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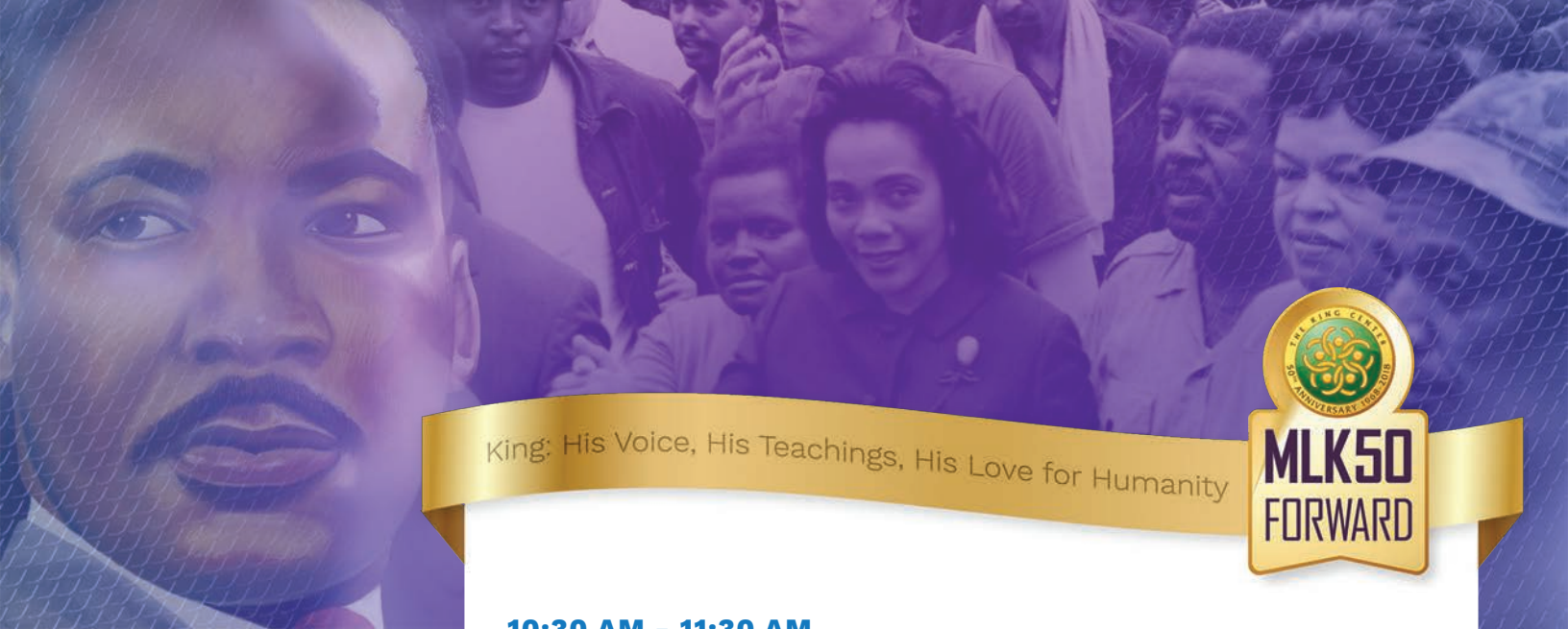
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King Holiday Observance Week

January 9 to 15 2018





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**EVENTS**

**10:30 AM - 11:30 AM**  
**KING HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE PRESS BRIEFING**

*The King Center Screening Room*  
*Open to **Media/Press** Only*

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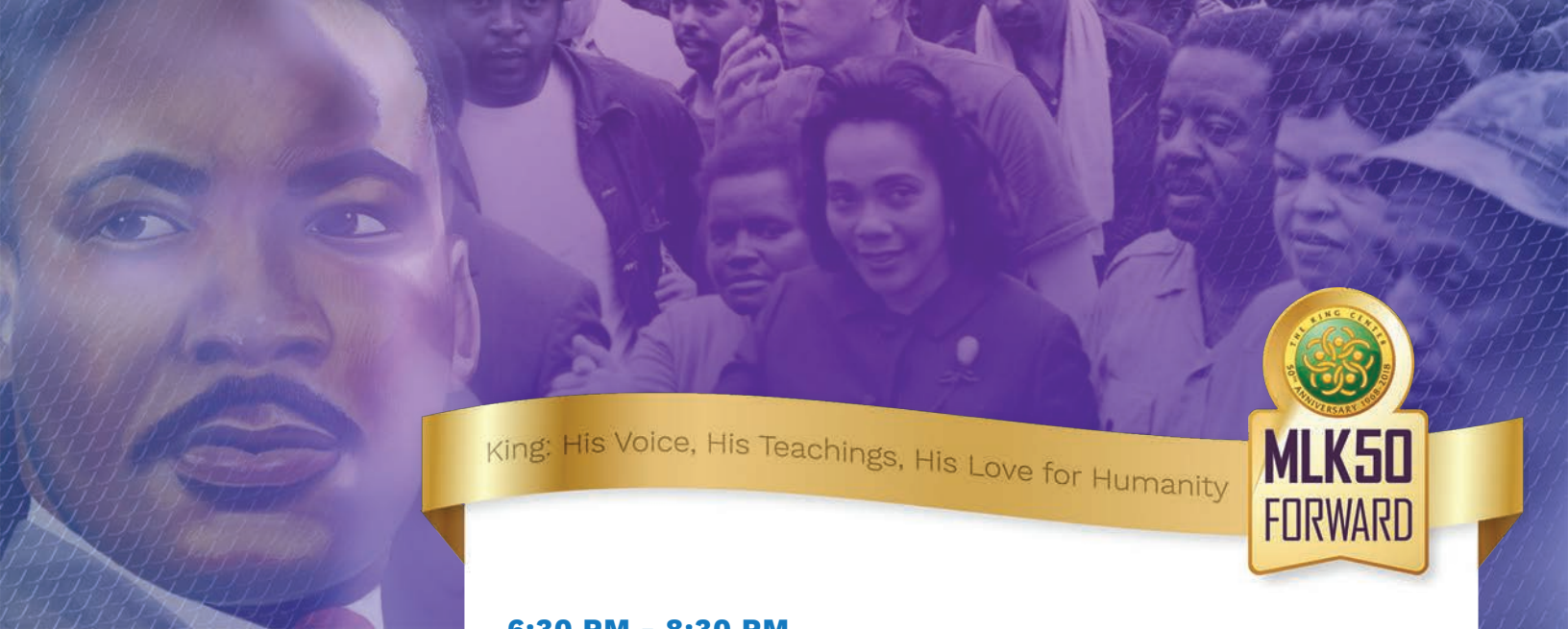
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**KING HOLIDAY OBSERVANCE**  
**KICK-OFF RECEPTION & CHEF SHOWCASE**  
**FEATURING THE DREAM FORWARD**  
**AWARDS**

