THE LIVING CHURCH

Franklin Square site of services

Evangelist program held outdoors

More than 25 people were baptized on Aug. 3, following the two week evangelistic services held in Franklin Square at Saratoga and Stricker St. sponsored by Morning Star Baptist Church.

For the seventh year, the Rev. Samuel Ray, pastor of Morning Star said services were held in the square because "We need to get from behind the stained glass windows and worship. We were able to help many people with food and donations through our evangelistic services. We also provided them with counseling service.

Services held on Saturday night in the square were called the "Saturday night special," with the Rev. Kevin Rogers of Ivory Temple as speaker. Speaking of the services, Rev. Ray stated, "It seemed to be a tremendous participation in our Saturday night service. The religious community feels Saturday night is an off day. However, God was just as real to us on Saturday night as he is on Sunday night.

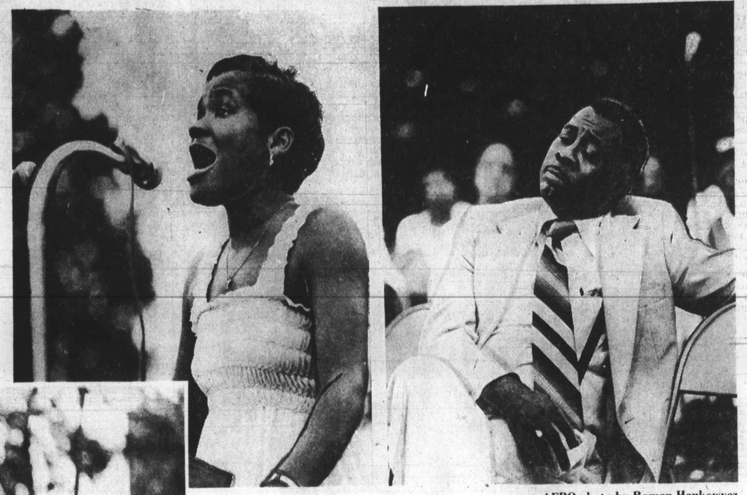
Other ministers who preached were the Reverends Porter Phillips, Enon Baptist; Leonard Hicks, Greater New Hope; Carl Washington, St. Timothy; Marcus Wood, Providence Baptist; John Green, Southern Friendship.

Also the Reverends Vernon Dobson, Union Baptist; Douglas Wilson, Fulton Baptist; Ronald E. Braxton, Allen A.M.E.; Arthur Jones, Jones Tabernacle and Mark Riddix, Mount Zion.

The seven week vacation church school held each year at Morning Star is another summer program sponsored by the church.

Mrs. Betty Gordon, an active member of Morning Star served as principal with Mrs. Ida Hines as assistant principal. Nearly 100 children 9 to 12 - years - old attended the church school and were served a full course breakfast and lunch daily.

Morning Star is the only church in the city that has vacation church school for seven weeks. Today (Friday) the youth will have their closing program at the church.



REVERENT MEDITATION — The Rev. Douglas Wilson, pastor of Fulton Baptist Church, is bown seated in Franklin Square listening

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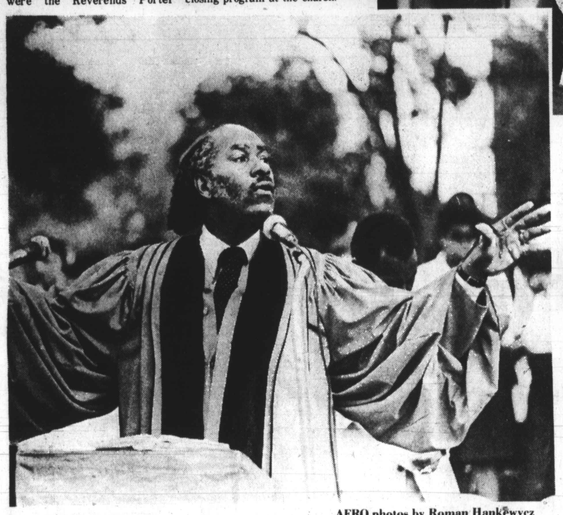
to Mrs. Sharon Johnson, an active member of Morning Star, sing "It Is Well With My Soul" at the annual evangelistic services.



