THE LIVING CHURCH

Vacation Bible school is fun and educational

(AFRO Photos by Mark Gail)

KIDS AND BALLOON RACE—Nearly 200 children participated in the balloon race sponsored by Mount Sinai Church on July 16 at Preston and Wilcox Streets. While other members of the Bible school seem to be more interested in learning how to sew. Shown sewing from L are Rhonda Henson, Denise Davis and Dionne Wilson.

COLORING CLASS—Two of the youngest students attending vacation Bible school shown coloring pictures are Aleshia Gordon and Yolonda Evans.

LEARNING CENTER — Dwight Kirkland and Jerome Brown are shown listening to a recorded Bible story at Mount Sinai Baptist Church annual summer vacation Bible School.

"My main goal this year is to provide an enriched program of learning about the life of Jesus through songs, prayers, scriptures, Bible study handicraft and fellowship.

"Also to encourage participants t become members of the church and to provide opportunities for service to God t the church and the community."

Those were the words of Ernest Dorsey, director of Vacation Bible school at Mount Sinai Baptist Church, 922 Preston St. where the Rev. William Brown is pastor.

Nearly 200 students between three and 14-year-old attended the tw week Bible class at Mount Sinai. Special activities included were a night at the movies and students were treated to punch, cookies, popcorn and hotdogs.

Students also attended Bible class, arts and crafts, games and were treated to lunch. Classes were held at the church from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

One of the main classes held this year was the learning center with Mrs. Dorothy Richardson and Mrs. Mary Brown as instructors. Small groups worked in the learning center and were given special attention with reading.

Staff members were Miss Wendy Prioleau, assistant director; Misses Darlene Crawford, DESIREE Wilson, Adrena Prioleau, Cheryll Brown, Veatrice E. Streat.

Also, Mesdames Virginia Boyd, Sylvia Caldwell, Eunice Snow, Maxine P. Briley, Joan Hubbard, Rev. Snaford Perkins, Mary L. Brown, Dorothy Richardson, Thon Henson, Evon Jackson, Deborah Johnson, Mary White Johnson, Sarah Prioleau, Lewis Brown, Wayne English, Sonia Henson.

Also, Dennis Lowery, Stephanie Knight, Dwayne Pate, Lockjean Snow and Carolyn Thompson.

Vacation Bible school will also be held July 16-27 at Union Baptist Church in Turner Station 105 Main St. The Rev. William Johnson is pastor.

Classes will be held from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. and all adults and children areinvited to attend. Rev. Johnson stated "There will be plenty do arts and crafts, games and movies for the family. Share this time with the family and teach them the word of God."

Cornerstone laying services held at Knox Presbyterian

"Attempt Great Things Ford God and Expect Great Things From God," was the theme for dedication services at Knox United Presbyterian Church, Preston and Eden Street. The Rev. Lonnie J. Oliver is paastor.

Knox was formerly located at Broadway, Gay and Biddle Streets.

Rev. Oliver's theme for the dedication services was, "A Living Sacrifice. A reception was held in the fellowship hall following the morning service and dedication services were held at 5 p.m. with the Rev. Robert Newbold as speaker.

Knox United Presbyterian was officially organized on May 30, 1930 through a commission sent by the Baltimore Presbytery.

As the membership grew, the Old Bohemian Moravian Presbyterian Church at the corner of Ashland Avenue and Washington Street was secured and members moved to that building in October 1944.

The Washington Street Church was sold to the John Wesley AME Zion congregation by Presbytery. The faith congregation, former owners of the former church moved to a newly cnstructed building on Woodbourne Avenue and Loch Raven Boulevard. The Rev. H. Octavius Graham lead his congregation into the Broadway, Gay and Biddle Street church.

Among members and friends wo participated in the dedication and cornerstone laying services were the Reverends William Hunt, Alan Whitelock, Wesley Kelley, Andre Kearnes, Lonnie Oliver. M. Johnson Jr.,

Also Dr. Roy F. Knight, John Simon, Clarence Stitt, Elder Woodrow Thompson, the Rev. Ronald Braxton, Jim Shera, Reginald J. Daniels, Karen Hill.

SPECIAL DAY — Sunday, July 15 was a very special day members of Knox United Presbyterian Church, Preston and Eden Sts. At left, members of the church observe the cornerstone laying. At right, the Rev. Lonnie J. Oliver, pastor and Timothy Loftin insert the cornerstone.

(AFRO Photos by Roman Hankewycz)

WOMEN MINISTERS who attended the three day revival crusade in East Baltimore last week are (L to R): Ministers Wilhemia Spears, Sheryon Robinson, Alfreda Wiggins and Agnes M. Alston.

