Gray
6	January 11, 1981	Rouse Building Columbia, MD	The Dream	Congressman Parren J. Mitchell District 7, Maryland	Bro. James E. Fitzpatrick Bro. C. Vernon Gray
7	January 10, 1982	Rouse Building Columbia, MD	Dr. King's Dream: The Unfinished Agenda	Ms. Florefta D. McKenzie Superintendent, D.C. Public Schools	Bro. James E. Fitzpatrick Bro. David E. Rakes
8	January 9, 1983	Rouse Building Columbia, MD	Martin Luther King, Jr.: A Life of Commitment and Love	Judge William H. Murphy, Jr. Supreme Bench, Baltimore City	Bro. Kenneth M. Jennings, Jr. Bro. David E. Rakes
9	January 15, 1984	Rouse Building Columbia, MD	A Life of Commitment, A Legacy of Love	Bishop John H. Adams African Methodist Episcopal Church	Bro. Kenneth M. Jennings, Jr. Bro. William M. Floyd
10	January 13, 1985	Rouse Building Columbia, MD	A Life of Commitment, A Legacy of Love	Dr. Hugo A. Owens, DDS Selma March Organizer	Bro. Harold Payne Bro. Charles Fizer
11	January 12, 1986	Rouse Building Columbia, MD	Keeping The Dream Alive	Bro. Melvin R. Goode Journalist	Bro. Freeman L. Sands, Sr. Bro. Sherman Howell
12	January 11, 1987	Turf Valley Country Club Ellicott City, MD	Living The Dream	Bro. Dr. John Slaughter Chancellor, Univ. of MD, College Park	Bro. Freeman L. Sands, Sr. Bro. David H. Barrett
13	January 10, 1988	Turf Valley Country Club Ellicott City, MD	A Focus on Youth	Bro. James E. Coleman. Student of Divinity, James Madison Univ.	Bro. David H. Barrett Bro. Freeman L. Sands, Sr.
14	January 15, 1989	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	A Focus on Youth	Bro. William J. Barber, III Graduate Student of Divinity, Duke Univ.	Bro. David H. Barrett Bro. Freeman L. Sands, Sr.
15	January 14, 1990	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Education is the Answer	Bro. Dr. Ralph T. Grant, Jr. Councilman, Newark, NJ	Bro. Cecil G. Christian, Jr. Bro. Harry Evans, III
16	January 13, 1991	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	A Challenge to Those Who Can!	Edward Lewis Publisher, <i>Essence</i> Magazine	Bro. Cecil G. Christian, Jr. Bro. Richard Alexander
17	January 12, 1992	BWI Marriott Hotel Baltimore, MD	The Challenge	Dr. Joyce A. Ladner VP, Academic Affairs, Howard Univ.	Bro. Harold Payne Bro. Salvador Waller
18	January 10, 1993	BWI Marriott Hotel Baltimore, MD	Heritage, Courage and Intellect	Bro. Dr. Na'im Akbar Professor, Florida State Univ.	Bro. Harold Payne Bro. Cecil G. Christian, Jr.
19	January 9, 1994	BWI Marriott Hotel Baltimore, MD	The Role of Politics in Dr. King's Dream	Hon. Kurt L. Schmoke Mayor, Baltimore, Maryland	Bro. Harry Evans, III Bro. Cecil G. Christian, Jr.
20	January 8, 1995	BWI Marriott Hotel Baltimore, MD	The Struggle Continues	Hon. James H. Sills Mayor, Wilmington, Delaware	Bro. Harry Evans, III Bro. Nathaniel Gibson
21	January 7, 1996	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	The Relevance of Dr. King's Message Today	Amiri Baraka Poet, Political Activist, Teacher	Bro. Charles F. Robinson, III Bro. David H. Barrett
22	January 12, 1997	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	The Role of Religion in Promoting Diversity	Bro. Dr. John T. Porter, Pastor 6th Ave. Baptist Church - Birmingham, AL	Bro. Richard Alexander Bro. Cecil G. Christian, Jr.
23	January 11, 1998	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	The Effect of the Law on The Dream	Bro. Milton Carver Davis, Esq. 29th General President, Alpha Phi Alpha	Bro. David L. Campbell Bro. Calvin Austin



