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MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

28TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE MARCH 2015

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— ALAN E. WARRICK, II —
DISTRICT 2 CITY COUNCIL MEMBER

It is an absolute honor to welcome you to the 28th Annual San Antonio Martin Luther King, Jr. March. The San Antonio march is one of the nation's largest commemorations of Dr. King's legacy and dream of equality and justice for all, and your participation demonstrates your commitment to continuing this important legacy.

Our 2015 March theme, "Marching Together From Past To Present For Our Future" reminds us that we must remember the sacrifices that our ancestors made in order to give us the freedoms we have today. But in light of the recent events across the country, there is still much work to be done for us to have the democracy Dr. King envisioned.

I would like to thank the 2015 MLK Commission for all of their diligent work in making the MLK March and all of its events a success. The MLK Commission and I are also truly grateful to all of our sponsors for their continued support in making this mach a success. I'd also like to thank the large number of city staff members that were vital to the success of all the events.

Finally, none of this would be possible without the support of the community. I want to thank each and every one of you for your participation in the 2015 MLK March and commemorative events today. Your presence keeps Dr. King's dream alive, and keeps building on the progress needed so that future generations can fulfill Dr. King's dream of equality and justice for all.

Sincerely,

Alan E. Warrick, II
District 2 City Councilman
Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission Honorary Chair

— DAVID M. COPELAND — MLK COMMISSION CHAIR

"Never criticize a man until you've walked a mile in his moccasins." - American Indian Proverb. The earliest record of this proverb has its origin to the Cherokee tribe of Native Americans. In "To Kill a Mockingbird," Atticus, a white lawyer, who has chosen to defend a black man accused of raping a white girl, is trying to explain to his daughter Scout why he is doing so. "First of all," he said, "if you can learn a simple trick, Scout, you'll get along a lot better with all kinds of folks. You never really understand a person until you consider things from his point of view […] until you climb into his skin and walk around in it." Don't judge someone until you've walked a mile in their shoes.

"No puedes conocer a un hombre, hasta que no has pasado por lo mismo que él" or "hasta que no has estado en su piel" "hasta que no has estado en su pellejo".

Is it possible that our nation may be forgetting that the non-violent protests and civil disobedience of the 60's caused many crisis situations where the federal government had to take action in an effort to uphold the dignity of all Americans? It was only after years of highly publicized civil rights demonstrations, marches, and violence that American political leaders acted to enforce these rights. At the end of the Montgomery bus boycott in 1956, Martin Luther King, Jr. - only two years out of divinity school - declared that their common goal was not simply the end of segregation as an institution. Rather, "the end is reconciliation, the end is redemption, and the end is the creation of the beloved community."

King's **Beloved Community** called for change. So it is the desire of the Martin Luther King Jr. Commission to help us understand what is the true meaning of a Beloved Community. We are working toward a common purpose and goal. It is the articulation of an inclusive human community, which includes "equality of opportunity, privilege and property"…not allowing the color of one's skin to hinder anyone's estimation of the content of one's character. It is living in intentional relationships with those around us, being accepting - and working towards the common good of all. Our mission is to saturate our community with the hope that there can be a Beloved Community, which many have never expected nor experienced. To achieve this the Martin Luther King Commission continues to seek to partner with corporations, businesses, and individual donors – in order to open the door of education to as many young people in our city, region and world as possible. We in San Antonio Texas, CONTINUE TO MARCH, WE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT SCHOLARSHIPS because in the words of Travon's mother, Sybrina Fulton, "My message to you is: Please use my story. Please use my tragedy. Please use my broken heart to say to yourself, we cannot let this happen to anybody else's child". Walk a mile in my shoes, walk a mile in my shoes Oh, before you abuse, criticize and accuse walk a mile in my shoes..."

Sincerely,

David M. Copeland
Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission Chairman

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— REV. DR. MARCUS D. COSBY — COMMEMORATIVE KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Reverend Dr. Marcus D. Cosby serves as the Senior Pastor of Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church in Houston, Texas. He holds the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Religion and English from Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee; the Master of Divinity Degree in Homiletics and Christian Education from Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC) in Atlanta, Georgia; and the Doctor of Ministry Degree in Homiletics from Northern Baptist Theological Seminary of the Associated Chicago Theological Schools (ACTS).

Dr. Cosby is a member of the Board of the Samuel Dewitt Proctor Conference; the African American Pulpit, a scholarly journal that highlights the preaching prowess of African-American preachers across the country; the Home Mission Board of the National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. and the Houston Area Urban League.

He has served on the Board of Directors of Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston, the Texas Commission for Community Service and Volunteerism, and as an Advisory Board Member of The Gardner C. Taylor Preaching Archives and Listening Room in Atlanta, Georgia. He is a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity and the NAACP.

Among the gifts and talents with which God has blessed Pastor Cosby, none are more meaningful to him than preaching and teaching. He has been blessed to carry his ministry across the country and seeks to uplift all humanity through the life-changing, uncompromising Word of God.

Dr. Cosby is married to his high school sweetheart, Mrs. Audrey Marie Cosby. They have been blessed with three beautiful daughters, Adrienne Marie, Ashley Marie and Aliyah Marie and two sons, Marcus D., II and Matthew D.

— TIM WISE — TRINITY LECTURE SERIES SPEAKER

Tim Wise is among the most prominent anti-racist writers and educators in the United States. Recently named one of "25 Visionaries Who are Changing Your World" by Utne Reader, Wise has spoken in all 50 states, on over 800 college and high school campuses, and to community groups across the nation. The 2001 British Diversity Awardee for best feature essay on race issues, Wise is the author of six books and is one of several persons featured in White Men Challenging Racism: Thirty-Five Personal Stories. Wise has provided anti-racism training to teachers, journalists, government officials, and medical personnel, and has served as a consultant for plaintiff's attorneys in federal discrimination cases. He has appeared on hundreds of radio and television programs, and is a regular scholarly and academic contributor to discussions about race.

— APOSTLE CHERYL R. SMITH — PRE-MARCH WORSHIP SERVICE SPEAKER

Apostle Cheryl R. Smith, is an Anointed and Powerful Woman of God of NOW Faith And Power. She is Founder and Pastor of "The Church" of The Authority of The Believers, Inc. ("Empowering You To Live An Abundant Life Today and For The Promises of A Greater Tomorrow"). Smith is also the Founder and Director Of The Authority Of The Believers' Ministries, Inc., an empowering, anointed and effective ministry for such a time as this which serves the youth, elderly, the homeless, the underemployed and unemployed and anyone in need. In addition to providing information, mentoring and referral services, Smith trains, volunteers and ministers in community service and ministry through seminars and life enriching workshops.

Born and raised in San Antonio, Smith has over 30 years' experience in the ministry and outreach services and as an administrator in the corporate and social services sector. Upon completion of her studies through Aenon Bible College's Ministerial Courses, she was ordained as Elder through the Pentecostal Assemblies of the World, Inc. (P. A. of W.). In March 2014, Smith was ordained an Apostle with Divine Destiny Fellowship, Inc. She completed several studies through the American Association of Christian Counselors where she is also a member.

God has given Smith a burden for souls and a heart for the people. Through this anointed, vast and unique ministry she has ministered in Men, Women, and Youth Conferences, nursing homes, hospitals, jails, prisons, and has conducted Revivals, outreach and street meetings across the country. In 2013 Smith served on Governor Rick Perry's subcommittee regarding the plight of minority children particular Black/African American children. She organized an interfaith event for Orphan Sunday which was held in District 2 to inform the community about children in need of adoption and/or foster care.

