

LIFT EV'RY VOICE AND SING

Lyrics: James Weldon Johnson; Music: John Rosamond Johnson

Lift ev'ry voice and sing,
'Til earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;

Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Let us march on 'til victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chast'ning rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;

Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?

We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the
slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
'Til now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;

Thou who has by Thy might
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.

Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand,
True to our God,
True to our native land.

WE SHALL OVERCOME

Traditional; Derived from "I'll Overcome Someday," by Charles Albert Tindley

We shall overcome, we shall overcome,
We shall overcome someday;
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,
We shall overcome someday.

The Lord will see us through, The Lord will see us through,
The Lord will see us through someday;
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,
We shall overcome someday.

We're on to victory, We're on to victory,
We're on to victory someday;
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,
We're on to victory someday.

We'll walk hand in hand, we'll walk hand in hand,
We'll walk hand in hand someday;
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,
We'll walk hand in hand someday.

We are not afraid, we are not afraid,
We are not afraid today;
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,
We are not afraid today.

The truth shall make us free, the truth shall make us free,
The truth shall make us free someday;
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,
The truth shall make us free someday.

We shall live in peace, we shall live in peace,
We shall live in peace someday;
Oh, deep in my heart, I do believe,
We shall live in peace someday.

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WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE?

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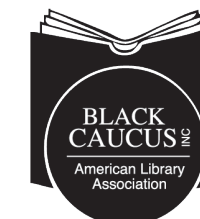
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WELCOME

LAJUAN PRINGLE Co-chair, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunrise Celebration

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
“Lift Ev’ry Voice and Sing”
(words on back cover of program)

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KEYNOTE

ANTHONY GRAVES Author, *Infinite Hope*; Founder, Anthony Graves Foundation

CALL-TO-ACTION

ALEXANDRA RIVERA Senior Associate Librarian, Student Success and Community Engagement, University of Michigan

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CLOSING

ANDREW P. JACKSON
(SEKOU MOLEFI BAAKO)

Co-chair, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunrise Celebration

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
“We Shall Overcome”
(words on back cover of program)

FEATURED SPEAKERS



ANTHONY GRAVES is an author and activist who spent over 18 years in prison – including 12 years on death row – after being wrongfully convicted for murder. Upon his exoneration in 2010, he founded the Anthony Graves Foundation, a non-profit that works towards furthering criminal justice reform with a special emphasis on the Texas criminal justice system. Through his foundation, initiatives such as the Humane Investigation Project, Exoneree Speakers Bureau, and C.H.O.I.C.E.S. have provided legal assistance, outreach, and education to people impacted in unjust ways by the criminal justice system. Graves’ book, *Infinite Hope*, was released in January 2018.

Special thanks to OCLC for providing refreshments and to Beacon Press for their support of Anthony Graves’ participation in this morning’s event.

Beacon Press is the publisher of *Infinite Hope* (January 2018).
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ALEXANDRA RIVERA is the Senior Associate Librarian, Student Success and Community Engagement at the University of Michigan. In her current position, Rivera coordinates the University of Michigan Library’s K-12 initiatives to prepare students for post-secondary education, manages the Library’s Peer Information Counseling Program, and supports the University of Michigan’s Detroit Center. From her role as a Spectrum Scholar to her leadership in ACRL, REFORMA, and in JCLC since the beginning, Rivera has demonstrated a model commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion. Rivera currently serves as a Councilor-at-Large on the ALA Council and as the Vice President of the Joint Council of Librarians of Color.