

# Life Dedicated to a Better Humanity

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Conference, an organization formed to provide new leadership for the now burgeoning civil rights movement. The ideals for this organization he took from Christianity; its operational techniques from Gandhi. In the 11-year period between 1957 and 1968, King traveled over 6 million miles and spoke over 2,500 times, appearing wherever there was injustice, protest, and action; and meanwhile he wrote five books as well as numerous articles.

He led a massive protest in Birmingham, Ala. that caught the attention of the entire world, providing what he called a coalition of conscience, and inspiring his "Letter from a Birmingham Jail," a manifesto of the Negro revolution; he planned the drives in Alabama for



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the registration of Negroes as voters; he directed the peaceful march on Washington, D.C., of 250,000 people to whom he delivered his

address, "I Have a Dream," he conferred with President John F. Kennedy and campaigned for President Lyndon B. Johnson; he was arrested upwards of 25 times and assaulted at least four times; he was awarded five honorary degrees; was named Man of the Year by *Time* magazine in 1963; and became not only the symbolic leader of American blacks but also a world figure.

At the age of 35, Martin Luther King, Jr., was the youngest man to have received the Nobel Peace Prize. When notified of his selection, he announced that he would turn over the prize money of \$54,123 to the furtherance of the civil rights movement.

On the evening of April 4, 1968, while standing on the balcony of his motel room in Memphis, Tenn., where he was to lead a protest march in sympathy with striking garbage workers of that city, he was assassinated.

## King Life Celebrated in Beaverton

Portland Community College and the City of Beaverton will celebrate the life of Martin Luther King, Jr. The event will be Monday, Jan. 17 from 2 to 4 p.m. at Building 9 of the Rock Creek Campus, located at 17705 N.W. Springville Rd.

The program will include presentations by the Inter-Religious Action Network, PCC District President Preston Pulliams, Beaverton Mayor Rob Drake, Holocaust survivor Alice Kern, inspirational speaker Debbie Wooten, and Beaverton human rights advisory committee member James Maguire.

Entertainment will include the New Day Singers and Ballet Folklorico. For more information, call 503-614-2127.

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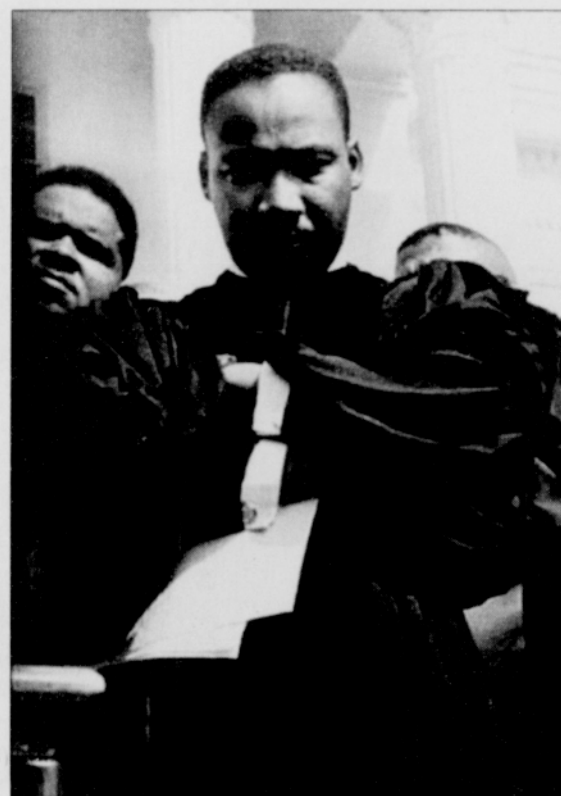
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Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. from his "Letter from Birmingham Jail," April 16, 1963

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