Banquet cited those who have made outstanding contributions

COL. JAMES WATKINS, deputy chief of patrol; Charles Rice and Johnie I. Boyles were presented certificates of honor.

HONOREES receiving certificates were (L to R) Mrs. Claudette Chandler, first woman to run for mayor of Baltimore; Mrs. Esther P. Brooks, a Christian worker and Fred Hanna, coordinator of the alcoholism program at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

AFRO'S president and chairman of the board received a certificate and a special plaque at the Baptist Minister's Conference on Monday. The certificates were from the Baptist Minister's Conference and the plaques were from the Baptist family of Maryland. From (L to R) are the Rev. Dr. Alfred C. D. Vaughn, president of the Baptist Minister's Conference; John J. Oliver, president of the AFRO; John H. Murphy III, AFRO chairman of the Board of Directors and Mrs9 Betty Boone.

MINISTERS receiving certificates of honor for community service were (L to R) the Reverends John Robinson, William Johnson and Fred White.

DR. CHESTER WICKWIRE, president of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance, extended greetings at the Monday night banquet.

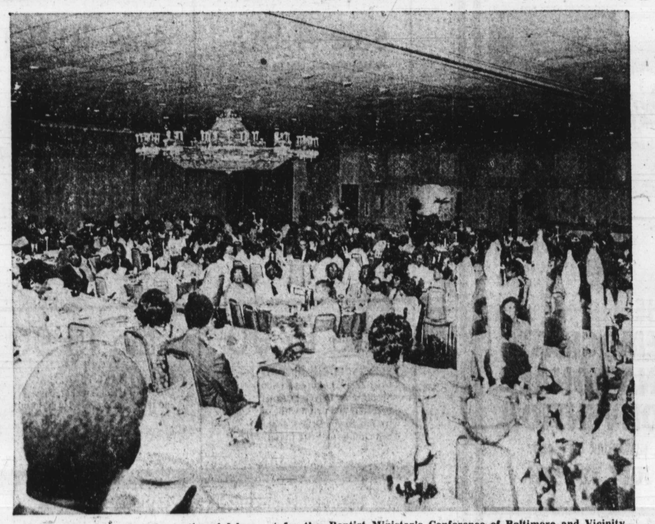
BISHOP H. I. WILLIAMS, of Fulton Baptist Church was among the participants on the program.

GUESTS at the head table were (L to R) the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. James Gray Jr. and Dr. and Mrs. William Rivers.

DR. JAMES GRAY extended greetings at the Baptist awards banquet.

THE REV. HAROLD DOBSON was the master of ceremonies for the Baptist banquet.

ATTENDING the Monday night Baptist banquet were the Rev. Samuel Redd, pastor of Mt. Ararat Baptist Church and his daughter, Miss Denise Redd.



500 GUESTS attended the testimonial banquet for the Baptist Minister's Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity that honored ministers and outstanding citizens of Baltimore.

4th annual testimonial gathering held by Baptist Ministers Conference cites 50 citizens for outstanding service

The fourth annual testimonial banquet for the Baptist Minister's Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity honored ministers of Baltimore and outstanding citizens June 21.

The Rev. Dr. Alfred C. D. Vaughn, president of the Baptist Minister's Conference, told the honorees, "We sought you out because we feel you have done a notable job."

The 50 citizens honored included ministers, educators, businessmen, executives and reporters.

Each was praised for "outstanding contribution to the Baltimore community and excellence in special fields."

The Rev. Dr. Vaughn also received gifts from the Baptist Ministers Conference, New Shiloh Baptist Church, the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Carter, Grace Memorial Baptist and a copy of Mrs. Weptanomoh W. Carter's new book, "The Black Ministers Wife as a Participant in the Redemptive Ministry of Her Husband."

The Rev. Dr. Carter, guest speaker, was described by the Rev. Dr. W. L. Pitts as "pastor, provider of fellowship and a Christian analyst."

The Rev. Dr. Carter spoke on "The Miracle of Faith," Hebrews, 11-1: "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen."

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The Rev. Harold Dobson presided at the banquet with 300 guests attending. Others on the program were Mrs. Mildred Williams, Dr. Charles Franklin of Sharon Baptist Church, Bishop H. I. Williams, Fulton Baptist Church; Mrs. Delores B. Johnson introduced the head table guests.

Greetings were by Cong. Parren J. Mitchell, the Rev. Dr. Julian Price, Dr. James Gray, Dr. Chester Wickwire, president of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance; Dr. Howard Cornish, Mrs. Ruth J. Pratt represented Dr. John Crew, superintendent of public schools; the Rev. William E. Johnson, Mrs. Lillian Johnson, Dr. W. L. Pitts, Dr. Eddie R. Wilson, pastor of Leadenhall Baptist Church.

