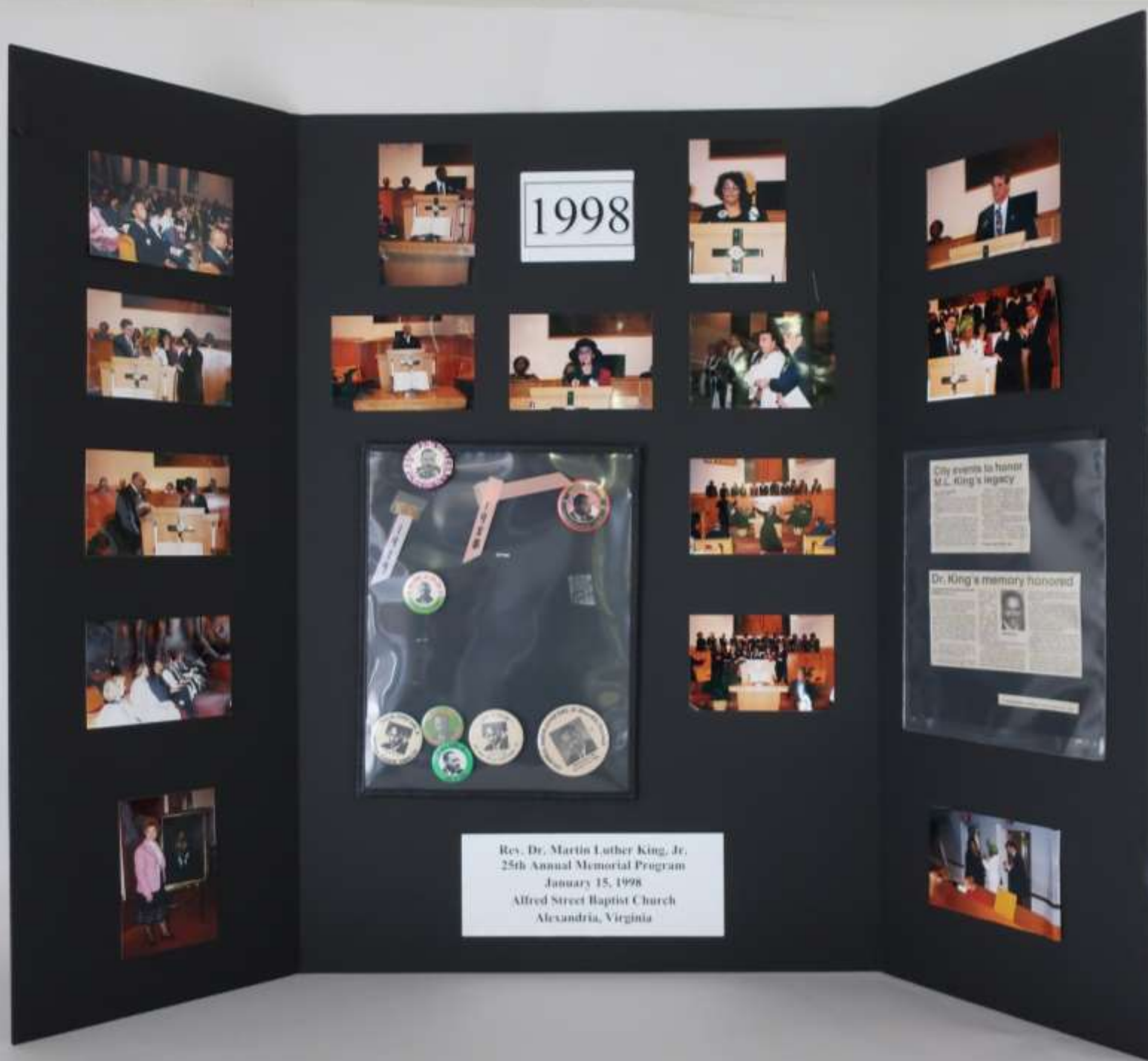


# The Citywide Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Celebration, 1998



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Alice Morgan, Chair  
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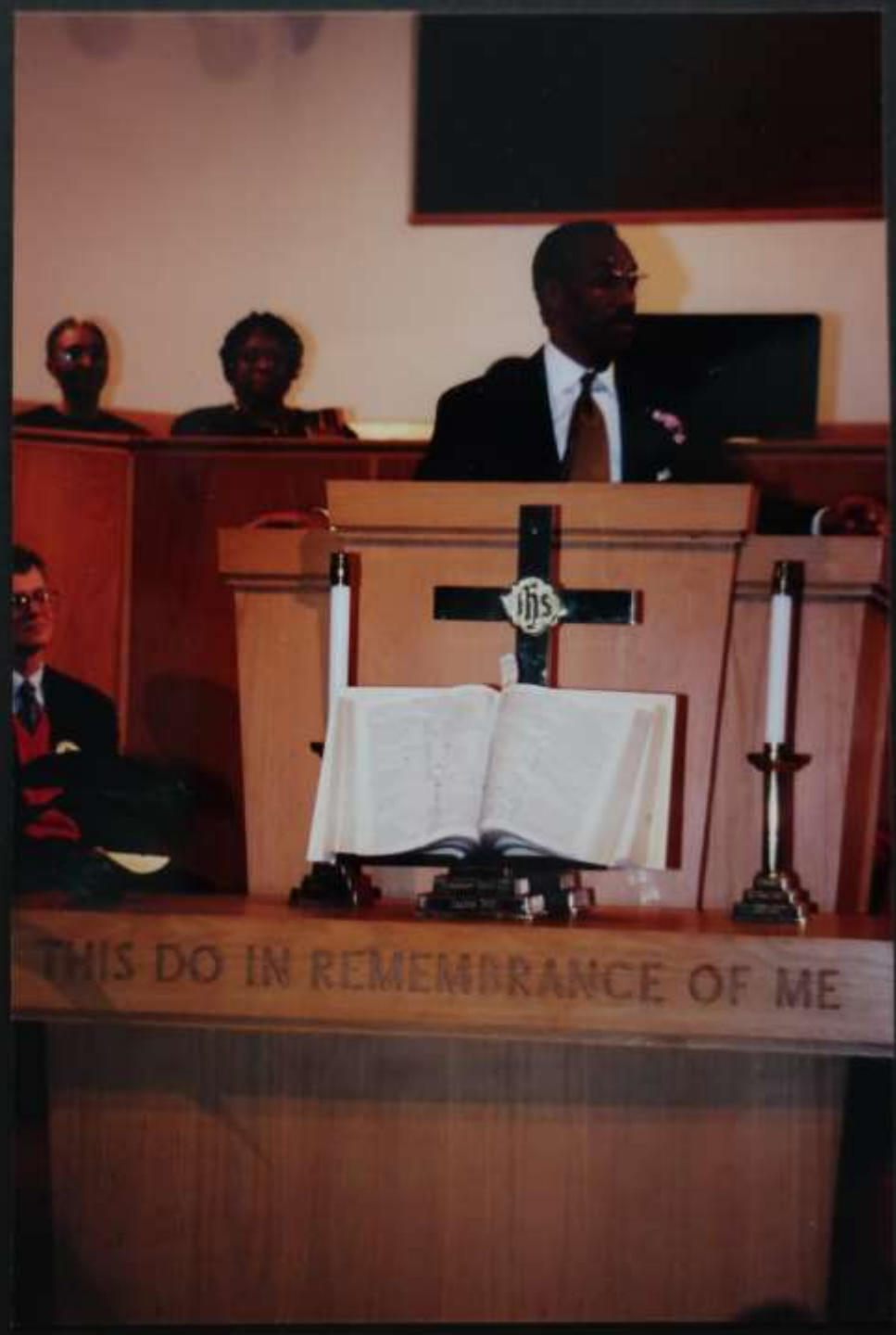


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# City events to honor M.L. King's legacy

By JEFF MARSH

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Alexandria officials are planning a series of events to honor the life of Martin Luther King Jr. next week, highlighted by an address by a leader of the American Baha'i community.

"Dr. King stood for principles all of us need to be reminded of," said Paul Glist, a member of the committee that organized the 25th year of memorials to the civil rights leader. "If the city can remind people of that, it would go a big step towards healing deep wounds in our own society." King was murdered in 1968.

Robert C. Henderson, secretary general of the National Spiritual Assembly of the Baha'is of the United States, will speak at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Alfred Street Baptist Church, 301 S. Alfred St., and music will be provided by the Alexandria Employees Choir.

Baha'i is a religion based on the principles of universal brotherhood and social equality.

Henderson served on the Martin Luther King Jr. federal holiday commission. His landmark study, "Models of Unity — Racial, Ethnic

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and Religious," focused on ethnic unity in the Chicago metropolitan area. He also founded Air Atlanta, the first African-American owned jet airline.

