

What Everyone Can Do to Make the Beloved Community Real:

"Everybody can be great, because everybody can serve. ... You only need a heart full of grace, a soul generated by love, and you can be that servant."

Choose love instead of hate.

Seek to win friendship and understanding.

Seek to defeat injustice and not persons.

Believe that the universe is on the side of justice.

Practice nonviolence, the way of life for courageous persons.

Focus on the positives around you and express them to others every day.

Find individuals or groups that are helping improve your neighborhood or community and support them with your time, talent or treasure.

Participate in Community service.

Join with others in your neighborhood or community to clean-up a street, common space, or help the disadvantaged with their own yards.

Encourage your place of worship, organization or club to support families of incarcerated individuals.

Meet and talk to your neighbors often – especially the elderly.

Help keep our environment clean. Don't litter & pick up debris when you see it.

Visit someone near you who is sick and homebound to make sure they feel connected to what they need.

Educate yourself about the history of the movements that have given you freedom. Take someone to the Civil Rights Museum who has never been. Talk to someone who has more memory than you do.

Promote the ideal of We Are The Beloved Community to everyone.

we are the Beloved Community Memphis 2010 partners (in alphabetical order):

April 4th Foundation

American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees

Church Health Center

Commission on Religion and Racism

The Healing Center

Memphis City Schools

Memphis Public Library and Information Center

Memphis Theological Seminary

Metropolitan Inter-Faith Association

Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare

Mid-South Peace and Justice Center

National Civil Rights Museum

Rainbow PUSH Coalition

Shelby County Government

Southern Christian Leadership Conference

Voices for Memphis' Children



the Dreamer, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Our goal is to create a beloved community and this will require a qualitative change in our souls as well as a quantitative change in our lives.

The Beloved Community was a dream of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. to create a world in which all persons live in peace and harmony. 'We Are The Beloved Community' is an affirmation of who we are as well as a clarion call to better ourselves, our community, our city, the nation and the world. We invite and encourage you to become a participant in the campaign to proclaim and make real The Beloved Community where you live.



2010 Schedule

Sunday, March 28, 2010

4:30 PM- Labor & Economic Empowerment Forum.

At Annesdale Cherokee Baptist Church, 2960 Kimball Ave. Sponsored by AFSCME & Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Contact: Ruth Davis, AFSCME, 525-2458 or Dwight Montgomery, SCLC, 948-7915.

Thursday, April 1, 2010

11:30 AM- Al Bell Speaks on "Dr Martin Luther King Jr As I Knew Him" 11:30 am - 1:00 pm.

Presentation and discussion. Lunch served. Reservations preferred.

At Methodist University Hospital, Medical Staff Auditorium. Sponsored by Methodist Healthcare. Contact: Commissioner Henri Brooks, 857-6443 or Liz Dover, 516-0553.

5:30 PM- Networking the Dream 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Discussion and social time. [More information online.](#)

Location Itta Bena, 145 Beale St. Sponsored by Voices for Memphis' Children. Contact: Claire Rossi, 287-0950, rossiec@lebonheur.org or Mark Yates, 287-6964, yatesm@lebonheur.org

Friday, April 2, 2010

9:00 AM- Community Breakfast 9:00 am - 11:00 am. [More information and registration form online.](#)

At Dr M L King Jr Labor Ctr, 485 Beale. \$20/person. Preregistration requested. Contact: Ruth Davis, AFSCME, 525-2458.

12:00 Noon- Young Leaders' Civil Rights Forum, Graffiti Removal and Service Projects 12 Noon - 3:00 pm. For ages 12-25. [More information online.](#) Sign-up prior to March 19. Those under 18 require a signed [permission form available online.](#)

At Annesdale Cherokee Baptist Church, 2960 Kimball Ave. Sponsored by AFSCME & Southern Christian Leadership Conference. Contact: Dwight Montgomery, SCLC, 948-7915 or Janice Johnson, Memphis City Schools, 416-4224, johnsonj2@mcsk12.net.

Saturday, April 3, 2010

8:00 AM- Gather and Line-up for

9:00 AM- 42nd Annual March.

At Dr M L King Jr Labor Ctr, 485 Beale. Contact: Ruth Davis, AFSCME, 525-2458.

Sunday, April 4, 2010

6:30 AM- WLOK Talk Show: On the Road to Healing

Bishop William Young & Pastor Diane Young with guest Rev. Gary Gunderson
On AM 1340. Contact: William Young, 508-2539, bishop@memphishealingcenter.com

Morning- Faith Community Sunday Services

Local congregations remember and honor Dr. King in their own ways.

2:30 PM Community Unity Commemorative Worship Service

At Annesdale Cherokee Baptist Church, 2960 Kimball Ave. Contact: Dwight Montgomery, 948-7915; mselfarmer34@yahoo.com or Ruth Davis, AFSCME, 525-2458.

3:00 PM- A Moment of Reflection 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Rabbi Ben Kamin (from CA) to speak, choir performance, changing of the wreath, Alpha's salute and remembrance + an egg hunt for young people. [More info online.](#)

At National Civil Rights Museum, 450 Mulberry St. Contact Barbara Andrews, 521-9699.

3:15 PM- Wreath Laying Ceremony by Alpha Phi Alpha

At National Civil Rights Museum, 450 Mulberry St. Contact Darryl Arbor, 482-0035, djarbor@aol.com.

5:30 PM- Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Symphony

At New Sardis Baptist Church, 7739 E. Holmes Rd. \$10/person. Contact: LaSimba Gray, 754-3979, lgrayjr@bellsouth.net

6:30 PM- Awards Banquet Gala by April 4th Foundation.

At Cook Convention Center., 255 N. Main St. \$100/person. Contact Johnson Saulsberry, 859-3364, jesaulsberry1@aol.com

Thursday, April 15, 2010

7:00 PM- 5th Annual Gerard A. Vanderhaar Symposium: Women, War & Peacemaking with Joan Chittister, OSB.

At the University Theater, Christian Brothers University, 650 East Parkway South. \$20/person. [More info and tickets online.](#)

All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.

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Check www.wearethebelovedcommunity.org for the latest details and more information.