

2017 MLK Jr Event in Reno Hosted by AME Church



Son of Onie Cooper, deceased, past president of Martine Luther King Jr Holiday Committee, addresses the audience

In 2017 the Northern Nevada Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Committee and the Nevada Clergy Association presented community memorial events in the Reno community in celebration of the Martin Luther King, Jr.:

***The 31st Annual Interfaith Community Memorial Service
Sunday, January 15, 2017 3:00 Pm***

Bethel AME Church
2655 Rock Blvd., Sparks, Nv 89431

The 19th Annual Community Memorial Caravan
Monday, January 16, 2017 10:00 AM
Meeting at Bethel AME Church
2655 Rock Blvd., Sparks, Nv 89431

The theme of the celebration this year was "Freedom and Justice for Change." And this was the theme of the keynote speaker in 2017, Imam Abdul Barghouthi.

Imam Abdul Barghouthi immigrated to the US from Palestine in 1978 seeking freedom and education. He has been a volunteer Imam at the Northern Nevada Muslim Community Center since 2000, and since 2001 has been an active member of the Nevada Clergy Association. At the center of his work is the effort to close the gaps and create an environment of dialogue and understanding between the various cultures and religious group in the northern Nevada community. An advocate for equality justice and peace for all, he works to empower those who seek hope and change, and help those who seek knowledge about Islam and Muslims.

Imam Barghouthi has lectured and spoken in many venues and appeared on TV and Radio numerous times over the last 16 years.

Imam Barghouthi has raised four children, two girls and two boys. One of his boys is an army veteran and the father of two grandchildren.

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2017 MLK JR CELEBRATION PHOTO GALLERY



WELCOME by Reverend Larry J. Holloway, Bethel AME Church



INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS by Mary Cooper,
Northern Nevada Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
Committee



INVOCATION by Rajan Zed, President, Universal
Society of Hinduism



MUSICAL SELECTION by Bethel AME Choir



“POLICING AND THE COMMUNITY” by Commander Oliver Miller, Reno Police Department



“UNDERSTANDING THE SACREDNESS OF ALL” by Reverend Neil Anderson, Sr. Minister Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship of Northern Nevada



KEYNOTE ADDRESS: "FREEDOM & JUSTICE FOR CHANGE" by Imam Abdul Barghouthi, Northern Nevada Muslim Community



REVEREND ONIE COOPER HUMANITARIAN AWARD presented by Mary Cooper, Martin Luther King, Jr.. Holiday Committee to recipient Right Reverend Gene Savoy J



CLOSING REMARKS by Right Reverend Gene Savoy Jr,
Bishop, International Community of Christ,
President, Nevada Clergy Association Chairman,
Northern Nevada Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
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BENEDICTION by Reverend Mother Rebecca Willis,
International Community of Christ

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