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24	January 10, 1999	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Accepting the Mantle of Leadership	Bishop Woodie W. White United Methodist Church	Bro. David L. Campbell Bro. Ray H. Moseley, Sr.
25	January 9, 2000	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Challenges of the Post-Civil Rights Era in the 21st Century	Rev. Ambrose I. Lane WPFW Radio, Washington, D.C.	Bro. Dennis G. Kemp, Sr. Bro. David H. Barrett
26	January 7, 2001	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Making The Dream a Reality	Hon. Elijah E. Cummings (D) U.S. Congress - MD, 7th District	Bro. Dennis G. Kemp, Sr. Bro. Richard Shepherd, Jr.
27	January 13, 2002	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Economic Empowerment, The Next Phase of the Civil Rights Movement	Bro. Dr. Dennis P. Kimbro Author, Professor, Motivational Speaker	Bro. David Raphael Bro. Vincent E. Harris
28	January 12, 2003	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	The Dream's Impact on the Education of Our Youth	Dr. Crystal A. Kuykendall Educator, Author, Motivational Speaker	Bro. David Raphael Bro. Harvey A. Moran
29	January 11, 2004	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	The Future of Affirmative Action	Bro. Marc H. Morial President, National Urban League	Bro. James B. Smith Bro. Charles F. Robinson, III
30	January 9, 2005	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Standing on the Shoulders of Leaders Past and Present	Brigadier General Sheridan G. Cordia US Army Retired	Bro. James B. Smith Bro. Reese Boyd
31	January 8, 2006	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	The Civil Rights Movement: The New Paradigm of the 21st Century	Bro. Hill Harper Film, Television and Stage Actor	Bro. Calvin R. Austin Bro. James B. Smith
32	January 7, 2007	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Reviving the Dream What Would Martin Want Us to Do?	Bro. Rev. Dr. Bowyer G. Freeman Pastor, New St. Mark Baptist Church	Bro. Calvin R. Austin Bro. Kwame Ndizibah
33	January 13, 2008	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Economic Equality: Are We There Yet?	Bro. Dr. Randall D. Pinkett Chairman and CEO, BCT Partners	Bro. Kwame Ndizibah Bro. Harry Evans, III
34	January 11, 2009	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Grooming the Next Generation of Kings	Bro. Roland Martin CNN Political Analyst	Bro. Brian Wallace Bro. Vincent Hodges
35	January 10, 2010	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	The Education of Our People	Bro. Kevin Powell Writer/Activist	Bro. Brian Wallace Bro. Ernest Jackson
36	January 9, 2011	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Leadership in the 21st Century	Bro. Lt. Commander Mill Etienne, M.D., PPH Director of Epilepsy and EEG Laboratory Walter Reed Army Medical Center	Bro. Harry Evans, III Bro. Stephen M. Rice
37	January 8, 2012	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Marching with Martin ... Into The Future	Bro. Herman "Skip" Mason, Jr. 33rd General President Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.	Bro. Harry Evans, III Bro. Cecil G. Christian, Jr.
38	January 13, 2013	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Shaping the Future Based on the Past	Khalil Gibran Muhammad, Ph.D. Director, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture	Bro. Norris T. Jennings Bro. John H. Taylor
39	January 12, 2014	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Where Do We Go From Here?	Bro. Walter Kimbrough, Ph.D. President, Dillard University	Bro. Norris T. Jennings Bro. Donald E. Debnam
40	January 11, 2015	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Intentional Leadership	Bro. Ozell Sutton Civil Rights Leader 26th General President Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.	Bro. Opel T. Jones, I Bro. Rodney Hawkins
41	January 10, 2016	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Empowering Youth? <i>Preparing Students for Academic Success and Leadership</i>	Bro. Freeman A. Hrabowski President, Univ. of Maryland, Baltimore County	Bro. Opel T. Jones, I Bro. Cecil G. Christian, Jr.
42	January 8, 2017	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Injustice Anywhere Is A Threat to Justice Anywhere	April Ryan White House Corespondent for American Urban Radio Networks	Bro. Norris T. Jennings Bro. John H. Taylor
43	January 7, 2018	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	The Future of America Is Bound Up In The Present Crisis	Bro. Dr. Everett B. Ward 35rd General President Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.	Bro. John H. Taylor Bro. Kerry G. Johnson
44	January 13, 2019	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	Everybody Can Be Great, Because Everybody Can Serve	Dr. David A. Thomas President, Morehouse College	Bro. Craig J. Bailey Bro. Lionel J. Perron
45	January 12, 2020	Martin's West Baltimore, MD	The Fierce Urgency of Now	Bro. Maurice A. Stinnette Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion BSE Global	Bro. Bruce E. Nelson Bro. Geoffrey Colbert
46	January 10, 2021	Online Virtual Event	Keep Moving Forward: The Struggle Continues	Bro. Jeff Johnson CEO, JJJ Communications	Bro. Bruce E. Nelson Committee Group Effort





# Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Chronology (Section 1 of 4)

## ■ 1929

**January 15:** Michael Luther King, Jr. is born to Reverend and Mrs. Martin Luther King, Sr. (the former Alberta Christine Williams), in Atlanta, Georgia. His name changed to Martin at the age of six.

## ■ 1935-1944

King attends David T. Howard Elementary School. Atlanta University Laboratory School, and Booker T. Washington High School. He passes the entrance examination to Morehouse College (Atlanta) without graduating from high school.

## ■ 1947

King is licensed to preach and becomes an assistant to his father, who is pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta.

## ■ 1948

**February 25:** King is ordained to the Baptist ministry.

**June:** King graduates from Morehouse College with a B.A. Degree in sociology.

**September:** King enters Crozer Theological Seminary, Chester, Pennsylvania. After hearing Dr. A. J. Muste and Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson preach on the life and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi, he begins to study Gandhi seriously.

## ■ 1951

**June:** King graduates from Crozer with a B.D. degree, and enters Boston University to pursue a doctoral degree.

## ■ 1952

**January 22:** King is initiated into Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. via Sigma Chapter at Boston University.

## ■ 1953

**June 18:** King marries Coretta Scott in Marion, Alabama.

## ■ 1954

**October 31:** King is installed by Reverend Martin Luther King, Sr., as the 20th pastor of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church, Montgomery, AL.

## ■ 1955

**June 5:** King receives a Ph.D. degree in Systematic Theology from Boston University.

**November 17:** The Kings' first child, Yolanda Denise, is born in Montgomery.

**December 1:** Mrs. Rosa Parks, a 42 year-old Montgomery seamstress, refuses to relinquish her bus seat to a white man, and is arrested.

**December 5:** The first day of the bus boycott. The trial of Mrs. Parks. A meeting of movement leaders is held. Dr. King is unanimously elected president of an organization named the Montgomery Improvement Association, a name proposed by Reverend Ralph Abernathy.

**December 10:** The Montgomery Bus Company suspends service in black neighborhoods.

## ■ 1956

**January 26:** Dr. King is arrested on a charge of traveling 30 miles an hour in a 25 mile-an-hour zone in Montgomery. He is released on his own recognizance.

**January 30:** A bomb is thrown onto the porch of Dr. King's Montgomery home. Mrs. King and Mrs. Roscoe Williams, wife of a church member, are in the house with baby Yolanda Denise; no one is injured.

**February 2:** A suit is filed in federal district court asking that Montgomery's travel segregation laws be declared unconstitutional.

**February 21:** Dr. King is indicted with other figures in the conspiracy to hinder and prevent the operation of business without "just or legal cause."

**June 4:** A United States district court rules that racial segregation on city bus lines is unconstitutional.

**June 27:** Dr. King is the guest speaker at the annual NAACP convention in San Francisco.

**August 10:** Dr. King is a speaker before the platform committee of the Democratic Party in Chicago.

**October 30:** Mayor Gayle of Montgomery instructs the city's legal department "to file such proceedings as it may deem proper to stop the operation of car pools and transportation systems growing out of the boycott."

**November 13:** The United States Supreme Court affirms the decision of the three-judge district court in declaring unconstitutional Alabama's state and local laws requiring segregation on buses.