Smith is known as The Revivalist for the great outpouring of The Holy Ghost, and the move of God with many miracles, signs and wonders experienced in her Revivals and Street Meetings. God uses her prophetically and has anointed her in the Ministry of Miracles, Healings and Deliverance. Many people throughout the U.S. have been saved, healed and delivered through this anointed and powerful ministry. She is also known as The Pastor's Helper where she has assisted in the birthing of several Churches; and assists other Churches wherever needed in the Ministry.

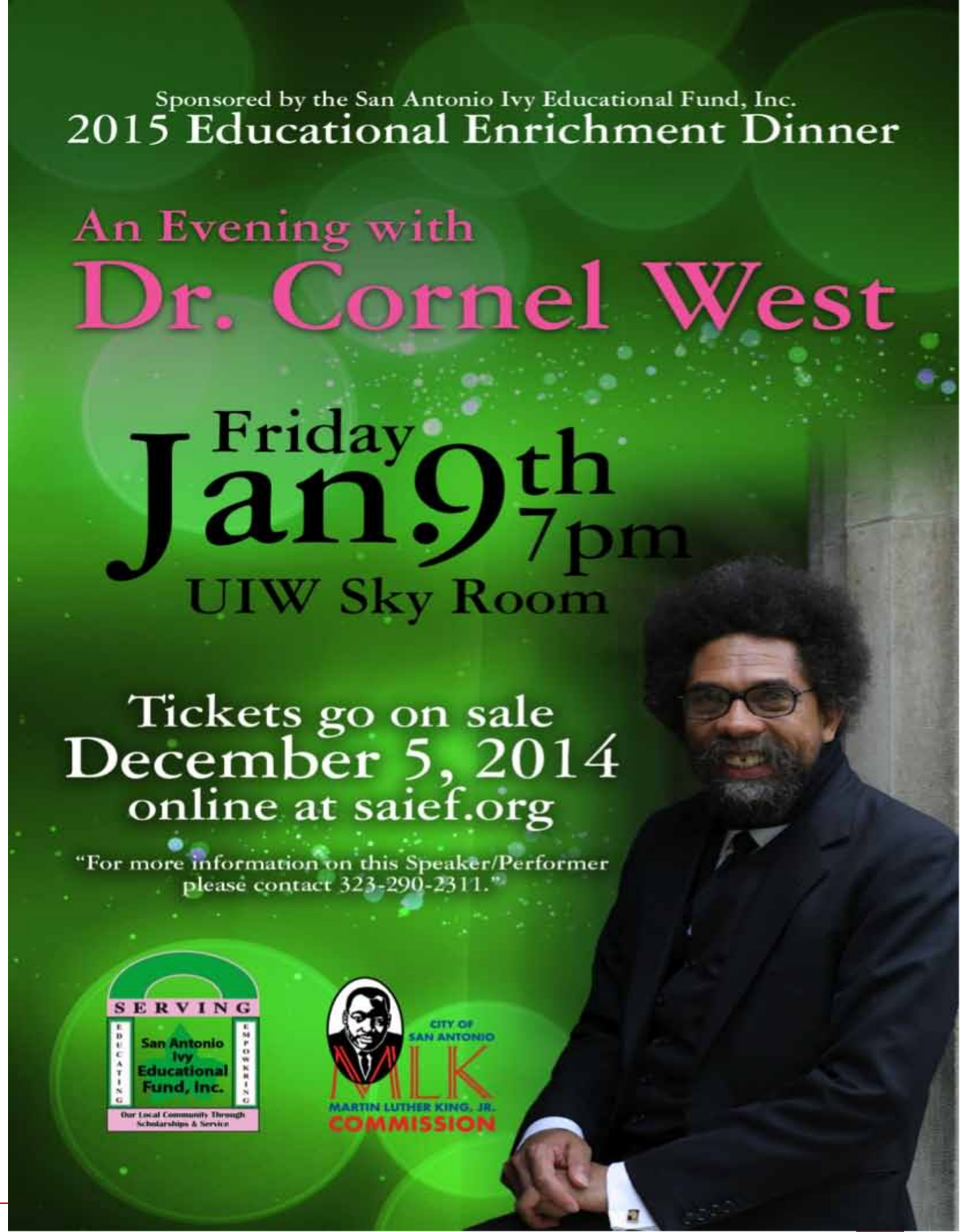
— DENNIS KENNEDY —
WREATH LAYING CEREMONY SPEAKER

Dennis Kennedy has an unwavering passion for people and works to ensure that all individuals receive equal opportunities in the workplace regardless of race, ethnicity, sex, religion, age, physical or mental handicaps, physique, gender identity or sexual orientation. In 2004, Mr. Kennedy walked away from his job to start the Texas Diversity Council. Four years later, Mr. Kennedy found himself launching the National Diversity Council (NDC) for the same reasons he started the state council. Currently, the NDC is made up of over 15 state and regional councils. His vision is to have state and regional diversity councils in all 50 states. Along with the state councils, he has launched several statewide conferences focused on diversity, leadership and women. Currently there are conferences taking place in the following states: California, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Tri-State (NY, NJ & CT).Furthermore, Mr. Kennedy has launched two additional national organizations in 2011 including the National Women's Council, which focuses on advocacy for women and the Council for Corporate Responsibility, which seeks to educate organizations on the best practices in social responsibility.

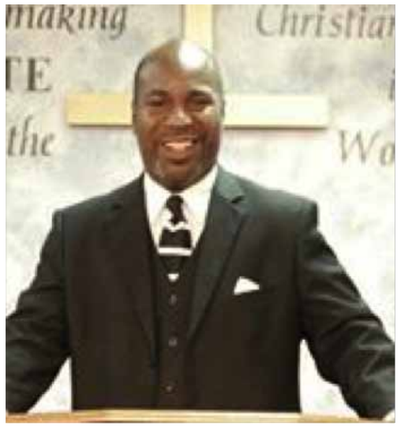
Mr. Kennedy spent several years as a college professor in the business schools at the following universities: University of Houston Downtown, Texas Southern University and University of Texas at San Antonio. Some of the courses he taught included: Business Statistics, Economics, HR Management, Compensation Management and Diversity Management. He also spent 5 years working in a corporate environment in the field of Human Resources. He graduated from the University of Houston Main Campus (UofH) with undergraduate degrees in economics, business management, political science and physical education; he also earned a MBA from University of Houston Main Campus as well. In addition, he was a scholarship athlete for football.

CITYWIDE INTERFAITH WORSHIP SERVICE SPEAKERS

The 28TH annual Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Citywide Interfaith Worship Service will feature several invited guest speakers who will present on various topics of faith and Dr. King's legacy. Imam Abdur-Rahim Muhammad will read an original poem about peace. Gloria Ray, former MLK, Jr. Commission Chair, will read excerpts from Dr. Martin Luther King's speech, "Remaining Awake through a Great Revolution." Rev. Otis I. Mitchell will present an abbreviated version of Dr. King's speech, "I Have a Dream."



— REV. DR. JAMES COLEMAN, JR. — PHI THETA LAMBDA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION'S 2ND ANNUAL DREAM MAJOR GALA GUEST SPEAKER



James E. Coleman, Jr., is Director of the Doctor of Ministry (D.Min.) Program and is Professor of Theology and Homiletics at the Virginia University of Lynchburg, Virginia. Rev. Dr. Coleman is the founder and senior pastor of Providence Place in Lynchburg, Virginia. The ministry (Providence Ministries International Incorporated) has a widely viewed television broadcast on WSET ABC 13 called Good News For Today.

