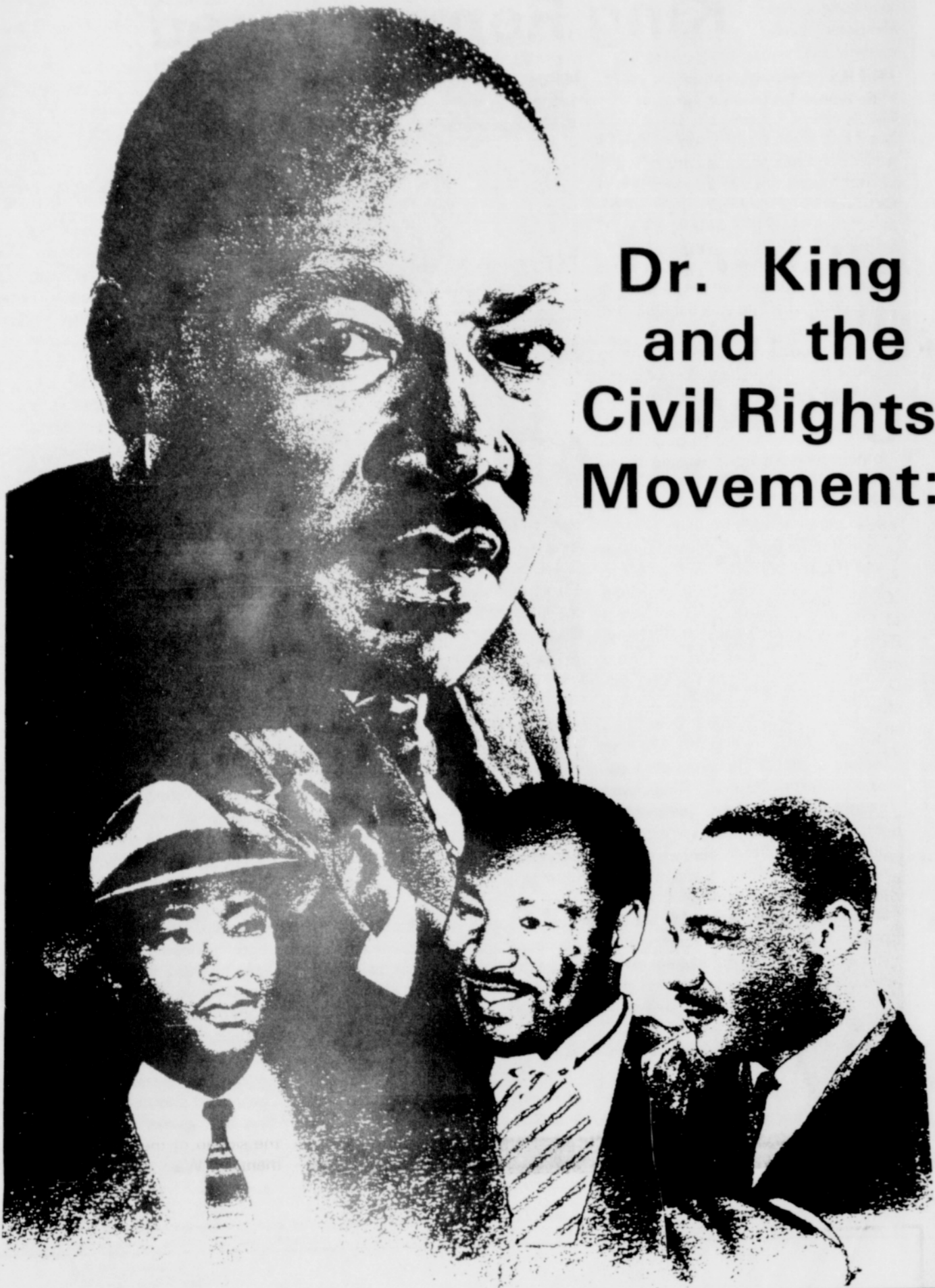


Chronology



Dr. King and the Civil Rights Movement:

Martin Luther King Chronology

1929 January 15: Martin Luther King, Jr., is born in Atlanta, Georgia. His mother is Alberta Christine Williams King. His father is Rev. Martin Luther King, Sr.