**December 20:** Federal injunctions prohibiting segregation on buses are served on city and bus company officials in Montgomery. Injunctions are also served on state officials.

**December 21:** Montgomery buses are integrated.

## ■ 1957

**January 27:** An unexploded bomb is discovered on Dr. and Mrs. King's front porch.

**January 10-11:** The Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC) is formed at the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta. Dr. King is elected its president.

**February 18:** Time magazine puts Dr. King on its cover.

**March 6, 1957:** Dr. King stood with Dr. Kwame Nkrumah in Accra, Ghana, West Africa as the flag of European colonialism was lowered and the Ghanaian flag was raised, thereby through his presence linking the American Civil Rights movement with African national independence movements.

**May 17:** Dr. King delivers a speech for the Prayer Pilgrimage For Freedom celebrating the third anniversary of the Supreme Court's desegregation decision. The speech, entitled "Give Us the Ballot," is given at the Lincoln Memorial, Washington, D.C.

**June 13:** Dr. King has a conference with the vice president of the United States, Richard M. Nixon.



# Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Chronology (Section 2 of 4)

**September 2:** Dr. King addresses a Labor Day seminar on the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Highlander Folk School, Monteagle, Tennessee.

**September:** President Dwight D. Eisenhower federalizes the Arkansas National Guard to escort nine Negro students to an all white high school in Little Rock, Arkansas.

**September 9:** The first civil rights act since Reconstruction is passed by Congress, creating the Civil Rights Commission and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice.

**October 23:** A second child, Martin Luther III, is born to Dr. and Mrs. King.

## 1958

**February 8:** Dr. King is a guest speaker at a legislative conference of the American Jewish Congress in New York.

**June 23:** Dr. King, along with Roy Wilkins of the NAACP, A. Philip Randolph, and Lester Granger, meets with President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

**September 3:** Dr. King is arrested on a charge of loitering (later changed to "failure to obey an officer") in the vicinity of the Montgomery Recorder's Court. He is released on one hundred dollars bond.

**September 4:** Dr. King is convicted after pleading "not guilty on the charge of failure to obey an officer. The fine is paid almost immediately, over Dr. King's objection, by Montgomery Police Commissioner Clyde C. Sellers.

**September 17:** Dr. King's book *Stride Toward Freedom: The Montgomery Story* is published by Harper & Row.

**September 20:** Mrs. Izola Curry, forty-two, who is subsequently alleged to be mentally deranged, stabs Dr. King in the chest. The stabbing occurs in the heart of Harlem while Dr. King is autographing his recently published book.

## 1959

**January 30:** Dr. King meets with Walter Reuther, president of the United Auto Workers union, in Detroit. February 2-March 10. Dr. and Mrs. King spend a month in India studying Gandhi's techniques of nonviolence, as guests of Prime Minister Nehru

**August 20:** Dr. King delivers a speech to the National Bar Association in Milwaukee.

**November 29:** Dr. King submits his resignation, effective on the fourth Sunday of January 1960, as pastor of the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church.

## 1960

**January 24:** The King family moves to Atlanta. Dr. King to become co-pastor, with his father, of the Ebenezer Baptist Church.

**February 1:** The first lunch counter sit-in to desegregate eating facilities is held by students in Greensboro, North Carolina.

**February 17:** A warrant is issued for Dr. King's arrest on charges that he did not pay his 1956 and 1958 Alabama state income taxes.

**April 15:** The Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC) is founded to coordinate student protest at Shaw University, Raleigh, North Carolina, on a temporary basis. (it is to become a permanent organization in October, 1960.) Dr. King and James Lawson are the keynote speakers at the Shaw University founding.

**May 28:** An all-white jury in Montgomery acquits Dr. King of the tax evasion charge.

**June 10:** Dr. King and A. Philip Randolph announce plans for picketing both the Republican and Democratic national conventions.

**June 24:** Dr. King has a conference with John F. Kennedy candidate for president of the United States, about racial matters.