He graduated from James Madison University receiving a B.S. with a double major in public administration and political science. While at James Madison, Dr.Coleman became the first African-American to be selected Student Leader of the Year. He has been involved in politics since 1984. He went on to graduate with honors receiving his Master of Divinity degree from the esteemed Samuel DeWitt Proctor School of Theology, Virginia Union University. While at Virginia Union, Coleman served as President of the Theologue Fellowship. Coleman later graduated from the prestigious Duke University Divinity School, receiving a Master of Theology degree. Coleman's thesis at Duke is in the famed Duke Library. He received his earned doctorate from United Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio as a Wyatt Tee Walker and W. Franklin Richardson Fellow. Coleman's dissertation will serve as his first book. He has done further study at Harvard University Divinity School/Kennedy School of Government as a graduate of the 2001 Summer Leader Institute with a focus on Community and Economic Development.

Brother (Dr.) James E. Coleman, Jr. is a native of Richmond, Virginia and is a 1985 initiate of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. through Xi Delta Chapter at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia, and was the 1988 National College Brother of the Year for Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. He is a former national board member of the National Action Network (NAN).

Brother Coleman is the recipient of the Delta Sigma Theta Lynchburg Health Service Award and the Lynchburg NAACP Humanitarian and Freedom Fighter Awards. He is also a Lynchburg City Planning Commissioner and serves on the Social Justice Commission for both the Virginia State Baptist Convention and the Baptist General Convention of Virginia.

Brother Coleman has distinguished himself as a guest speaker at the Pentagon, United States Department of Agriculture, National D-day Memorial, and Redeem the Dream March on Washington, and Lynchburg's Historic Obama for President Rally featuring then-Senator Barack Obama.

Brother Coleman is the son of James Edward Coleman, Sr. and Lauretta Atkinson Coleman. He is married to Dr. Patricia Denise Coleman (née Williams). They have four children: Jacqueline Patrice, Minister James Eric, Joy Lavese and Majesty Renee.

— MAJ. GENERAL (RET) ALFRED FLOWERS — PHI THETA LAMBDA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION'S 2ND ANNUAL ESPRIT DE MARTIN DINNER GUEST SPEAKER

Major General Alfred K. Flowers is a Senior Advisor and Consultant to a San Antonio minority-owned small business.
He is the former Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force for Budget where he was responsible for $170 billion of Air Force funds.

Following high school graduation, he enlisted in the United States Air Force at the age of seventeen. After completing basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base (AFB) in San Antonio, Texas, he was assigned as a supply warehouseman at Grand Forks AFB in North Dakota followed by a year at Da Nang AB, Vietnam and five other assignments prior to 1975. He received his A.A. degree from Thomas Edison University, B.S. Degree from Southern Illinois University, and Master Degrees from Ball State and The National Defense University. In 1978, after thirteen years of enlisted service, he attended Officer Training School where he was a distinguished graduate and commissioned a Second Lieutenant. He served as a budget officer at several Air Force bases, Chief of Budget at Headquarters Air Combat Command, Director of Budget Programs for HQ USAF, and Chief Financial Officer, HQ AETC. He commanded the Air Force Officer Accession and Training Schools at Maxwell AFB, Alabama and Second Air Force at Keesler AFB, Mississippi. In 2009, he was appointed as The Deputy Assistant Secretary of budget in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force. On 1 January 2012, after forty-six years and five months of service, he retired from the United States Air Force, making him the longest-serving airman in Air Force history, the longest serving African-American in defense history, and the longest serving continuous active duty member in the history of The United States Department of Defense.

His military recognitions include two Distinguished Service Medals, the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit with oak leaf cluster and the Defense Meritorious Service Medal plus seventeen other decorations. He served on the board of directors for the Army Air Force Exchange Service, the Air Force Aid Society and the Air Force Services Agency and is currently serving on three boards as a director. Major General (R) Flowers was inducted into the Air Education and Training Command Order of The Sword on 6 April 2012, making him the 224th Air Force inductee since 1967. He is married to Ida M. Flowers and they have one son, Colonel (S) Alfred K. Flowers, Jr.

— ERIC CARRINGTON —
COMMEMORATIVE SPECIAL GUEST ARTIST

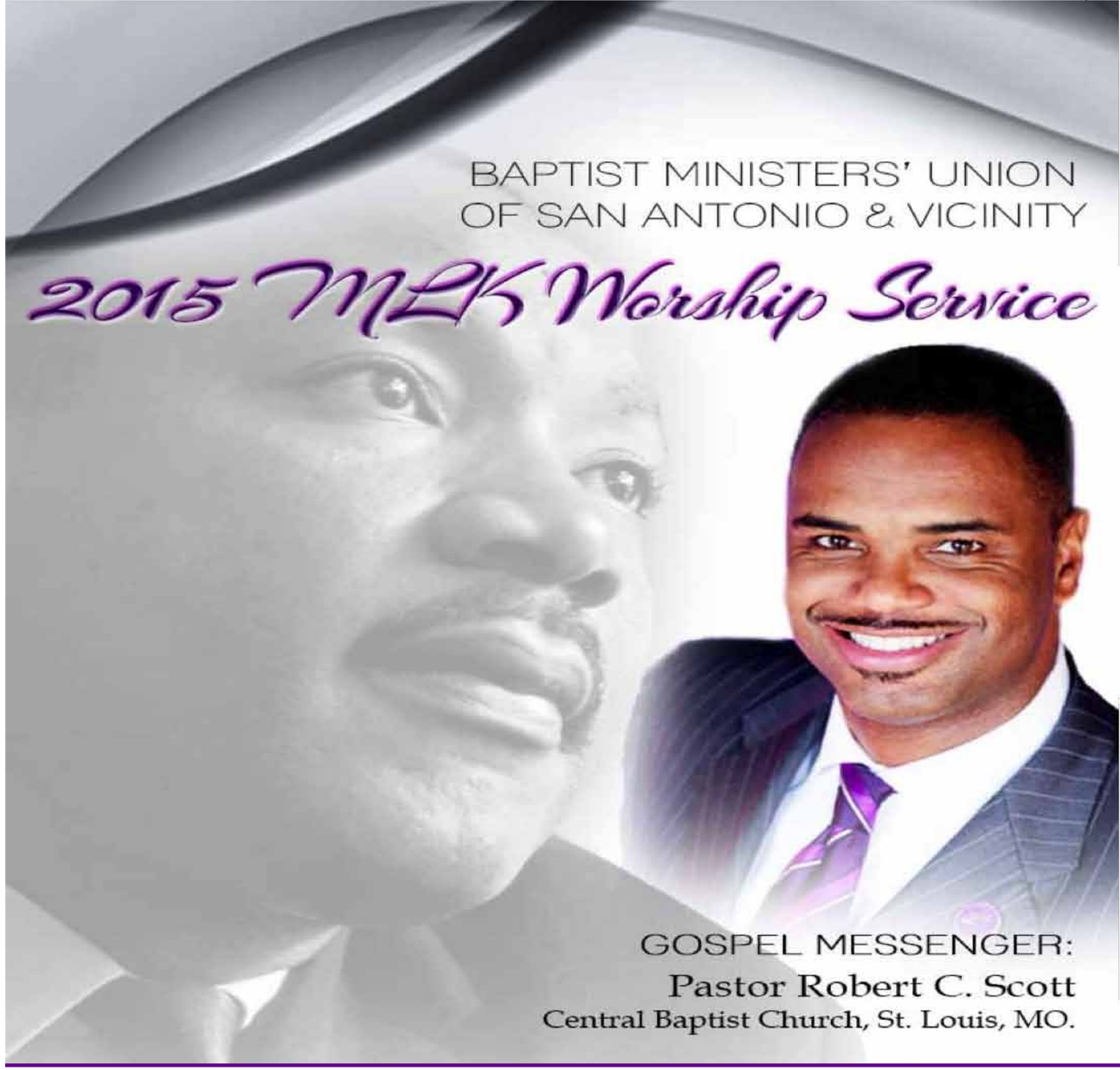
Eric Carrington is back with this first single, "Reign," from his fifth release T.E.C.P. Vol. 2 "Amplified Prayze." This time around he wants you to give God the largest praise that you can give.

