## Sacramento Family Church celebrates Martin Luther King Day

Kevin Thompson January 16, 2016



Over 100 people gathered for an interfaith MLK program at Yuba Community College.

Martin Luther King Day is a day of remembering the efforts of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. to unite people of all races, background and walks of life. The Sacramento Family Church took advantage of the MLK holiday weekend this year to hold their third annual interfaith Martin Luther King Jr. Day event at Yuba Community College on January 16. After several months of planning, their program featured several interdenominational preachers and choirs, and over 100 people attended from six different churches in the local area.



Samuel Thompson of Good Seed Church reads from "The Measure of a Man" by Dr. Martin Luther King.

Robert Fischetti was the emcee, and opened the event by introducing Pastor B.J. Kim of the Balanced Life Christian Center to give an opening prayer and worship session. Unificationist Maree Gauper gave the welcoming remarks, then accompanied on the piano as the assembly sang *One in the Spirit*. In the course of the program Mrs. Gauper also presented a "Herstory Award" to a Lisa Harris, an activist from Marysville, California.

Rev. Kim then took the podium once more to share her 1960 experience. The event also consisted of song, dance, readings from the writings of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., and a keynote speaker, evangelist Phyllis Thomas.



Maree Gauper presents a Herstory Award to Lisa Harris for her leadership of the MLK March for 15 years.



Several speakers took the podium to share quotes and short messages based on Dr. Martin Luther King's legacy.

Appeal Democrat, a regional newspaper, published a story about the event along with photos.

"We got a lot of positive feedback from attendees and plan to continue this annual tradition," said Mrs. Gauper.



Appeal Democrat newspaper's story about the gathering.