The living church

New events and personalities in the Metropolitan Baltimore religious community

13,000 worshipers prove 'God not dead'

THE BIG CRUSADE — This is a portion of the crowd of 13,000 worshipers who jammed the Baltimore Civic Center July 30 in response to a revival-crusade sponsored by New Shiloh Baptist Church headed by Dr. Harold A. Carter who is shown delivering the main address.

CONGRATULATIONS — Dr. Carter receives congratulations for his message that said God is answer to many of our problems.

Dr. Carter gives message

Is God dead?

Some 13,000 worshippers gave solid evidence that He is much alive.

The huge crowd provided the evidence when they attended the spectacular revival-crusade by New Shiloh Baptist Church headed by Dr. Harold A. Carter.

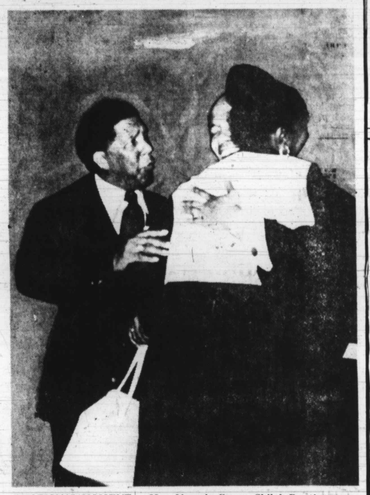
Dr. Carter assured them that God is not only alive — but that God is the answer to the crushing problems confronting the black community, Baltimore, the nation and the world.

Dr. Carter urged his listeners to return to God who can give all answers.

He urged his listeners and those in positions of power to help the poor, to feed the hungry and to remember in all our needs, through it all, God is our Savior.

He told 300 persons responding to a call to the altar, "We'll sign you up but you can go to any church of your choice."

Photos by I. Henry Phillips Sr.



EMOTIONAL MOMENT — Mrs. Naomia Green, Shiloh Baptist member, embraces Dr. Carter after delivering his fiery address as her husband, Dr. Green, looks on.

THE MESSAGE — Dr. Carter (behind microphones) joins 300-voice choir in soul-stirring spirituals that recalled "Old Time Religion" days.

THE RESPONSE — Inspired worshipers sprang from their seats to rejoice when Dr. Carter said, "Jesus is alive in the world and he can put a smile on your face."

Commission cancels testimony concerning hospital death rates

A state commission that approves hospital charges has canceled scheduled testimony concerning death rates at the University of Maryland Hospital, a spokeswoman for the hospital said Wednesday.

Spokeswoman Sally Whited said the hospital asked that all previous testimony concerning the death rates be stricken from the record and that no future testimony be taken on a Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission study critical of the hospital.

Commission Chairman Alvin Powers agreed that Thursday's hearing would not discuss commission analyst John Cook's study of death rates at city hospitals.

Cook's study alleged that the death rate at University Hospital was 37 percent higher than the death rate at Johns Hopkins, and substantially higher than mortality rates at City Hospital and Sinai Hospital.

In addition to citing high death rates, Cook's study also criticized the hospital for excessive rates and length of patient stays.

Testimony at the Thursday hearing was confined to University rebuttal arguments about those statistics.

Mrs. Whited said the hospital filed the motion because it believes the data concerning death rates is unreliable and "beyond the scope of mandated power of the commission."

She said the statistics used have an error margin of at least 40 percent.

Of the cancelled testimony, Power said, "They (The Commissioners) feel they need additional time because of the seriousness of the issue, and I think that reflects very highly on the commission and its staff."

Robert A. Shelton, an attorney for University Hospital, said in a legal memorandum submitted Tuesday to the cost - review agency that the analysis was a "brazen abuse of the rate review process.

"Through misleading data and innuendo, the commission is attempting to coerce substantive changes in the hospital's medical practice, which it is neither qualified nor authorized to impose," he said.

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10:00 A.M.—Choral Eucharist and Sermon
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11:00 A.M.—Sermon by Rev. Edmond Whitley of Oak Street AME Zion Church of Petersburg, Va. and Congregation.
Music by: Gospel Choruses and Zion Echoes
A Friendly Welcome To All
REV. MARSHALL H. STRICKLAND, Pastor

Mrs. Skipper was Faith Baptist member

Mrs. Mamie Skipper, 79, a longtime member of the Faith Baptist Church, died on Monday, July 24, in her 1513 Bond St. home after a long illness.

Born in Tarboro, N.C., Mrs. Skipper attended the public schools in North Carolina and later moved to Sparrows Point, Md., where she lived with an aunt.

Mrs. Skipper was married to the late William Skipper for 24 years. She was a member of the Faith Baptist Church since 1917.

Relatives described Mrs. Skipper as "uplifting in conversation and inspiring in ideals and principles. She was not one of form or fashion. She was just what she was by the Grace of God."

Mrs. Skipper is survived by a sister, Mrs. Josephine Jones; one stepson, Willie Skipper; a niece, Mrs. Bernice Harris; one nephew, Charles Davenport; two great nieces, Mrs. Denise Long and Miss Lectrese Davenport; two great nephews, Willie Harris and Roderick Davenport; one god - son, James Robert and a devoted friend Thelma Myers.

"IS GOD LIVING?" was the theme for the message delivered July 29 at the third annual Altar Call in Druid Hill Park. The Rev. Dr. John R. Bryant was the main speaker. The Rev. Mrs. Antoinette Phillips is the founder and director of the We Need Prayer Headquarters, 912 Gilmor St. Worshippers joined hands while the Rev. Dr. Bryant played.

Metro church briefs

Members of All Saints Choir will celebrate their fifth anniversary Aug. 5 - 6 at their church, 4406 Liberty Heights Ave.