The Rev. Dr. J. W. Kelly was program chairman. The Rev. Dr. William Rivers gave benediction.

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Citizens honred were Mesdames Wanda Dobson, Mildred Vaughn, mother of the Rev. Dr. Vaughn and his wife; Mrs. Lillian Vaughn, Ida Redd, Virginia Brown, Esther P. Brooks, Georgia Weldon, Lillian M. Johnson, Mary Mitchell.

Also, Lee Thornley Cheese, Roberta Williams, Guinevere Redd, Claudette Chandler, Patty Holliway, Mildred Williams and Miss Pam Widgeon.

Others were John J. Oliver Sr., president of the AFRO; John Murphy III, chairman of the board of directors of the AFRO; Col. James Watkins, Dr. Walter L. Parrish, Fred Hanna, Johnie I. Boyles, the Rev. Dr. Theodore C. Jackson Jr., Langston Talley, Charles Rice, Georgie W. Wright, the Rev. Wendell Phillips, George Collins.

The Rev. Dr. George A. Crawley, Dr. Homer Favor, the Reverends Dr. W. L. Clayton, R. M. Williams, Dr. Nathan Carter, Mrs. Joan Powell, Mrs. Weptenomoh W. Carter, G and M Oil Company, James Gustes and Rudolph Gustes.

Also receiving citations were Albert Dunton, the Rev. J. Woodard Kelly, the Rev. Julian Price, Dr. James Gray and the Rev. Nathaniel Higgs.

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VAUGHN FAMILY members shown are front (L to R) Corrogan Vaughn, Lynette Vaughn. Back row shows, Mrs. Lillian Vaughn, the Rev. Alfred C. D. Vaughn, pastor of Grace Memorial Baptist Church and his mother, Mrs. Mildred Vaughn. Not shown is the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn's youngest daughter, Cassandra Vaughn.

CERTIFICATES for outstanding community service went to (L to R) George W. Wright, Charles Rice, Langston Talley, chairman of the deacon board of Grace Memorial Baptist Church; the Rev. Dr. Theodore C. Jackson Jr., pastor of Gillis Memorial Christian Community Church; Miss Pam Widgeon, AFRO reporter and Col. James Watkins, deputy chief of patrols.

HONOREES RECEIVING PLAQUES for excellence in special fields were (L to R) Dr. R. M. Williams, church administrator; Dr. Nathan Carter, director of music, Morgan University; Mrs. Weptanomoh W. Carter, educator, writer and dean of continuing education, Maryland Baptist Center; the Rev. Dr. W. L. Clayton, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church and advisor of young ministers; Mrs. Joan Powell, educator; John J. Oliver Sr., president of the AFRO and John H. Murphy III, chairman of the AFRO board of directors.

OTHERS WHO RECEIVED certificates for outstanding community service was presented to Mrs. Ida Redd, Fred Hanna, Alfred Cheek, Dr. Walter L. Parrish, Mrs. Wanda Dobson, Mrs.

Georgia Wilson, Deacon Albert J. Dunstan, Mrs. Mary Williams, Mrs. Claudette Chandler, the Rev. Wendell Phillips, Mrs. Roberta Williams and Mrs. Lillian M. Johnson.

HEAD TABLE GUESTS at the fourth annual Baptist Minister's Conference banquet were (L to R) Bishop Harold Williams, Mrs. Ruth J. Pratt, senior educational officer of public schools; Mrs. Bessie Lawrence, Cong. Parren J. Mitchell, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Oliver, city editor of the AFRO; Harold Carter Jr., Miss Weptanomoh Carter and the Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Carter.

MRS. MILDRED WILLIAMS, a retired music teacher, was honored for her community services and received a gift from the Rev. Dr. Alfred C. D. Vaughn.

GUEST SPEAKER and Wife — The Rev. Dr. Harold A. Carter, pastor of New Shiloh Baptist Church, Fremont Ave. and Lanvale St., was the speaker at the Baptist Banquet. His wife, Mrs. Weptanomoh W. Carter, was honored for being an outstanding educator, writer and dean of continuing education at the Maryland Baptist Center.

THE REV. FRED WHITE director evangelism, Maryland Baptist Convention and Dr. J. L. Moore education visiting professor of Virginia Seminary were presented plaques from the Maryland Baptist Center.

MEMBERS of the Carter family shown (L to R) are Mrs. Lillie Belle Carter, the Rev. Nathan Mitchell Carter, Dr. Nathan Carter, director of Music, Morgan State University and his wife, Mrs. Jean Carter.

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