Other events to be held throughout the week include the "Salute to the Life of Dr. King," sponsored by the Baptist Ministers' Conference Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at the Third Baptist Church, 917 Princess St. The Rev. Dr. Lloyd O. Roberts, pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, will be a guest speaker at the event.

A "Youth Tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King" will be hosted by the Departmental Progressive Club at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 16 at 411 Gibbon St.

On Jan. 18 at noon, the second annual "Step Towards Race Unity, a Baha'i

Tribute to Dr. King's Dream" will be held at Landmark Mall's Center Court.

The event is sponsored by the Alexandria Baha'i Assembly and will feature a dance performance by the Baha'i Youth of Northern Virginia and vocal and instrumental music by local performers.

The last event will be a media presentation and exhibit at the Black History Resource Center Jan. 19 at 1 p.m. at the Black History Resource Center, 638 N. Alfred St. The event is sponsored by the Alexandria Society for the



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Preservation of Black Heritage and the Alumni Association of Parker-Gray High School.

All of the events are open to the public, and non-perishable food items or monetary contributions will be collected for ALIVE, an ecumenical organization sponsored by 35 churches and synagogues in the city. For further information, call the city's Office of Citizen Assistance at 838-4800.

With the President's race relations meetings and a similar local effort in Alexandria called for by Vice Mayor William D. Eaille and Councilman Lonnie C. Rich, Glist said the memorial programs should receive extra notice.

"This year's memorials can be seen as the launching point to very serious attention toward reconciling racial issues in the city," he said. "I applaud any efforts on the city's part to do that."

