



**1958**

- *The U.S. Congress passed the first Civil Rights Act since reconstruction. King's first book, *Stride Toward Freedom*, is published.*
- *On a speaking tour, Martin Luther King Jr. is nearly killed when stabbed by an assailant in Harlem. Met with President Dwight D. Eisenhower, along with Roy Wilkins, A. Philip Randolph, and Lester Grange on problems affecting black Americans.*

**1959**

- *Visited India to study Mohandas Gandhi's philosophy of nonviolence.*
- *Resigns from pastoring the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church to concentrate on civil rights full time. He moved to Atlanta to direct the activities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.*

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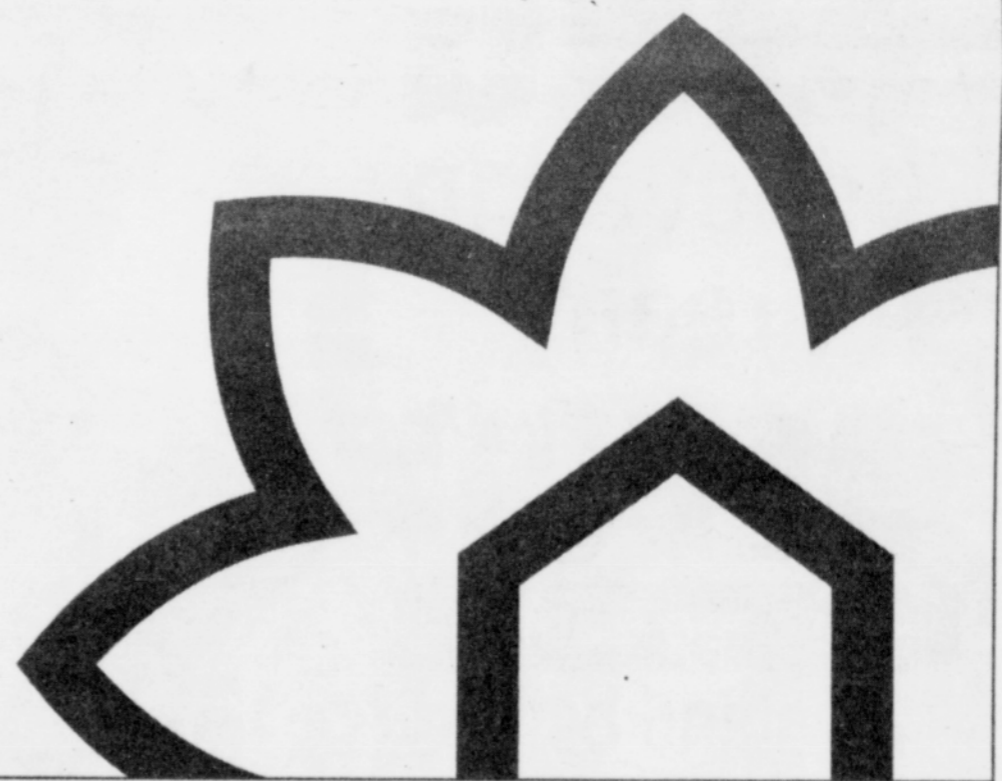


*God is not merely interested in the freedom of brown men, yellow men, red men, and black men. He is interested in the freedom of the whole human race.*

**-- Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.**

“Life’s most persistent and urgent question is, ‘What are you doing for others?’”

– Martin Luther King, Jr.



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