EVANGELISTIC SERVICE — The Rev. Samuel Ray, pastor of Morning Star Baptist Church, 1063 Fayette St., presided at the two week evangelist services held in Franklin Square last month.

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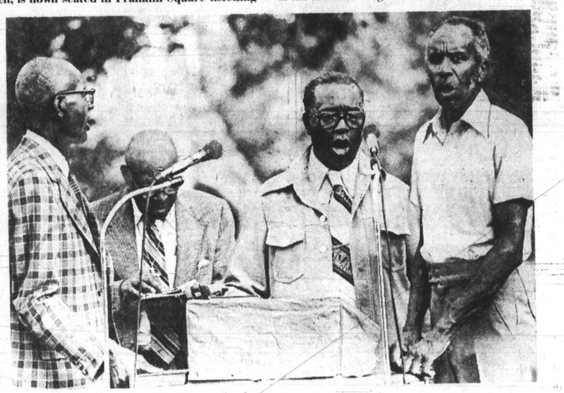

DEACONS of Morning Star Baptist who participated in the two week evangelist services shown from left are Deacons Alexander Robinson, Andrew Minnis, Arthur Branch and James Miller.

Community leaders attend breakfast

The second annual leadership breakfast sponsored by Redeemer's Palace Inc., was held Aug. 2 at the Holiday Inn with Judge Robert B. Watts presiding.

Redeemer's Palace Inc., 212 N. Pine St., is an outreach center for youth that deals with crime, alcohol and drug prevention.

The Rev. Willie E. Ray, director of Redeemer's Palace stated there is a mission to be done and the Redeemer's Palace is trying to save our city and youth.

"Our youth are dangerously trapped in the viscious conditions of our community. Whether it be on the street corners, the public school grounds, our colleges or university campuses, or even out of some of our churches, store fronts and cathedrals, the crime, alcohol and drug problems are ever present," said Rev. Ray.

Speaker for the breakfast was the Rev. Dexter Wise, pastor Ebenezer Baptist Church in Providence, Rhode Island. Speaking from the topic, Some Day We Will Be Together, Rev. Wise told the guests, "It's strange how people live so close together but so far apart. The men have their lines together to sweep the ladies off their feet and then put them back on the street. We ain't together politically. We fill our arms with dope and lips with alcoholic beverages. We ain't together. We know how to steal but we don't know how to steal away to Jesus. When you get Jesus on the line he is never busy. He never puts you on hold. If you call him up he will make you feel like somebody . . ."

Redeemer's Palace is open daily for the youth and is in need of your financial support. George Bennett is chairman of the board, Bishop Winfield Showell, treasurer, Clarence Hottel, vice treasurer and the Rev. John Bryant is chaplain.

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YOUNG MINISTERS — The Rev. Willie E. Ray, president and director of Redeemer's Palace Inc., is shown greeting the Rev. Dexter Wise, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, Provident, Rhode Island, who was the speaker for the annual prayer breakfast on Aug. 2.

Rev. Harold Carter talks about crime

By Rev. Dr. Harold A. Carter

(Editor's note: The Rev. Dr. Harold A. Carter is pastor of New Shiloh Baptist Church, Fremont Avenue and Lanvale St.)

In the August issue of Ebony magazine, the entire coverage is given to a discussion of Black on Black crime. The magazine is noteworthy for so many reasons.

It takes a bold look at black America and examines what black people are doing destructively to themselves. It probes this agonizing question from many points of view, including its historic roots, its psychological leading, its social and religious contest.

What pleased me most about the coverage was the aggressive call for black people to take matters into their own hands aid begin redressing this problem that has us locked up, often against our own neighbors, like residential jail cells.

Also of great concern is the fact that youth seems most deeply involved in the crime spiral, the very element of our community that ought to be fulfilling our dreams for today and visions for tomorrow.

