The living church

New events and personalities in the Metropolitan Baltimore

194th Methodist Conference expects crises

By Elizabeth M. Oliver

The Baltimore Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church will hold its 194th session from May 30 to June 2 on the campus of Frostburg State College with 1,700 lay and ministerial delegates attending.

Among highlights will be the assignment of the Rev. J. Lloyd Garrison, pastor of John Wesley Methodist Church at Bloomingdale and North ave. in Baltimore, to Howard Park Methodist Church at 5020 Gwynn Oak Ave.

The Rev. Mr. Garrison was retired recently and when some 1,500 persons attended a banquet in his honor he announced "I will take another church."

He succeeds Rev. Calvin Crossen who goes from the Howard Park Church to the prestigeous John Wesley pulpit.

A member of the Methodist church hierachy told the AFRO the shift of the Revs. Garrison and Crossen will result in a "split" at John Wesley.

Informed sources predict, "Members will follow Rev. Mr. Garrison to Howard Park just a mile and a half away. That's what they did when he was moved from Ames Methodist Church to John Wesley."

The AFRO was unable to reach Bishop James K. Mathews for comment. Bishop Matthews is the presiding prelate of the Baltimore Annual Conference.

Neither Rev. Garrison nor Rev. Crossen were available for comment.

An official at the United Methodist headquarters in Baltimore said no one can be sure of appointments until the announcement comes at the June 2 closing session.

More than 5,000 ministers, delegates and visiting congregations are expected to attend the final session.

Other highlights of the conference include the assignment of the Rev. George Stansbury to St. James Methodist on Monroe Street in Baltimore.

The Rev. Albert Hammond, who has been at St. James for 27 years, is expected to be moved to Central Somerfield Methodist Church on Wildwood Parkway.

District Superintendent Rev. Harold Johnson will be succeeded by Rev. Raymond Purnell who is now pastor of Rockville's Millian Memorial Methodist Church.

The Rev. Mr. Johnson, who has completed his term as a superintendent, will go to the Rockville church's pulpit.

This announcement is official, according to the church's communication office on Charles Street in Baltimore and will be the only change on the superintendent's level.

Some 100 ministers will be re-assigned. Some 20 or more ministers are up for retirement. The list of ministers to be ordained at the evening session May 31 was not complete at AFRO presstime.

The Baltimore Annual Conference usually meets either in Baltimore or Washington. The change to the Frostburg College campus marks the first time in 100 years the sessions have met in Western Maryland.

According to authorities, the Frostburg campus was chosen "because it is one of the few places in Maryland which will accomodate 1,700 or more persons."

The delegates, an equal number of laymen and clergy, come from all Methodist churches of Maryland west of the Susquehanna River; Washington, D.C., and three counties in West Virginia.

Members of the various congregations who are not delegates may attend but are not authorized to vote. All person will be lodged in the college dormatories and dine in the cafeterias.

All sessions will be held on the Field House main floor with delegates occupying assigned seats for business sessions.

The four-year conference theme set by the General Conference, the national body, is "Committed to Christ, called to change."

One point of major business is whether or not a church pastor will provide his or her own furniture for the parsonage. The Methodist church has some women ministers. All parsonages are provided by the particular congregation.

An official at the Baltimore headquarters said a committee was appointed at the last annual conference to study the furniture question.

The panel recommendation to the 1978 conference will be that each minister provide his own furniture but the delegates will have to vote on the matter.

As to pensions for retired pastors, the conference acts each year to set the pension rate for the coming year.

Musicians from the Frostburg community will provide music. The pageant which highlights United Methodist Church heritage in Western Maryland is scheduled for the evening session May 30. The Conference Historical Society with the Rev. Edwin Shell executive director sponsors the affair.

Ms. Mareda Gaithers Graves

St. Katherine's spring concert

The Church of St. Katherine of Alexandria, Presstman and Division Sts., will present Ms. Mareda Gaither Graves in concert on May 21, 4 p.m.

The recital is being sponsored for the sole purpose of aiding young artists and to serve as a beacon to young people to aspire to greater things.

