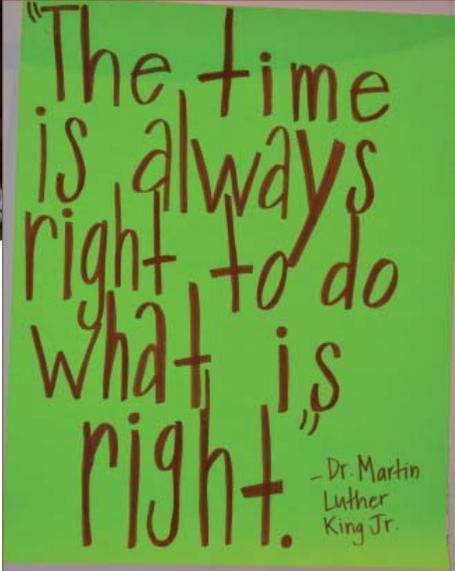




Faculty, students and community members gathered Monday to host a number of events and service activities honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.



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Devil's advocate: *Radio host predicts the second coming of Christ*

By Brian Burgess
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Post-graduate plans for seniors will be cut short this year due to the second coming of Jesus Christ. According to Harold Camping, founder of Christian radio station "Family Radio," Jesus Christ, the main character of the best seller the Bible, will be making his appearance on Earth after his 2,000 year hiatus in order to usher his followers into heaven on May 21, 2011.

This will be followed by an encore on Oct. 21 where Jesus will manifest what many of his readers would call his greatest work: the destruction of Earth.

Camping has inspired many to not only adhere to his revelation, but also support and spread it. Through his radio show Camping has received contributions from unexpected places. Marie Exley, an unemployed Iraq vet from Colorado, gave an astounding \$1,200 to fund billboards in her area.

Camping has even found followers in Raleigh.

Allison Warden, avid driver and rapture enthusiast, has decorated her car with hood to trunk stickers promoting wecanknow.com. Other ways of spreading the word being used are the distribution of free bumper stickers and business cards, the most common means of changing an individual's religious beliefs. All of these and free e-book downloads are available on the website.

Camping had taken the date of the Earth's creation according to the Bible, added 7000 years and subtracted 1 (because there is no year 0) to arrive at May 21.

This, however, is not Camping's first stab at prophecy. In 1992 Camping, in the spirit of William Miller, made an inaccurate prediction that was chalked up to faulty calculation. He seems to have been granted a mulligan by his followers, though, and has a positive outlook on the upcoming Armageddon. The rest of us however will find more pleasure from the following day, as Camping attempts to save face, once again.

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