AND LOCAL ENTERTAINMENT

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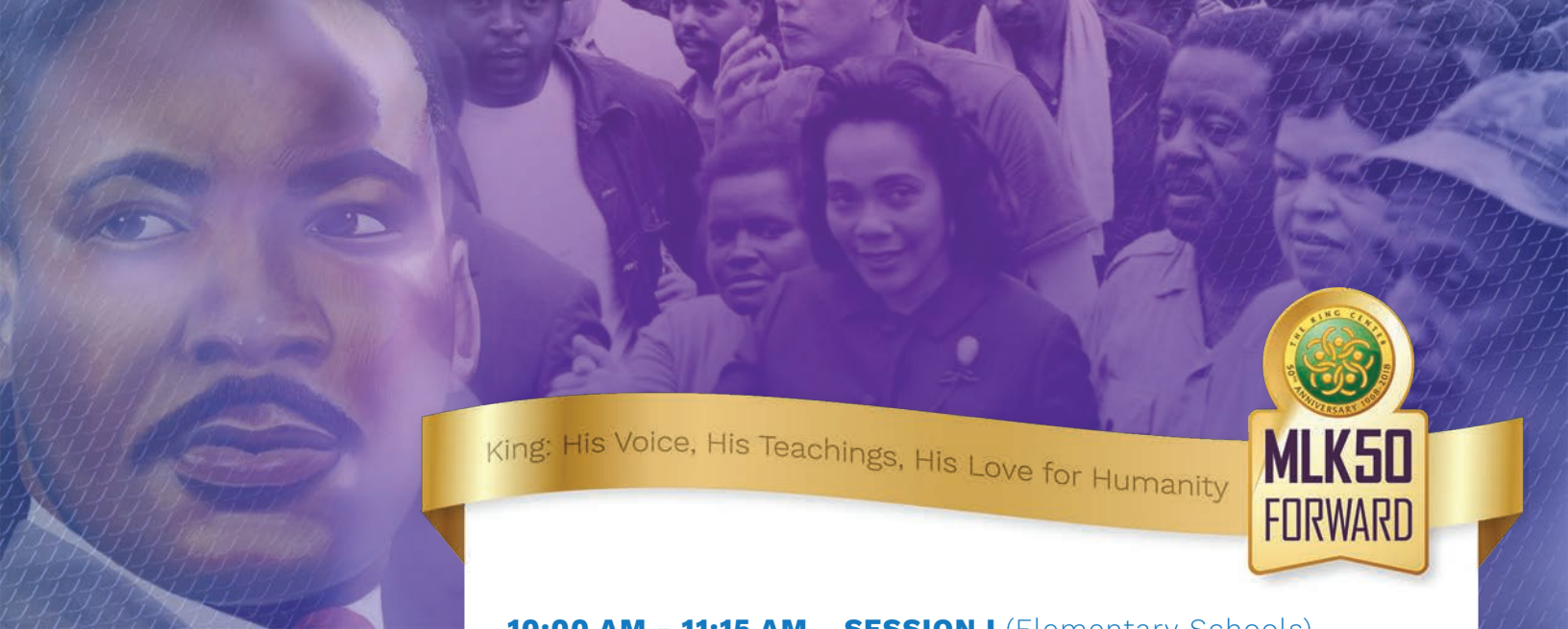
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***Martin Luther King, Jr. Recreation & Aquatic Center***  
***110 Hilliard St. SE, Atlanta, GA 30312***  
***FREE and Open to the Public***

The Kick-Off Reception serves as the opening event for the 2018 King Holiday Observance. This is an invitation to the public to join us in honoring the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Renown celebrity **Chef Daniel Thomas** (former U.S. Senate and Presidential Chef), **Chef Samuel** (Showcase Food Gallery) will be serving a variety of culinary creations in our **Chefs Showcase**. Local artists will also join us for musical tributes. **Dream Forward Community Service Awards** will be presented in the categories of: **Community Engagement/Social Justice, Media, Faith, Community Officials** and **Environmental Responsibility**.

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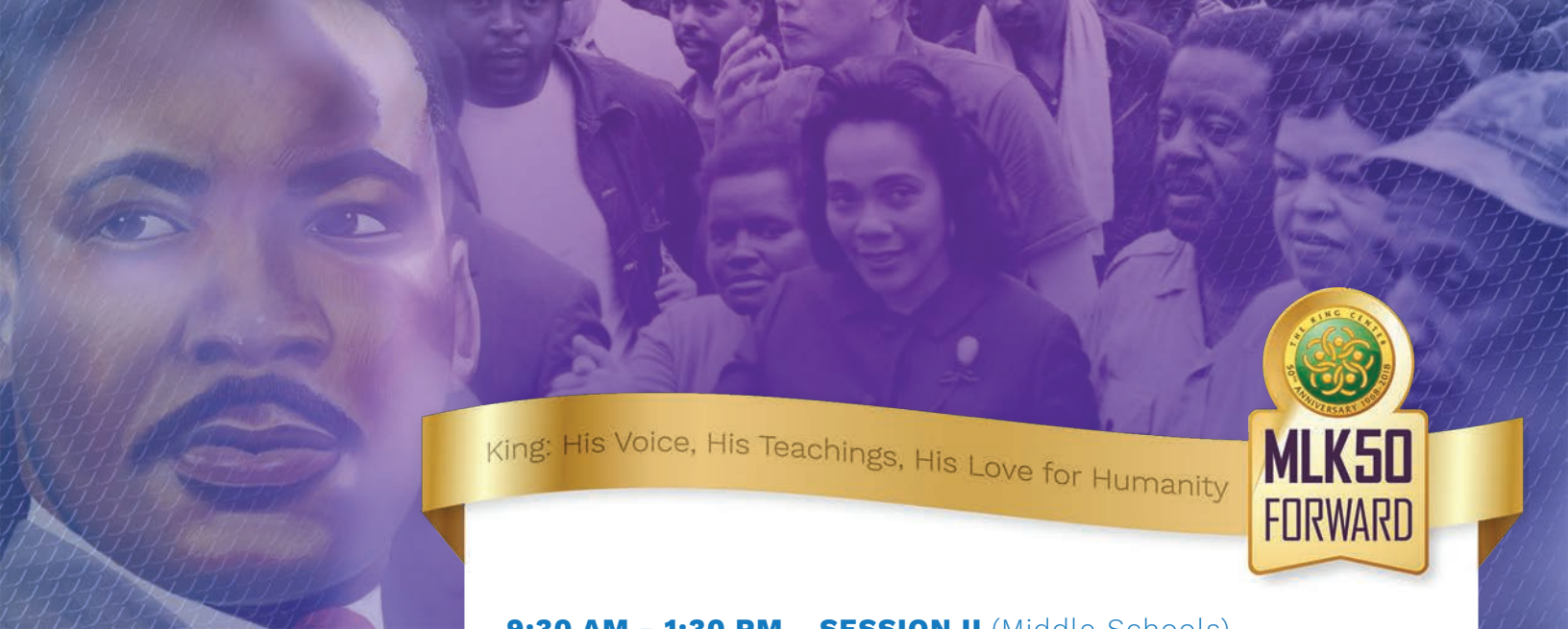
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**9:30 AM - 1:30 PM SESSION II (Middle Schools)**  
**STUDENTS WITH KING - CELEBRATE DIFFERENCES**