Undeniably, Carrington is a breakthrough artist. His fifth release coming soon with Divine Line records, "Amplified Prayze," is categorically what contemporary, praise and worship Gospel is all about. This being his fifth project, deals with prayze that you should give unto God because of the grace that he gives to us on a daily basis.

His fourth release T.E.C.P. Vol. 1 "Relationship," is an indication of where Carrington is as a man and as an artist. "Relationship" was not about the typical Eros type of love relationship. Instead, he is talking about the Agape love relationship between an individual and Christ.

Carrington, born and raised in Houston, was another Gospel child prodigy, as a minister of music. As an act of obedience to his father, Rev. James Carrington, Jr., past of the Willing Workers Baptist Church in Houston, Eric discovered that God had gifted him byond his years. At the tender age of 13, his father instructed him to get on the organ and play one Sunday and the rest is history. That day, Eric found his calling and knew that music was his ministery. In 1992, Eric took the next step toward developing his gifts with the release of his first project, "Calvary." Although this project did not earn him national recognition, it cause the local market to take a second look.

In 1996, Eric followed up with this second project, "God Said It," and this was the introduction of Eric's signature style. This project announced to the world that a genius was born. Erica has a unique ability to turn traditional gospel music into melodic tunes for the urban gospel contemporary audience. In 1999, he followed up with the release of his third project, "Soar." This project featured his hit song, "Anointing."



SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 2015
5 p.m.

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2015 OFFICIAL EVENTS

The 2015 City of San Antonio Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration marks the 28TH anniversary of the City's celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. King.

All events are free and open to the public unless otherwise noted.
$$ = There is a cost to attend the event.

FRIDAY, JAN. 9, 2015
San Antonio Ivy Educational Fund 2015 Educational Enrichment Dinner ($$)
7 p.m.
University of the Incarnate Word (Sky Room), 847 E. Hildebrand
The San Antonio Ivy Educational Fund, Inc. presents, "An Evening with Dr. Cornel West." This year, this annual event will feature Dr. West, a prominent author, editor, professor, performer and commentator. He has a passion to communicate and to keep alive the legacy of Dr. King – a legacy of telling the truth and bearing witness to love and justice. For more information on the event and tickets, visit saief.org.

SATURDAY, JAN. 10, 2015
Oratorical Contest
10 a.m.
Second Baptist Church, 3310 E. Commerce St.
Sponsored by the San Antonio National Pan Hellenic Council, this oratorical contest features junior high and high school students presenting speeches on "How would Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. respond to the recent incidents of excessive force used by law enforcement authorities in the commission of their duties?" They will be competing for awards and prizes. For more information, contact Karl Nicholas at (210) 643-6177.

SUNDAY, JAN. 11, 2015
Baptist Ministers' Union Martin Luther King, Jr. Worship Service
5 p.m.
West End Baptist Church, 925 Culebra Rd.
The 2015 Martin Luther King, Jr. Worship Service will feature Pastor Robert C. Scott of Central Baptist Church in St. Louis, Missouri as this year's Gospel Messenger. The event promises to be an exciting evening filled with praise, worship and words of inspiration in celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. King.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 14, 2015
Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission Recognition – City Council Ceremonials
5 p.m.
City Council Chambers (Municipal Plaza Building), 114 W. Commerce Street
The Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission will receive a proclamation in honor of its service and continued dedication to putting on the most successful MLK March in the nation. The community is invited to attend.

THURSDAY, JAN. 15, 2015
MLK Jr. Commemorative Lecture Series
7:30 p.m.
Trinity University (Laurie Auditorium), One Trinity Place
The Martin Luther King, Jr. Commission and Trinity University present the 2015 Commemorative Lecture Series featuring Tim Wise, one of the most prominent anti-racist writers and educators in the U.S. Recently named one of the "25 Visionaries Who are Changing Your World" by Utne Reader, Wise has spoken in all 50 states and is the author of six books. He is a regular scholarly and academic contributor to discussion about race. Wise has provided anti-racism training to teachers, journalists, government officials, medical personnel and others. This event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Soi Smith at (210) 999-7547.

SATURDAY, JAN. 17, 2015
Alpha Educational Foundation 2015 Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast ($$)
9 – 11 a.m.
DoubleTree by Hilton San Antonio Airport, 37 NE Loop 410
The Delta Rho Lambda Chapter's Alpha Educational Fund of SA, Inc. of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. hosts its annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Breakfast. The event will feature Mayor Ivy R. Taylor as the invited guest speaker. For more information or ticket prices, visit deltarholambda.com or contact Dwayne Giles, (210) 286-9338, or Roy Walker, (210) 373-0696.

SATURDAY, JAN. 17, 2015
Youth Empowerment Summit
8 a.m. Registration, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Program
St. Philip's College, 1801 Martin Luther King Drive
The 2015 Youth Empowerment will partner with St. Philip's college and City Year San Antonio. City Year San Antonio will engage participants with empowering and educational sessions to connect them to the idea of Dr. King's belief in the beloved community, as a strong champion of City Year San Antonio. The Pre-K through 10 year-olds will be located in the Heritage room filled with various fine arts engagements for their group, including activities that will allow an opportunity to learn more about Dr. King and how to continue the legacy. The Youth Empowerment Summit also offers educational workshops for youth of all ages focusing on the academic areas of science, technology, engineering, arts and math (STEAM). The event is free and open to the public. Youth of all ages are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Carla Walker at (210) 843-1913.

SATURDAY, JAN. 17, 2015
Martin Luther King, Jr. Dinner ($$)
Reception at 6 p.m., Dinner at 7 p.m.
The San Antonio Northwest Civic and Social Club sponsors this annual dinner. This year's event, celebrating Dr. King's 86TH birthday, will feature guest speakers, entertainment and a celebration dance. For ticket prices and information, contact Van Johnson at (210) 364-8317 or visit sancsc.com.

SUNDAY, JAN. 18, 2015
Gospel Choir Extravaganza and Fundraiser ($$)
6 p.m.
New Creation Christian Fellowship, 8700 Fourwinds Drive
The Gospel Choir Extravaganza is organized by Henry Cisneros' American Sunrise for educational programs. The event will feature a singing competition with local gospel choirs, a team of judges, and audience voting participation. Grand prize award is $5,000, second price is $2,500 and third prize is $1,000. For more information on the event and tickets, visit nccfonline.org or call (210) 646-7997.

SUNDAY, JAN. 18, 2015
Wreath-laying Ceremony
2 p.m.
Martin Luther King, Jr. Plaza, Intersection of E. Houston and N. New Braunfels
The Wreath Laying Ceremony brings together businesses and organizations to lay wreaths at the MLK, Jr. statue to honor the life, struggles and accomplishments of Dr. King. This year's guest speaker is Dennis Kennedy, Founder and CEO of the National Diversity Council. He has launched several statewide conferences focused on diversity, leadership and women in states around the country. For more information, contact Harold Moore at (210) 449-3830.

