



**A future King:** Coretta Scott (middle row, second from right) with classmates at Antioch College in Ohio, before she went on to study at the New England Conservatory of Music. She had planned to pursue a career as a singer before she met and married King and became an active figure in the civil rights movement.

## KING SPECIAL ON PARAGON CABLE

Paragon Cable will carry continuous, live coverage of "Keep Living the Dream: A Tribute to Martin Luther King Jr." on Jan. 15 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Paragon Channel 38.

World Arts Foundation will host Oregon's largest Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration at Jefferson High School for the Performing Arts.

Highlights of the 11th annual event include a nationwide bell ringing ceremony at noon, Portland's Cultural Recreation Band, the Portland Metropolitan Youth Mass Choir and Miss Black Oregon Donna Knight.

Featured artists include Tracy "Trey" Harris, the Northwest Afrikan Ballet and the world renowned gospel choir Total Experience from Seattle, Wash.

In a related campaign, Paragon is cablecasting "On the King Holiday

Help Somebody," a 30-second public service announcement featuring

Tony Bennett, Edward James Olmos, Lauren Hutton and George Foreman.

### The Oregon Commission On Black Affairs Urges you to live the dream.

#### Living The Dream Pledge

In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s life and work, I pledge to live my life consistent with his philosophies of serving my community by helping those in need and striving to promote equality and justice.

On the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday and every day, I commit to living the dream by:

**Loving, not hating**  
**Embracing diversity, not intolerance**  
**Promoting service to others, not indifference.**

## ASSASSINATION

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building's high tin roof, and the wind seized the shutters at the windows, causing them to slam noisily back and forth. When King entered, the crowd raised a mighty cheer.

Great things were happening in Memphis, he said. Indeed, they were happening all around the world. If God were to give him the chance to live at any time in human history, "I would turn to the Almighty and say, "If you allow me to live just a few years in the second half of the twentieth century, I will be happy."

In Africa and Asia, in New York and Atlanta, and now in Memphis, the oppressed had arisen and they cried, "We want to be free." Nonviolence was the way for them. Today, he said, the issue was no longer a choice "between violence and nonviolence-it's nonviolence or nonexistence!"

King thanked God for allowing him to be in Memphis for the march on Monday. Then his voice became softer, more tender, as he recalled the time he had been stabbed in New York in 1958. The blade of the knife had come so close to his heart that a tiny movement, a sneeze even, would have killed him. A girl had written him to say how happy she was that he did not sneeze, "I too am happy I didn't sneeze."

If he had sneezed, he would not have been around for the sit-ins and freedom rides of 1960 and 1961, he said. He would not have seen the blacks of Albany, Georgia, "straighten their backs up" in 1962 as part of a campaign to desegregate the city. If he had sneezed, he would not have been part of the struggle in Birmingham and Selma, and he would never have spoken of his dream for a free and just America at the Lincoln Memorial in 1963.

"If I had sneezed," he said, "I wouldn't have been in Memphis to see a great community rally around those brothers and sisters who are suffering. "I'm so happy that I didn't sneeze."

Outside, bursts of thunder punctuated the hammering of the rain. But no one was paying the storm any mind. Everyone's attention was on the man in the pulpit, whose eyes were watering and whose brow was drenched with sweat, whose next words presaged what would take place on the following day.

King's voice wavered ever so slightly as he revealed the bomb threat on the plane that morning and the warnings against his life in Memphis:

But it really doesn't matter with me now, because I've been to the mountain top. And I don't mind. Like anybody, I would like to live a long life. Longevity has its place. But I'm not concerned about that now. I just want to do God's will. And He's allowed me to go up to the mountain, and I've looked over, and I've seen the promised land. I may not get there with you. But I want you to know tonight, that we, as a people will get to the promised land. And I'm so happy tonight. I'm not worried about anything. I'm not fearing any man. Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord.

# We Must Keep Living The Dream



Each and every one of us must do our part. And McDonald's® joins the community in dedicating ourselves to keeping Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream alive. As we celebrate his birthday, we recognize the fact that the man who leaves the world a better place, never leaves.



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