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Women ministers sponsor revival

The Interdenominational Women Ministerial Alliance, founded by The Reb. Agnes Alston, sponsored its first open air crusade July 11 to 13 at the corner of Caroline and Eager Sts. in East Baltimore.

The Rev. Dr. John R. Bryant, pastor of Bethel AME Church, was the speaker for the three-day crusade. Rev. Bryant's message encouraged 14 people to join the church.

He culiminated the crusade with a powerful message. His theme was "Dare to Be Great, Fellow Christ." The Interdenominational Women Ministerial Alliance is now making plans for several other activities.

Members of the organization are:

The Rev. Agnes M. Alston, founder; Alfreda Wiggins, president; Sheryon Robinson, first vice president; Williemina Spears, second vice president; Constance Diggs, corresponding secretary; Also the Rev. Diane Gwynn, financial secretary; Christine Phillips, treasurer; Reba Pearl, recording secretary; Ruth Young, advisor; Mary Carrol, Vivian Castian, Vivian Collins, Anne Wood, Maggie Artis, Wyonna Cook, Annie Daniel, Sarah Johnson, Helen Johnson,

Also, the Revs. Bertha Johnson, Eva Sapp, Stephanie Scott, Dorothy Johnson, Marie Braxton, Patricia Pride, Lydia Stokes, Lillian Cornish, Dolores Brooks and Sylvia Pearson.

SHARP ST. MEMORIAL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
SUNDAY, JULY 22, 1979
9:30 A.M.—Church School
10:00 A.M.—Morning Worship.
ALL ARE WELCOME
Rev. John W. Coleman, Minister
Rev. Arthur White, Assistant Minister

Morning Star Baptist Church
1063 W. Fayette St.
"The Witnessing Church"
Evangelistic Services held in Franklin Square, Fayette and Carey Sts., each evening starting promptly at 7 P.M., July 22nd.-August 3rd.
SUNDAY, JULY 22, 1979
Monday, July 23rd.
Rev. Porter Phillips, Enon Baptist Church
Tuesday, July 24th.
Rev. Leonard Hicks, Greater New Hope Baptish Church
Wednesday, July 25th.
Rev. Carl Washington, St. Timothy Christiaf Baptist Church
Thursday, July 26th.
Rev. Marcus Wood, Providence Baptist Church.
Friday, July 27th.
Rev. John Green, Southern Friendship Baptist Church
Saturday, July 28th.
Rev. Kevin Rogers, Ivory Temple Baptist Church
Sunday, July 29th.
Rev. Dexter Wise, Ebenezer Baptist Church, Providence, R.I.
Monday, July 20th.
Rev. Vernon Dobson, Union Baptist Church
Tuesday, July 31st.
Rev. Douglass Wilson, Fulton Baptist Church
Wednesday, August 1st.
Rev. Ronald Braxton, Allen A.M.E. Church
Thurs. August 2nd.
Rev. Arthur Jones, Jones Tabernacle Baptist Church
Friday, August 3rd.
Rev. Mark Riddix, Mt. Zion Baptist Church Baptizing and The Lord's Supper
The Pastor, Officers and Members are asking the entire city to pray for these services.
REV. SAMUEL RAY, Pastor

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SUNDAY, JULY 22, 1979
Sanctuary Choir Day
8:00 A.M.—Early Morning Worship Sermon by the Pastor
9:15 A.M.—Church School and New Members Class
10:30 A.M.—Open Heart Service
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship Sermon by Pastor
1:00 P.M.—Kin and Queen Rally Sponsor by the Deacons And Deaconess Board
5:30 P.M.—BTU and New Members Class
Family Night
7:30 P.M.—A Musical Program Featuring the Gospelnews Concert Singers. Donation $2.00
All Are Welcome
REV. RICHARD R. OGLE IV, Pastor

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St. James
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Lafayette Square
Baltimore, Maryland
8:00 A.M. Holy Communion
9:00 A.M. Church School
10:30 A.M. Choral Eucharist Sermon
The Rev. Donald O. Wilson, Rector
Mr. A. Maurice Murphy, Organist
The Public Is Cordially Invited To Attend

DOUGLAS MEMORIAL COMMUNITY CHURCH
"The People of the Way"
Lafayette and Madison Aves.
MARION CURTIS BASCOM, D.D. Minister
James S. Hammond
Director of Music
SUNDAY, JULY 22, 1979
Eight and Eleven O'Clock
Marion C. Bascom, Preaching
Then Round About the Starry Throne -G. F. Handel
Good News -Traditional
Lord, We Give Thanks to Thee -Undine Smith Moore
Is There Anybody Here? -R. Nathaniel Dett

Speaker talks about ending crime

Jehovah's Witnesses hold convention

An estimated crowd of 16,000 assembled for the final session of the "Living Hope" district convention of Jehovah's Witnesses in Landover, Md. recently.