SUNDAY, JAN. 18, 2015
CItywide Interfaith Worship Service
4 p.m.
Temple Beth-El, 211 Bellknap Place
The 28TH Annual Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Citywide Interfaith Worship Service will feature several invited guest speakers who will present on various topics of faith and Dr. King's legacy. Imam Abdur-Rahim Muhammad will read an original poem about peace. Gloria Ray, former MLK, Jr. Commission Chair, will read excerpts from Dr. Martin Luther King's speech, "Remaining Awake through a Great Revolution." Rev. Otis I. Mitchell will present an abbreviated version of Dr. King's speech, "I Have a Dream."

MONDAY, JAN. 19, 2015
Pre-March Worship Service
7 – 10 a.m.
Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy, 3501 Martin Luther King Drive
Individuals are invited to attend the Pre-March Worship Service that takes place before the MLK March. This year's keynote speaker is Apostle Cheryl R. Smith. Keeping in the spirit of Dr. King, this worship service includes music, dance, words of encouragement, prayer, poems and overall praise for Dr. King's work. For more information, contact Bishop Rosa L. Wilson at (210) 326-7738 or greaterfaithinstitutionalchurch@yahoo.com.

MONDAY, JAN. 19, 2015
Omega Psi Phi Fraternity's Dr. Charles R. Drew Blood Drive
8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.
Pittman-Sullivan Park, 1101 Iowa
The Psi Alpha Chapter and the South Texas Blood and Tissue Center would like to have your support, which will benefit three other recipients with your one pint of blood donation. Earn a gift card for your support!

MONDAY, JAN. 19, 2015
Early Morning Worship Program
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Pittman-Sullivan Park, 1101 Iowa
Individuals who are unable to march are invited to attend the Martin Luther King Jr. Early Morning Worship Program at Pittman-Sullivan Park and enjoy a morning of music and spiritual uplifting.

MONDAY, JAN. 19, 2015
Martin Luther King, Jr. March
10 a.m.
The March begins at 10 a.m. at the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Academy, 3501 Martin Luther King Drive, following the Pre-March Worship Service and ends at Pittman-Sullivan Park, 1101 Iowa St. The March route consists of approximately 2.5 miles along Martin Luther King Drive. Individuals as well as civic, social and religious organizations are encouraged to bring their banners and be a part of this unforgettable experience. For route information or VIA Park and Ride locations, visit sanantonio.gov/mlk.

MONDAY, JAN. 19, 2015
Commemorative Program
Noon
Pittman-Sullivan Park, 1101 Iowa
Rev. Dr. Marcus D. Cosby, Sr. Pastor of Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church in Houston, will serve as the special guest speaker. Eric Carrington, gospel singer and Houston native, will serve as special guest. Non-profit organization booths sell food and refreshments to the attendees to help raise funds for their own organizations. In addition, various information booths will be setup. The presentation of the Martin Luther King Distinguished Achievement Award, the Baha'i Unity of Humanity Award, and the Rev. R.A. Callies Courage Award are also part of the program's highlights.

SATURDAY, JAN. 24, 2015
2nd Annual Dream Major Gala ($$)
6:30 – 11 p.m.
Omni Hotel San Antonio at the Colonnade, 821 Colonnade Blvd.
In commemoration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Pi Theta Lambda Chapter proudly presents the 2nd Annual DREAM MAJOR Gala to benefit the Pi Theta Lambda Educational Foundation, Inc. Headlining the event will be the Rev. Dr. James E. Coleman, Jr., Director of the Doctor of Ministry Program and Professor of Theology and Homiletics at the Virginia University in Lynchburg, Virginia. The formal evening will also feature the Esprit de Martin Dinner, reflections by Major General (Retired) Alfred Flowers, silent auction, and live entertainment. For more information, please visit dream-major.org.

SAN ANTONIO PUBLIC LIBRARY 2015 EVENTS
February is African American History Month, an annual reflection on and celebration of achievements of African Americans. The San Antonio Public Library will host events and discussions throughout the month that take a modern look at the historical narrative. Events will take place at various branch locations. Visit MySAPL.org for a complete list.

REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY
SUNDAY, JAN. 18, 2015, 2 P.M.
MLK PLAZA (N. NEW BRAUNFELS & E. HOUSTON ST.)

MISTRESS OF CEREMONY:
CLOE FULTON, MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SCHOLAR

WELCOME.....MARY FULTON-MOORE – WREATH-LAYING COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR

INVOCATION.....CHRISTOPHER VARA, CO-FOUNDER – GENERATION CHANGERS MINISTRIES

PRESENTATION OF THE COLORS.....BEXAR COUNTY BUFFALO SOLDIERS

NATIONAL ANTHEM.....YVETTE HARDIN OF F.R.E.E. – ANTIOCH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

NEGRO NATIONAL ANTHEM.....DANIEL SALONE – A PLACE FOR LIFE (ACCOMPANIED BY THE COMMUNITY – PLEASE SING ALONG)

PROCLAMATION STATE OF TEXAS.....REPRESENTATIVE FOR SENATOR DONNA CAMPBELL

SOLO.....ELIZABETH STANFIELD HOLMES – GREATER CORINTH BAPTIST CHURCH

IN MEMORIAM REV. R. A. CALLIES, SR.....CALLIES FAMILY

SPECIAL PRESENTATION.....JACQUELINE, OLIVIA AND MAYA HERRING – NEW HORIZONS SCHOOL

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER.....CHRISTOPHER C. HERRING – CHAIRMAN, TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF AFRICAN AMERICAN CHAMBERS OF COMMERCE

SPEAKER.....DENNIS KENNEDY, FOUNDER & CEO – NATIONAL DIVERSITY COUNCIL

PRESENTATION OF WREATHS:
INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC BY JOHNNY SAXX
PLEASE REMAIN SEATED AS WREATHS ARE LAID IN HONOR OF REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

REMARKS AND BENEDICTION.....DISTRICT 2 COUNCILMAN ALAN E. WARRICK, II
BISHOP DAVID COPELAND – MLK COMMISSION CHAIR
HAROLD C. MOORE – WREATH-LAYING COMMITTEE CO-CHAIR

SPECIAL THANKS TO:
BETHEL AME CHURCH BOY SCOUT TROOP #96, SAN ANTONIO CARES MENTORING MOVEMENT, CITY YEAR SAN ANTONIO, H.E.B., LEWIS FUNERAL HOME, A DREAMWEAVER AND SPECIAL EVENTS, DANITA & VIRGIL MCGEE AND MICHAEL J. WASHINGTON II.

28TH ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. CITYWIDE INTERFAITH WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, JAN. 18, 2015, 4 P.M.
TEMPLE BETH-EL, 211 BELLKNAP PLACE

PIANO PRELUDE.....Robert Brewer
Organist, Temple Beth-El

FAITH BANNER PROCESSIONAL.....Faith Groups

HOST CHURCH WELCOME/AND CALL TO WORSHIP.....Rabbi Mara Nathan
Senior Rabbi, Temple Beth-El

OPENING HYMN.....Levitical Gospel Chorale
Director Wayne Anthony, Antioch Missionary Baptist Church

LITANY OF CELEBRATION.....Rachel Walsh
Temple Beth-El and CRC of the Jewish Federation

(PLEASE STAND)
L: Today, we come to remember a great humanitarian and man of faith — the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
All: It is good to remember and celebrate the legacy of his love. May our faith lead us to always practice love and respect for all humanity and seek the higher ground of compassion and reconciliation.
L: The Dream is alive for those who pursue peace and selflessness for the sake of human dignity and spiritual well being.
All: We remember the power of faith today and the power that faith can bring to those who seek Truth, Justice, and Righteousness in their daily lives. Faith is always above fear, and we shall pursue that Faith within us to ensure we are no longer hostages of darkness and ignorance. We endeavor to keep the Dream alive. This is our commitment so others may yet be free in Faith, Hope, and Love. Amen!

