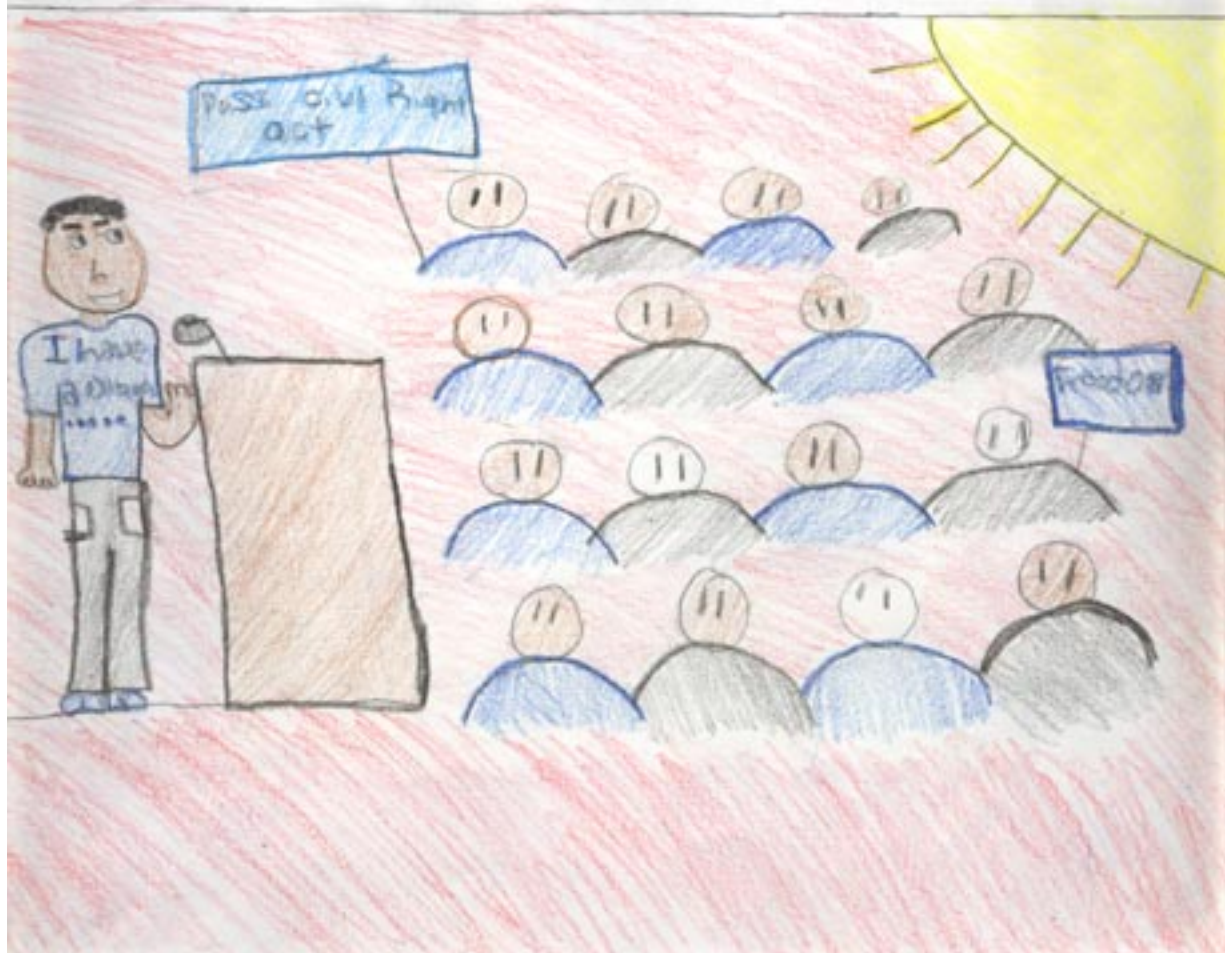


I dedicate this Book to  
my mom for being here,  
Also to Ms. Jones for  
teaching me and helping  
me make this book.

Did you ever hear about the March on Washington? Well, it all began in 1962. If you keep on reading you will find out what happened. This all happened when Martin Luther King JR gave the "I have a dream" speech right in Washington.





The march on Washington was planned one year ahead of time. In 1962 Philip Randolph and organizer, began to talk to Bayard Rustin about making a big scene in Washington. They wanted to congress to pass civil rights for all people. Randolph finally decided to have the march. There were only two months left to make the flyers and to get ready for the march. They want to make a good effort. It took a lot of money and people to plan the March on Washington.

