

MARCH

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 life expectancy is shorter. We must stand up!"

Among March goals are registering eight million voters, development fund to support Black organizations and create businesses, along with calling


for an end to the abuse of women, says Nation of Islam leader, Minister Louis Farrakhan.

side by side in Washington, D.C. with a long list of the most talented and committed African American leaders from every religious affiliation, fraternal organization, civic and political persuasion: Christians, Moslems, Hebrews, Agnostics, Revolutionaries.

Locally, the goal of the Million Man March Committee in Las Vegas, Nevada is to encourage

thousands of African American men to join the millions of African American men from around the nation who will gather in Washington for the historic march. The local committee is comprised of African American males and females who have committed to spearheading the planning efforts for the Las Vegas community to participate in the Million Man March.

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The Million Man March will demonstrate to America the strength of a united African American community and the discipline of African American males in particular, contrary to the daily barrage of images by print and video mass media that portray African American males as criminals and other negative stereotypes.

Declared a "Holy Day" by a diverse group of Black religious leaders, the Million Man March is not simply a day to gather African American males to march, but is a "day of atonement" for Black men, according to Farrakhan.

"Before we can make a demand on government, we must make a demand on ourselves," says Farrakhan. "And if we make those demands on ourselves, it adds much more weight to the demands we make on the government and demands we intend to make on corporate America." African American men will have the opportunity to stand

CHAVIS

(Continued from Page 1) since its main organizer, Nation of Islam minister Louis Farrakhan, has spoken out in the past against whites, Jews, Catholics and gays, although he denies being bigoted. Farrakhan has also been criticised for excluding black women from the march, but Chavis said women will be included as speakers.

Newsweek has also reported that O.J. Simpson and his attorney Johnnie Cochran plan to attend in what may be Simpson's first public appearance since his release from prison last week. Sharp differences between blacks and whites on the verdict in Simpson's murder trial have made him a symbol of division between the races.

Chavis said the purpose of the march is to promote black unity and empowerment, family values and programmes to help blacks. Farrakhan called it a "day of atonement" for black men.

"This is not an anti-white demonstration, this is not an anti-Semitic demonstration, this is not an anti-Greek demonstration, this is not an anti-European demonstration, this is a pro-black demonstration," Chavis said.

"Unfortunately we live in a society where there is a racial divide and everytime black people try to do something positive, sometimes it gets interpreted negatively," he said.

Chavis pointed to the Simpson murder trial in his letter to Clinton seeking police protection, saying the trial exposed "racial hatred and bigotry by detective Mark Fuhrman and other police officials in California toward black people."

Chavis, forced to leave the NAACP after he authorised a \$300,000 payment out of the civil rights group's funds to settle sexual harassment charges against him, said Simpson would be welcome but he did not know if he would attend.

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(Continued from Page 1) was Simpson who pulled the plug. "I look forward to addressing all questions at a time when reason can prevail," Simpson said.

The unpaid appearance had been regarded as a bid by Simpson to clear his name in the

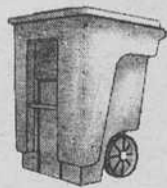
court of public opinion after a mostly black jury exonerated him on Oct. 3. Tens of millions of viewers were expected to tune in.

Angry callers had jammed the network's switchboards expressing outrage that Simpson was being given a public forum.

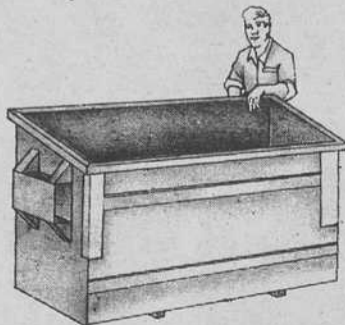
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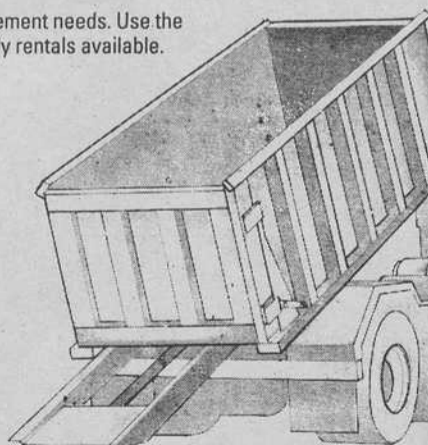
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