INVOCATION.....Archbishop Gustavo Garcia-Siller
Archdiocese of San Antonio

PRAISE DANCE.....Laus Deus "Gift of God" Praise Dance Ministry
Sharita C. Johnson, Founder and Executive Director

BLOWING OF THE SHOFAR (RAM'S HORN).....Daniel Klein
Ba'al Tekiah, Temple Beth-El

A PRAYER OF UNDERSTANDING.....Father James Shea
St. Gerard Catholic Church

MLK COMMISSION GREETINGS.....Dr. John Abdo
MLK Interfaith Worship Service Committee Chairman & Baha'i Faith Representative
Bishop David Copeland
MLK Commission Chairman

PRAYER FOR OUR NATION.....Imam Omar Shakir
Resident Imam. Masjid Bilal

INTRODUCTION OF GUEST SPEAKERS ..... Nettie Hinton
Holy Redeemer Catholic Church

Original Poem..... Imam Abdur-Rahim Muhammad
Associate Imam, Masjid Bilal

Buddhist Chant..... Minako Shibazaki
SGI USA

Remaining Awake Through a Great Revolution..... Gloria Ray
St. Paul United Methodist Church

Sikh Chant..... Hardeep Singh Raina
Sikh Dharamsal

"I Have a Dream" ..... Rev. Otis Mitchell
Pastor, Mt. Zion First Baptist Church

REFLECTION ..... Arathi School of Indian Dance

THE OFFERING..... Rev. Dr. Dick Cheatham
University United Methodist Church

THE OFFERTORY..... Levitical Gospel Chorale
Antioch Missionary Baptist Church
(Proceeds to benefit the MLK Scholarship Fund)

A PRAYER FOR OUR NATION ..... Sister Addie Lorraine Walker, SSND
Oblate School of Theology

CLOSING SONG..... All
"We Shall Overcome"

BENEDICTION..... Rev. Carl Rohlfs
District Superintendent, United Methodist Church

RECESSIONAL..... Cantor Julie Berlin
Temple Beth-El

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PRE-MARCH WORSHIP SERVICE
MONDAY, JAN. 19, 2015, 7 – 10 A.M.
MLK ACADEMY, 3501 MARTIN LUTHER KING DR.

MISTRESS OF CEREMONY:
Chief-Apostle Bishop Rosa L. Wilson

7 a.m.....Volunteer Prayer Breakfast/School Cafeteria
7:30 a.m.....March Volunteer Final Instructions and March Line-up

Pre-March Program-Chairman .....Chief-Apostle/Bishop Rosa L. Wilson
Music Prelude .....City of Refuge Production/Rev. Lois Souvenir, Pastor

8 a.m Call To Order.....Chief-Apostle/Bishop Rosa L. Wilson
Elder Goldie G. Hill/Elder Michelle Y. Wilson/Bro. Rhett Smith
Mrs. Natasha F. Pinnix, M.L.K. Academy Principal/Rev. Bernard Callis
Mr. Jermaine Malcolm, Director of the Eastside Boys & Girls Club
Sis. Lynda Richardson, Director of Adult Day Care

Invocation.....Rev. Andre Cooper (Y. O.)/Gospel 1480

Pledge of Allegiance .....Bro. Corinthian Davis Thomas/Sis JaShonee' Micah Hill- Wilson
Greater Faith Institutional Church A.O.T.W.M.

National Anthem.....Sis. Ashley Dixon

Lord Whatever You're Doing Don't Do Without Me.....Bro. Cambrand Dominion Thomas

Honoring the M.L. King Cluster.....Young Heroes
City Year/San Antonio Introduction of M.L. King

P.T.A Officers
Selections.....M.L.K. Academy Pink Panther Step Team/Coach Rhonda Jones
Selections.....Kingdom Life Christian Ministries
Words of Encouragement .....Councilman Alan E. Warrick, II
Special Thanks to Sponsors.....Commission Chairman/Bishop David Copeland
Testimony .....Cesar E. Chavez Justice Foundation, President/Jamie Martinez
Testimony .....Crosspoint CEO/Dr.Kevin Downey
Testimony .....Crosspoint Executive Board President/Minister Wade Shelton
Testimony .....Tommy Calvert, Jr. (for Commissioner PC #4)
Testimony .....Democratic Party Chair President/Manuel Medina
Testimony .....Ambassadors Project, President/Joe Gonzales
Poem.....Mother JoAnna Dawkins
Testimony .....Bro. James Muhammad/Pastor Alice Sanders
Praise Dance .....Emmanuel/Min. Sabrina
Praise Dance .....Heart Felt Ministry/Pastor Oscar & Cris Garcia
Praise Dance .....G.F.I.C. Community Praise & Worship Ministry
Testimony .....San Antonians for Peace
Testimony .....Rev. Sheona L. Hinton

I Have A Dream:
Praise Dance .....Laus Deus
Keep the Dream .....Sis. Jackyee Carter
Selection. .....Min. Eric Moore
Introduction of Speaker.....Chief-Apostle/Bishop Rosa L. Wilson, Pastor
Greater Faith Institutional Church A.O.T.W.M.
Sermon .....Apostle Cheryl R. Smith
Selections.....Minister Quincy Shields & Minister Trey
9:57-9:59 a.m. Benediction .....Pastor Oscar Dean
9:59-10 a.m. March Count-Down.....Chief-Apostle/Rosa & The Beat 98.5 DJ Representative

MARCHERS LEAVE FOR PITTMAN – SULLIVAN PARK.

VIA TO OPERATE BUS SERVICE TO THE 2015 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. MARCH

VIA Metropolitan Transit will operate bus service to the City of San Antonio's 2015 Martin Luther King (MLK), Jr. Commemorative March taking place on Monday, Jan. 19, 2015. Bus service to the March will be offered from St. Philip's College Lot 22, and the Freeman Coliseum Lot 1. Look for directional lot signage at each facility. Buses will take passengers to the March between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., and return trips will run from noon - 3 p.m. The drop-off point for service to the March will be on MLK Drive and Upland Drive. The pick-up location for return service will be at Pittman Sullivan Park.

The service will be provided at no charge to the public for those who park at St. Philip's College and the Freeman Coliseum. For more information on taking VIA to the 2015 MLK March, call 210-362-2020 (TTY 362-2019), or visit VIAInfo.net.

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COMMISSION

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

---Martin Luther King, Jr.

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Sunday, January 18, 2015 • 2:00PM

Martin Luther King, Jr. Plaza, Intersection of E. Houston and N. New Braunfels

Featuring Guest Speaker
Dennis Kennedy
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NATIONAL DIVERSITY COUNCIL

For more information, contact SA MLK Commission Wreath-Laying Committee Harold Moore at (210) 449-3830

28TH ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. EARLY MORNING WORSHIP PROGRAM MONDAY, JAN. 19, 2015, 9:30 – 11 A.M. PITTMAN – SULLIVAN PARK, 1101 IOWA

MASTERS OF CEREMONY:
LaDonna Cunningham and Pastor Marcus McIntrye

Welcome ..... Elder Dori Brown (Chair, Program Committee & Commission Secretary)

Introduction of Master(s) of Ceremony ..... Elder Dori Brown

Opening Scripture ..... Rev. Darrell Lewis (Committee Member)

Prayer ..... Rev. Domonick Jones (Pastor, New Birth M.B.C.)

