

New York, NY
Gospel Fest 2004

Philadelphia, PA
Cheyney University
East Stop of the Underground Railroad

Washington D.C.
Howard University
Holocaust Museum

Hampton, VA
Hampton University—Voter Jam
The site of first student sit-in.

Raleigh, N.C.
Shaw University—Voter Jam

South Carolina
Voter Jam

Atlanta, GA
Spellman & Morehouse Colleges
Martin Luther King Center

Birmingham, AL
Malcolm X Center for Self-Determination

Montgomery, AL
Southern Poverty Law Center
The Civil Rights Memorial

Selma, AL
21st Century Youth Leadership Movement
Voter Jam

Meridian, MS
Mississippi Millennium Jam
Chaney Grave Site
Bring a stone from your community to place at the spot of the murders.

Philadelphia, MS
Mt. Zion Church
The church destroyed by KKK on June 21, 1964.

Jackson, MS
Race Against Racism/Call for Justice

Baton Rouge, LA
Southern University

Money, MS
The site of the murder of Emmitt Till.

Memphis, TN
The site where Dr. Martin Luther King was murdered.

Washington, D.C.
Capitol Building
Present a legislative proposal to members of Congress.

Freedom Summer Event Locations

FREEDOM SUMMER
2004

How You Can Participate

How you can participate in Freedom Summer 2004:

- **Join** us on the 2004 Freedom Ride.
- **Attend** any of the conferences or jams along the way
- **Sponsor** a Freedom Rider. This tax-deductible contribution to the James Earl Chaney Foundation will help defray expenses for transportation, meals and lodging.
- **Urge** others to support and participate in this historic event!

Who You Can Contact for Information

To find out more about the 2004 Freedom Ride or to make a contribution, contact:

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The Chaney Goodman Schwerner Justice Coalition

The Justice Coalition is a project of **The James Earl Chaney Foundation** human and civil rights organization. This project seeks to motivate America's citizens, regardless of ethnicity, sexuality or religion to:

- become a registered voter and vote in every election
- be more aware of voter issues
- be self educated in regard to public policy beyond what the politicians want them to know
- know their rights as humans and American citizens
- defend themselves and others when their rights are abridged or denied, and
- remember that James Chaney, Andrew Goodman, and Michael Schwerner were murdered, but their legacy lives in dedication to the goals of this foundation.

FREEDOM SUMMER 2004
40th Anniversary

Honor the sacrifices of civil rights activists - Freedom Summer 2004 Ride for Justice

June 9 – 25, 2004

Sponsored by The Chaney Goodman Schwerner Justice Coalition, a Project of The James Earl Chaney Foundation



Freedom Summer 2004: The 40th Anniversary of Freedom Summer 1964

Freedom Summer 1964 was a campaign for Black voter registration in the Deep South organized by young people everywhere whose sacrifices have created a more just society. It was during the Freedom Summer 1964 events that civil rights activists and Congress of Racial Equality (CORE) members James Earl Chaney, Michael Schwerner, and Andrew Goodman were murdered in Mississippi, while working to secure the rights of the poor and Black. In their memory, the Chaney Goodman Schwerner Justice Coalition will ride again for freedom and justice.

Freedom Rides were the acts of courageous individuals who sought to end the segregation of public transportation throughout the South. These individuals boarded buses, planes, and trains headed for the Deep South enduring harassment, beatings, and arrests as they tried to promote equality through non-violent strategies.

In a tribute to Freedom Summer 1964 and the original Freedom Rides the Justice Coalition is organizing Freedom Summer 2004. The Justice Coalition is sponsoring Freedom Summer for three main purposes:

- To remember and celebrate the sacrifices made by Chaney, Goodman, Schwerner, and other civil rights activists.
- To emphasize the continued need for voter registration, voter participation, voter education and the defense of suffrage rights.
- To encourage young voters to vote.

Freedom Summer 2004, a bus caravan traveling the route of the original Freedom Rides will visit key cities and sites important to the Civil Rights movement. During the journey, special celebratory events will be held at each stop with participation from civil rights, religious, political, social, entertainment, and sports organizations and individuals. The journey will culminate in Washington, D.C., where the participants will meet with members of U.S. Congress.

The Millennium Conference of Freedom Summer 2004 will conduct workshops to develop key legislative proposals for presentation to the U.S. Congress. Workshops will take place on the electronically linked Freedom Ride bus caravan; each bus will have a multimedia laptop computer linked to a website. This technology will enable people from around the country to help establish a national consensus on the issues of the conference.

Events

Throughout Freedom Summer 2004, Freedom Riders will hold voter jams at various historic sites and Historical Black Institutions and to increase voter registration.

Gospel Fest 2004, a grand gospel jamboree bringing together major gospel artists and choirs, will be held on the evening of June 9, 2004. This concert will emphasize the role of the Black church in America's fight for civil rights and will serve to bless the commemorative events to follow.

The Mississippi Millennium Jam is an entertainment spectacular on June 21, 2004 that will follow a dedication at the grave of James Earl Chaney. Entertainment events celebrating civil rights include a step show competition between various college campuses' fraternities and sororities and a concert featuring hip-hop and other headline artists.

The Day of Action—June 25, 2004—will mark the end of Freedom Summer 2004 with a formal presentation of Millennium Conference proposals to the U.S. Congress in Washington, D.C. Members of Congress and the White House will be invited to speak with the Freedom Summer participants, who will then be encouraged to visit their regional Congressional representatives to discuss the legislative proposals.



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