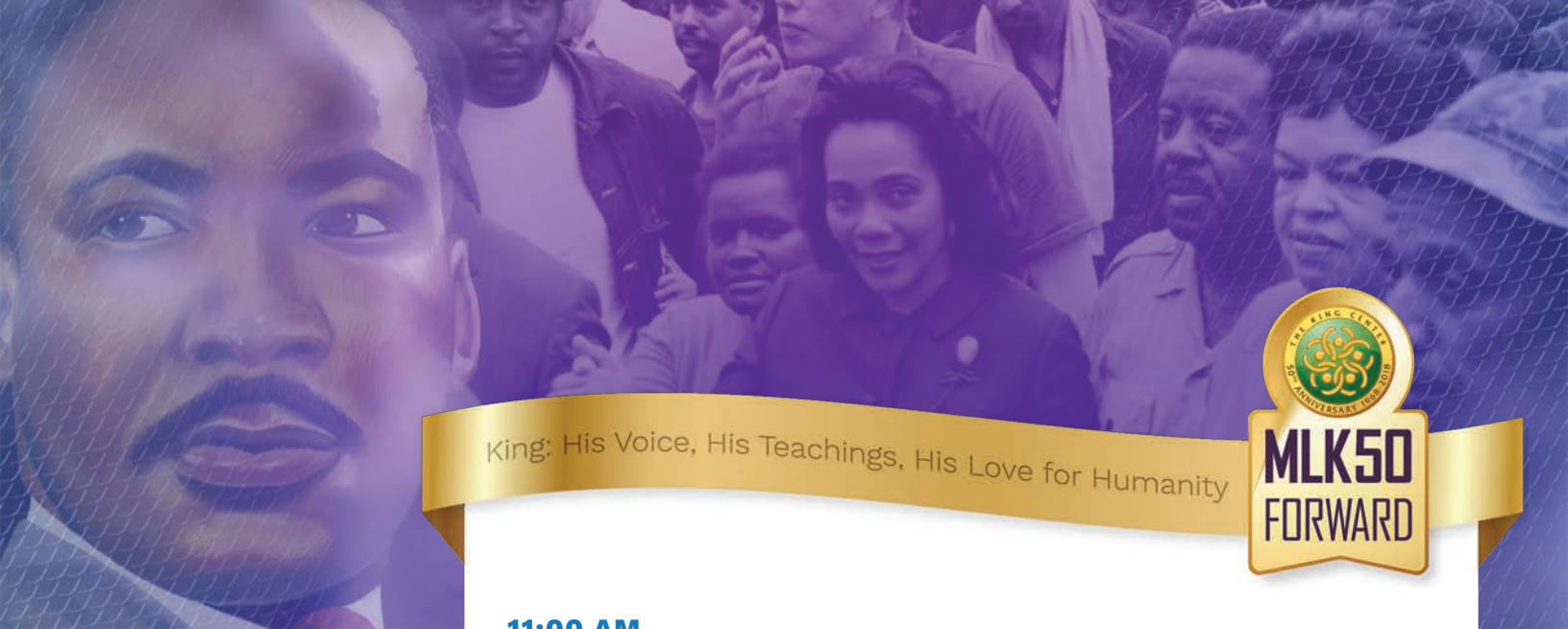
***Ebenezer Baptist Church, The MLK Sr. Community Resources Collaborative Complex***

*Students with King-Celebrate Differences' purpose is to teach students about the national impact of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on the Civil Rights Movement and his global influence. It provides an opportunity for students to engage in dialogue with a King family member, veterans of the movement, and/or people who knew and worked with Dr. & Mrs. King.*

**Participants (or prospective participants):**  
**Dr. Bernice A. King, Mr. Hank Johnson, Mr. Isaac Farris, Jr.,** and invited middle school students from nine counties in the Metro Atlanta area.

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**11:00 AM**  
**STATE OF GEORGIA**  
**MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**  
**ADVISORY COUNCIL PROGRAM**  
**GEORGIA STATE CAPITOL**

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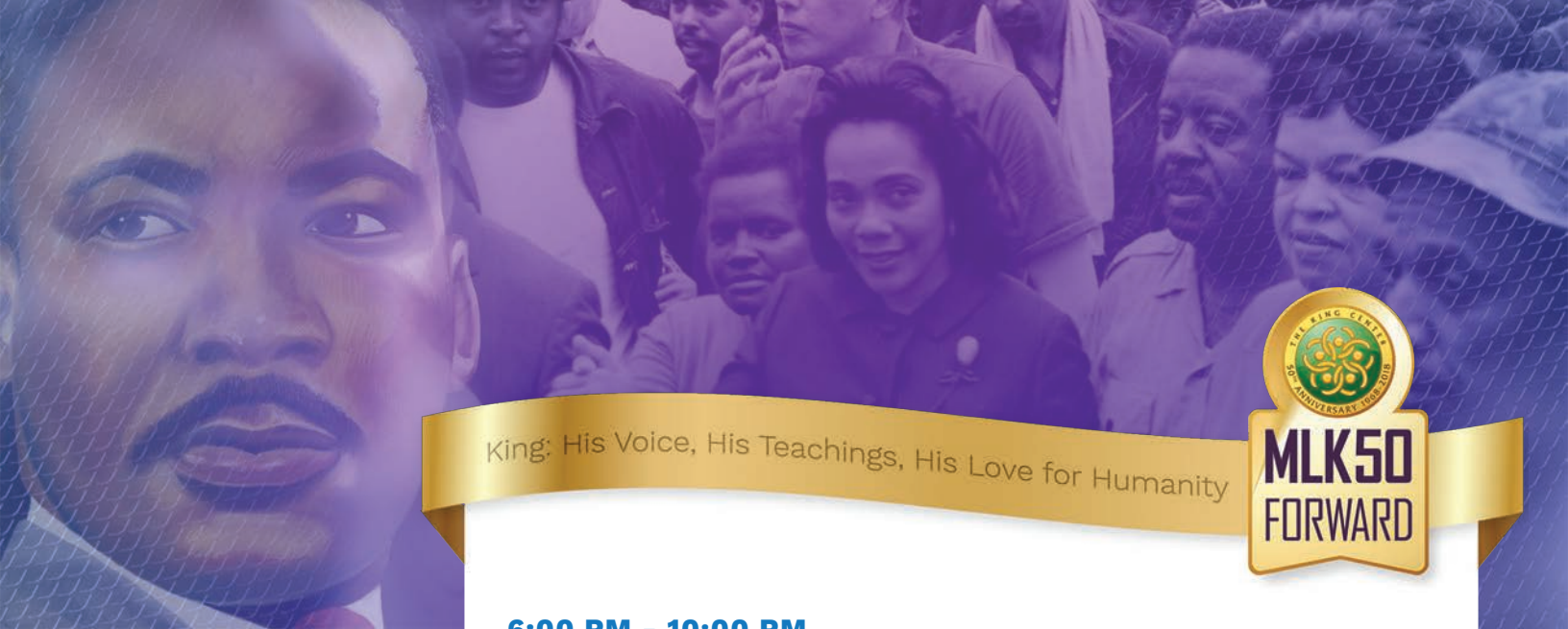
*North Wing Georgia State Capitol*  
**FREE and Open to the Public**

Georgia's Governor will host a tribute to Dr. King, with participation from King Center officials.