The recital is the fourth of five recitals to be presented this spring in the Lois J. Wright Memorial Concert series.

Ms. Graves has received international acclaim as an outstanding vocal artist. Her program will include works by Handel, Schubert, Faure, Bachelet Grandos and Carter.

Her brilliant career as a recitalist is marked by appearances at Town Hall in New York, the Jeunesses Musicals Center in Montreal, Canada, the Paris Conservatory and the French National Radio.

A native of Baltimore, Ms. Graves received her formal musicial training at Juilliard School of Music and Ithaca College, where she earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in voice.

The next recital sponsored by The Church of St. Katherine of Alexandria will be held June 18, 4 p.m. at the church when the group will present Gregory Thompson.

Metro church briefs

A retirement banquet for the Rev. Arthur W. White will be held May 20 at the Holiday Inn downtown at 6 p.m. Rev. White has been a minister for 44 years and pastor of St. Matthews United Methodist Church, 416 East 23rd St., since 1972. He plans to retire following the annual conference in June.

Women's Day will be observed at Unity United Methodist Church, Edmondson Avenue and Stricker Street on May 21.

The Rev. Mrs. Sarah Johnson of Gillis Memorial Community Church is the 11 a.m. speaker. Dinner will be served following the 11 a.m. services. Mrs. Cornelia C. Cummings is chairperson, the Rev. William H. Peters is pastor.

The Willing Aide Auxiliary of First United Church, 3400 Copley Road will sponsor a bazaar on May 20, 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. at the church.

There will be quilts, aprons, cakes, pies, afghans and other articles on sale. There will also be rides in the evening for children. Ms. Mae McLain is president, the Rev. Dr. Monroe R. Saunders is pastor.

The women of Trinity Presbyterian Church, Walbrook Ave. and Ellamont St., will sponsor a luncheon on May 20. Mrs. Ida V. Ellis is the speaker.

Mrs. Cornelia Lake Smith will be the 11 a.m. speaker for Women's Day at Trinity Presbyterian on May 21. She is the president of the United Church Women of Maryland. Mrs. Edna M. Coleman is chairperson.

Members of St. Luke Choral Ensemble will present the Baltimore Fellowship Choir in concert on May 21, 6 p.m. Ms. Deborah Fields is chairperson, Mrs. Joyce Owens is president.

Mrs. Marguerite Campbell will be the speaker for Women's Day May 21 at the 12:30 mass at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church, 1546 Fremont Ave.

The Gold Leaf Circle of Emmanuel Christian Community Church, 1210 Latvale St., will present Purcell Taylor in a recital on May 21, 4 p.m.

85TH ANNIVERSARY — Members of Enon Baptist Church, Edmondson Avenue and Schroeder Street, will celebrate the 85th anniversary of their church on May 21. The Rev. Marshall Shepherd Jr., pastor of Mount Olivet Tabernacle Baptist Church, Philadelphia, Pa., will be the 5 p.m. speaker. The Rev. Porter W. Phillips will be preaching at the 11 a.m. services.

Youth Day will be observed May 21 at John Wesley United Methodist Church, where the Rev. J. Lloyd Garrison is pastor.

Their theme is "Youth United in Christ Facing the Challenges in Changing." The Rev. Kevin Rogers, assistant pastor of Ivory Temple Baptist Church is the 11 a.m. speaker and Ms. Estelle Gross is the 3 p.m. speaker.

United Christian Citizens will present their annual spring concert on May 21, 7 p.m. at Grace United Methodist Church, Charles Street and Belvedere Avenue.

Mrs. Myrna Powell will be the 11 a.m. speaker for Women's Day on May 21 at Lewin United Methodist Church 4820 Reisterstown Rd. The Rev. St. George Crosse is pastor.

Dinner will be served following the 11 a.m. services and the Rev. Ms. Alfreda Wiggins is the 3 p.m. speaker. Their theme is "Women Praying," Praising and Working for Christ."

The 32nd annual Women's Day will be celebrated May 28, 11 a.m. at Cherry Hill United Methodist Church, 3225 Round Rd.

