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photo by Mindy Cooper/The Portland Observer For more than 24-years, Pastor Mark Strong, senior pastor at Life Change Christian Center in north Portland, has worked diligently to help members of the community fulfill their potential to lead healthy lives and build a positive community.

## Pastor Follows King Legacy

## Guides church as a tool for social change

by Mindy Cooper
The Portland Observer
Following the legacy of Rev. Dr.
Martin Luther King Jr., whoinspired
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Movement, one local pastor is also
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on a mission to share the power the their strengths collectively, dechurch can have for a community spite outward circumstances or striving for social change. traditions," said Pastor Mark "The church is a place of faith, Strong, senior pastor at the Life

## Keep Alive the Dream Tribute

## Martin Luther King Jr.

 celebration lineup setOn Monday, Jan. 16, beginning at 11 a.m., greater Portland will join hands to celebrate the life and work of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as the communitybased World Arts Foundation presents its 27th consecutive tribute to this great American and world-class citizen.
"Keep Alive the Dream" offers an exhilarating re-
newal of the human spirit. The celebration honors one of the most renowned, revered, and respected leaders the world has ever known. Always a powerful and diverse tribute, the MLK holiday event will leave a footprint on your heart that you don't want to miss.

The entire program (from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.) will be simulcast live on Portland Community Media, channel 11; Portland Public Schools Television Services, channel 28 ; and KBOO Radio, 90.7 FM . The public continued $\bigvee$ on page 14

