

# PEACEMAKERS

## NELSON MANDELA



Nelson Mandela was a famous peacemaker that was born on July 18, 1918 and died on December 5, 2013. Nelson Mandela lived in South Africa where blacks and whites were segregated. Nelson used non-violent protest to help his city. At one point in his life he thought his quiet plan would not work so he made an armed group and planned to bomb certain buildings. He wanted to make a point about how important it was to not be segregated. He made sure that no one was hurt or killed but the government still considered him a

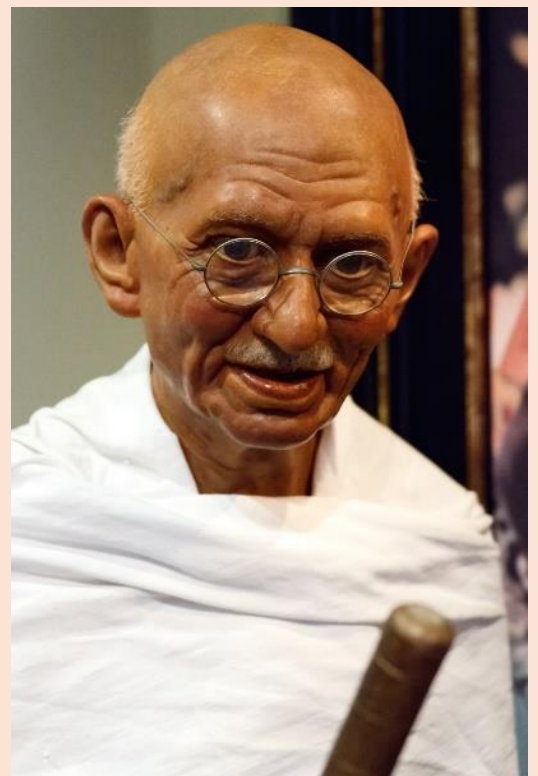
terrorist. He spent 27 years in prison. When he was in prison, he said he would rather die than change his mind about whites and blacks being treated unequal.

## MOHANDAS GANDHI

Mohandas Gandhi was born on October 2, 1869 and murdered on January 30, 1948. He was one of the most famous peacemakers in the world. He helped the people in India get freedom from the rulers in the British Empire. He came from a good family and was planning to study law. Once he was riding a train and had a first class ticket but was still thrown off of the train because he was a different color (Indian). Right then he decided that he would never tolerate segregation against skin color ever again.

*He always used nonviolent protest.*

*When he was arrested Gandhi refused to eat. This is called fasting. He was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize 5 times.*



# MARTIN LUTHER KING



Martin Luther King Jr was the leader of the Montgomery bus boycott. The bus boycott started in 1955 when a black woman named Rosa Parks would not give up her seat to a white person. She was arrested and Martin Luther King Jr took action. He called a meeting with all the blacks and told them not the use the bus. He told them to carpool, ride bikes, and walk. When they did that the city lost lots of money and they eventually made it illegal to make blacks get out of their seats when whites came.

On August 28, 1963 he delivered his famous "I have a dream" speech. He delivered it on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial.

Martin Luther King Jr was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1964. He was born in 1929 and was killed on April 4, 1968. He was only 39 years old when he was assassinated.

# MOTHER TERESA

Mother Teresa's real name was Agnes. When she turned 18, she decided to leave her home, live in a convent, and become a nun. That is when she took the name Teresa.

Her goal in life was to help everyone who felt unwanted and unloved. She was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 1979. When she won it she refused to have the banquet in her honor and told them to give all the money to the poor people in

India. She worked her entire life helping other people until she died in 1997. She was very humble and lived a simple life.

