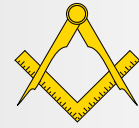


# Toussaint Louverture Lodge #524 Monthly Newsletter



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## Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Parade

The Martin Luther King Jr. parade on January 18 is an annual celebration for the City of High Point as we remember and honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The MLK parade is family friendly, entertaining, and fun. It's also an opportunity for businesses, social and community groups to make this city strong to come out and be recognized while supporting and making a difference. 10 Brothers representing Toussaint Louverture Lodge #524 weathered the storm with freezing rain and snow. It was a challenging parade but we maintained with pride for our lodge.



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## Sponsorship Awards

Past Master Rodney Charles presenting the John Coltrane Golf Tournament Sponsorship Awards to Chad White of the Winner's Circle Awards & Screen Printing and The National Association of Postal Supervisors Group.



## Toussaint Louverture

François-Dominique Toussaint Louverture (May 20, 1743 – April 7, 1803), also known as Toussaint L'Ouverture, was a Haitian general and the most prominent leader of the Haitian Revolution. During his life, Louverture first fought and allied with Spanish forces against Saint-Domingue Royalists, then joined with Republican France, becoming Governor-General-for-life of Saint-Domingue, and lastly fought against Bonaparte's republican troops.

As a revolutionary leader, Louverture displayed military and political acumen that helped transform the fledgling slave rebellion into a revolutionary movement. Along with Jean-Jacques Dessalines, Louverture is now known as one of the "Fathers of Haiti".

Toussaint Louverture and the Haitian revolutionaries he led effectively defeated Napoleon's forces in Saint-Domingue (Haiti), forcing France to abandon its colonial ambitions and leading to Haiti's independence, though Louverture himself was captured and died before the final victory, which was secured by his lieutenants like Dessalines. Napoleon's massive expedition to restore slavery failed, losing more troops to disease and combat than in later European wars, ultimately proving a devastating blow to his empire and forcing him to sell Louisiana to the U.S

## 2026 WORSHIPFUL MASTERS OF THE 21<sup>ST</sup> PHA MASONIC DISTRICT

- Anthony Graves-  
Toussaint Louverture  
Lodge #524
- Jake Jacobs- Florence  
Memorial Lodge #719
- Dorian Edwards-  
Morning Star Lodge #691
- Eric Vaughn-  
Mcleansville Lodge #621
- Floyd Smith- CW  
Lawrence Lodge #837
- Marvin Morgan- Luther  
Kimbrough Lodge #838
- Shaun Liggins- Saint  
Johns Lodge #12
- Willie Lunsford-  
Invincible Lodge #251



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## Brother Max Ingram



### Legacy of Brother Max Ingram



Max Macgyver Ingram, 86, passed away peacefully at home on December 31, 2025. He was born on October 9, 1939, in Lilesville, NC, to the late Sylvester and Eria Ingram. Max was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Josephine; his brothers Javester, Charles Ingram, and Ernest Wall.

As a young man, Max moved to High Point, NC, where he met the love of his life, Josephine Belton Ingram. Their 63-year marriage became the foundation of a family rooted in love, faith, and togetherness.

Max was employed at Drexel Heritage Furniture in High Point, NC, for 47 years before retiring—a testament to his work ethic, loyalty, and steady presence. He was a faithful and proud member of Temple Memorial Baptist Church (TMBC), where he served as Chairman of the Trustee Board, was a dedicated member of the TMBC Sunday School, and sang joyfully with the TMBC Voices of Temple Choir for many years.



Max was also deeply committed to fraternal and Masonic service. He served as Past Worshipful Master of Toussaint L'Ouverture Lodge #524 (PHA). He held membership in Hiram Chapter #56, Hiram of Tyre Council #1, and King Cyrus Commandry #5. He was Past Potentate of Abdallah Temple #189 (PHA), Past Worthy Patron of White Rose Chapter #157, Order of the Eastern Star (PHA), and a proud member of the Dedicated XII.

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# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

## Black History Month

Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in U.S. history. Also known as African American History Month, the event grew out of "Negro History Week," the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans. Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month.

Toussaint L'Ouverture Lodge #524 has a proud and distinguished heritage. Throughout the years, we have undertaken many charitable projects and civic involvement. We have received many awards for outstanding service to our community and craft. We are committed to the principles of Free Masonry. Our lodge stands today as a symbol of pride within our community. Having the courage, wisdom and faith begun with our forefathers, peace and harmony prevails within our lodge. Toussaint was a home to the Freedom Riders and the Wilmington Ten during the time of the Civil Rights Movement, such people as: Brother Ben Chavis, Past Master Brother Milton Fisk, and others.

## Service

### Birthdays

- Keith Lipscomb- February 15
- Robert Brown- February 26

### Anniversaries

- Carl Brand- February 22, 2001 (25 Years)
- Tony Davis- February 23, 2023 (3 Years)
- Jamie Kearns- February 23, 2023 (3 Years)

### Upcoming Events

- Toussaint Louverture Lodge #524 Meeting Night- February 12, 2026
- Valentine's Day- February 14, 2026
- Presidents Day- February 16, 2026
- Toussaint Louverture Lodge #524 Meeting Night- February 26, 2026
- Meet with White Rose Chapter #157- March 5, 2026



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