**Keynote Speaker: Dr. Gerald Durley**

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## THE ANNUAL “SALUTE TO GREATNESS” AWARDS GALA

*Hyatt Regency Hotel*

*265 Peachtree Street, NE Atlanta, GA 30303*

*Reception at 6:00 PM | Dinner & Program at 7:00 PM*

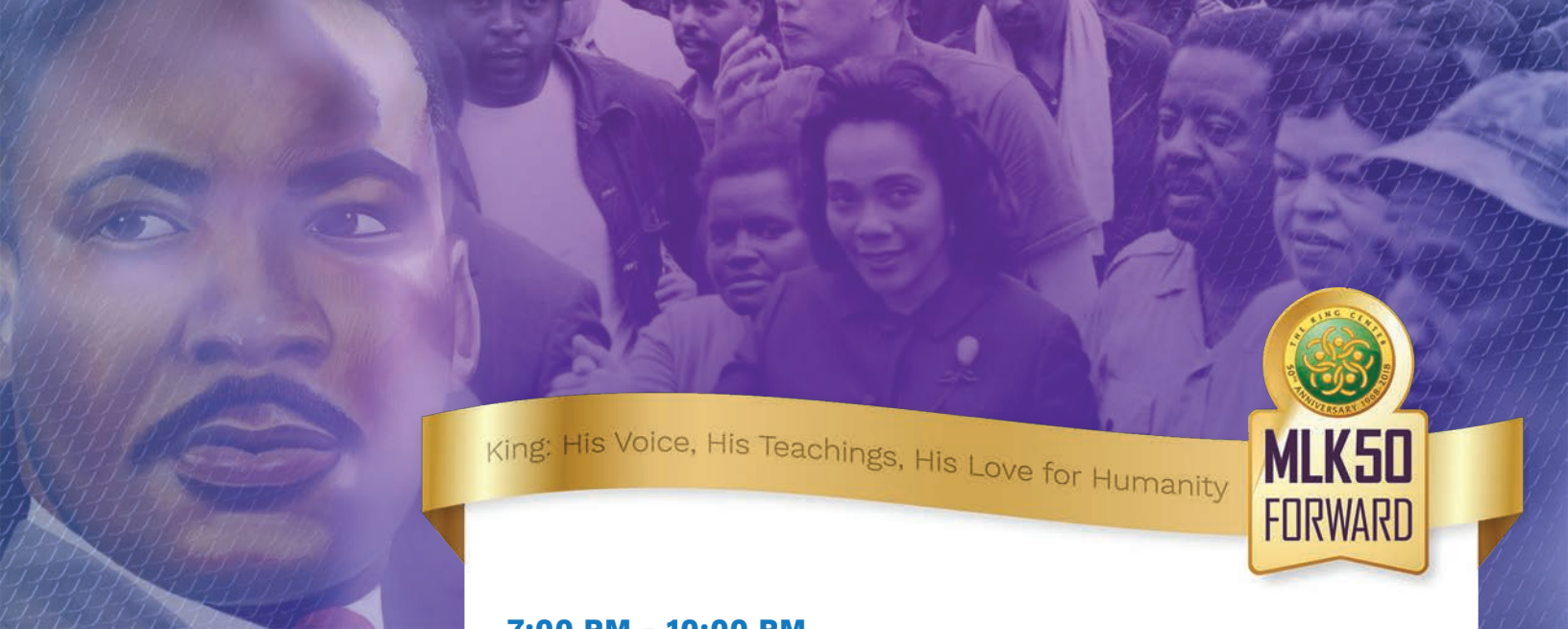
*Ticketed Event; purchase tickets at [TheKingCenter.org](http://TheKingCenter.org)*

**The Annual Salute to Greatness Awards Gala** is The King Center’s premier fundraising initiative. One of the Center’s highest honors, the Salute to Greatness Award (STG), is presented at the dinner to recognize national and/or international individuals and corporations that exemplify excellence in their leadership and have demonstrated a commitment to social responsibility in the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

**STG Award Individual Honoree: Senator Cory Booker**, United States Senate, New Jersey.

**STG Award Corporate Honoree: Chobani**, accepted by Founder, President and Chief Executive Officer Hamdi Ulukaya.

**The Coretta Scott King A.N.G.E.L. Award** (Advancing Nonviolence through Generations of Exceptional Leadership Award). The award is given in honor of and in keeping with the spirit of Mrs. Coretta Scott King. It recognizes a youth or young adult (ages 12-29) and a youth organization/initiative that exemplifies exceptional leadership in the areas of peace, social justice and nonviolent social change.



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## THE ANNUAL "SALUTE TO GREATNESS" AWARDS GALA (CONTINUED)

**A.N.G.E.L. Award YOUTH Honoree: Alana Simmons,** Founder of Hate Won't Win.

**A.N.G.E.L. Award YOUTH Organization Honoree: Boys & Girls Club of America,** accepted by President and Chief Executive Officer James L. Clark.

