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### **MAYOR'S INTERFAITH BREAKFAST – JANUARY 18, 2016**

To provide an opportunity for Norman's diverse faith communities to come together, Mayor Cindy Rosenthal and the Norman Human Rights Commission invite the community to the Mayor's Interfaith Breakfast honoring the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

The event will take place on Monday, Jan. 18, at St. Joseph Catholic Church Family Center, 421 E. Acres (one block north of the church). Doors will open at 7 a.m. for breakfast with the program beginning at 7:30 a.m.

"It is always exciting to welcome our many diverse faith groups and the community at large as we come together for this joyous occasion. It has grown over the years and has become a tradition in the celebration of justice and equality," said Mayor Rosenthal.

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Charles Kimball, Presidential Professor and Director of Religious Studies at the University of Oklahoma. A widely renowned and respected scholar on the world's religions, Dr. Kimball will discuss "Hope for the Difficult Journey Ahead: Nurturing Healthy Interfaith Relationships."

Inspirational commentary and prayers will also be offered by leaders representing a number of diverse faiths.

"This event has grown in popularity in the last several years. It is a wonderful opportunity for the community to come together for the common purpose of enjoying and appreciating our diversity in faith, and gaining a better understanding of each other, as reflected by Dr. King's principles," said Kay Ham, Human Rights Commission Chair.

The event is free and open to the public. Please RSVP to [jayme.rowe@normanok.gov](mailto:jayme.rowe@normanok.gov) by Jan. 13.

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