M. G. Smalley delivered the principal address of the meeting, speaking on the subject "Mankind's Only Hope—God's Unshakable Kingdom."

Smalley told the vast audience at the Capital Centre that viewing the present world situation has caused an increasing number of people to despair of ever seeing an end to crime and violence.

"Although mankind is endowed with an inherited sense of optimism abou the uture," Smalley said, "events in recent years have strongly influenced the outlook on the part of the masses so that their ptimism is waning."

Quoting a Harris survey, Smalley said the vast majority of people want to see a decline in violence but 87 percent interviewed indicated they do not expect to see it in their lifetime.

"But is this not just another example of continuing to hope against hope?," Smalley asked. "Should men not rather awaken to the fact that the evils of the world cannot be cured simply by human legislation?"

Smalley stressed that trusting in human governments has led mankind to one disappointment after another.

"Man's inability to provide a satisfactory administration of earth's affairs in this century has become more painfully obvious than ever before," he said.

Citing human failures taking on "new proportions of seriousness", Smalley aid events since 1914 have led the world t the brink of disaster.

"It is high time for mankind to stop listening t the empty philosophies and promises of imperfect men and start listening t the one who knows," Smalley continued.

He said the solution to the problems facing mankind is God's kingdom by Jesus Christ. The Witnesses believe this to be a real government that will son administer the affairs of earth.

Smalley continued by saying the Kingdom government is authorized by God t rule over the earth for 1,000 years.

"The kingdom is God's instrument to destroy all wickedness from the universe and to vindicate completely God's name and sovereignty," he said.

Smalley told the convention that God's kingdom government will not only enforce earth-wide peace, it will do more. "It will educate its subjects in the ays of peace."

In commentary of the present world situation, Smalley warned that human governments cannot stem the tide of crime and corruption. He reviewed a poll stating that 50 percent of the people were afraid t walk the streets at night.

Smalley predicted a time when "human society will be without jails, without police, without locks on doors, without fear . . .

"By identifying yourself with this blessed group you will not be among those who are heartsick over human failures to fulfill their opes for a world free of violence, strife, tension and war," he aid.

Evangelistic services in Franklin Square

Evangelistic services sponsored by Morning Star Baptist Church, 1063 Fayette St., will be held in Franklin Square, Fayette and Carey Sts., July 22 to Aug. 3.

Services will start each evening at 7 p.m. The Rev. Samuel Ray is pastor and will be preaching on July 22 with music by the Samuel Ray Revival Chor and Iona Rhodes Fellowship Choir.

Other ministers who will be preaching are the Rev. Porter Phillips, Enon Baptist; Leonard Hicks, Greater New Hope; Carl Washington, St. Timothy Christian; Marcus Wood, Providence Baptist; John Green, Southern Friendship.

Also, the Rev. Kevin Rogers, Ivory Temple; Dexter Wise, Ebenzer; Vernon Dobson, Union; Douglass Wilson, Fulton; Ronald Braxton, Allen AME; Arthur Jones, Jones Tabernacle, and Mark Riddix, Mount Zion.

Youth convention here this weekend

The 27th national youth convention of Mount Sinai Holy Church of America Inc., consisting of 120 pentecostal churches is now in session at the Hilton Hotel, 101 Fayette St.

The four ay convention began July 19 with workshops, communion and open air services in the center plaza.

Friday, July 20 youth services will be held at the hotel at 7:30 p.m. and a musical is scheduled for 10:30 p.m. Workshops will continue July 21 and education day will also be observed on Saturday.

Bishop Mary E. Jackson, 98, president of the organization, will give her annual messae to the youth on July 22, 12:30. The first national youth convention was held in July 1953 at the Highway Mission in Berwyn, Pa., where Elder Jackson was pastor.

The Rev. L. E. Williams, pastor of Mount Nebo Holy Church, stated "We are expecting 1,500 members from 18 states to attend the convention. It took us 27 years to have the convention in Baltimore and I feel quite honored as one of the host pastors."

Baptists set 79th session

The Potomac River Baptist Association on Monday, July 23, will open its 79th annual session at the First Rising Mt. Zion Baptist Church, 1240 N St., N.W., with the Sunday School Department.

On Monday evening, the Paramount Baptist Church Choirs will present the association's musical program at Springfield Baptist Church, 6th and P Streets, N.W.

Tuesday, July 24 is Baptist Training Union Day and on Wednesday, the parent body and the Women's Department will meet in a joint session at 10 a.m. at First Rising Mt. Zion, after which the Women's Department will meet at Springfield Church.

The Nurses' Department will meet on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at First Rising Mt. Zion.

Mrs. Gladys Smith was an educator

Funeral services for Mrs. Gladys Smith, 85., were held July 19 at the Glover Funeral Home.