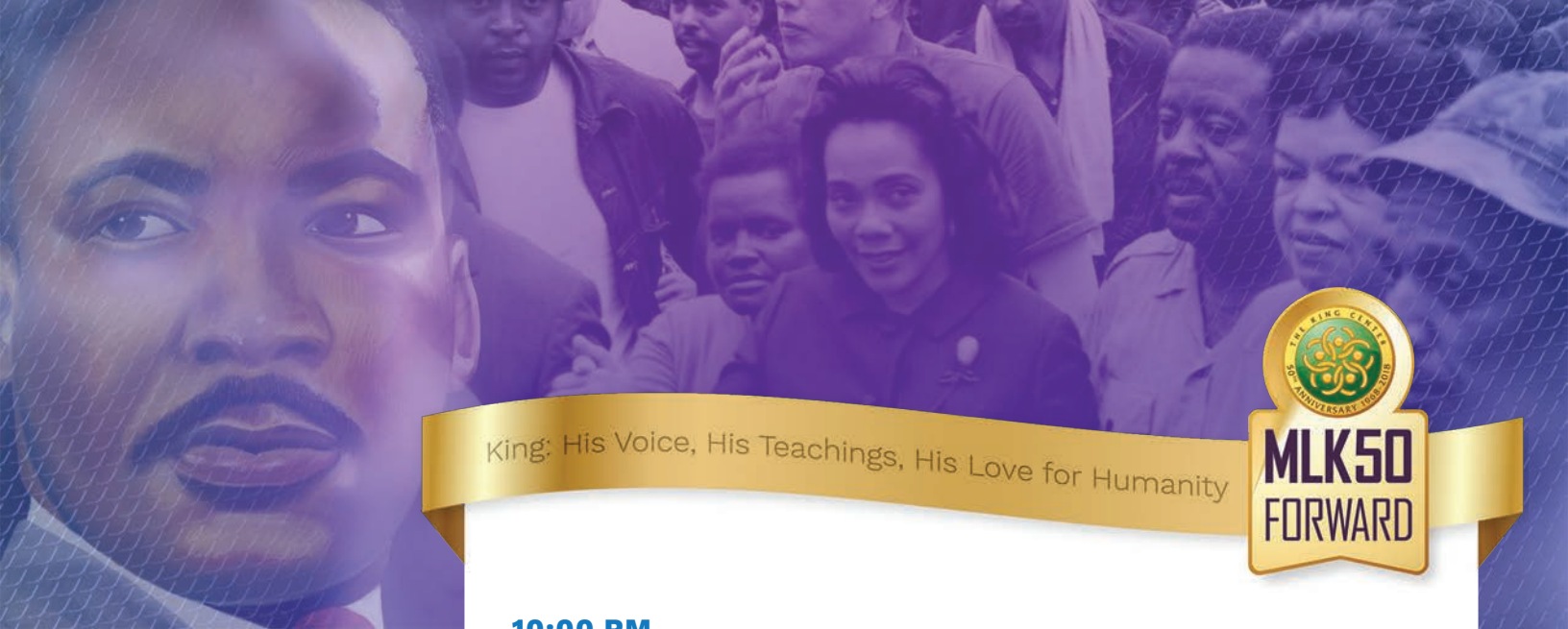
**The Christine King Farris Legacy of Service Award** recognizes individuals who have a lifelong history of service and exemplify the values based on the leadership philosophy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and his methods of Nonviolence.

**Honoree: Dr. Robert L. Green,** Renowned Author, Educator, and Civil Rights Activist, University Dean President and Distinguished Alumnus, Michigan State University.

**Special Recognition Award for Humanitarian Leadership: Ms. Carmen Yulín Cruz,** Mayor of San Juan, Puerto Rico.

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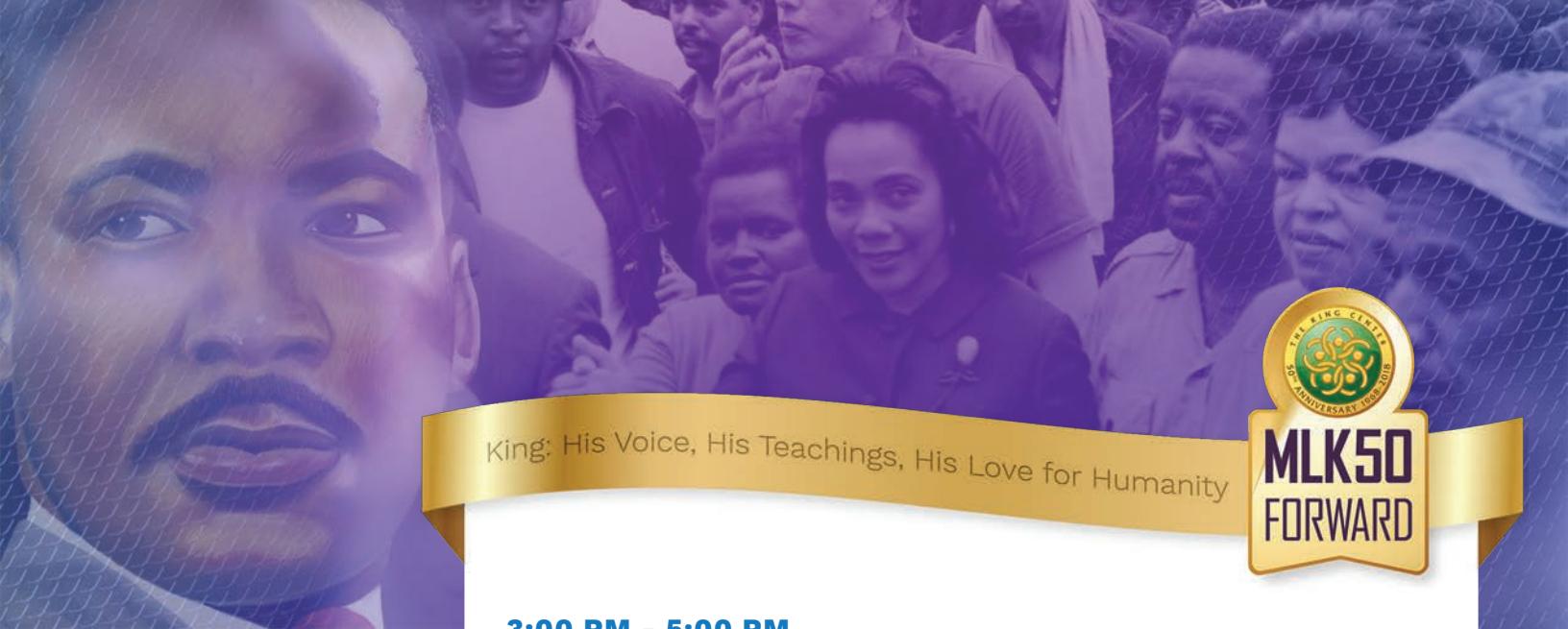
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**AFTERGLOW CELEBRATION**

*Hyatt Regency Hotel*  
*265 Peachtree Street, NE Atlanta, GA 30303*  
*Ticketed Event; purchase tickets at [TheKingCenter.org](http://TheKingCenter.org)*

Join us for the Afterglow Celebration in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 89th Birthday featuring **Doug E. Fresh, Michael Philips, and DJ B-Hen**. Entry into the Afterglow is complimentary with a 2018 Salute To Greatness ticket purchase.

