AGAPE TABERNACLE
INTERNATIONAL FELLOWSHIP

REVEREND DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. ORATORICAL CONTEST

Dr. King had a tremendous impact on the Civil Rights Movement and the world. He fought for the rights of African Americans in non-violent ways and agitated, demonstrated and advocated for moral justice for all. His legacy continues to inspire today.

"A life is unimportant except for the impact it has on other lives."

Theme: Dr. Martin Luther King: His Impact on American Society and the World

We invite you to explore the theme and to write an essay discussing the theme.
Your essay should address the following:

- Pick a speech delivered by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. (You cannot use the ***I Have A Dream Speech***)

- Identify the theme (main idea or purpose) of the speech.
- Give an example of how the main idea of this speech was demonstrated in some event that took place. (The event should be historical and should have occurred in the United States). Be sure to explain how or why you say the example is connected to the main idea of the speech.
- Give an example from your life that demonstrates the main idea of this speech is present in your life. Be sure to explain how or why you say you can connect the example to the main idea of the speech.

Please think critically about Dr. King's legacy.

Rules

- Your name, age, school, grade, and contact information must be submitted on a cover page.
- The essay must be no longer than 2 pages, typed, double-spaced on 8.5" x 11" white paper (one side only), with standard 1" margins in 12-point font (Times New Roman).
- Essays may **NOT** include photographs, images, illustrations, films, videos, drawings, etc.
- All essays are to be in English and include a bibliography, utilizing at least one book source, but no more than one website source.
- All essays should be the author's original work.
- All essays will be judged on the author's knowledge and understanding of Dr. King and his work, originality of ideas, development of point of view, insight into the essay theme, clarity of expression, organization, grammar and oratorical presentation.

Deadline
All essays are to be submitted no later than Sunday, December 16, 2018.

Judging
Essays will be evaluated by a committee of judges. Decisions of the judges are final.

Presentation Date
Saturday, January 19, 2019 at 8 A.M.

Prizes
- Cash prizes will be awarded in three categories, Grades 3-5, 6-8 and 9-12.
- One winner will be determined in each of the three categories.

- 1st place essays will be published on the Agape Tabernacle International Fellowship website.
- Winners will make a presentation to Agape Tabernacle International Fellowship.

Have questions?
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