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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.

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.



40 years – Honoring Dr. King’s Legacy

2008 Schedule

Friday, March 28, 2008 -Sunday, March 30, 2008

National Civil Rights Museum Special Exhibit: Ms. Cornelia Crenshaw's car

Saturday, March 29, 2008

9:30 AM MIFA Ceremony Honoring Volunteers and Dr. King’s Legacy

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

All Day City Service Projects – choose your time and place

At locations all around the city. Contact: Cate Majors, Hands on Memphis/Volunteer Memphis, 523-2425 x202

4:30 PM Major League Baseball Game

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

Sunday, March 30, 2008

Morning Faith Community Sunday Services

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

Tuesday, April 1, 2008

8:00 AM Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Man, The Message, The Movement

– **5:00 PM** At Nat. Civil Rights Mus. By U of M and Mfs Theol. Sem.. Contact: Michael Leff, 678-3171, mleff@memphis.edu.

2:00 PM Clergy Luncheon (RSVP required)

At 460 E. McLemore. Contact: Dwight Montgomery, 948-7915, mslfarmer34@yahoo.com

Wednesday, April 2, 2008

7:00 PM REM Pre-Conference: “Telling Our Stories about Dr. King”

At Holiday Inn, Univ. of Memphis. Contact Dr. Gale Kennebrew, 516-7454.

Thursday, April 3, 2008

12:00 PM In Remembrance There Is Life Lecture, Rev. C.T. Vivian & Dr. Cynthia Fleming
At 1000 S. Cooper St. Contact Kira Duke, 521-9699.

12:00 PM REM Symposium: "Chaos or Community: Where Do We Go From Here?"
Keynote lunch and 8 wksops. At Holiday Inn, U. of M. \$50/psn. Contact Dr. Gale Kennebrew, 516-7454.

1:00 PM April 4th Foundation Symposium: "Where Are We Now ... Where Do We Go From Here"
At 255 N. Main St. Contact Cato Walker, April 4th Foundation, 255-0725 or 864-2286.

5:30 PM "What Would Martin Say?" Book Premier & Signing with Clarence B. Jones
At National Civil Rights Museum. Contact Lorna Malcolm, 521-9699.

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

Friday, April 4, 2008

9:00 AM March
Begins at 485 Beale. Contact: Ruth Davis, AFSCME, 525-2458.

5:00 PM Wreath Laying Ceremony by Alpha Phi Alpha. At Nat. Civil Rights Mus. Darryl Arbor 516-2352.

5:30 PM Candlelight Vigil. At National Civil Rights Museum. Contact Kira Duke, 521-9699.

6:30 PM Commemorative Awards Banquet by April 4th Foundation
At 255 N. Main St. \$100/psn. Contact Johnson Saulsberry, 859-3364, jesaulsberry1@aol.com

Friday, April 4, 2008 – Sunday, April 6, 2008

A Dream Reborn Conference

At 255 N. Main St. Contact Alli-Chagi-Starr, alli@greenforall.org.

Sunday, April 6, 2008

5:30 PM Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Symphony
At 7739 E. Holmes Rd. \$10/psn. Contact: LaSimba Gray, 754-3979, lgrayjr@bellsouth.net

7:00 PM Community Unity Commemorative Worship Service
At 4245 Singleton Pkwy. Contact: Dwight Montgomery, 948-7915, mslfarmer34@yahoo.com

Tuesday, April 8, 2008

6:30 PM Author Bobby Lovett Lecture and Book Signing
At B. J. Hooks Central Library. Contact Wayne Dowdy, 415-2744, dowdyw@memphislibrary.org

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

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