The traditional reasons for black crime were presented and rehearsed. No one can deny our long night of slavery and what it did to our minds and soul. The resulting patterns of segregation and jim corwism have served to maintain strong social barriers against black development. The lack of adequate jobs have only frustrated more an already bad situation.

But beyond all that, the clear message came through the magazine that black people will never know a creative law abiding and redeeming community until they take the lead themselves demanding an end to crime and destroying the social decay that festers and produces so much crime.

Here is where the church ought to come in. Take a look at the following observations.

Beyond doubt, the vast majority of black people in America are good, law - abiding productive people. Yet more public news is made, or at least published from the bars, than from the holy places of God.

The time is at hand for the church to become adept in powerful public story to tell and we must use mass outlets to tell it. We must use radio, television, telephones, the printed media to tell our stories even to those who do not frequent our meetings.

We have stories of transformed drug addicts, alcoholics, gamblers, prostitutes and general ungodly persons. These are stories that need to be lifted from the cellar and given wide exposure, so as to show a better way of life.

Beyond doubt, the best majority of black people want to pull out of the crime spiral that afflicts us. There is then an untapped reservoir of parents, concerned citizens, ready and willing to form creative community pools to at least reach young persons in wholesome recreational, training and Bible growth. Put another way, if every local church created a community patrol to reach youth in its community, to nurture and train them, many a life would be channeled and saved.

Beyond doubt, Godly justice must become color blind. The church must preach powerfully that all stealing is wrong - even the high classman who buys a hot suit or television from the one who ripped off the merchant. A new kind of justice and morality must be born and instilled in our lives. We must be as concerned about the black who kills or mugs another black as we are when a white does the same.

Finally, the church must recognize that the seed of all crime is sin or rebellion against the law of God. While many may not accept God's plan of salvation, a strong community built upon the love of God and the laws of the land can at least make life richer, bearable and redemptive.

Our taks is not easy, neither was the cross our Lord bore on Calvary. But someone must be willing to pay the price. I have no doubt but that thousands upon thousands of blacks are willing. All that is needed is leaders who will sound the alarm and call for recruitment.

McDonald named to higher Congressional Library post

WASHINGTON — Jack McDonald Jr., chief of the Congressional Library's Loan Division since 1976, has been named the new chief of the Library Services Division in the Congressional Research Service.

Mr McDonald comes to his new job with a long history of experience in the Library of Congress. He joined the staff in 1961 as a searcher - filer in the former Union Catalog Division. He served as a reference librarian, assistant head of the Records Section and supervisor of the Central Charge File, all in the Loan Division, between 1963 and 1968.

He moved to the former Reference Department as its administrative officer and was promoted to executive officer in 1974.

Born in Oklahoma City, Mr. McDonald graduated from Douglass High School there and received a bachelor's degree in sociology at Oklahoma City University.

He served with the U.S. Army from 1959 to 1961, working as administrative officer for the Photography Laboratory and as national membership secretary of the American Veterans Committee in 1961.

Jack McDonald Jr.

McDonald received his master's degree in library science from the science from The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C., in 1973, and has also completed a variety of additional courses in the areas of management and supervision.

At the Library of Congress, McDonald has been active in a number of staff - related activities — on the Human Relations and Affirmative Action Advisory Committees, on the Board of Directors of the Library of Congress Federal Credit Union, and as president of the Wellare and Recreation Association in 1974.

He is also on the Board of Directors of the D.C. Task Force for Senior Citizens, a non - profit organization that addresses itself to the needs of the elderly, and a member of the D.C. Library Association.

McDonald has served as the Library's representative on the American Library Association Interlibrary Loan Subcommittee and was recently appointed to a committee of six to review and revise the 1968 National Interlibrary Loan Code.

Register to vote deadline Aug. 13

Rathier Harris

Md.'s Miss Black Universe goes to finals

Rathier Harris will represent Maryland in the United States competition of the Miss Black Universe Pageant to be held August 25, 1979 in White Plains, N.Y.