Mrs. Smith, of the 4200 block Ridgewood Ave., taught in three county school systems in Maryland for more than 30 years. She died July 17 at Provident Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Born in Avalon, Va., she graduated from the Hampton Institute in 1917. She retired in 1955 from the Prince Georges County school system.

Mrs. Smith taught in schools in Upper Marlboro, where she made her home for several years and in Fairmount Heights, Md.

She is survived by a stepdaughter, Mrs. Thelma Tahner of Oxon Hill Md.; four sisters, Mrs. Valeria L. McNeill and Mrs. Ruby L. Steart; Mrs. Hattie Connor and Mrs. Wilhelmina Laws; one brother, Daniel Laws of St. Louis.

Gospel Tabernacle concludes Bible school

Gospel Tabernacle Baptist Church culminated its vacation Bible school activities with a picnic on the church lawn on July 6 and a special program.

Mrs. Sallie L. Hearing was director of the Bible School and the Rev. Edgar L. Reid is pastor. More than 100 children attended the two-week session. Activities included Bible study, arts and crafts, games, music and refreshments were served.

Volunteer workers were Wallace Poole, Frederick Edemy, Charles W. Smith, Mesdames Beauford Stokes, Odessa McLean, Carolyn Smith, Estelle Francis, Ella McCaskill, Ruth Young, Beryl Smith, Gloria Hairston.

Also, Mesdames Charlotte Beck, Bertha Night, Sadie Duff, Ogla Savage, Georgiana Locks, Doris Inman, Carmelia Jones, Margarieta Harris, Malqueen, Hamilton Hawkins.

For 47 years, Deacon Poole has been an active member of Gospel Tabernacle Bible school and enjoys working with the children.

L.R. Harris dies, retired detective

Lewis R. Harris Jr., 56, a retired D.C. police detective was buried Thursday following funeral services at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church.

Mr. Harris who made his home in Washington died Thursday, July 12 at McGuire Medical Center in Richmond. He had undergone open heart surgery in May.

Born and reared in Washington, he joined the police force in 1947 following World War II service as an army sergeant in the European Theatre, where he earned numerous military citations.

After 22 years service, he retired from the police department as a detective. For the next six years he worked with the Title I Program in the D.C. schools as a pupil personnel aide.

Mrs. Louise Johnson of the Title I Program says that "To this job, Mr. Harris brought a knowledge of the city, its people, its social agencies, and above all the capacity to provide sympathetic understanding and aid to both students and parents he served."

Mr. Harris retired from this work in 1975 after suffering a stroke. Upon his recovery, he continued his activity with a variety of organizations.

He was active with Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, the Knights of St. John Commandery Post No. 286; the National Association of Retired Policemen, the Sentinel Lodge No. 371; and was chairman of fellowship in the Retired Policemen's and Firemen's Association of D.C.

A lover of sports he was a member of the Pigskins Club, the Seafarers' Yacht Club, the Arlington Divots Golf Club, the Knights of St. John Bowling League and was founder of the Anacostia Satellites baseball team.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Matilda M. Harris; four children, Mrs. Ramona Johnson, Patricia, Amelia and Lewis R. Harris; his father, Lewis Harris Sr.; a sister, Mrs. Josephine H. Hinton; a devoted cousin, Gustav Hamilton; seven grandchildren, three nephews, a niece and other relatives.

GOSPEL MUSIC festival will be the 33rd anniversary service for Elder Robert C. Robinson, volunteer chaplain at

Choir to tour southern states

The Gospel Choir of St. Benedict The Moore Church, 320 - 21st St., N.E. Washington has completed plans for their second concert tour of the south.

Their itinerary (leaving July 27) includes Greenville, S.C.; Atlanta, Ga.; Tuskeegee, Ala.; Pascagoula, Miss.; New Orleans, La and Houston, Texas. The choir will be returning to Washington, D.C. on August 9.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The Quarterly Meeting of the United Baptist Missionary Convention will meet at Trinity Baptist Church, 1601 Druid Hill Ave., Baltimore, Md. Rev. William Calhoun, Pastor on Thursday, July 26, 1979 at 10 A.M.
Rev. Matthew R. Sliver, President.

PENNSYLVANIA AVE. AME ZION CHURCH
"The Church of the Burning Heart"
SUNDAY, JULY 22, 1979
11:00 A.M. Worship
Sermon: By Dr. Marshall H. Strickland
Theme: "The Virtue God Found in a thief"
Music by: Sanctuary Choir and Gospel Chourses
1:15 P.D.—Buses will leave to visit Union Wesley AME Zion Church, Harrisburg, Pa.
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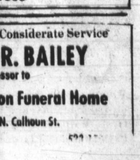

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