

**40 years –
Honoring
Dr. King’s
Legacy**

2008 Schedule



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.

~ Dr. Martin Luther King Jr

Friday, March 28, 2008

All day Special Exhibit: Ms. Cornelia Crenshaw's car

At Nat. Civil Rights Museum. Contact Kira Duke, 521-9699.

Saturday, March 29, 2008

9:30 AM MIFA 9th Annual Ceremony Honoring Volunteers and Dr. King

At MIFA, 910 Vance. Contact: MIFA. 529-4514, cnelson@mifa.org

All Day City Service Projects - choose your project [more info](#)

At locations all over the city. Contact: Cate Majors, Hands On Memphis/Volunteer Memphis, 523-2425 x202, cmajors@volunteermemphis.org

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4:30 PM Civil Rights Major League Baseball Game

At the Redbirds Stadium. Contact: The Redbirds Box Office. 721-6000.

Sunday, March 30, 2008

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.

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5:00 PM Panel Discussion on Conflict Resolution

This panel will focus on dealing with violence in Memphis City Schools and crime in our communities.
At 2960 Kimball Ave. Contact: Dwight Montgomery, 948-7915, mslfarmer34@yahoo.com

Tuesday, April 1, 2008

8AM-5PM Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Man, The Message, The Movement [more info](#)

At National Civil Rights Museum, co-sponsored by University of Memphis and Memphis Theological Seminary. Contact Michael Charles Leff, mleff@memphis.edu, 678-3171.

2:00 PM Clergy Luncheon (RSVP required)

Guest speaker: Dr. R. B. Holmes, President, National Congress of Christian Education National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. At 460 E. McLemore. Contact: Dwight Montgomery, 948-7915, mselfarmer34@yahoo.com

7:00 PM Program in Observance of the 40th Anniversary of the Assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Guest speaker: Dr. Alveda King, niece of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. At 2960 Kimball Ave. Contact: Dwight Montgomery, 948-7915, mselfarmer34@yahoo.com

Wednesday, April 2, 2008

evening REM Pre-Conference: "Telling Our Stories About Dr. King" [more info](#)

At Holiday Inn, Univ. of Memphis. Contact Gale Kennebrew, 516-7454. Conference registration may apply.

Thursday, April 3, 2008

12:00 PM In Remembrance There Is Life Lecture

Rev. C.T. Vivian, longtime civil rights activist who marched shoulder to shoulder with Dr. King and worked with him as an advisor and strategist, will share his memories of Dr. King and the Civil Rights Movement. Dr. Cynthia Griggs Fleming, professor at the University of Tennessee Knoxville and civil rights scholar, will join Rev. Vivian to discuss Dr. King's evolution in philosophy throughout his career.

At 1st Congregational Church, 1000 S. Cooper St. Contact Kira Duke, 521-9699.

12:00 PM REM Academic Symposium: "Chaos or Community: Where Do We Go From Here?"

Keynote Speaker: Bishop Joey Johnson, The House of the Lord, Akron, OH.

Following the keynote address and luncheon there are eight (8) workshops, various different presenters, addressing the theme.

At Holiday Inn, Univ. of Memphis. \$50/person. For reservations(space is limited), please contact: Dr. Gale Kennebrew or Jo-Anne Johnson at 901-516-7454.

1:00 PM Student Symposium by April 4th Foundation: "Where Are We Now ... Where Do We Go From Here?"

Speakers to include George Curry, Dr. Ben Chavez, Charles Steele, Joseph Lowery and Harry Cash.

At Cook Convention Center, 255 N. Main St. Contact: Cato Walker, 255-0725 or 864-2286, walkercato@yahoo.com

5:30 PM "What Would Martin Say?" Book Premier & Signing with Clarence B. Jones

Clarence B. Jones, speechwriter and legal advisor to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will premier his book "What Would Martin Say?" at the Museum. Published by Harper Collins, the book includes excerpts of his writings and other documents relating to King. In summing up his sentiments on King's life, Jones stated in a 2007 interview "Martin Luther King, Jr., in 12 years and 4 months from 1956 to 1968, did more to achieve political, economic, and social justice in America than any other event or person in the previous 400 years."

At National Civil Rights Museum. Contact Lorna Malcolm, 521-9699.

6:00 PM Sanitation Workers Reunion organized by Al Sharpton's National Action Network

Location: TBA.

7:00 PM In Remembrance There Is Life Cocktail Reception featuring Movement Leaders

This evening cocktail reception will feature local and national civil rights leaders who will share their stories about Dr. King and their role in history. Speakers will include Clarence Jones, speechwriter and attorney for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Dr. Jerry Francisco, medical examiner at the time of the assassination, Dr. Benjamin Hooks, Rev. Samuel "Billy" Kyles and Bill Morris. Tickets are \$100 corporate affiliates and \$50 general public

At National Civil Rights Museum Courtyard. Contact Lorna Malcolm, 521-9699.

Friday, April 4, 2008

9:00 AM March

At 485 Beale. Contact: Ruth Davis, AFSCME, 525-2458.

A Dream Reborn Conference

At Cook Convention Ctr., 255 N. Main St. Contact Alli Chagi-Stan, alli@greenforall.org.

5:00 PM Wreath Laying Ceremony by Alpha Phi Alpha

At National Civil Rights Museum. Contact Darryl Arbor, 516-2352.

5:30 PM Candlelight Vigil

At National Civil Rights Museum. Contact Kira Duke, 521-9699.

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

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

Saturday, April 5, 2008

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Sunday, April 6, 2008

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

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

7:00 PM Community Unity Commemorative Worship Service

Guest speaker: Dr. R. B. Holmes, President, National Congress of Christian Education National Baptist Convention USA, Inc. At St. Stephen Baptist Church, 4245 Singleton Pkwy. Contact: Dwight Montgomery, 948-7915; mslfarmer34@yahoo.com

Tuesday, April 8, 2008

6:30 pm Professor Bobby Lovett, author of *The Civil Rights Movement of Tennessee* speaks. Book signing.

Bobby L. Lovett is a professor of history and dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Tennessee State University. His articles and reviews have been published widely in such journals as Tennessee Historical Quarterly and the Journal of Southern History. Together with L. T. Wynn, he edited the book, Profiles of African Americans in Tennessee. But he may be best known for his book *The Civil Rights Movement in Tennessee: A Narrative History*. He will be sharing his wide knowledge of history at this event.

At Benjamin J. Hooks Central Library. Contact Wayne Dowdy, 415-2744, dowdyw@memphislibrary.org

Thursday, April 10, 2008

7:00 pm 3rd Annual Gerard A. Vanderhaar Symposium. Dr. Martin Luther King Vision and Practice: His Legacy, present Struggles and Future Hopes with Rev. Bryan Massingale, S.T.D.

[more info](#)

Rev. Massingale, Associate Professor at Marquette University, is a Catholic Moral Theologian with a focus on liberation theologies, African American religious ethics and racial justice. Recent work applies social thought to the issues of affirmative action, racial reconciliation, terrorism and the challenge of peacemaking.

The Vanderhaar Student Peace Award will be presented at the Symposium and a reception will follow. At University Theater, Christian Brothers University. For more information, please call 901-321-3270.