

**2023 WINNING INSPIRATIONAL MESSAGES OF PEACE  
for the  
Martin Luther King, Jr. National Historical Park "I Have a Dream"  
World Peace Rose Gardens**

**Remaining - 2022 Plaques**

**1. 2022 True Peace**

**Landan Kayachith, Grade 10  
SRF, Lake Shrine Sunday School  
Pacific Palisades, California**

**2. 2022 Peace to Every Being!!!**

**Rupmaya Chettri, Class 11  
Him Jyoti School, India**

**3. 2022 A Word of Loyalty**

**Tala Raed Abed Al-razeg, Grade 9  
UNWRA Schools – Gaza, State of Palestine  
(United Nations Relief & Works Agency)**

**4. 2022 Dream Power**

Gabe Scabby Face, Grade 4  
Red Cloud Elementary School  
Pine Ridge, South Dakota  
People have peace in the morning.  
People have peace at night.  
People look up into the stars.  
What a peaceful sight.  
Some say peace is a feeling.  
Some say peace is a place.  
But peace is whatever you make it,  
If you show a little grace.

**Amoni Scott, Grade 2  
Lillie E. Suder Elementary School  
Jonesboro, Georgia, USA**

## 2023 Winners

### 5. POWER IN PEACE

There is power to peace where others seek violence  
There is power to fighting with words against tyrants  
In the place of red blood, red roses shall grow  
For from the flowering brilliance of men  
Comes the bright brilliance of hope

**Ava Mitchell, Grade 7**  
**David T. Howard Middle School**  
**Atlanta, Georgia, USA**

### 6. PEACE

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### 7. LIFE

Preaching gives you motivation  
to do the right things.  
Equality in the world is giving chances.  
Adore everyone you have.  
Calmly march like MLK did. Empathy is for those who don't have equal rights.

**Yhoeshi Johnson, Grade 5**  
**M. Agnes Jones Elementary School**  
**Atlanta, Georgia, USA**

## **8. THE SIMILARITIES OF PEACE**

Peace is like a bird,  
When looked for, found quickly,  
But when ignored, stays hidden  
Amongst the shadows.  
When frightened, flies away,  
But when accepted,  
Brings great joy to the people that behold it.

**Ryan Conley, Grade 7  
High Meadows School  
Roswell, Georgia, USA**

## **9. LEAVING MY DOUBTS**

Up above,  
like a graceful dove.  
Giving all my doubts to you,  
as you accept others' too.  
Realizing the problems we've made, We understand our need to be saved. Hearing the  
roses speak to me,  
"You still have time to be freed."

**Angela Mkhumdui, Grade 5  
St. Peter Claver  
Regional Catholic School  
Decatur, Georgia, USA**

## **10. FREEDOM FOR BLACKS**

Martin Luther King Jr.  
wanted blacks to be free,  
For the world to have peace and harmony. Known for peace, marches, and his famous  
speech,  
Our freedom is always within our reach.

**Ayite Medji, Grade 5  
Barack & Michelle Obama Academy  
Atlanta, Georgia, USA**

## **11. THE POWER OF PEACE**

“Free at last! Free at last!”  
We are equal, no matter  
Our race or our class.  
Let peace shine in the darkest hour, For peace and love  
Are the greatest power.

**Lydia Berry, Grade 8**  
**David T. Howard Middle School**  
**Atlanta, Georgia**

## **12. RISE**

The day we rise, we will be free, for life. When we rise, we will rise peacefully. When the time is  
right,  
We will fight for what is right!  
We will rise and be free.

**Brielle Lundi, Grade 2**  
**Hope-Hill Elementary School**  
**Atlanta, Georgia, USA**

## **13. TOGETHER**

Dr. King had a dream  
That we would work as a team. He shared his dream.  
His wise words shone.  
Join hands, we cannot walk alone. Let freedom ring,  
As we remember Dr. King.

**Ta’Nai Kennedy, Grade 5**  
**Pointe South Elementary School Riverdale, Georgia, USA**

#### **14. PEACE**

Peace... No hate,  
No violence, No Shame  
Just love and peace  
Love yourself; don't hate yourself Only peace  
Allow peace to follow, and so it will Have peace in mind, and there it will be Keep peace,  
Withhold it, Protect it Peace

**Kimiyah Bryan, Grade 5  
Redan Elementary School  
Lithonia, Georgia, USA**

#### **15. MARTIN AND CORETTA**

What a force you were together, No one could have fought better. Martin was a mighty king.  
When he was stricken, Coretta's soul quickens.  
Taking the mantle,  
Only she could handle,  
She rose as a mighty queen.

**Joshua Minor, Grade 4  
D.L. Sims Elementary School  
Conyers, Georgia, USA**

#### **16. MESSAGE FROM MRS. CORETTA SCOTT KING**

“THIS GARDEN SYMBOLIZES  
THE BEAUTIFUL SPIRIT  
OF THE NONVIOLENT PATH ADVOCATED BY DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.  
THIS IS THE WAY OF THE TRUTH, BEAUTY AND UNIVERSAL LOVE.”