Praise Team ..... Living Waters Praise Team

Unity Sermonette ..... Sis Ruby Robinson (Owner, Flowers By Mary)

Selection ..... San Antonio Chapter - Gospel Music Workshop of America

Mime & Praise ..... 'Sons on a Mission' with an 'Anointed Daughter of Christ'

Selection ..... Progressive Missionary Baptist Church Choir

Peace Sermonette ..... Rev. Kevin Nelson (Pastor, Calvary Baptist Church)

Selection ..... Place for Life – Praise Team

Selection ..... Bro. Michael Johnson

Justice Sermonette ..... 1st Lady Joyce Passmore-Jones (New Birth M.B.C.)

Selection ..... Lackland Gospel Ensemble

Mime Team ..... Laus Deus Praise Dance Ministry

Poet ..... Destinee Gilliam

Selection ..... "Martin Luther King Jr Commission Choir"

Selection ..... Diana Hannah

Faith Sermonette ..... Rev. Howard Newton. (Pastor, New Union B.C.)

Selection ..... Resurrection Baptist Church (Men's Chorus)

Praise Dancers ..... Oak Hills Church

Selection ..... Dana Hemphill (of Dallas, TX)

Selection ..... Youth Orchestra of San Antonio

28TH ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAM MONDAY, JAN. 19, 2015, NOON – 1:30 P.M. PITTMAN – SULLIVAN PARK, 1101 IOWA

MASTER OF CEREMONY:
Marvin Hurst, KENS-5

Introduction of Master of Ceremony ..... Tiffanie Wilson

Greetings/Welcome ..... Presley Price, Miss San Antonio Amazing Teen

Invocation ..... Rev. Richard D. Sullivan, Sr.
(Pastor, Hebron Baptist Church, St Hedwig, TX)

Presentation of the Colors ..... by the Color Guard of Sam Houston H.S.

Pledge of Allegiance ..... Jake Brown & his Kindergarten Class of
Town East Christian School & Mrs. Linda West

National Anthem ..... Ken Slavin

Greetings ..... (2 Minutes Only)
MLK Commission Chair, Bishop David Copeland
Mayor, Ivy R. Taylor
State Representative, Ruth Jones McClendon
State Senator
County Commissioner, Tommy Calvert

District 2 Councilman ..... Alan E. Warrick, II

Special Guest ..... Eric D. Carrington

Intro of Speaker ..... Bishop David M. Copeland Sr. Pastor, New Creation Christian Fellowship

Speaker ..... Rev. Dr. Marcus D. Cosby, Sr. Pastor of Wheeler Ave Baptist Church of Houston, TX

Special Recognition ..... Awards Presentation
Baha'i Unity of Humanity Award, MLK Distinguished Achievement,
Rev. Callies Sr. Courage Award

28TH ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. PRAISE & WORSHIP PROGRAM MONDAY JAN. 20, 2015, 1:30 – 3:30 P.M. PITTMAN – SULLIVAN PARK, 1101 IOWA

MASTER OF CEREMONY:
Zekalia Washington and Rev. Courtney Evans

Selection ..... 2015 MLK Choir Competition Winners

Selection ..... Jhourni

Selection ..... "Martin Luther King Jr. Commission Choir"

Special Guest Recording Artist ..... Eric D. Carrington

Featured Recording Artist ..... Joe Ligon & The Mighty Clouds of Joy

Selection 7319

Selection ..... Chris Spivey & Nu Destiny

Benediction ..... by Appointee

THE MLK DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The Martin Luther King Distinguished Achievement Award is given each year to an individual(s) who has attained distinction in achievement within the African American community or the community at large. It was first given in 1987 to Rev. R.A. Callies, Sr. and has been and will continue to be given each year. The physical award is a trophy bust of Martin Luther King, Jr., designed by Jonas Perkins.

— PAST RECIPIENTS —

*Deceased

1987 Rev. R.A. Callies, Sr.*
1988 Sister Mary Boniface *
1989 Rabbi David Jacobson *
1990 Harry Burns *
1991 Dr. Claude W. Black *
1992 Congressman Frank Tejeda *
1993 Rev. Samuel Horace James *
1994 Judge Blair Reeves *
1995 Marcia Welch
1996 Dr. Earl M. Lewis *
1997 Ethel M. Minor *
1998 Rep. Henry B. Gonzalez *
1999 Rep. Ruth Jones McClendon
2000 Judge Carmen Kelsey
2001 Nancy Bohman
2002 Willie Mae Clay; Dr. Robert L. Hilliard*
2003 William Sinkin*
2004 Atty. Clarence McGowan
2005 Henry Cisneros
2006 Monsignor Dermot N. Brosman
2007 Willie Mitchell
2008 Byron Miller
2009 Bishop Samual Edward Iglehart
2010 Charles Williams, Sr.
2011 Rev. Lemelle Taylor
2012 Aaronetta Hamilton Pierce
2013 Dr. Adena Williams Loston

— EUGENE COLEMAN — 2014 MLK DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT HONOREE

Eugene Coleman is a nationally acclaimed photographer, civil rights advocate, entrepreneur, gifted recording artist, a well known advocate for job training programs and recipient of numerous distinguished local and national awards. SNAP News, a weekly publication was co-founded by Eugene Coleman, G.J. Sutton and Rev. Claude W. Black. The SNAP News covered news not being picked up by mainstream San Antonio's daily papers. The SNAP covered San Antonio politics, social events and current events from the African-American perspective. At one point, the threats of violence were received by some SNAP employees lead Mr. Coleman to hire a personal bodyguard.

At the time of the founding SNAP News, Mr. Coleman, a World War II Air Force veteran was operating the only black photography studio in San Antonio located in what is now the Historical St. Paul Square. When advertisers began boycotting SNAP News because the paper served as a voice for civil and human justice, he reached out to the community hosting fundraising activities and supplemented sales with selling competitions among local school children. When problems arose with printers, SNAP News purchased their own printing press to ensure continued publication.

As a civil rights and human justice pioneer, Mr. Coleman was at the forefront of local and national voter registration campaigns. He worked tirelessly with the promotion of local job training and workforce development programs. He established Project A.B.L.E. and served on the founding board of Bexar County Opportunities Industrialization Center, Inc. (BCOIC). Both Project A.B.L.E and BCOIC were instrumental in training and providing jobs for economically disadvantaged area youth and adults. Mr. Coleman was also advocated establishing the Miss Black San Antonio Contest and Pageant and assisted the Queen of Soul Pageant. Both organizations provided scholarships to young ladies and afforded them an opportunity to officially participate in the city of San Antonio's Fiesta activities.

Mr. Coleman is a longtime member of Mount Zion First Baptist Church where he has served in many capacities and ministries over the years. Mr. Coleman is a San Antonio living legend.

THE BAHA'I UNITY OF HUMANITY AWARD

The Baha'I Unity of Humanity Award is given each year to an individual(s) who has shown a significant interest in unifying people of all races, cultures and backgrounds. It was first given in 1996 to Pat West and has been and will continue to be given each year. The physical award is designed by the Baha'I Community.