Mrs. Sarah Johnson is scheduled to speak at the 11 a.m. services and a pageant will be held at 3:30 p.m. - Mrs. Doris C. Jones is chairperson; Mrs. Estella Beckett, co-chairperson; the Rev. James H. Wooten is pastor.

Annual Women's Day will be observed May 28 by the Women of Greater Olivet Baptist Church, 3500 Edmondson Ave., The Rev. W. S. Watson is pastor.

The Rev. David E. Gaines is the 11 a.m. speaker and a drama entitled "Five Foolish Virgins, Five Wise Women," will be held at 3:30 p.m. Mrs. Louise Thomas, chairman.

The senior male ushers of Shiloh Christian Community Church will sponsor a trip to Hershey, Pa., on May 29. For ticket information call 362 - 8012.

Mrs. Susie E. Murphy will be honored at a birthday tribute on May 26, 7:30 p.m. at Wayland Baptist Church, 3200 Garrison Blvd.

The Baltimore Symphony under the direction of William Henry Curry will conduct a "Joyful Sounds" concert in combination with the combined choirs of New Psalmist Baptist Church.

The Voices of Psalmist will be directed by Miss Yvonne Greene. The concert will be held at Lake Clifton Senior High School on St. Lo Drive at 8 p.m. The Rev. Walter Scott Thomas is pastor of the church located at Franklin and Cathedral Streets.

Members of Metropolitan United Methodist Church, 1121 W. Lanvale Street invite you to attend a piano recital at Metropolitan, Sunday, May 21, at 5:00 p.m. The gifted young artist is Miss Linda Kobler.

Miss Kobler was born in New York City. She studied privately with Richard Goode and Leon Fleisher, the associate conductor of the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra. She holds two bachelor of music degrees: one in piano and the other in harpsichord, from the Peabody Conservatory of Music, where she studied with Lillian Freundlich and Shirley Mathews. A scholarship student at the Juilliard School of Music, Miss Kobler earned the master's degree in piano and harpsichord, working with Irwin Freundlich and Albert Fuller.

The young artist has played recitals on both piano and harpsichord and has been the recipient of numerous awards.

Currently, Miss Kobler is teaching at the Juilliard School of Music.

The B'Nai Jacob Sisterhood will sponsor a clothing sale on May 21 at the Congregation Building, 6605 Liberty Rd., from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dorothy Main are chairpersons, Mrs. Phyllis DeShaco is president, the Rev. William J. Hunt is pastor.

The Courtesy Guild of Friendship Baptist Church, 346 Denison St., will present the Harlem Park Community Baptist Choir in concert on May 19, 7:30 p.m.

The Rev. Raymond Kelly is pastor of Harlem Park Community Church and the Rev. William McCoy is pastor of Friendship Baptist.

ENON TENNIS CLUB—A fund raiser will be held May 27, at 2135 Edmondson Ave., to support Enon Baptist Church tennis club. Shown from (L) are Ray Shoates, instructor of the tennis club, Misses Vicky Hicks, Sheila Austin and Jackie Barnett. For additional information on the club call 669-8882 or 383-6825.

Morgan student ordained as priest

The Rev. Calvin R. Griffin was ordained to the Sacred Order of Priests recently at St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Wilmington, N.C. The Ordinary and Celebrant was the Rt. Rev. Hunley Agee Elebash, bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of East Carolina.

The Rev. C. Thomas Midyette III, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Beaufort, N.C., was the preacher. Mrs. Regina Griffin, wife of Father Griffin, was one of the presenters.

Father Griffin received his call to St. Mark's in August, 1977 and was ordained deacon Oct. 18, 1977. He is now rector of St. Mark's Church.

Father Griffin is a native of Baltimore and graduated from Morgan State University in May, 1973. He then attended the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary and St. Charles Catholic Seminary in Philadelphia, Pa. He received his Master of Divinity degree in May, 1976 from Eastern Seminary and has also studied Anglican (Episcopal) theology and history in the Diocese of Pennsylvania in which he was confirmed in 1975.

Attending the ordination of Griffin to the priesthood was his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Griffin of Baltimore.

