



## Florida Civil Rights Icon Addresses Past and Present Civil Rights Battles with Students on King's Birthday

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**January 23--**Over 500 students from The Potter's House Christian Academy attended Rev. HK Matthews' tribute to civil rights-both past and present this week. Matthews, a civil rights icon and minister, discussed his civil rights battles over the years and how he is currently dedicating himself to parental choice in education as an extension of his life's work. Matthews is a revered figure in the Florida civil rights movement and he marched with Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in Selma. Matthews then worked tirelessly in Pensacola and other Florida cities in the struggle for equality.

In addition to highlighting history, the assembly celebrated the progress the civil rights movement has made and was also a mouthpiece stressing school choice, especially when it comes to low-income parents. Taking place on Dr. King's birthday, Matthews discussed his tumultuous battles over the years in which he was jailed over 35 times.

Over 300 Potter's House students receive school choice scholarships.