The St. Bernardine Concert Choir will be singing Aug. 6, 4 p.m. at East Baltimore Deliverance Church, Eager and Caroline Sts., for the first anniversary of John Fullard and family of Christ singers. The Rev. Christine Phillips is pastor.

Members of St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Roland Avenue and 39th Street will have a flea market on Aug. 5, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the church.

Many articles of clothing, vases, books and puzzles are available. Refreshments will also be on sale while you shop.

The Ray of Hope Baptist Church, Harford Road and Argonne Drive, will sponsor a city wide unity committee meeting on Aug. 2, 8 p.m. at the church.

Speakers will include A. Dwight Pettit, Steve Sacks, Judge Milton Allen, Mrs. Zatilla Giles and Rep. Parren J. Mitchell

A revival crusade will be held August 1 - 6 at the Civic Center, with the Rev. A. Jones speaking. Services will be held from 7:30 to 11:00 p.m.

H.L. Carter, 62

Funeral services for Herman L. Carter Sr., retired mail clerk, were held Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 7 p.m. at Mount Ararat Baptist Church, Gwynns Falls Parkway and Longwood Street.

Mr. Carter, 62, died last Friday at Sinai Hospital.

For 38 years he was a mail clerk, assigned to the Main Post Office. During World War II, he served in the Navy. Down the years he was an active member of Mount Ararat and served on its usher board. He was an avid sports fan.

Mr. Carter was a native of North Carolina, was a graduate of Baltimore's Douglass High School, and attended Coppin State College.

He is survived by his widow, the former Elizabeth Ward; a daughter, Ellen Carter Cooper; two sons, Herman L. Carter Jr. and Edgar H. Carter Sr.; one son - in - law, Dr. Quincy D. Cooper; two daughters - in - law, Carol S. Carter and Veronica B. Carter; and four grandchildren, Herman III, Edgar G. Jr., Karen L. Carter and Montelagra E. Cooper.

Mrs. L. S. Brown, community worker

Lois Spriggs (Lindsay) Brown, was church and community worker

Lois S. Brown died Tuesday, July 11.

She was the daughter of the late William and Sarah Travis Spriggs. She was born March 2, 1908, in Baltimore, where she attended public schools and was graduated from Douglass High School.

She had two sons, Ernest Reginald and James Harold from her marriage to Ernest Lindsay. In 1959, she married the late Joseph E. Brown.

Services were held at St. Philip's Lutheran Church, 501 N. Caroline St., on Sunday, July 16.

She was a civil service employee at the Social Security Administration from 1943 until her retirement in 1969. On Feb. 2, 1963, she received a monetary award for a suggestion that increased the efficiency of her work operation at the Administration.

Mrs. Brown made numerous trips throughout the United States, to Canada, Hawaii, Mexico, Nassau, Puerto Rico and Bermuda.

She was active in the following religious and community activities: member of the American Lutheran Church Women; served two terms as president of the Women of the Church at St. Philip's; a board member of Model Cities Council B, a committee volunteer for the East Baltimore Medical Plan, past president of the Oliver Improvement Association, a board member of the East Baltimore Community Corporation

Also, an active volunteer for the "Adopt - a - Lot" booth at the 1973 City Fair, a member of the Waxter Center, held membership in the NAACP and supported the Arena Players Inc.

She received the Robert Gladden Memorial Award for outstanding dedicated services from the Eastern Terrace Community Council Inc., 1976 and was recognized as Honorable Citizen for the month of March 1978, by the Oliver Improvement Association.

Even after enduring major surgery her volunteer spirit did not cease; moreover, she participated in the Geriatric Treatment Center Program at the United States Public Health Service Hospital.

On Nov. 16, 1977, she was inducted into the Mayor's Senior Hall of Fame of the Baltimore City Commission on Aging and Retirement Education and received the "Mayor's Citation" at City Hall.

Mrs. Brown is survived by two sons; one brother, Isaiah T. Spriggs; one step - son, Joseph Brown; two sisters, Mrs. Bessie Sloan of Philadelphia, Pa. and Mrs. Bernice Fleet; three daughters - in - law, Mesdames Virginia H. Lindsay, Lucille E. Lindsay and Martha Brown; five sisters - in - law, Mesdames Edith Spriggs, Josephine Spriggs, Doris Spriggs, Mary Spriggs and Amanda Roberts; 13 grandchildren; three great - grandchildren and relatives and friends.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Women of the Church at St. Philip's or to the East Baltimore Community Corporation, 1700 N. Gay St.

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"A CHURCH DETERMINED TO LIVE WITH CHRIST"
DR. HAROLD A. CARTER
Minister

Mrs. Stanback still reported missing

Search continues for Mrs. Gwendolyn F. Stanback, 37, who was reported missing when she failed to return home from work on July 12.

Police said as a result of corroborating evidence against the missing woman's estranged husband, they have charged Alonzo L. Stanback, 40, 400 block Aisquith Ave. with the death of his wife.

The couple, married for seven years, had been separated for the past three years. Relatives report they were in the process of getting a divorce.

Mr. Stanback was arrested two days after his wife's disappearance on U.S. 29 near Route 108 where he ran out of gas driving his wife's 1974 tan Buick.

Arresting officers said they found blood on the car seat and also the missing woman's leather purse, identification cards, a canvas shoulder bag and a red leather wallet containing $20 in the trunk of the car.

Stanback has since been held in the city jail without bail.

Mrs. Stanback was a Social Security clerk. She had two daughters, ages 12 and 17.

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YOUTH USHER DAY
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Sermon By The Pastor
9:15 A.M.—Church School
10:30 A.M.—Open Heart Service
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