All night services May 19 at Bethel

All night preaching and singing services will be held May 19 at Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Druid Hill Avenue and Lanvale Street. The Rev. Dr. John R. Bryant is pastor.

Services will start at midnight and continue until 6 a.m. when breakfast will be served at the church. Rev. Bryant will be presiding with six associate ministers of Bethel preaching.

Ministers who will be speaking are the Reverends Patricia Pride, Vivian Gastin, Marie Cooke, Michael Thomas and Edgar Carter.

Music will be provided by the choirs of Bethel and communion will be served at 3 a.m.

The theme for the services is "Seeking the Spirit."

Rev. Bryant stated, "Come witness the word of God preached and the songs of Zion sung. Pray that the Holy Ghost will move from heart to heart and breast to breast."

Mrs. Terrie W. Gilmore taught in city schools

Funeral services for Mrs. Terrie W. Gilmore, a longtime Baltimore city public school educator, were held May 16 at Union Baptist Church.

The Rev. Vernon Dobson and the Rev. Baxter Matthews presided at the services followed with burial in Arbutus Memorial Park.

Mrs. Gilmore was the wife of John Marshall Gilmore and the sister of the late Naomi W. Smith and the late Chauncey Walker. She died on May 10.

Mrs. Gilmore was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Winnie) Walker and was born in the village of Amburg, Va. During her youth she was an active member of First Baptist Church there.

She was educated in the Amburg, Va. schools and was inspired by her first teacher and cousin, John Henry St. Clair Walker, to pursue a career in teaching.

Later when the Walker family moved to Baltimore, Mrs. Gilmore was graduated with honors from the Frederick Douglass High School, Coppin Normal School and Morgan State University. She also did graduate work at New York University.

During her career in the Baltimore City Public School System, Mrs. Gilmore was a demonstration teacher, taught first grade, adult evening school, primary, intermediate special education and exceptional classes.

Many should remember Mrs. Gilmore for her days spent at the Francis Woods School No. 176, Madison Square Elementary School No. 26 and the Benjamin Banneker Elementary School No. 113.

Upon retiring from the school system, Mrs. Gilmore became a member of the Baltimore City Retired Pacesetters Inc. and continued to become involved in community projects.

She also served as a real estate agent and superintendent for the Mutual Benefit Society of Baltimore.

Among her many hobbies were creative writing, public speaking, playing cards, taking pictures, caring for flowers and entertaining friends.

Mrs. Gilmore was also involved and affiliated with numerous organizations. She was a founder and member of Circulus Scholarum, Coppin State College Honor Society, a member of the National Honor Society of all High Schools in America, the National Business and Professional Women's Club, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Urban League, the YWCA, the executive board of the New Area Neighborhood Association and vice president of her neighborhood association.

Mrs. Gilmore served on many committees for the mayor of the city of Baltimore in addition to being a very active member of Union Baptist Church. There she was a member of the Dime Circle and was chairman of the Union Baptist Church Missionary Society Program Committee. Mrs. Gilmore was also a member of the Toujours Amies Social Club.

Mrs. Helen Jones was a teacher

By Eloise Richardson

Mrs. Helen Savoy Jones, 76, a native of Annapolis, died recently at her residence after a lengthy illness.

Funeral services were conducted at Mt. Moriah AME Church by the minister, the Rev. Roger Hall-Reed.

Remarks were made by the Rev. P. H. Franklin, pastor of the St. Mark's Church of Christ at Baltimore.

Mrs. Jones, one of the first five high school graduates of the old Stanton School in Annapolis was also a graduate of Kittrell College in North Carolina. She did further study at Bowie State Normal and Morgan University. She was a pioneer in the field of education.

For 30 years she taught in the elementary schools of Anne Arundel and St. Mary's counties. After retirement, she worked under the Adult Recreation Program, when she taught adults and pre - school children.

In 1946 she set up a private school for pre - school children, which she operated for 12 years in College Creek Terrace. Afterwards, in moving her residence to Parole, she continued working with a small group of children, which flourished, making it necessary for her to locate in larger quarters.

Mrs. Jones had also worked in the U.S. Treasury Department and for the War Production Board in Washington, D.C.

