MR. AND MRS. FRANKLIN DESHIELDS, left, who observed their silver wedding anniversary, Sunday, are shown with daughters, Jo Ann and Patricia, and at right, Mrs. Marion Jackson, an assisting hostess.

# Private Mass and reception mark DeShields' anniversary

Beginning the celebration of their silver wedding anniversary with a private mass in Saint Andrew's Chapel of Saint James' Episcopal Church, Saturday morning, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin DeShields were joined by friends for a gala reception in their Copley Road home that afternoon.

The double-ring ceremony in the morning was officiated at by the Rev. Fr. Donald O. Wilson, with Mrs. DeShields giving her husband a gold band, and he presenting a diamond studded band to her.

The afternoon reception, carried out in a color scheme of hot pink, from a magnificent tiered wedding cake posed on a bed of pink roses, snapdragons and carnations to the gown worn by Mrs. DeShields.

Silver candlebras held tall pink and silver candles. The dessert table was laden with fancy cakes and French pastries, and a fruit table held seasonal fruits and marinated grapes.

In the receiving line with the couple were his mother, Mrs. Effie Johns; an aunt, Mrs. Minerva DeShields, and the honorees' daughters, Misses JoAnn and Patricia DeShields. Guests were received at the door by Mrs. Elizabeth Demby, introduced to the line by Mrs. Emma Dudley, and directed to the refreshments by Ms. Marion Jones Jackson, who ended the line.

Also assisting as hostesses and host were Mrs. Elizabeth Phillips, Mrs. Ann Gaddis, Mrs. Louise Gaddis and Fatha Mohamed.

Background music was by William Boarderly.

Mr. and Mrs. DeShields are among the eminent caterers of Baltimore, and incidently, foods had a bit in the drama of their courtship. They met in the Fowler Drug Store, which, in those days was a gathering place for young people, and where sodas and ice cream were the piece de resistances. They were introduced by his sister-on-law, Mrs. Edith Gaddis, and eight months later were married.

Mrs. DeShields has long been an excellent cook, and he studied with some of the town's top caterers, including the late Charles Shipley.

Following their marriage they began serious study of foods, including retailing and wholesaling. They learned how to buy and prepare meats, and she added flower arranging and decorating to her skills. Their first venture in business was a restaurant and catering. This was disrupted by Urban Renewal, and they began specializing in catering.

Out-of-town guests here for the festivities incuded:

Mrs. Madeline Parason and Mrs. Maud Lacy of Haiti, Mrs. Hazel Rando and Stanley Banks of New York, Mr. and Mrs. James Gourdine of Camden, N.J., Mrs. Eddie Johns of Camden, N.J.,

George Jones of Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Minerva DeShields of Salisbury, Md., Mr. and Mrs. Jessye Gaddis Jr. of Salisbury, Major and Mrs. Jesse Harris of Washington.

Guests also included:

Messrs. and Mesdames Frank Jackson, Charles G. Lawson, William L. Collins, Edward Daniels, Joseph Felton, Matthew Carey, Ernest Johnson, Samuel Torsell, Albert Hawkins Sr., Ronald Rayne.

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The Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Donald O. Wilson and Dr. and Mrs. Robert J. Hill.

Mesdames Martha Payton, Louise Harris, Curtean Scales, Bessie Simms, Mayme Jackson, Verna W. Clay, Edna Stanford, Maude Straton, Helen Weatherford, Martha Snowden, Bessie Womack, Clarissa Matthews,

Mesdames Albert L. Hawkins Sr., Eleanor Jackson, LUCILLE Monroe, Rebecca Brown, Ethel S. Wright, Minnie Davis, Juanita J. Young, Leila Cooper, Melissa Fox, Anna Barland;

Misses Mary C. Allen, Carrie O. Johnson, Carol Hawkins, Shirley Jackson, Millie Wilson, Andrewenetta Nance, Margaret Gossaway, Inez Redmond; Margaret Madden, Karen Barland, Eleanor Fesco.

Mesdames Herbert Madden, Marguerite V. Smith, Sue Miles, Jane Harrison, Morris Smith, Deanna Brown, Anne Payne, Martha Thompson, Irene Day, Hattie Tilghman, Flossie Wright, Lee Ames, Prestie McCleon.

