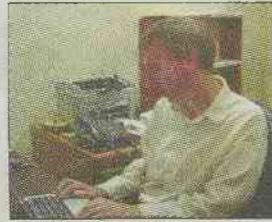




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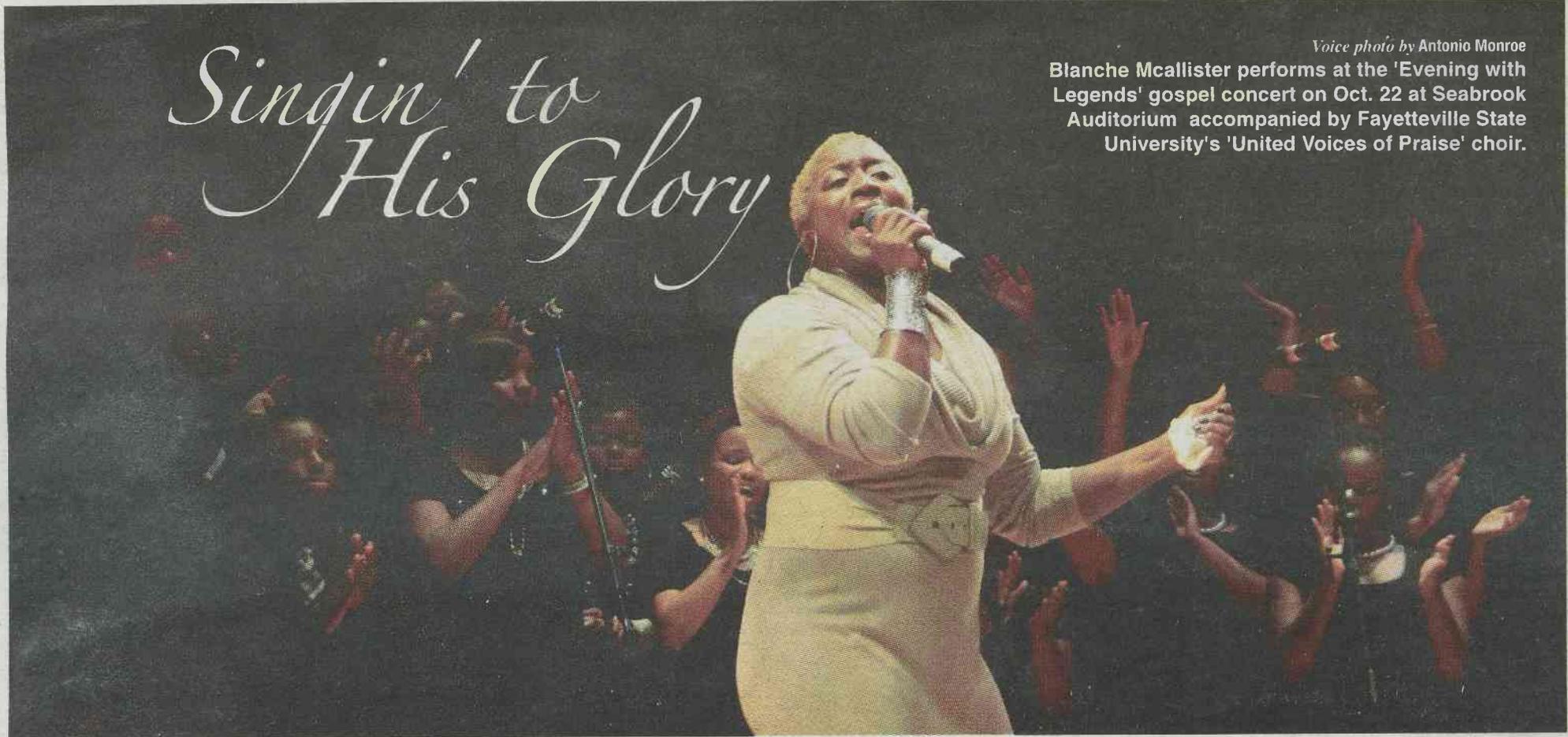
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*Singin' to
His Glory*

Voice photo by Antonio Monroe

Blanche Mcallister performs at the 'Evening with Legends' gospel concert on Oct. 22 at Seabrook Auditorium accompanied by Fayetteville State University's 'United Voices of Praise' choir.



Normalcy, Never Again

The reality of King's 'Dream' speech

by Jalynn Jones
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By definition, normalcy is the quality or condition of being normal as the general economic, political and social conditions of a nation. Normalcy is usualness, ordinariness or uniformity. Dr. Martin Luther King delivered the "I Have a Dream" speech on August 28, 1963 addressing a crowd of Americans that supported his concept of normalcy, never again. The "I Have a Dream" speech was originally entitled "Normalcy, Never Again" because it was addressing the economic crisis of that time.

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The idea of racial equality inspired the dream that Dr. King talked about toward the end of his speech which was an impromptu sermon, prompted by gospel singer, Mahalia Jackson, when she yelled "Tell them about the dream, Martin." He improvised the rest, and delivered what is now the most quoted section of the "I Have a Dream" speech today.

As relevant as "the dream" is to our generation, the speech in its entirety is not often analyzed and compared to how we live today. We put Dr. Martin Luther King and the "I Have a Dream" speech in a box and save it for January and February.

We take a day off for his birthday and reflect on his dream without even asking ourselves if we are fulfilling the vision that Dr. King stressed forty eight years ago.

What has taken many years and millions of dollars to create, a monument has been built to recognize Dr. King as one of the greatest leaders of our country. Most impressively, his fraternity brothers, the men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. raised \$117 million out of the \$120 million it took to construct the memorial site.

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