**- 1992 World Peace Rose Garden Dedication -**

#### **17. THANK YOU**

Thank you, Dr. King for marching to help segregation end.  
Through your courage,  
you helped the country mend.  
If not for you,  
I wouldn't have met my best friend.  
**Jacob McQuade, Grade 2  
Barack & Michelle Obama Academy Atlanta, Georgia, USA**

## **18. SPRINKLE PEACE**

Sprinkle peace, it's good for you. Sprinkle kindness, it's good for you. Sprinkle love, it's good for you. All of the above,  
Sprinkle peace and love.

**Samantha Burnett, Grade 1  
Pointe South Elementary School  
Riverdale, Georgia, USA**

## **19. ME**

March with me, dream with me,  
Stand with me, lead with me,  
Light fire with me, speak with me,  
Rally with me, pray for me, and aspire to  
The change you want to see in me.

**Fatima Bercian, Grade 5  
D. L. Sims Elementary School  
Conyers, Georgia, USA**

## **20. MAYBE**

If peace is the mantra of love we seek  
Then humility and kindness is the tone to keep Each face you see is in the image of you  
And your peace lies within that truth

**Kaycynn Smith, Grade 3  
Georgia Cyber Academy  
Atlanta, Georgia, USA**

## **21. WORLD PEACE BEGINS WITH ME!**

We believe there is a spark within each one of us  
That unites us all together  
As brothers and sisters of the world.  
If we harm one another  
Through thoughts, words or actions, Then we are directly or indirectly harming  
Ourselves.

## 22. PEACE

Peace is love. Peace is harmony.  
Peace is kindness and nonviolence. We all have peace.  
We are kind with peace.  
So c'mon, you will see.  
We shine in the light  
Because we are loving and kind.  
We shall be nice and do what is right.

**Kaiden Moton Grade 2  
Redan Elementary School  
Lithonia, Georgia, USA**

## 23. LIGHT FROM DARK

Racism is a beast with claws  
Sharp teeth, strong jaws  
Unfair treatment for rich man's profit Police dogs bite and bark  
You can stop it  
With a compassionate heart  
You can make light from dark

**James Hong, Grade 6  
High Meadows School  
Roswell, Georgia, USA**

## 24. WORLD PEACE ROSE GARDEN

A place of peace  
A place of remembrance  
A place to cease  
All of the encumbrance.  
In our community  
You can take an opportunity  
To meet in unity  
And escape the inhumanity  
Of humanity.

**Asher Solomon, Grade 8  
David T. Howard Middle School  
Atlanta, Georgia, USA**

## **25. I HAND YOU PEACE**

I hand you peace  
For peace is what you must seek  
Don't let the words  
Of others affect you in any way Neither should you react in anger  
If others are having trouble  
You must also hand them Peace.

**Jacob Sian, Grade 8  
St. Peter Claver Regional Catholic School  
Decatur, Georgia**

## **26. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.**

Martin Luther King Jr.  
did not fight with his hands.  
He fought with his words  
so that everyone would be equal.  
He led people in prayer and song. Because of his special talent for leadership, he helped  
change laws.

**Adedoyin Adeleke, Kindergarten  
Lillie E. Suder Elementary School Jonesboro, Georgia, USA**

## **27. I CAN'T FIND PEACE**

Peace, where have you gone?  
I can't find you in my mind.  
You're not there when it's time. Come back peace, we need you now! If you leave us forever  
we will never Come back together.

**Nazirah Muhammad, Grade 6  
The Blackstone Academy  
College Park, Georgia, USA**



## **28. THE MESSAGE ABOUT FORGIVENESS**

When you forgive you learn how to...  
Love; Care for others  
Respect one another; Teach one another  
Learn from your mistakes  
Be helpful...And be supportive  
When you forgive someone,  
You are also being forgiven

**Jaila Tisdale, Grade 8  
Hamilton Elementary School  
Stockton, California, USA**

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### **29. MOTHER EARTH**

**Wichapi Giago, Grade 4  
Red Cloud Elementary School  
Pine Ridge, South Dakota, USA**

### **30. A LETTER FOR THE WARRIOR SPIRIT OF MARTIN LUTHER KING**

**Nadia Jehade Al-ewaty  
B/Suhaila Prep. Girls, Grade 8  
(A United Nations Relief &  
Works Agency School) Gaza, State of Palestine**

### **31. AMEN**

**Rajita Rai, Class X  
Him Jyoti School  
Dehradun, Uttarakhand, India**

### **32. UNSTOPPABLE**

**Jiaqi Zhang, Grade 11  
Jinan Thomas School  
Jinan City, Shandong Province, China**

## Rose Petal Toss



TJ David & Sylvia Villalobos  
Co-Creators International World Peace Rose  
Gardens

