

Festival For Life Focuses on Unborn Children

Some call it Civil Rights Day. Others call it Dr. Martin Luther King Day. Whatever you choose to call it, the Christian civil rights leader's birthday is being remembered during the Festival For Life on Jan. 17 at the Wesley Biblical Seminary in Jackson, Miss.

A group of black pastors is organizing the event to draw attention to what they see as the next wave of the civil rights movement King helped pioneer: dignity and equal protection for unborn children.

Festival For Life will show five pro-life videos, including "Maafa 21," which features pro-life activist Dr. Alveda King, King's niece. The event is sponsored by American Family Radio and Pro-Life Mississippi.

"It is very important to point out that the Life issue is one of, if not the most serious civil rights issue that any people, African Americans or any other people, have ever faced," Pastor Joseph Parker of Campbell Church African Methodist Episcopal church in Pulaski, Tenn., told LifeSiteNews. "If ever there was a civil rights issue worth standing up for, this is it!"

Pro-Life Mississippi is also holding an event called "The Gospel and the Cry of the Fatherless" on January 21-22. The two-day conference will focus on abortion, adoption and the plight of fatherless children.

Wrapping up January's agenda, the group is holding its 24th annual Pro-Life Mississippi "Candlelight Prayer Vigil for the Unborn" on January 22 at 6 p.m. at the Mississippi State Capitol Building.

What's your take? Do events like these make a difference?