**Tickets are \$50\***

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## WE'VE GOT NEXT: TURNING READERS INTO LEADERS

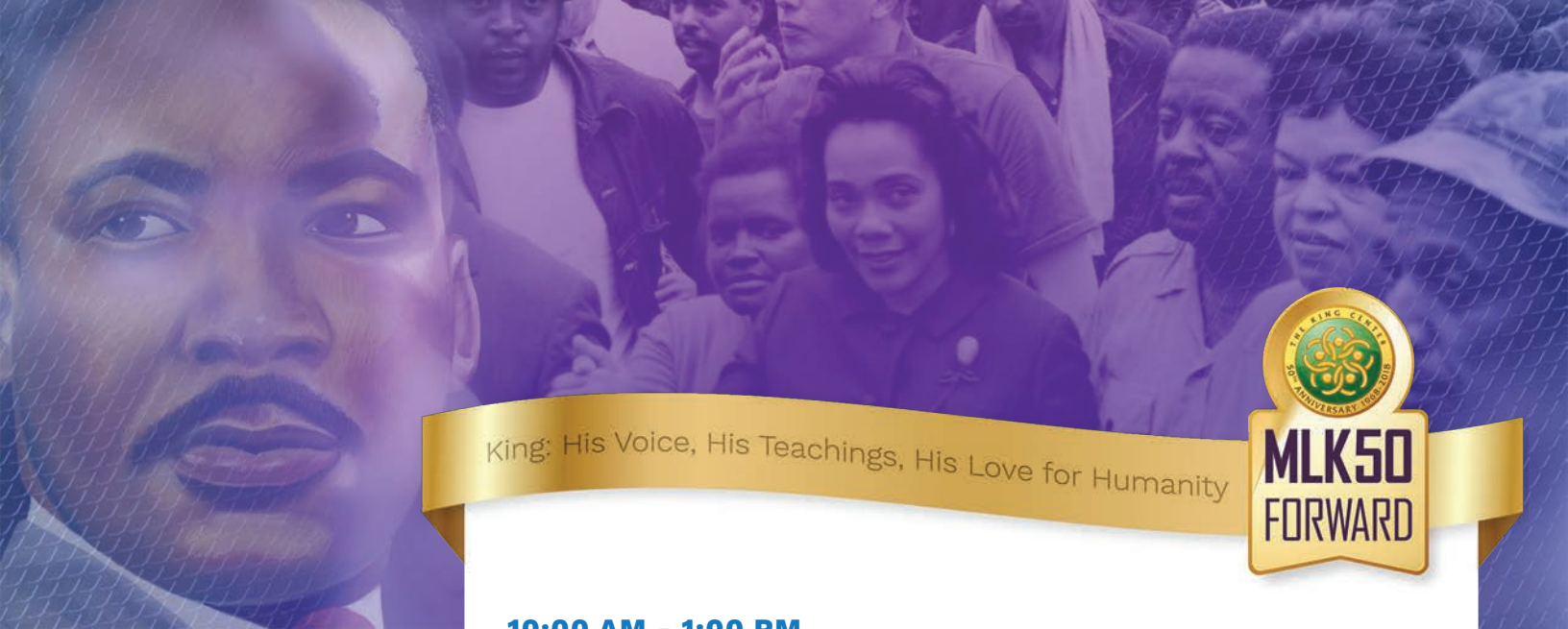
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An interactive book event for children, especially ages 8-12. The day's activities will include book readings, interactive activities, and conclude with a book signing. During the event, there will be an opportunity to collect new and used books of all languages to send to those effected by hurricanes and the homeless community. The event will be hosted by **Miss Yolanda Renée King** the only grandchild of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and her cousin **Miss Maryn Rippy** the great-granddaughter of A.D. King and special guests will include **Martin Luther King, III, Arndrea King, Dr. Angela Farris Watkins, Dr. Andrea Lewis, Xernona Clayton, Donald Bermudez** and **DJ Willy Wow**.

*We ask that everyone bring at least 1 book, books can be in all languages, to donate toward the book drive.*

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**THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ANNUAL ECUMENICAL COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE**

*Ebenezer Baptist Church – Horizon Sanctuary*  
**FREE & Open to the Public (Limited Seating)**

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Annual Ecumenical Commemorative Service is the spiritual hallmark of the King Holiday Observance. The service is an ecumenical endeavor which is held on the Federal Holiday at Ebenezer Baptist Church located near The King Center.

**Keynote Speaker: Dr. Bernice A. King** - CEO, The King Center, Atlanta, GA.

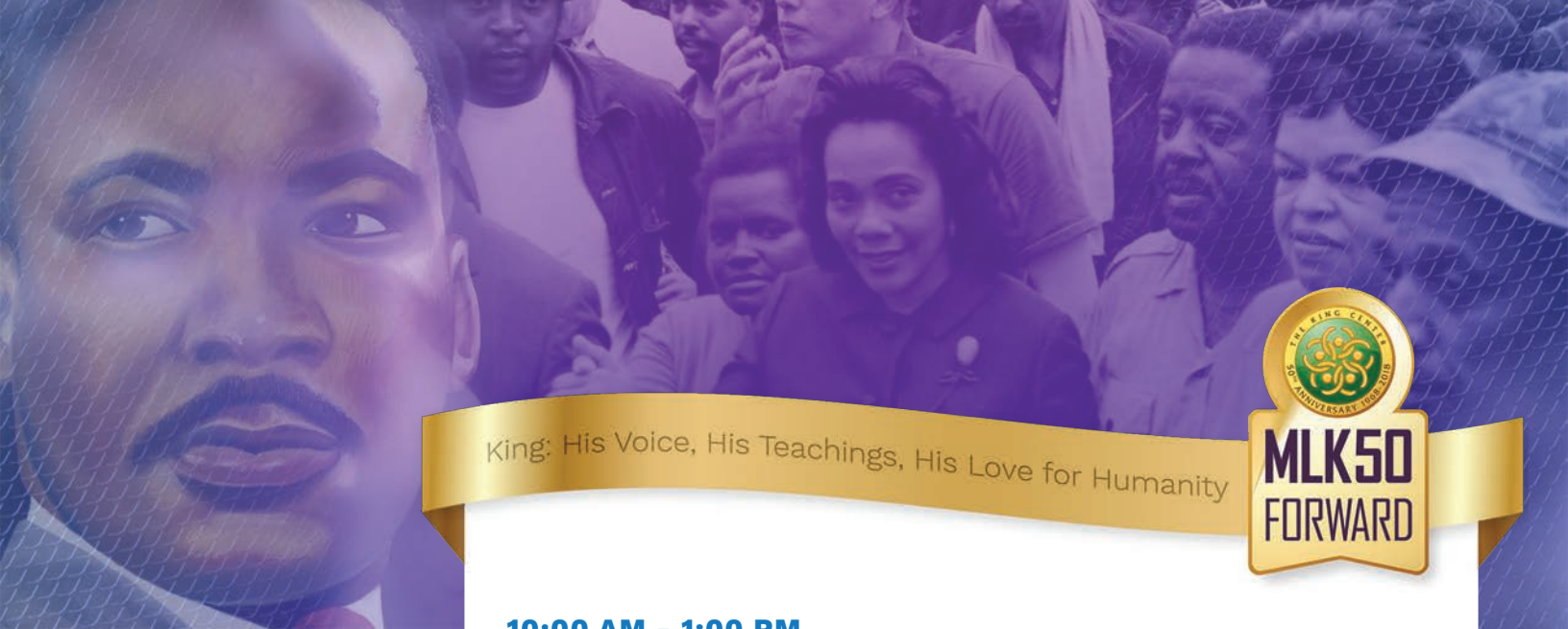
**International Greeting: Pastor David Yonggi Cho** (Yoido Full Gospel Church - Assemblies of God, South Korea) and **Dr. Deborah A. Bartlett**, Gems, Radio, CEO, Journalist, Author (Nassau, Bahamas).