An active member of Mt. Moriah Church since 1915, she was the first woman to be appointed to the Trustee Board. She served in this capacity for 40 years. She was a member of the Senior Choir for 50 years. She also served as a class leader, church clerk and Sunday School teacher.

Mrs. Jones had been a member of the El Progresso Art Club of Annapolis for 50 years. In 1976 she was honored at a testimonial dinner by citizens of the community and former students.

She is survived by her husband, Walter Jones; a foster daughter, Mrs. Louise Foster of Des Moines, Iowa; a foster son, Johnny Downs of Annapolis; two nieces, Mrs. Ruby King and Mrs. Ella Mayes, both of Annapolis; four nephews, James Jefferson of Washington, D.C, Charles Jefferson of Baltimore, Clayton Savoy of San Antonio, Texas, and Briscoe Savoy of Annapolis.

Mr. S.U. Davis, 81

Sumner Ulysses Davis died May 16 in Lutheran Hospital. Funeral services will be held May 20, noon at John Wesley United Methodist Church, 3200 North Ave.

The family will receive friends May 19, 7 to 9 p.m. at the church.

Mr. Davis, 81, lived in the 1300 block of Division St., for 78 years. For 43 years, he was employed for the Butler Brothers.

A life member of John Wesley United Methodist Church, Mr. Davis served as a steard trustee, financial secretary, church school superintendent and lay leader of the former South Baltimore District and District Conference Steward.

He was a member of the Masons and past master of Morning Star Lodge No. 44; secretary of the lodge and past commander in chief of Hiram Consistory.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Thelma Gamby Benns; a granddaughter, Mrs. Barbara Gamby Hudgson; five great - grandchildren; one great - great - grandchild.

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Prayer breakfast

The youth of City Temple of Baltimore Baptist Church, Dolphin Street and Eutaw Place, will sponsor a prayer breakfast May 20, 9 a.m. at their church.

Youth speakers will be Miss Theresa Rose and John White III with Gary Knight at soloist.

The purpose of the breakfast is to bring young people together and establish a better relationship with their parents and adults.

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FIFTY-SECOND ANNUAL SESSION

Tuesday, May 23-26, 1978 10:00 A.M.

THEME: "FROM ROOTS TO FRUITS"

Mt. Moriah Baptist Church

2201 Garrison Blvd. Baltimore, Maryland 21216

Rev. Arthur Benn, Host Pastor
Rev. Dr. C. C. Alexander, President — Parent Body

Mrs. Betty L. Johnson, President — Women's Convention
Mrs. Minnie Washington, Director — Young People's Dept.

Mrs. Jacqueline Brooks, President — Sunday School and B.T.U. Convention

TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 17, 1978
Rev. Dr. C. C. Alexander, Presiding

9:45 - 10:100 A.M. Worship ..... Rev. J. L. Leary, Rev. Alex Young
10:00 - 11:00 A.M. BUSINESS OF THE CONVENTION
Reading and adoption of program
Enrollment of Delegates
Appointments of Committees
Welcome ..... Rev. Arthur Benn
Music ..... Convention Musician
Response
Reports:
Corresponding Secretary ..... Rev. Richard Ogle, IV
Treasurer ..... Rev. Darnell Johnson
Bookkeeper ..... Rev. Rod B. Johnson, Jr.
Md. Baptist Aged Home ..... Rev. Arthur Jones
FRED ..... Rev. Lorenzo Graves
Field Representative ..... Rev. William Chambers
Auditor ..... Rev. Nathaniel Higgs
Md. Baptist Center ..... Rev. E. M. Revels
Missionary Reports
Home ..... Rev. James Ball
Foreign ..... Rev. Clifford Johnson
Recognition of Visitors ..... Rev. Charles Fletcher
Offering ..... The Courtesy Committee
11:00 - 12:00 Noon WORKSHOP: Higher Education
Music
Introductory Sermon ..... Rev. Parrish Thompson
Alternate ..... Rev. Leroy Newman
Benediction ..... Rev. J. B. Simon
LUNCH

