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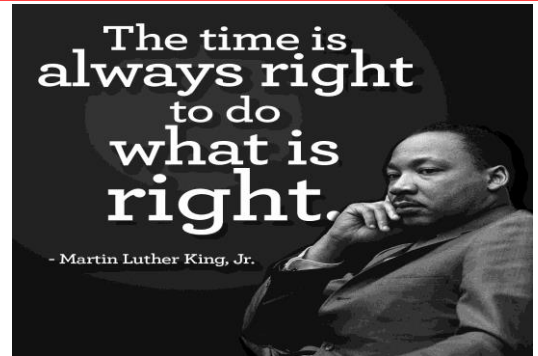
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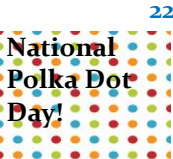


Martin Luther King, Jr., 1929 - 1968

Martin Luther King, Jr. sought equality and human rights for African Americans, the economically disadvantaged and all victims of injustice through peaceful protest.

“But we come here tonight to be saved from that patience that makes us patient with anything less than freedom and justice.”

Martin Luther King Jr.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 New Year's Day!	2 School Resumes After school	3 After school	4 After school	5 After school	6	7
8	9 Law Enforcement Appreciation Day After school	10 After school National Save the Eagles Day!	11 After school	12 After school	13 1 st Semester Ends	14 National Dress up Your Pet Day! 
15	16 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day NO SCHOOL	17 NO SCHOOL Teacher Exchange Day	18 2 nd Semester Begins After school	19 After school	20	21 National Granola Bar Day!
22 National Polka Dot Day! 	23 After school National Handwriting Day! 	24 After school	25 After school	26 After school	27	28
29	30 After school	31 After school National Hot Chocolate Day! 				

Life's most persistent and urgent question is, "What are you doing for others?" – Martin Luther King, Jr.

Martin Luther King, Jr., (January 15, 1929-April 4, 1968)

Born Michael Luther King, Jr., but later had his name changed to Martin. Dr. King attended segregated public schools in Georgia, graduating from high school at the age of fifteen; he received the B. A. degree in 1948 from Morehouse College, a distinguished Negro institution of Atlanta from which both his father and grandfather had graduated. After three years of theological study at Crozer Theological Seminary in Pennsylvania where he was elected president of a predominantly white senior class, he was awarded the B.D. in 1951. With a fellowship won at Crozer, he enrolled in graduate studies at Boston University, completing his residence for the doctorate in 1953 and receiving the degree in 1955. In Boston he met and married Coretta Scott, a young woman of uncommon intellectual and artistic attainments. Two sons and two daughters were born into the family.

In 1957 he was elected president of the Southern Christian Leadership 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 eleven-year period between 1957 and 1968, King traveled over six million miles and spoke over twenty-five hundred times, appearing wherever there was injustice, protest, and action; and meanwhile he wrote five books as well as numerous articles. In these years, he led a massive protest in Birmingham, Alabama, 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 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 twenty 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 thirty-five, 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, Tennessee, where he was to lead a protest march in sympathy with striking garbage workers of that city, he was assassinated.

Below is just a small list of quotes from the very inspirational and generous, Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that."

"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

"I have decided to stick with love. Hate is too great a burden to bear."

"Faith is taking the first step even when you don't see the whole staircase."

"Forgiveness is not an occasional act. It is a permanent attitude."

For more on the life and accomplishments of Martin Luther King, Jr., visit, www.thekingcenter.org.