Ms. Harris will spend two weeks with other contestants from all over the U.S.A. in preparation for the nationally televised event.

Ms. Harris will eprform the same stirring rendition of "Everything Must Change" which brought the capapcity crowd to their feet in the Maryland finals.

Rathier is employed by the FBI. She stands 5'2", weighs 109 and measures 35-25-35.

Her bathing suit for the finals will be plum with matching pumps. Her gown will be a white slinky chino crepe with white metallic chiffon draped over it.

Diana Kane, producer and director for the Maryland pageant, will chaperone Ms. Harris as well as work with the national staff

Should Ms. Harris cop the U.S.A. title she will then go to the Miss Black Universe International Pageant in November.

Annual convention

St. Martin's Churches of Christ Inc., 2114 - 30 Madison Ave., will hold its annual convention in Baltimore Aug. 12 - 15. Father P. H. Franklin founder and pastor of St. Martin's will serve as host.

A musical will be held at the church on Aug. 12, 8 p.m. and registration is scheduled for 9 a.m. Aug. 13 with communion and consecration services at 10 a.m.

The official opening session is 12 noon, Aug. 13 and worship sessions will be held at 8 p.m. Workshops will be held at the church on Aug. 14, along with the female business session. The youth business session will be Aug. 14 at 2 p.m. and youth worship at 8 p.m. Aug. 15.

Metro church briefs

Members of St. Gregory The Great Catholic Church, 1542 Gilmor St., will sponsor an appreciation banquet for Father Maurice Blackwell Sunday, Aug. 12 at Martin's West. Father Blackwell will be leaving the church for a new assignment as pastor of St. Edward's Catholic Church.

The parish will have a crab feast on Aug. 18, 7 p.m. at the church. There will be plenty of food, music and entertainment at the crab feast.

First Apostolic Faith Institutional Church will sponsor a gospel cruise and dinner on the Chesapeake Bay with the Men's Department of the church on Aug. 22, 7:30 p.m. Bishop Winfred A. Showell is pastor. Robert Wyatt is president.

Bishop Leroy H. Cannady Sr., and members of Refuge Way of the Cross Church of Christ will be going to King's Dominion on Aug. 25. Buses will leave the church at 7 a.m.

The fourth annual sidewalk sale will be held Aug. 11, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at The Church of St. Katherine of Alexandria, Pressman and Division Streets. Dinner will be served along with home made cakes and pies.

The Little Wonders will perform at Catonsville Community College, 800 Rolling Rd., on Aug. 12, 4 p.m. They will be joined in the outdoor afternoon concert by other traditional folk musicians.

The Deacons and Deaconess of Central Baptist Church, 2025 Baltimore St., will sponsor a musical on Aug. 26, 6 p.m. at the church. The Rev. Montague J. Brackett is pastor.

The senior citizens of the Ray of Hope Baptist Church, Harford Road and Parkside Drive will sponsor a program on Aug. 12, 4 p.m. The Rev. Edmund D. Meade, pastor emeritus of Israel Baptist Church will be the speaker. The Rev. Henry G. Scott Charles Franklin is pastor of Cornerstone Baptist Church in Brooklyn, N.Y. will be the 11 a.m. speaker on Sunday, Aug. 12 at Morning Star Baptist Church, 1063 Fayette St. Music will be provided by the choirs of Cornerstone, who will also be presented in a concert at 3:30 p.m. The Rev. Samuel Ray is pastor. The annual Sunday School picnic is scheduled for Aug. 11 at Gun Powder State Park.

The Rev. Henry E. Miller, pastor of Daniel's Chapel AME Zion Church will be the 3:30 p.m. speaker Aug. 18 at First Baptist Church of Guilford, 7504 Oakland Mills Rd.

Homecoming services will be held Aug. 12 at Grace AME Church Church 67 Winters Lane in Catonsville, Md. The church will have a picnic on Aug. 11 on the church grounds and the Rev. Reginald Boston is pastor.