TUESDAY AFTERNOON
Rev. M. R. Silver, 1st Vice President, Presiding

1:45 - 2:00 P.M. WORSHIP ..... Rev. John Woods, Rev. Leroy Jarrison
2:00 - 3:00 P.M. WORKSHOP: URBAN PROBLEMS
Dr. Homer F. Favor
3:00 P.M. Music ..... Eastside Baptist Church Choir
Reading and Adoption of Morning Journal
Music ..... Eastside Choir
Acknowledgement of Visitors ..... Courtesy Committee
Music ..... Eastside Choir
Introduction of the President ..... Rev. Lorenzo Graves
Solo ..... Mrs. Betty L. Johnson
President's Address ..... Rev. Dr. C. C. Alexander
Offering
Report of Nominating Committee
Installation of Officers ..... Rev. W. L. Clayton
Prayer of Re-dedication ..... Rev. Mahlaquia Brackett
Benediction ..... Rev. J. W. Kelly

TUESDAY EVENING
Rev. Dr. C. C. Alexander and Mrs. Jacqueline Brooks, Presiding

7:00 P.M. DEVOTIONS ..... Worship Committee, S.S. - B.T.U. Convention of Md.
Meditative Thoughts
Reading and Adoption of Afternoon Journal ..... Parent Body
Business of the Parent Body
Selection ..... Youth Choir, Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Welcome ..... Rev. Lester Hamerlck
Selection ..... Ida M. Redd Echoes
Greetings
Christian Education Emphasis ..... Mr. Charles Cager
General Offering ..... Offertory
Introduction of Speaker
Mt. Zion Youth Choir
Christian Education Message ..... Rev. Mark Riddix
Alternate ..... Rev. James Ball
Selection ..... Mt. Zion Youth Choir
Meditative Thoughts ..... Mrs. Doris Collier
Benediction

WOMEN'S AUXILIARY
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, early Study Classes
Miss Laura Whitfield

WEDNESDAY, MAY 24, 1978
Presidents C. C. Alexander and Betty L. Johnson, Presiding

10:00 A.M. DEVOTIONS ..... Worship Committee, Mrs. Ola Mae Johnson & Mrs. Inez Young
10:20 A.M. OPENING REMARKS ..... Dr. C. C. Alexander
Formal Opening of the Women's Auxiliary Session Mrs. Betty L. Johnson
Theme Song ..... "Sweet Peace, the Gift of God's Love"
Welcome ..... Mrs. Inez Hunt
Response ..... Mt. Moriah Baptist Church
11:30 A.M. Announcements
WORKSHOP
12:00 P.M. DOCTRINAL SERMON ..... Rev. Harold Carter
Alternate ..... Rev. Vernon Dobson
Benediction
LUNCH

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON
Mrs. Mildred Nelson, President at Large & Mrs. Minnie Washington, Director, Young People's Department — Presiding
Theme: Jesus the Hope of the World "His Peace; His Power; His Presence Our Home Secures"
THEME: "His Peace Our Hope Secures"

2:00 P.M. Music ..... Women's Chorus, Faith Baptist Church, Mrs. C. McLeod, Director
Moments of Meditation ..... The Worship Comm.
Scriptural Meditation ..... "His Peace Our Hope Secures"
Rev. W. W. Payne, City Temple
Report from Young People's Department ..... Mrs. Minnie Washington
Music ..... Women's Choral, Faith Baptist Church
Announcements ..... Publicity Committee, Mrs. Marjorie Green & Mrs. Margaret DeShaze
Memorial and Tribute Service ..... Mrs. Rosie Keene and Committee
Recognition of Life Members ..... Mrs. Amanda Mantus
Recognition of Officers ..... Presidents, Chairmen, Co-Chairmen, District Leaders, Committee Members
Acknowledgement of Visitors ..... Courtesy Committee
Music ..... Women's Choral, Faith Baptist Church
Offering
Introduction of Speaker ..... Mrs. Maggie Green
Music ..... Women's Choral, Faith Baptist Church
Speaker ..... Dr. Elizabeth Johnson
Music ..... Women's Chorus
Adjournment