1935-1944: King attends David T. Howard Elementary School, Atlanta University Laboratory School, and Booker T. Washington High School. He passes the entrance examination to Atlanta's Morehouse College without graduating from high school.

1941: James Farmer establishes Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) and begins lunch counter sit-ins in Chicago.

1947: King is licensed to preach and becomes assistant to his father, who is pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta.



1948 February 25: King is ordained to the Baptist ministry. **June:** King graduates from Morehouse College with a B.A. in sociology. **September:** King enters Crozer Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. After hearing Dr. A.J. Muste and Dr. Mordecai W. Johnson preach on the life and teaching of Mahatma Gandhi, he begins to study Gandhi seriously.

1951 June: King graduates from Crozer with a Bachelor of Divinity.

1953 June 18: King marries Coretta Scott in Marion, Alabama.

1954 May 17: The Supreme Court of the United States rules unani-



mously in *Brown v. Board of Education* that racial segregation in public schools as unconstitutional. **October 31:** King is installed by his father as the twentieth pastor of the Dexter Avenue Church in Montgomery, Alabama.

1955 June 5: King receives a Ph.D. in Systematic Theology from Boston University. **November 17:** Yolanda Denise, the Kings' first child, is born. **December 1:** In Montgomery, Alabama, Rosa Parks, a forty-two-year-old seamstress, refuses to relinquish her bus seat to a white man and is arrested. **December 5:** The first day of the Montgomery bus boycott. The Montgomery Improvement Association is formed and Dr. King is unanimously elected president of the organization. **December 10:** The Montgomery bus company suspends service in black neighborhoods.



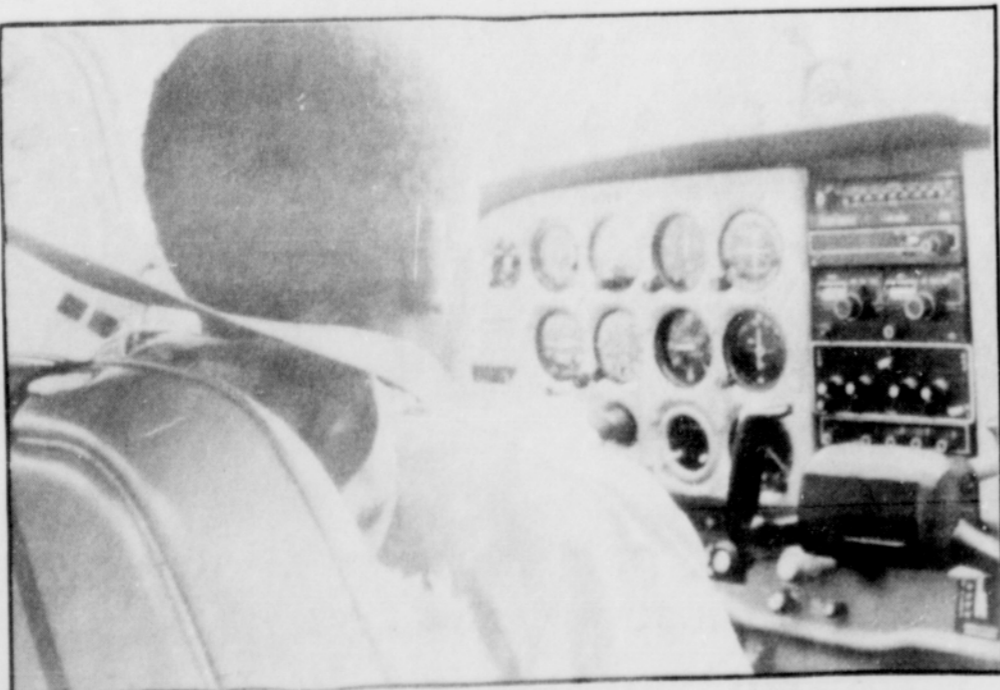
1956 January 30: A bomb is thrown onto the porch of the Kings' Montgomery home. Coretta King, Yolanda King, and church member Lucy Williams are in the house; no one is injured. **February 2:** A suit is filed in federal district court asking that Montgomery's travel segregation laws be declared unconstitu-

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