

# MLK Martyrdom Divides Catholic, Baptist Leaders

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Although religious leaders agree that Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. deserves to be honored, some disagree about whether the Baptist minister should be recognized by the Catholic Church.

The civil rights leader was one of approximately 9,000 candidates nominated to become a martyr in the Roman Catholic Church.

The final selection of 20th-century martyrs will be unveiled by Pope John Paul II on May 7.

Father Gerald Lewis, vicar general of the diocese of Raleigh, said it was rare for the Catholic Church to nominate a person of a different denomination for martyrdom.

"It's unusual, but not unique," Lewis said. "Selecting a person of a different faith for martyrdom has been done a few times before."

Bob Phillips, a Baptist campus minister at UNC, said it was beneficial for the Catholic Church to expand its views by selecting people of other denominations for martyrdom.

"I think it's a very good selection," Phillips said. "I have a very good appreciation and admiration of him. It furthers my sentiments of who he was."

Lewis said martyrdom was a special recognition, signifying the greatest religious devotion a person can give. He said the fact that King gave his entire life to the pursuit of justice, honesty and equality to an entire country made him worthy of such an honor.

"It's a recognition that someone gave their life to the faith," he said. "It says that in their dying, they

were dying for a good and just cause."

But Mark White, pastor at the Tabernacle Baptist Church in Raleigh, said he disputed the idea of naming King a Catholic martyr.

Although White said he believed King should be honored for his accomplishments during the civil rights era, he said it was against Baptists' beliefs to view one person as better than others.

"We don't recognize martyrs in the same way the Catholic Church does," White said. "Baptists look at believers as equal in the sight of God, and we don't elevate one believer over another."

But Phillips said he welcomed the additional recognition for King. "If another denomination is willing to do more, then that's great," he said.

"I think he was committed to working for justice in a nonviolent way. He personally was a very compassionate human and understood the cost of what he was doing."

Phillips also said King's vision, not denomination, was what people needed to remember.

"I think his mission is what he focused on and that's what we should, too," he said.

Lewis said King's qualities and overall mission was what should be remembered by future generations. "He understood that he was seeking justice for all people, not just African Americans, and what he did really helped all of us," he said. "He was courageous."

"Not everyone liked what he said and he didn't back down."

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## PRAISING THE KING



DTH/LAURA GIOVANELLI

The Faith Tabernacle Youth and Young Adult Choir lifts its voices in front of the Franklin Street post office Monday. The choir stirred up the crowd gathered for the annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day March and Rally, which was organized by the Chapel Hill-Carrboro Martin Luther King Jr. Coalition to raise awareness of educational inequality for minority students.

# Children Celebrate Diversity

Orange County children played games and learned about Martin Luther King Jr. at Youth Leadership Day.

By DERICK MATTERN  
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Local children played games such as Duck Duck Goose and Simon Says as they learned about Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy Monday at the First Annual Youth Leadership Day.

After listening to a brief message about King's work as a civil rights leader, the Carrboro and Chapel Hill schoolchildren participated in cheering contests in the Great Hall of the Student Union to learn about encouragement, integrity and teamwork.

"We tried to stress (King's) principles because he's a great leader," said Zach Fay, Human Relations Committee chairman and project volunteer.

"These are principles that (the children) have to take home with them (to be leaders)."

The children, all younger than 11, took part in other games including digging face-first into a block of frozen yogurt to find a piece of bubble gum.

"This is an educational day, but we're having fun, too," said Roger Moore, a race relations coordinator and mastermind of the project.

The children were also split into groups and given unequal materials to make a poster about King, which they later presented to the group.

Some groups were given only a few broken crayons and torn paper, while others received brand new items to make their posters.

Group leaders then made the point that effort the children gave was what mattered, not what supplies the children were given, or what their posters looked like.

The afternoon ended in the Great Hall, as the Tar Heel Voices sang and the Alpha Iota Omega fraternity performed a step show.

"We thought it was an important cause and it's so much fun to sing for children," said Elizabeth Osborn, Tar Heel Voices conductor. "They really get into it."

Moore said student government had



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Manny Sharpless, 8, works on a picture of what Martin Luther King Jr. Day means to him. UNC student William Ward offers advice and support.

never held an event in celebration of King's birthday until the Youth Leadership Day this year.

"This is a big endeavor, the first time student government has done something (for the holiday) instead of just giving money," Moore said.

Several organizations joined student government in sponsoring the event, including the Black Student Movement, Campus Y, and the Carolina Hispanic Association.

Moore said his team was ready for about 100 children even though only 22 showed up. "It was hard to get people to commit early," he said.

Most of the children were initially contacted through groups such as Youth United and Big Buddies, said Regina Blanding, one of the project's volunteers.

There were fewer children than anticipated this year because the event was not well-known, Moore said.

"This year the parents are saying 'I want my kids to come,'" he said. "Next year I want them to say 'my kids want to come.'"

"I want them to think 'I had fun at UNC and I learned something there.'"

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ROGER MOORE  
Coordinator of Youth Leadership Day

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# Banquet Honors King's Legacy

The annual banquet brought community leaders together to celebrate the life of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

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Hundreds gathered Sunday evening to honor and reflect upon a civil rights leader's lasting legacy at the 15th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Banquet.

The evening's festivities, held in the candlelit confines of the Morehead Building, included prayerful recitations from local religious leaders, and a musical selection from the UNC Gospel Choir.

The banquet, which kicked off the area's weeklong celebration of the slain civil rights leader, also illuminated the lives of Chapel Hill residents Mel and Zora Rafkis, recognizing their devotion to education for children of all races. They were honored with the Dr. Martin Luther King Citizenship Award.

Among the special guests attending were N.C. Sen. Howard Lee, D-Orange, members of the N.C. House of Representatives, local judges, mayors, commissioners and Board of Education members.

The pre-meal din of conversation hushed as Master of Ceremonies and Board of Trustees member Richard "Stick" Williams called the proceedings to order.

Early in the evening, interim Chancellor Bill McCoy delivered salutations from the University in his gente Carolina twang.

"Carolina is proud to say that even prior to the federal holiday commemorating the birth of Dr. King, we have been honoring his memory," McCoy said.

School of Law Professor Charles Daye delivered the keynote address, which embraced King's teachings.

The crowd and program reflected King's message of diversity and harmony, as religious leaders from several different backgrounds attended the ceremony.

Rev. Jill Edens delivered the invocations and Rabbi Frank Fisher recited grace.

"This is a wonderful cross-section of our communities and I'm proud to be a part of it," said Archie Ervin, director of on-campus minority recruitment, in his Statement of Occasion.

Chapel Hill Mayor Rosemary



Chapel Hill Mayor Rosemary Waldorf said the holiday provided a time for the community to come together.

Waldorf said the event was well-attended each year.

"I always search out a ticket and come," Waldorf said.

"It's an important occasion - it's a time in the year when all kinds of people in the community come together and celebrate the life and values of Martin Luther King and transcend the details of color, race or religion."

Several of the banquet's attendees were recognized as being from across North Carolina, although the majority came from Orange County and surrounding areas.

Waldorf stressed the importance of bringing local and state leaders together to recognize King's lasting legacy.

"Martin Luther King is one of the greatest 20th century American figures," she said.

Waldorf referred to the historical struggle of civil rights activists and leaders in the South.

Waldorf said, "I think it's extremely appropriate that the city and the University take the time to honor the occasion because we're in the South and Chapel Hill's desegregation battle was very hard-fought and set the trend nationally."

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