YOUNG PEOPLE'S DEPARTMENT — ANNUAL SESSION
President Sheila King, 1st Vice President, Carolyn Murphy Presiding

4:30 P.M. THEME
WORSHIP ..... Deborah Washington, Doris Harbwell
Welcome ..... Miss Sonia Bands, Mt. Moriah Baptist Church
PRESENTATION OF AWARDS TO THE WINNERS OF THE CHRIST AND FINE ARTS FESTIVAL
Mrs. Charlotte Brooks, Mrs. Theophra Silver
President Betty L. Johnson, Rev. Carl L. Washington
Dr. George Crawley, Dr. Eddie Wilson
Mrs. Bettye Graves, Mrs. Ida Redd, Mrs. Maggie Green
Music ..... Young People's Choir, St. Paul Baptist Church
Greetings ..... Miss Madeline Arthur, Associate Director, Y.P.D.
Presentation of the Young People of the Southern District ..... Mrs. Sarah Richardson, Nettie Clark
Greetings (2 minutes each)
Patricia Leader, Dorothy Ransom, Esther Brown, Marie Jennings, Murphy (Counselors)
Solo ..... Adrian Johnson
Introduction of the President of the Young People's Department Carolyn Murphy
Music ..... Young People's Choir, St. Paul Baptist Church
The President's Annual Address ..... Miss Sheila King, St. Paul Baptist Church
Music ..... Choir, St. Paul Baptist Church
Offering ..... Jonathan Hawkins, Kevin Talbott, Duane Leader, Gary Ray
Remarks ..... President Betty L. Johnson, President C. C. Alexander

EVENING SESSION
President Sheila King, Miss Robin Tatum and Mrs. Clara Hall, Presiding

7:00 P.M. WORSHIP ..... Worship Committee, Young People's Choir
Music ..... Mt. Moriah Baptist Church
Greetings (2 minutes each) ..... Mrs. Myrna Powell, Mrs. Betty Tisdale, Ms. Evelyn Glenn
Recognition of Officers ..... Director Minnie R. Washington
Music ..... Choir, Mt. Moriah Baptist Church
Introduction of Guest Speaker ..... Miss Connie Walker
Music ..... Choirs, Jones Tabernacle Baptist Church
Sermon ..... Rev. Arthur Jones, Pastor, Jones Tabernacle Baptist Church
Offering ..... Samonize West, Cassandra Sutton, Betty Tisdale
Remarks ..... President Betty L. Johnson, President C. C. Alexander
Benediction

THURSDAY MORNING — May 25, 1978
Mrs. Ida M. Reed and Miss Laura C. Whitfield, Presiding
THEME: "His Power Our Hope Secures"

WORSHIP ..... Worship Committee
Scriptural Meditation ..... "His Power Our Hope Secures"
Rev. Harley Wilson, Pastor, Israel Baptist Church
Music ..... Convention Choir
Greetings: (2 minutes each)
Mrs. Jacqueline Brooks ..... President, S.S. & B.T.U. Auxiliary of the U.B.M.C. of Maryland
Mrs. Mildred Nelson ..... President, Women's Auxiliary of the Baptist Association of Southern Maryland and Vicinity
Mrs. Maggie Ginn ..... Progressive State Convention
Mrs. Carol Myers ..... President, CWU Greater Baltimore Unit
Mrs. Emily Ulmer ..... President, Women's Missionary Union
Mrs. Cornelia Lake Smith ..... President, CWU in Maryland
Mrs. Thelma Culp ..... President, Maryland Baptist Convention
Mrs. Malinda Williams ..... President, United Baptist Women Of Maryland
Mrs. Harriet Johnson ..... President, Women's Auxiliary Progressive Convention, State of Maryland
Miss Laura Whitfield ..... American Baptist Women in the South
Rev. J. Melvin Griffin ..... Maryland Bible Society
Music ..... Convention Choir
Offering
Introduction of the Minister ..... Mrs. Mary E. Harrington
Solo
SERMON ..... Reverend L. L. Swinson, Minister of the New Metropolitan Baptist Church
Alternate ..... Rev. Thomas Taylor, 1st Baptist Church, Annapolis, Md.
Solo
Benediction ..... Rev. C. C. Alexander