**October 19:** Dr. King is arrested at an Atlanta sit-in and is jailed on a charge of violating the state's trespass law. Oct. 22-27. The Atlanta charges are dropped. All jailed demonstrators are released except for Dr. King, who is held on a charge of violating a probated sentence in a traffic arrest case. He is transferred to the DeKalb County Jail in Decatur, Georgia, and is then transferred to the Reidsville State Prison. He is released from the Reidsville State Prison on a two-thousand-dollar bond.

## 1961

**January 30:** A third child, Dexter Scott, is born to Dr. and Mrs. King in Atlanta.

**May 4:** The first group of Freedom Riders, intent on integrating interstate buses leaves Washington, D.C., by Greyhound bus. The group, organized by the Congress for Racial Equality (CORE), leaves shortly after the Supreme Court has outlawed segregation in interstate transportation terminals. The bus is burned outside of Anniston, Alabama, on May 14. A mob beats the Riders upon their arrival in Birmingham. The Riders are arrested in Jackson, Mississippi, and spend forty to sixty days in Parchman Penitentiary, Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner (white)

**December 15:** Dr. King arrives in Albany, Georgia, in response to a call from Dr. W. G. Anderson, the leader of the Albany Movement to desegregate public facilities, which began in January 1961.

**December 16:** Dr. King is arrested at an Albany demonstration. He is charged with obstructing the sidewalk and parading without a permit.

## 1962

**February 2:** Dr. King is tried and convicted for leading the December march in Albany.

**May 2:** Dr. King is invited to join the Birmingham protests.

**July 27:** Dr. King is arrested at an Albany city hall prayer vigil and jailed on charges of failure to obey a police officer, obstructing the sidewalk, and disorderly conduct.

**September 20:** James Meredith makes his first attempt to enroll at the University of Mississippi. He is actually enrolled by Supreme Court order and is escorted onto the Oxford, Mississippi, campus by U.S. Marshals on October 1, 1962.

**October 16:** Dr. King meets with President John F. Kennedy at the White House for an one-hour conference.



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## ■ 1963

**March 28:** The Kings' fourth child, Bernice Albertine, is born. March-April. Sit-in demonstrations are held in Birmingham to protest segregation of eating facilities. Dr. King is arrested during a demonstration.

**April 16:** Dr. King writes the "Letter from Birmingham Jail" while imprisoned for demonstrating.

**May 3-4:** T. Eugene ("Bull") Connor, director of public safety of Birmingham, orders the use of police dogs and fire hoses upon the marching protestors (young adults and children.)

**May 20:** The Supreme Court of the United States rules Birmingham's segregation ordinances unconstitutional.

**June 11:** Governor George C. Wallace tries to stop the court ordered integration of the University of Alabama by "standing in the schoolhouse door" and personally refusing entrance to black students and Justice Department officials. President John F. Kennedy then federalizes the Alabama National Guard, and Governor Wallace removes himself from blocking the entrance of the Negro students.

**June 12:** Medgar Evers, NAACP leader in Jackson, Mississippi, is assassinated in the early-morning darkness by a rifle bullet, at his home. His memorial service is held in Jackson on

**June 15:** and he is buried in Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C., on June 19.

**August 28:** The March on Washington, the first large integrated protest march, is held in Washington, D.C. Dr. King and other civil rights leaders meet with President John F. Kennedy in the White House, and afterwards Dr. King delivers his "I Have a Dream" speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.

**September:** Dr. King's book *Strength to Love* is published by Harper & Row.

**September 2-10:** Governor Wallace orders the Alabama state troopers to stop the court-ordered integration of Alabama's elementary and high schools until he is enjoined by court injunction from doing so. By September 10 specific schools are actually integrated by court order.

**November 22:** President Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas, Texas.

## ■ 1964

**Summer:** COFO (Council of Federated Organizations) initiates the Mississippi Summer Project, a voter-registration drive organized and run by black and white students.

**June 21:** Three civil rights workers-James Chaney (black), Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner (white)-are reported missing after a short trip to Philadelphia.

**May-June:** Dr. King joins other SCLC workers in demonstrations for the integration of public accommodations in St. Augustine, Florida. He is jailed.