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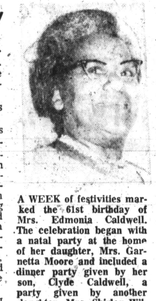

A WEEK of festivities marked the 61st birthday of Mrs. Edmonia Caldwell. The celebration began with a natal party at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Garnetta Moore and included a dinner party given by her son, Clyde Caldwell, a party given by another daughter, Mrs. Shirley Williams, a dinner party by another son, John Caldwell.

MRS. SANDRA EAST is the newly-elected president of the Maryland League of Women's Clubs.

## Test deadline is Wednesday

Applications for substitute clerk-carrier, for Baltimore City only, will be suspended on April 14, until further notice.

Applications received after that date will not be accepted unless received by mail and bear a postmark on or before the above date. Competitors who appear for walk-in testing will not be given consideration for appointment in Baltimore City Post Offices after April 14.

# New Center aids women with drinking problems

In an effort to help women who are alcoholics, the Baltimore City Health Department's Alcohoism Center has established a Women's Counseling Alcoholism Group.

The group under the leadership of Mrs. Emma L. Douglas, a City Health Department alcoholism counselor, meets weekly every Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Alcoholism Center, 2221 St. Paul St.

Open to all women who have a personal drinking problem, the group now has an enrollment of 22 women alcoholics.

Those interested may join the group by calling the Alcoholism Center, telephone 752-2000, extension 2756.

Under Mrs. Douglas' guidance the women alcoholics may have either group or individual counseling to alleviate their drinking problem.

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Mrs. Douglas, a Baltimore resident, received her alcoholism counselor certificate in 1969 in the department's training program.

She has had assignments working with male and female alcoholics at Spring Grove State Hospital and Baltimore City Hospital.

Presently, she is assigned to the Eastern District Municipal Court and works with alcoholics in the community through the Baltimore City Community Action Agency.

A graduate of Dunbar High School, Mrs. Douglas is continuing her education at the Community College of Baltimore majoring in mental health.

According to Mrs. Douglas, "women who have participated in the group activities for the most part feel that they are being helped with their drinking problem."

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'71" at the Temple of Oheb Shalom.

She is also one of the featured artists at Morgan State College in connection with the presentation of the Book-of-the-Month Committee's introduction of the "Black Woman," edited by Toni Cade.

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Among this town's folks who joined the Washington Chapter of Guardsmen, Sunday, when the latter held an "Affair in the Afternoon" at the Sheraton Silver Spring, in Silver Spring, Md., were:

Roger and Annie Johnson, Clements and Bea Nixon, Walter and Hellena Edmonds, Miles and Bernadine Harrison, Bill and Alice Pinderhughes, Dr. Robert Lloyd and Iris Mapp, Wilfred and Gwendolyn Seaborne, Dr. and Mrs. Billy Hall and John Lattimore and Helen Odom. Charles and Marie Hicks of Frederick, Md. were also at the luncheon, which began at 1:30 in the afternoon.

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Dr. and Mrs. Lonnie Green are back, this week, from a brief spring sojourn in Bermuda.

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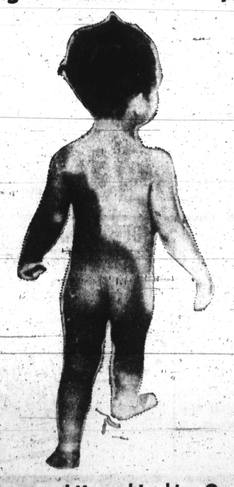

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CHURCH BANQUET — On Monday honored Wayland Baptist Church's new pastor, the Rev. Darneal F. Johnson Jr., shown here were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Darneal F. Johnson Sr. of Washington. Standing in center is Mrs. Bertha Winston, wife of Wayland's first pastor, the late Rev. W. W. Winston. Also guests, Mesdames Thealor Hood, Teaner Coleman and Joysia Livingston. Left, the Rev. A. C. D. Vaughn, Deacon Simon E. Jarvis and the Rev. M. J. Brackett.

PRE-NUPTIAL SMILES: Miss Ellen Marsha Mandel, daughter of Governor and Mrs. Marvin Mandel, and her fiance, Jack V. Kahn, of New York, flashed these smiles just prior to their wedding in the Governor's Mansion, Sunday.

# Wayland Baptist welcome banquet for new minister

By MARIE P. COOKE

There was standing room only in the Holiday Inn's main ballroom on Monday evening as over 350 Wayland Baptist Church members, friends and family gathered to honor the new pastor, the Rev. Darneal F. Johnson Jr.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson took over the Northwest Baltimore church last month succeeding the Rev. W. W. Payne who resigned after 23 years.