Lucille Clifton selected poet laureate

ANNAPOLIS — Gov. Harry Hughes has selected a popular author from Baltimore to become the third Poet Laureate of Maryland.

Poet and author Lucille Clifton was selected by Hughes Tuesday to replace Vincent Godfrey Burns, who died in February.

Mrs. Clifton, the mother of six children, has written three books of poetry, "Good Times," "Good News About The Earth," and "An Ordinary Woman," and an autobiographical family history entitled "Generations."

The Howard University graduate has also written several children's books, has won various creative writing awards, is a former visiting writer at Columbia University's School of the Arts in New York, and was poet-in-residence at Coppin State College in Baltimore.

A native of Depew, N.Y., Mrs. Clifton was born in 1936 and married Fred J. Clifton in 1958. She has lived in the Windsor Hills area of Baltimore for the last 12 years.

The position of Poet Laureate of Maryland was created by the General Assembly in 1959. The first person to hold the position was Maria B. Crocker, who was succeeded by Burns in 1962. UPI

Reading program dollars slashed

A program to improve reading levels at schools where third graders are reading six months or more below the normal level will reach less than a third as many schools as first planned because of budget cuts.

The "extended elementary education program" originally had a proposed budget of $6 million, but was cut to $2 million.

State School Superintendent David Hornbeck said the program will begin as planned, but will will reach only 29 schools instead of 100.

The program will provide half a day of instruction of 4-year-old children so they will be better able to read when they enter elementary school.

Hornbeck said the general assembly allotment of only $2 million means the program can be used in only 29 schools across the state, selected to get a broad geographical representation.

The $2 million will pay for staff and transportation of the children. Local school systems must provide space and teaching materials.

Each school could enroll as many as 60 students in the program.

Hornbeck said 22 of the selected schools are in Baltimore, two are in Charles County, with one each in Anne Arundel, Calvert, Cecil, Dorchester, and St. Mary's Counties.

Funeral services for Mrs. Butler

Funeral services for Mrs. Synola Butler, 61, were held Tuesday, August 7 at Macedonia Baptist Church. She is buried in Arbutus Memorial Park.

She died August 4 at Provident Hospital after a brief illness.

Rev. Dr. W.L. Clayton, pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church officiated at the noon services.

Mrs. Butler, the former Synola Wynn, was born in Nottaway County, Blackstone, Va. September 2, 1897.

One of eight children, four boys and four girls, she was the oldest daughter of Willie H. Wynn and Ida Wynn Tinsley.

In her early childhood she joined Springhill Baptist Church in Blackstone, Va. and was a regular member until she moved to Baltimore in 1921.

Eight years later she met and married the late Sidney Butler.

Along with her sister, Mrs. Virginia Queensbury, she joined Macedonia Baptist Church and was a member for over 35 years.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Queensbury; two brothers, Bernard and Willie "Bluetop" Wynn; all of Baltimore; brothers-in-law; two sisters-in-law; four neices, five nephews.

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NEW SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH
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The New Second Baptist Church proudly applauds The winner of our annual Miss Queen contest. The 1979 Winner is Miss Patricia Gordon. She will be going to Nassau, Bahamas, as a result of taking First place. She also received a large trophy, and will receive many other gifts as she reigns as Queen one year.

The Pastor and Church at large are proud of the fine effort put forth by the other five contestants, Mrs. Ann Ridley, Miss Dana Price, Miss Linda McNeil, Miss Wilma McKay, and Miss Gloria Barksdale of which Mrs. Ann Ridley was first runner up, Miss Dana Price second runner up.

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ANNOUNCEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT
The Perpetual Organ Fund Committee of the City Temple of Baltimore (Baptist) Church, at Eutaw and Dolphin Streets, will present Mr. Kenneth M. Dean, Jr., Organist/Choirmaster, in our Third Annual Organ Recital. The program will be on Sunday, August 12, 1979 at 5:00 p.m. All are cordially invited come early for good seats.
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