**June:** Dr. King's book *Why We Can't Wait* is published by Harper & Row.

**July 2:** Dr. King attends the signing of the Public Accommodations Bill, part of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, by President Lyndon B. Johnson in the White House.

**July 18-23:** Riots occur in Harlem. One black man is killed.

**August 4:** The bodies of civil rights workers James Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner are discovered by FBI agents buried near the town of Philadelphia, Mississippi. Neshoba County Sheriff Rainey and his deputy, Cecil Price, are allegedly implicated in the murders.

**August:** Riots occur in New Jersey, Illinois, and Pennsylvania. September 18. Dr. King has an audience with Pope Paul VI at the Vatican.

**September:** Dr. King and Reverend Ralph Abernathy visit West Berlin at the invitation of Mayor Willy Brandt.

**December 10:** Dr. King receives the Nobel Peace Prize in Oslo, Norway.

**February 21:** Blacks in New York City murder Malcolm X, leader of the Organization of Afro-American Unity and former Black Muslim leader.

## ■ 1965

**March 7:** Marching demonstrators (from SNCC and SCLC led by SCLC's Hosea Williams are beaten when attempting to march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge on their planned march to Montgomery, Alabama, from Selma, Alabama, by state highway patrolmen under the direction of Al Lingo, and sheriff's deputies under the leadership of Jim Clark. An order by Governor Wallace had prohibited the march.

**March 9:** Unitarian minister James Reeb is beaten by four white segregationists in Selma and dies two days later.

**March 15:** President Johnson addresses the nation and Congress. He describes the Voting Rights Bill he will submit to Congress in two days and uses the slogan of the civil rights movement, "We Shall Overcome."

**March 16:** Sheriff's deputies and police on horseback in Montgomery beat black and white demonstrators.

**March 21-25:** Over 3,000 protest marchers leave Selma for a march to Montgomery, protected by federal troops. They are joined along the way by a total of 25,000 marchers. Upon reaching the capitol building they hear an address by Dr. King.

**March 25:** Mrs. Viola Liuzzo, wife of a Detroit Teamsters Union business agent, is shot and killed while driving a car-load of marchers back to Selma.

**July:** Dr. King visits Chicago. SCLC joins with the Coordinating Council of Community Organizations (CCCCO), led by Al Raby, in the Chicago Project.

**August-December:** In Alabama, SCLC spearheads voter registration campaigns in Greene, Wilcox, and Eutaw counties, and in the cities of Montgomery and Birmingham.

**August 6:** President Johnson signs the 1965 Voting Rights Act.





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**August 11-16:** In Watts, the black ghetto of Los Angeles, riots leave 35 dead, of whom 28 are black.

## ■ 1966

**February:** Dr. King rents an apartment in the black ghetto of Chicago.

**February 23:** Dr. King meets with Elijah Muhammad, leader of the Black Muslims in Chicago.

**March 25:** The Supreme Court of the United States rules any poll tax unconstitutional.

**March:** Dr King takes over a Chicago slum building and is sued by its owner.

**Spring:** Dr. King makes a tour of Alabama to help elect black candidates.

**Spring:** The Alabama primary is held, the first time since Reconstruction that blacks have voted in any numbers.

**May 16:** An antiwar statement by Dr. King is read at a large Washington rally to protest the war in Vietnam. Dr. King agrees to serve as co-chairman of Clergy and Laymen Concerned about Vietnam.

**June 6:** James Meredith is shot soon after beginning his 220-mile "March Against Fear" from Memphis, Tennessee to Jackson, Mississippi.

**June:** Stokely Carmichael and Willie Ricks (SNCC) use the slogan "Black Power" in public for the first time, before reporters in Greenwood, Mississippi.

**July 10:** Dr. King launches a drive to make Chicago an "open city" in regard to housing.

**August 5:** Dr. King is stoned in Chicago as he leads a march through crowds of angry whites in the Gage Park section of Chicago's Southwest Side.

**September:** SCLC launches a project with the aim of integrating schools in Grenada, Mississippi. Fall. SCLC initiates the Alabama Citizen Education Project in Wilcox County

## ■ 1967

**January:** Dr. King writes his book *Where Do We Go from Here?* while in Jamaica.

**March 12:** Alabama is ordered to desegregate all public schools.

**March 25:** Dr. King attacks the government's Vietnam policy in a speech at the Chicago Coliseum.

**May 10-11:** One black student is killed in rioting on the campus of all-Negro Jackson State College, Jackson Mississippi.

