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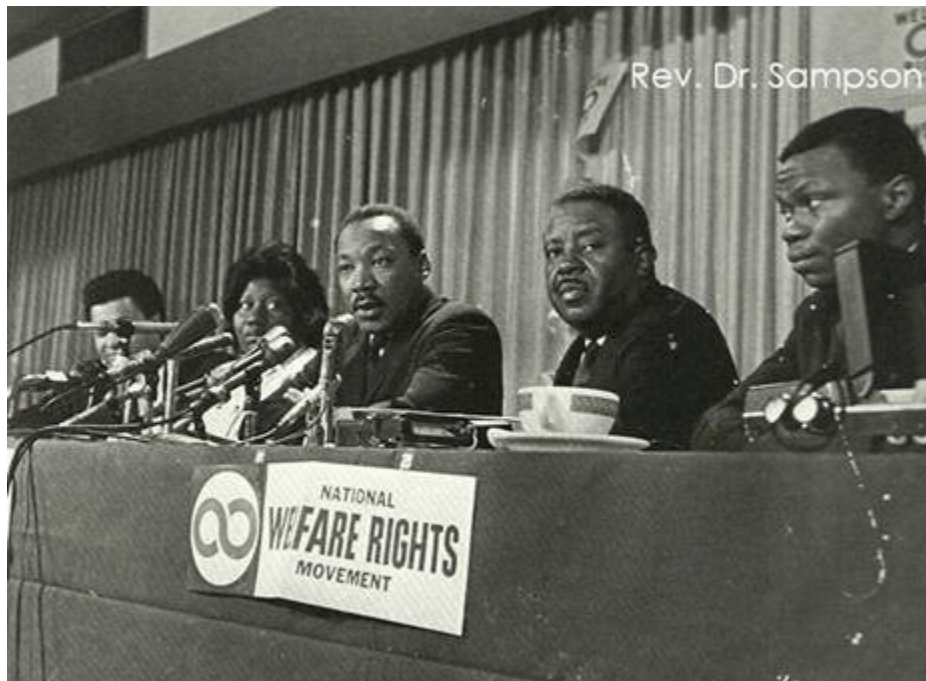
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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



University Park, IL—The Rev. Dr. Albert “Al” Sampson, one of the first graduates [of Governors State University](#) and among the last ministers ordained by the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., will mark the university’s the 50-year anniversary with an on-stage interview on Tuesday, February 26 at 7:30 p.m. in Sherman Hall.

The Rev. Dr. Otis Moss III, Senior Pastor of Trinity United Church of Christ, will provide opening remarks, and GSU English Professor Rashidah Muhammad will lead the discussion.

In "Reflections," Sampson will share highlights from his journey, which includes marching with King and later earning a master’s degree in cultural studies from GSU in 1973. He will bring an inspirational

message to students, encouraging them to help others.



“I want our students to understand why they are here at this university. GSU is an international jewel,” said Sampson, a retired United Methodist minister who now leads an initiative to draw young African Americans to the field of agriculture.

The GSU Foundation, in partnership with Student Life, is hosting the free event. Reservations are required. RSVP [here](#).

In 2019, GSU celebrates 50 years serving Chicago’s Southland through excellence in education.