

## DREAMING

“I have a dream...”  
Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968)

“...Your old men will dream dreams...”  
Joel 2:28

Dear Friends,

On this day when our nation remembers Martin Luther King, Jr. and his now famous “I have a dream” speech, this might be an appropriate time for each of us to reflect on our own dreams. A dream is something hoped for, longed for, something that is greatly desired... an ambition or aspiration. I think Dr. King is remembered not just for HAVING a dream, but for WORKING to see that dream come to fruition. I suspect those who have seen their dreams come true have not sat by and waited for something to happen; their dreams became a reality because of their hard work and God’s grace.

The above verse from the prophet Joel is comforting for those of us who have reached our later years. Even though I have “retired” and am now serving the church part-time, that doesn’t mean I don’t still have dreams and aspirations for the church. I have BIG dreams for the church but today when we honor Dr. King, I am reminded that BIG dreams sometimes take time. Maybe that’s why Joel writes about OLD men having dreams.

Don’t stop dreaming...and don’t stop working to make your dreams come true!

Blessings,  
Mike