— PAST RECIPIENTS —

*Deceased
1996 Pat West
1997 Ann Coleman
1998 Joanie Schwartz
1999 Kathleen Michels
2000 Dr. Peggy Starkey
2001 Rev. Charles Flowers
2002 Rev. Claude W. Black *
2003 Alice Harper
2004 Maudie Muraida
2005 Robert Ruston Hurley
2006 Freddie Garcia
2007 Patti Radle
2008 Thomas M. Rein
2009 Cary Clack
2010 Dana Clark
2011 Rev. Edward Bernal
2012 Dr. Larry Hufford
2013 Imam Omar Shakir

— DR. JOHN ABDO — 2014 BAHA'I UNITY HONOREE

Dr. John Abdo attended San Antonio College and St. Mary's University in San Antonio, Texas. In 1980, he received a Master of Science degree from Clayton University in St. Louis, Missouri and in 1981 a Ph.D., in Preventative and Therapeutic Applied Clinical Nutrition from the Roger J. Williams Graduate School of Nutrition. As a member of the American Council of Applied Clinical Nutrition, his career in Naturopathic Medicine spans now to 43 years, utilizing a natural healing and preventative approach to wellness in consultation of treatments in the city of San Antonio.

He began serving as a member of the Martin Luther King Jr. Commission and 1993, devoting his time to the coordinating of the MLK Interfaith Committee. The MLK Interfaith committee is focused on celebrating the life of Martin Luther King, Jr., a great man of God who sacrificed his life so that many people of all ethnicities would one day have the same opportunities for dignity and prosperity. Secondly, the committee's purpose is to foster a genuine and sincere dialogue between all of the major faiths as well as ethnicities and cultures in the city of San Antonio. The intent is to overcome any and all barriers that separate people from each other or make one culture or group feel superior to another because of religion, ethnicity, or culture. This journey resulted in a citywide interfaith service that has been witnessed by thousands of people in the last 27 years, in which Dr. Abdo chairs the committee.

Over the many years, Dr. John Abdo brought together people from all faiths and backgrounds with his work on the Interfaith programming. He has shown a spirit of humility, manifesting tolerance towards those of different cultures and faith. In this day of severe polarization of religion, races, economic status, and culture, it is rare and unique to find a human soul that transcends these manmade barriers. Such a person as Dr. Abdo has illuminated visions of a new horizon of love, peace, and genuine fellowship.

The Martin Luther King, Jr. service has been a great example of different religions, cultures, and races coming together in a true spirit of unity and servitude. Dr. Abdo readily proclaims that the interfaith service has been exemplary in overcoming centuries of prejudices and polarizations that have separated people from each other and furthermore, it has been a sorely needed salve for the wounds and misguided world perceptions that have created enmity instead of love and unity.

THE REV. C.A. CALLIES, SR. COURAGE AWARD

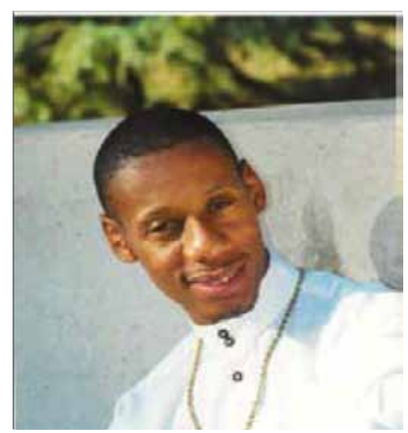
The Rev. C.A. Callies, Sr. Courage Award is given each year to an individual(s) who has exhibited significant courage in the face of tremendous odds. The physical award is a medal engraved with Rev. C.A. Callies, Sr. image.

Rev. Callies was born in El Campo, Texas. He attended Arkansas Agricultural, Mechanical and Normal College where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Education. He then went on to receive a Master's Degree at Southwest Texas College. Rev. Callies was employed with the San Antonio Independent School District for more than 30 years where he taught math, history and industrial arts. He was also a pastor at First Gethsemane Baptist Church for more than 30 years. He was the founder and organizer of Youth Leadership Conference for Community Progress which was instrumental in getting traffic lights at busy intersections and improving drainage for the Eastside. One of Rev. Callies' greatest accomplishments was the organization of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Plaza where he and his organization raised money to have a statue of Dr. King and the Monument of Brotherhood erected on the Plaza site. His tireless efforts and dedi

— PAST RECIPIENTS —

2012 San Antonio Branch NAACP
2013 Laura Thompson

— THOMAS E. DUNLAP — 2014 REV. CALLIES, SR. HONOREE



Deacon Thomas E. Dunlap is a man devoted to Christian and family values lifestyle. He was born in Greenville, Mississippi where he attended and graduated from Greenville High School. He advanced quickly in learning the trades of Industrial Art, Agriculture and as a ninth grader won first place after making an active doorbell in a science contest project. Deacon Dunlap went on and received his electrician certificate from Brackenridge Institute in Morganfield, Kentucky. After moving to San Antonio, Texas, he then received a business degree from Career Point College.

Thomas E. Dunlap was ordained a deacon under the late Rev. R.A. Callies, Sr., founder, organizer and pastor of First Gethsemane Baptist Church. Deacon Dunlap married Doris Callies, Rev. Callies' oldest daughter on October 28, 2000. His employment history credits work experiences with the following companies: UPS, Time Warner Cable (Contractor), American Box Company (Supervisor), Gibraltar Steel Company, and Hager Hinge (Inspector). Deacon Dunlap received a variety of awards such as Most Outstanding Employee Award and Outstanding Citizenship Award during his employment tenure with UPS and Hager Hinge.

Through his love, dedication, faithfulness, commitment, and Christ live values, Deacon Dunlap stood side by side with Rev. R.A. Callies throughout his life; not only as a loving, kind, generous and devoted son-in-law, but throughout Rev. Callies mission of keeping Dr. King's dream alive, active and forth front.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. SCHOLARSHIP

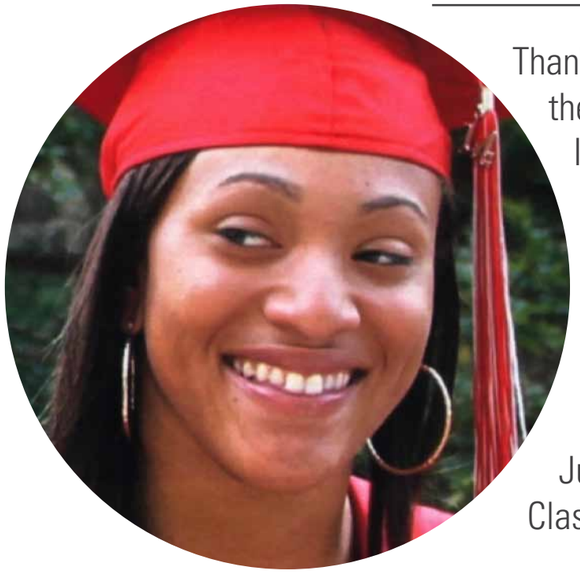
2014 Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Committee, MLK Commission, City Council Members and recipients.

Each year, as part of its celebration and focus on youth, the MLK Commission administers a Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship Program. These scholarships help fund a portion of the college tuition of several deserving students regardless of race or ethnicity. This ceremony will be held Spring, 2015. **The deadline to apply is Friday Feb. 20, 2015 by 4 p.m**.

For more information and to download a copy of the application for the 2015 Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship, please visit SanAntonio.gov/MLK. The community can help support students in achieving their higher education goals. Donations for the scholarship fund are accepted from the public and can be mailed to:

CITY OF SAN ANTONIO MLK COMMISSION
ATTN: GLORIA VILLELA-SANTILLAN
CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE
PO BOX 839966
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78283

Please make checks payable to City of San Antonio MLK Commission Scholarship.



"Thank you for selecting me as a recipient of the Martin Luther King J r. Scholarship. I will be attending Prairie View A&M University to pursue a degree in Business Marketing. Thank you for your generous financial support towards my education."

Bria Arielle Branford
Judson High School
Class of 2014

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REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

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