

Activities

Celebration Of King's Birthday

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Attorney Julius Chambers will highlight the weekend's local activities in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday.

Chambers, a well-known civil rights attorney, will be the guest speaker during the Winston-Salem State University Lyceum Series at 7 p.m. in the Kenneth R. Williams Auditorium.

On Sunday at 2 p.m., a group of black leaders will hold the Fourth Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Service in the parking lot of Mechanics and Farmers

Bank on Claremont Avenue. The theme for this year's event is "1984, An Election Year: A Time For Commitment and Action."

Speakers will include Dr. Kenneth R. Williams, former chancellor of Winston-Salem State University; Earline Parmon, chairman of the Forsyth County Democratic Executive Committee; Dr. Virginia Newell, East Ward alderman; and Thomas Elijah, president of the Winston-Salem Urban League.

The hour-long celebration will also salute local heroes who participated in the civil rights movement, and will feature local entertainment.

At the East Winston Branch Library Auditorium on Sunday at 3 p.m., an afternoon of spiritual and gospel music will be presented. The program will feature David Allen and the Ambassadors for Christ Choir and Mary Haynie from Macedonia True Vine Pentecostal Holiness Church of God Inc.

All state employees will celebrate King's birthday on Monday with a special program at 11:50 a.m. in the Archives-Library Building Auditorium. The Honorable Henry Frye, associate justice of the state Supreme Court, will be the guest speaker. Lunch will also be served.



Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday
January 15th

... "And I want you to be able to say that day that I did try in my life to clothe those who were naked. I want you to say on that day, that I did try in my life to visit those who were in prison. I want you to say that I tried to love and serve humanity."

-Ebenezer Baptist Church, February 4, 1968



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I have a dream.

I have a dream that one day out in the red hills of Georgia the sons of former slaves and the sons of former slaveowners will be able to sit down together at the table of brotherhood.

I have a dream that one day even the state of Mississippi, a state sweltering with the heat of oppression, will be transformed into an oasis of freedom and justice.

I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by their character.

I have a dream today

I have a dream that one day every valley shall be engulfed, every hill shall be exalted and every mountain shall be made low, the rough places will be made plains, and the crooked places will be made straight, and the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all flesh see it together.

This is our hope. This is the faith that I will go back to the South with. With this faith we will be able to work out of the mountain of despair a stone of hope.

With this faith we will be able to work together, to pray together, to struggle together, to go to jail together, to climb up for freedom together, knowing that we will be free one day.

This will be the day when all of God's children will be able to sing with new meaning: My country 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing, Land where my fathers died, Land of the Pilgrims' pride, From every mountainside, Let freedom ring.

And if America is to be a great nation, this must become true. So, let freedom ring from the mighty mountains of New York.

Let freedom ring from the heightening Alleghenies of Pennsylvania.

Let freedom ring from the snow-capped Rockies of Colorado.

Let freedom ring from the curvaceous slopes of California.

But not only that, let freedom ring from the Stone Mountain of Georgia.

Let freedom ring from Lookout Mountain of Tennessee.

Let freedom ring from every hill and mole hill of Mississippi and every mountainside.

When we let freedom ring, when we let it ring from every tenement and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of the old spiritual: Free at last, free at last! Thank God Almighty, we are free at last.



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