**Greetings: The Honorable Casey Cagle** Lieutenant Governor, State of Georgia and **The Honorable Keisha Lance Bottoms**, Mayor, City of Atlanta.

**Tributes: Ms. Bree Newsome** , Film Maker, Activist, Musician, **Mr. Javier Palomarez**, President, CEO, US Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, **Reverend Robert Wright Lee**, Minister (Descendant of Robert E. Lee). **Ms. Ginger Howard**, Georgia Republic National Committeewoman.

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**THE MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ANNUAL ECUMENICAL COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE (CONTINUED)**

**Performances:** Miss Angelica Hale, America's Got Talent Contestant, Mr. Frederic Yonnet, Producer, Recording Artist, Jazz Harmonist, Miss Ayanna Gregory, Songstress, Artist, Educator, Activist, Ms. Dottie Peoples, Gospel Vocalist, Songwriter, Producer, Dr. Earnest Pugh, Singer, Songwriter, Korean Christian Children's Choir

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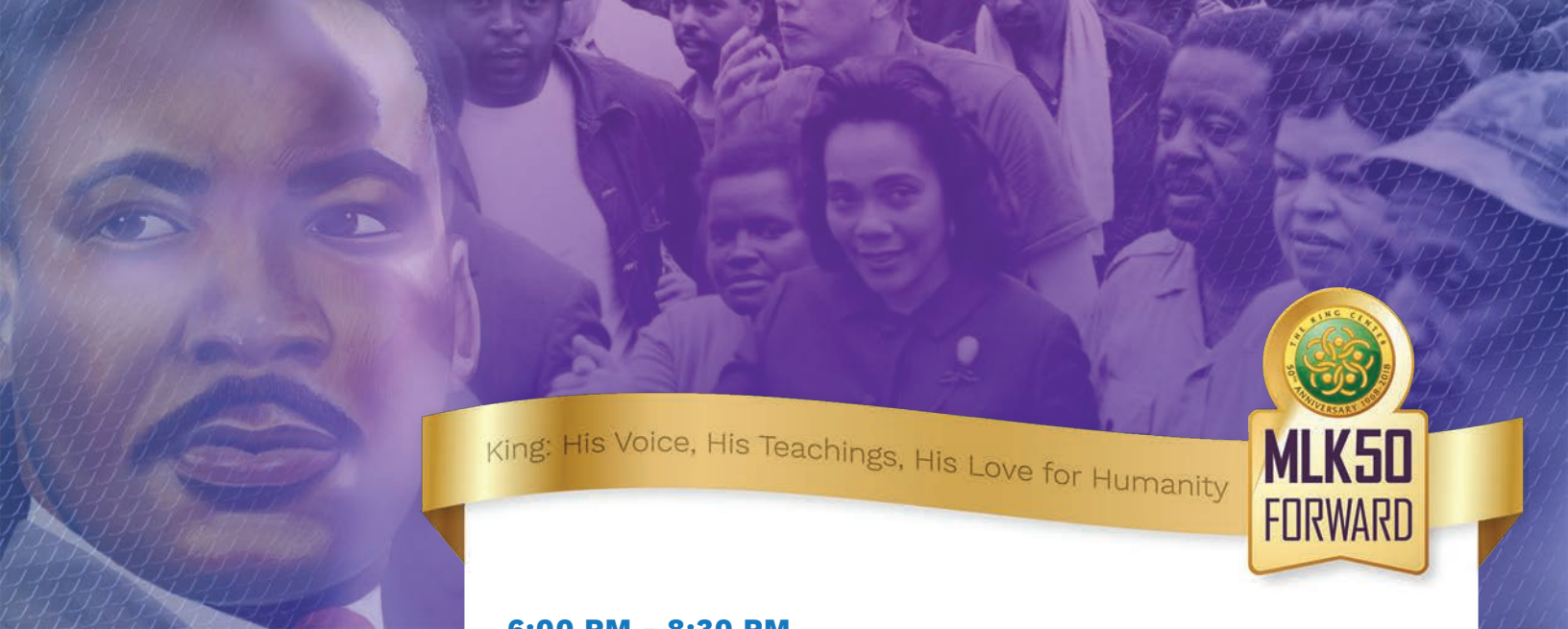
**KING WEEK HOLIDAY MARCH & RALLY**

**Starting at Auburn Avenue and Peachtree Street**  
**FREE & Open to the Public**

The March is held on Auburn Avenue from Peachtree Street to Jackson Street. The Rally is held on Auburn Avenue. The areas of concern are education, technology, medical, investment, transportation, housing, environmental justice, job creation, conflict resolution, interfaith, cultural exchange, peace, justice, and voter registration.

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**BELOVED COMMUNITY TALKS:**  
**LET'S BRIDGE THE RACIAL DIVIDE ACROSS**  
**URBAN, SUBURBAN AND RURAL AMERICA**

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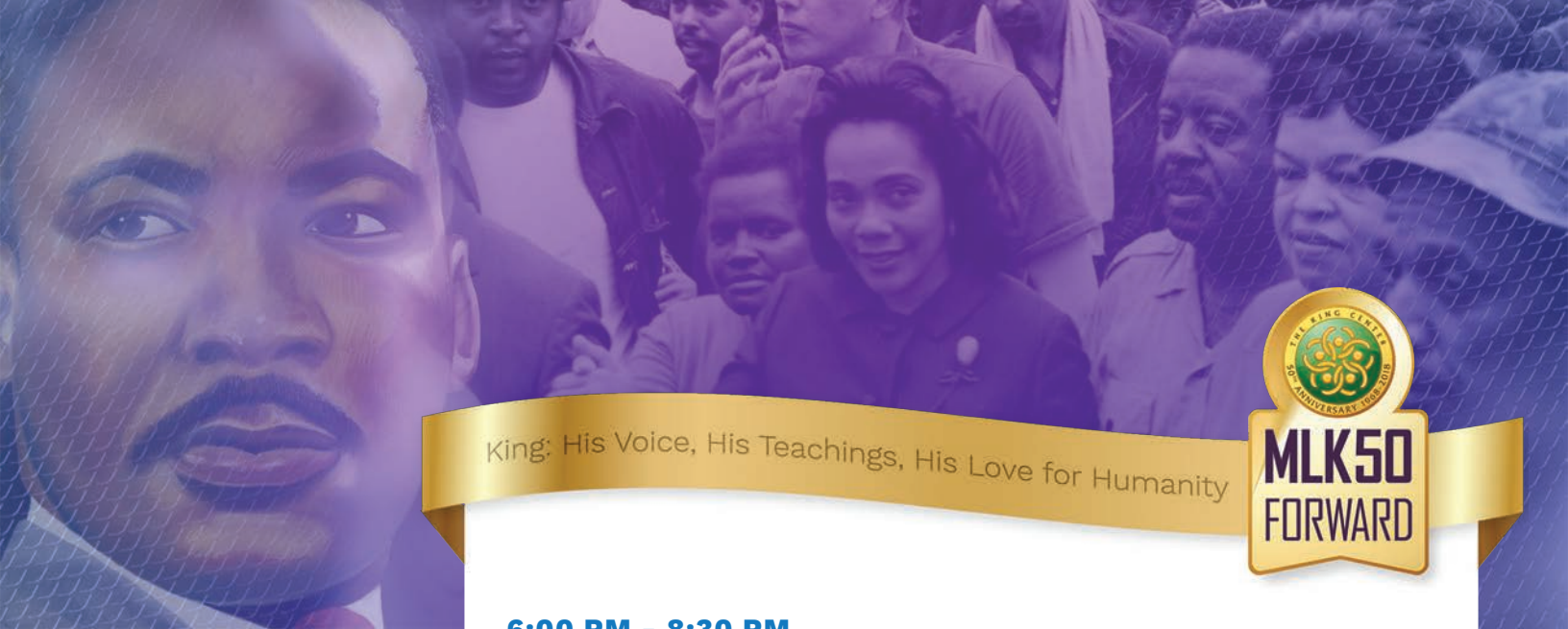
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This **signature event** will take place before a live audience, and streamed via Facebook and promoted across national media and major social media channels.