The $7 per person affair was a sellout a week ago.

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The Rev. Mr. Johnson, 32, a native and still resident of Washington, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Darneal Johnson Sr., also of Washington, who were present for the banquet.

The new pastor is a graduate of Howard University, Virginia University and Va. Seminary. He pastored Galilee Baptist Church in Montrose, Va. and Mt. Sinai Baptist in D.C. before coming to Baltimore.

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Wayland Baptist, which has over 2,000 names on its rolls, was founded in 1909 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thrower of the 1700 block Orleans St.

It took the name of a church in Mathews Co., Va., where many of the congregation once held membership.

Moving next to a store front building at 304 N. Ann St., the church was formally recognized and incorporated in 1910, when it called its first pastor, the late Rev. Willis J. Winston, who served for 31 years.

The congregation also purchased other buildings at 1200 E. Lexington St. and 10 years later at Broadway and Jefferson St. In 1932 the edifice moved to Monroe and Franklin.

Because of the rapid increase in membership, in 1964 negotiations began for a new church.

At a cost of $400,000.00 a new church was purchased on the corner of Garrison Boulevard and Fairview Ave. The congregation moved in March, 1966.

Some of the features of the new church are an educational building with 27 classrooms, studies for the pastor and assistant pastor, a public address system, church office, Sunday school office, and a nurse's room.

The air-conditioned main auditorium seats 1,400 and the chapel seats 300. It has a gymnasium and operates a day nursery.

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The new pastor is married to the former Miss Harriet Toppin and they have two sons, (who were dressed in white tuxedos with blue ruffled shirts for the banquet).

They are, Darneal, III, 7, and Gregory, 4. Lovely Mrs. Johnson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Toppin of California.

Deacon Simon E. Jarvis, long-time member of Wayland, was the toastmaster and Mrs. Carolyn McCamey extended greetings.

Mrs. Roselee Roberts sang the "Lord's Prayer" after the Rev. J. Edgar Henson, visitation minister of Wayland Baptist, gave the invocation.

More greetings came from the Rev. Montague Brackett, president of United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland and pastor of Central Baptist; the Rev. James A. Everett, president of the Baptist Ministers' Conference and pastor of New Shiloh Baptist, Turner Station.

Other musical selections were given by the Combined Choirs of Wayland and a solo by Alvin Cannon.

Arthur Murphy, administrative assistant to Gov. Marvin Mandel, represented the state's chief executive.

The Rev. Alfred Vaughn, pastor of Grace Memorial Baptist church, gave the benediction.

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The Rev. Mr. Johnson told his well-wishers: "You look like a beautiful flower garden. I thank the members of Wayland for being so gracious to us. You have done so many kind things for my wife and family.

"Now considering my task as I see the pastorship of such a great church, such as Wayland, which represents a cross section of people from every walk of life."

This couldn't have been a more realistic statement. This reporter saw people "from every walk of life."

For example, Mrs. Susie Hayes of 332 N. Booth St. who has been a member of Wayland for over 18 years.

Also in the audience were Mr. and Mrs. James Morton of Morton and Dyett Funeral Home. There, were big people and little people all around.

Especially exciting was the presentation of corsages by Mrs. Pauline Carter, Mrs. Ann Foster and Mrs. Helen Shaw.

Their flowers went to outstanding women in the church, who included members of the program committee, Mesdames Carolyn McCamey, chairman, Odessa Coates, co-chairman, Pauline Carter, Ann Foster, Susie Murphy, Helen Shaw, Carolyn Thompson, Mary Howie, Anna M. Stokes, and Lucille McCormack. Also Solomon Rose, and Clarence Landrum.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson added, "I feel that being pastor of a church such as Wayland and a city such as Baltimore will be challenging and also rewarding and with the faith and confidence that Wayland and I have in each other with God's help, we will overcome."

AMONG GUESTS on Monday were Mrs. Susie Hayes, the honorees, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Darneal Johnson Jr. and sons, Gregory, 4 and Darneal III, 7; and Arthur Murphy, administrative assistant to Governor Mandel, guest speaker.



MORE GUESTS who came out on Monday evening to honor the Rev. Darneal Johnson, new pastor of Wayland Baptist Church, were Mesdames Jeannie Parran and Geraldine Davis.

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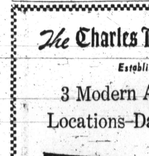

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