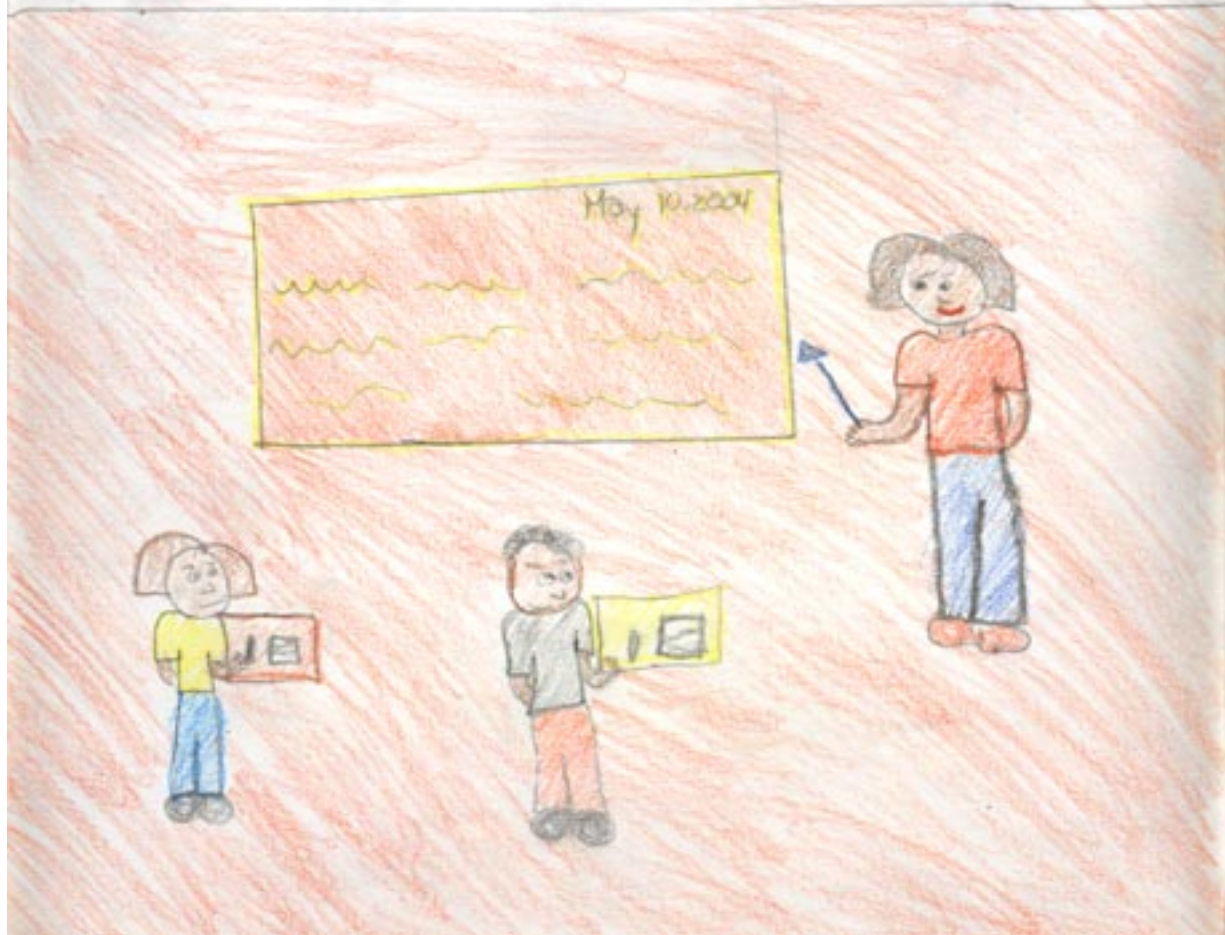




On the day of the march over 200,000 people came. President Kennedy tried to persuade the leaders to stop the march, but they went on. A lot of speakers were there, but the most important was Martin Luther King JR. During the March on Washington Dr King spoke about how much blacks needed freedom and peace. They wanted congress to change the law. They got their wish: blacks can achieve anything.



The March on Washington changed everyone's lives. On July 2, 1964 the civil rights act of 1964 was passed by congress. Now Blacks and Whites can drink at the same water fountain. We get to the same schools as Blacks and Whites. There's less murder just because people are of different colors. The March went down in history because of Martin Luther King's speech and many people came and participated.



The March played a very important role in people's life. As you read it was very hard to make a demonstration with a couple of people. Many people needed to come and participate. I think if we never had the march we would never be, as Martin Luther King JR said, "free at last free at last".