***"I am convinced that men hate each other because they don't know each other, and they don't know each other because they don't communicate with each other, and they don't communicate with each other because they are separated from each other."*** -MLK address to Cornell College 1962

In keeping with Dr. King's assertion that people are divided because we are disconnected, The King center launched, via the Beloved Community Talks (BCT) platform, a two year campaign on the 2017 King Holiday Observance, **Let's Bridge the Racial Divide across Urban, Suburban, and Rural America.** The King Center will continue the campaign on the 2018 King Holiday. Our goal is to provide the roadmap and tools necessary for individuals and communities to have the challenging and **courageous conversations** to bridge the racial divide in America by addressing the pains and unrest of racism rooted in a historical context.



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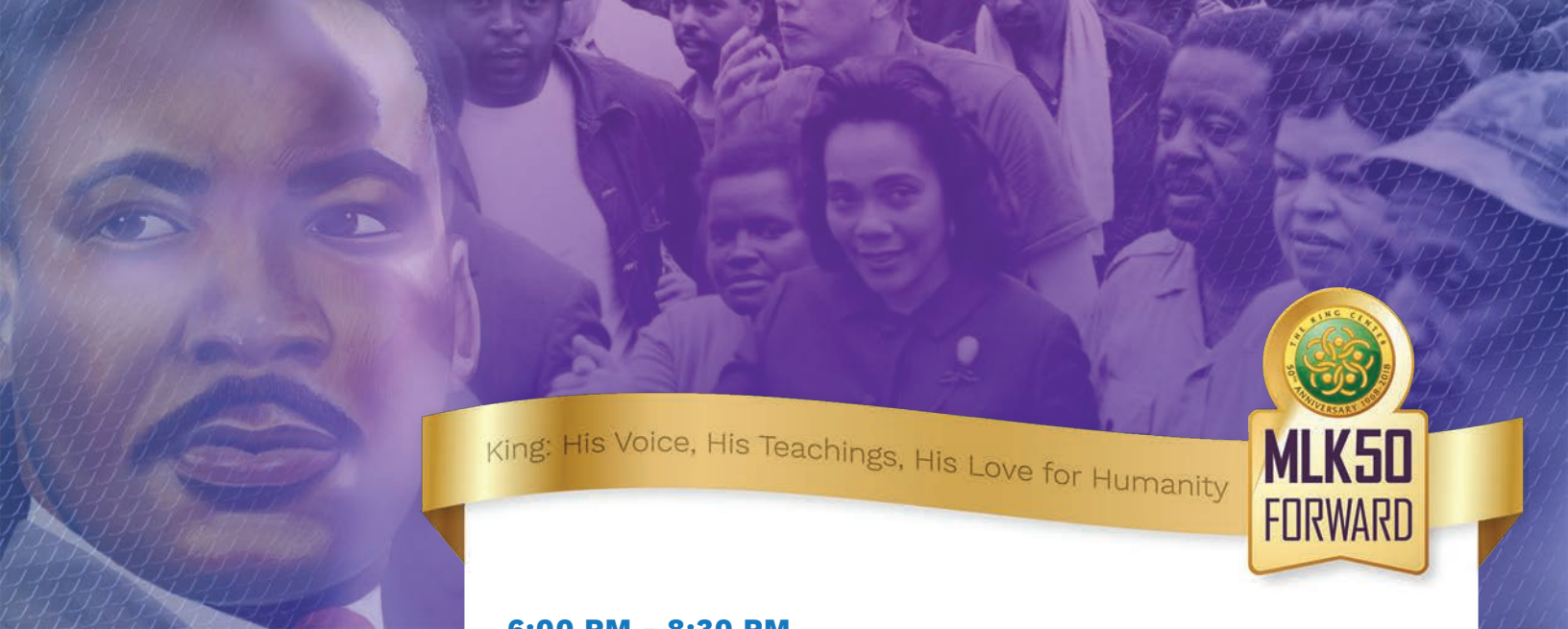
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The campaign will be a national catalyst to heal the disconnect between people of America from different ideological, cultural, socioeconomic and geographic backgrounds. We know that these ***courageous conversations*** will not solve all matters regarding racism, but we do believe it is a step in the right direction of closing the divide and creating an understanding.

The 2018 Beloved Community Talks will take place on the King Holiday Observance, **January 15, 2018 from 6 to 8:30 PM Eastern**, and will be streamed from The King Center in Atlanta, Georgia. **This BCT deal specifically with the “role of men” in bridging the racial divide.**

- Moderator: John Gray** - Pastor & Author.
- Confirmed Conversationalist:**
- Pastor Mike Hayes** - Founder of Covenant Church.
- Dr. Raphael Warnock** - Pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church.
- Rev. Robert E. Lee** - Descendant of Confederate General Robert E. Lee.
- Daryl Davis** - Musician, author, lecturer, actor and race relations expert.
- Scott Shepherd** - Former Grand Wizard, KKK.
- Bishop Harry Jackson** - Pastor of Hope Christian Church.





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**Invited Conversationalist:**  
**Jaime Harrison**, Chair of South Carolina Democratic Party.

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**Monday, January 15, 2018 – Wednesday, April 4, 2018**  
**GLOBAL “LOVE FOR HUMANITY: 50 ACTS**  
**OF SERVICE OR KINDNESS” CAMPAIGN**

This worldwide campaign will launch on the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. National Holiday and conclude on April 4th. Participants will commit to completing fifty acts of kindness or service during the time period that has positive impact on their community. These can be done individually or in conjunction with major civic organizations.

**Partners for the King Holiday Observance:**  
Senator Emmanuel Jones, **Martin Luther King, Jr. Advisory Council**, Superintendent Judy Forte, **Martin Luther King, Jr. Historic National Park Service** Jamida Orange, **MLK March Committee.**

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