**July 6:** The Justice Department reports that more than 50 percent of all eligible black voters are registered in Mississippi, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, and South Carolina.

**July 12-17:** Twenty-three people die, 725 are injured in riots in Newark, New Jersey.

**July 23-30:** Forty-three die, 324 are injured in the Detroit riots, the worst of the century.

**July 26:** Black leaders Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., A. Philip Randolph, Roy Wilkins, and Whitney Young appeal for an end to the riots, "which have proved ineffective and damaging to the civil rights cause and the entire nation."

**October 30:** The Supreme Court upholds the contempt-of-court convictions of Dr. King and seven other black leaders who led 1963 marches in Birmingham. Dr. King and his enter jail to serve four-day sentences.

**November 27:** Dr. King announces the formation by SCLC of a Poor People's Campaign, with the aim of representing the problems poor blacks and whites.

## ■ 1968

**February 12:** Sanitation workers strike in Memphis, Tennessee.

**March 28:** Dr. King leads six thousand protesters on a march through downtown Memphis in support of striking sanitation workers. Disorders break out during which black youths loot stores. One sixteen-year-old is killed and fifty persons are injured.

**April 3:** Dr. King's last speech, entitled "I've Been to the Mountaintop," is delivered at the Memphis Masonic Temple.

**April 4:** A sniper assassinates Dr. King as he stands talking on the balcony of his second floor room at the Lorraine Motel in Memphis. He dies in St. Joseph's Hospital from a gunshot wound in the neck. James Earl Ray is later captured and convicted of the murder.

## ■ 1986

**January 18:** Following passage of Public Law 98-144, President Ronald Reagan signs a proclamation declaring the third Monday in January of each year a public holiday in honor of the birthday of Martin Luther King, Jr.

## ■ 1998

**July 16:** President Bill Clinton signed a Joint Resolution authorizing a memorial for Dr. King to be built on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

## ■ 2006

**November 13:** Ceremonial Ground Breaking at the National Mall in Washington, D.C. for the Dr. Martin Luther King Memorial.

## ■ 2009

**October:** The Memorial's final design was approved by federal agencies and a building permit was issued.

## ■ 2011

**August 27:** Opening of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial, Washington, DC.

**October 16:** The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial is officially dedicated by President Barack Obama.





Bro. Cecil G. Christian, Jr. (seated in chair)

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The family of **Bro. Cecil G. Christian, Jr.**, would like to recognize and honor him for his hard work, love of, and dedication to the Alpha Foundation of Howard County, Inc., Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. - Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter, and the Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Memorial Breakfast.

Through his efforts, he, directly and indirectly, impacted the scholarships and education programs of the AFHC and Kappa Phi Lambda Chapter.

He loved Alpha, his fraternity Brothers, and KΦΛ Chapter and worked tirelessly toward its success.

Rest well, Dad! Your work here is done but continues through "the youngbloods." Mom can now enjoy not being an "MLK Breakfast Widow."

We love and miss you both!  
Your family,

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## We Shall Overcome\*

We shall overcome, We shall overcome  
We shall overcome some day.

CHORUS: Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe.  
We shall overcome some day

We'll walk hand in hand.  
We'll walk hand in hand.  
We'll walk hand in hand some day.

CHORUS: Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe.  
We shall overcome some day

We shall all be free.  
We shall all be free.  
We shall all be free some day.

CHORUS: Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe.  
We shall overcome some day.

\* Edited for this event

## Lift Every Voice and Sing\*\*

by James Weldon Johnson

Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,  
Ring with the harmonies of liberty;  
Let our rejoicing rise, high as the list'ning skies,  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,  
Facing the rising sun of a new day begun,  
Let us march on till victory is won.

God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,  
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;  
Thou who has by thy might, led us into the light,  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee,  
Lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;  
Shadowed beneath Thy hand, may we forever stand,  
True to our God, true to our native land.

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