THURSDAY AFTERNOON — May 25, 1978
Mrs. Bessie Mason, First Vice President, Presiding

2:00 P.M. Worship ..... Worship Committee
Music ..... Minister's Wives Choir
Scriptural Meditation ..... "His Presence Our Hope Secures"
Selections ..... Mrs. Burnetta Wallace and Association Choir, Rev. Harlee Wilson, Pastor Israel Baptist Church
Bible Conference Information ..... Mrs. Nettie Williams
Report from Early Morning Study Classes ..... Miss Laura Whitfield
Acknowledgement of Visitors ..... Courtesy Committee
Music ..... Minister's Wives Choir
Introduction of President ..... Mr. Adrian Johnson
Solo ..... Mr. [illegible] Jones
President's Message ..... Mrs. [illegible]
Music ..... [illegible]
Silent Meditation
Adjournment

THURSDAY EVENING, May 25, 1978
Mrs. Betty L. Johnson, Presiding

Worship ..... Worship Committee
Announcements
Remarks ..... Rev. Arthur Benn, Host Pastor, Rev. C. C. Alexander
Acknowledgement of Visitors ..... Mrs. Lauvenia Swinson
Offering
MUSICAL ..... "Voices of the Women's Auxiliary"
Rev. L. L. Swinson, Director
Mrs. Mary Brown, Accompanist/Assistant Director
Closing Meditation

FRIDAY, MAY 26, 1978
Women's Auxiliary Final Business of the 52nd Annual Session — 1:00 a.m. at the Mt. Moriah Baptist Church.

All elected and appointed officers please attend

FRIDAY MORNING, May 26, 1978
Rev. Lorenzo Graves, 2nd Vice Pres., Presiding

9:45 - 10:00 A.M. WORSHIP ..... Rev. Shirley Ransom
10:00 - 11:00 A.M. BUSINESS PERIOD
Reading and Adoption of Journal
Regional Reports
Progressive Baptist Association ..... Rev. Hall
Southern District Association ..... Rev. Leroy Jarrison
Music
Offering
Introduction of Visitors
11:00 A.M. WORKSHOP: DIRECTIONS IN POLITICS
Congressman Parren J. Mitchell
Music
12:00 P.M. EDUCATIONAL SERMON ..... Rev. Dr. A. J. Payne
Alternate ..... Rev. Dr. Baxter Matthews
Benediction ..... Rev. William King
Lunch

FRIDAY AFTERNOON
Rev. Otis P. Jones, 3rd Vice Pres., Presiding

1:45 - 2:00 P.M. WORSHIP ..... Rev. Sapp, Rev. A. J. Hardy
2:00 - 3:00 P.M. WORSHOP: BLACK PREACHING
Reading and Adoption of Morning Journal
Committees:
Evangelism
Temperance
Race Relations
State of Country
Civil Rights
Social Action
Time, Place, Preachers
Adoption of Reports
Music
Memorial Meditation ..... Rev. Milton Covington
Music
Benediction ..... Rev. James Wise

FRIDAY EVENING
Rev. Dr. C. C. Alexander, President, Presiding

7:00 - 7:15 P.M. WORSHIP ..... Rev. Zenie Wright, Rev. John Lynn
Business Period
Reading and Adoption of Afternoon Journal
Reports of Committees and Auxiliaries
Institute ..... Mrs. Mabie Gee
Women's Convention ..... Mrs. Betty L. Johnson
S.S. & B.T.U. Convention ..... Mrs. Jacqueline Brooks
Emphasis on P.R.E.D. Committee of Aged Home
Music ..... Mt. Zion Baptist Choir
Offering
Music
Missionary Sermon ..... Rev. Herman Williamson, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Havre de Grace, Md.
Alternate ..... Rev. Dr. Walter E. Pope, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Havre de Grace
Music
Prayer of Thanksgiving ..... Rev. Douglas Wilson
Altar Calls
Benediction ..... Rev. Dr. C. C. Alexander