# Mrs. Santa has $18,227.14 — needs $1,772.89

## Mrs. Santa needs you only 3 days left

You are cordially invited to help the AFRO-AMERICAN's Mrs. Santa program. Mrs. Santa, AFRO Charities is a non-profit organization of the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspapers which collects funds to aid the less fortunate at Christmas.

Funds are used to purchase 1000 baskets which include all the ingredients for a meal and staples to last at least two weeks. Names are supplied by our readers, city agencies and the Police Department.

This year senior citizens and volunteers have crocheted 5,000 red flowers to be sold in shopping centers and throughtout the city on Mrs. Santa Days, Dec. 6 and Dec. 13. We hope that clubs, organizations, businesses, churches and individuals will volunteer to sell the flowers for $1 to help us meet our goal of $20,000 and reach as many needy families as possible.

Special note: If you decide to contribute $75 or more, please call 728-8205 and we will arrange for a picture with Mrs. Santa. When it is published in the AFRO, it will encourage others to give.

Please make checks or money orders payable to Mrs. Santa, AFRO Charities, 628 N Eutaw Street, Baltimore, Md. 21201. All contributions are tax deductible.

The Missionary Society of Bethel AME Church presented Mrs. Santa with $300. Mrs. Thelma McPherson is president; Mrs. Cecelia Bryant, director. Mrs. Connie Lowe (above) treasurer, is making presentation.

The Willing Workers Club presented $200. to Mrs. Santa to help make someone happy this Christmas. Above, Mrs. Marjorie Roberts, Editor M. Lockette is president.

Lisa Wright (above) and Mrs. Charlotte Owens look at some of toys and a bicycle to AFRO's Mrs. Santa fund. Clothes and toys are being provided to families in need and will be accepted up until Sunday, Dec. 20.

Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority presented Mrs. Santa with $100. (Above), Mrs. Marie B. Dowell, basileus and Miss Ruth Cooper, chairman of Community Relations.

## Goodbye welfare

This year's Mrs. Santa campaign contains quite an unusual twist to it. We are used to receiving two types of mail — one from cash contributors to the fund and another from individuals requesting assistance from the fund.

In this particular instance a request for aid came in last year from one of our readers which we labeled Case No. 93 and titled it, "I don't want to be on welfare." This year Ms. Phyllis Terry (Case No. 93) has returned not as a recipient but, in fact, as a contributor to the Mrs. Santa Fund campaign with a donation of $25.

It was last December that the AFRO ran the letter of request for aid from Ms. Terry along with a picture of her artwork, a T - Shirt of Teddy Pendergrass.

The article caught the attention of two of our readers, the Rev. Isiah D. Hill, pastor of First Baptist Church - Essex, Md. and owner of Part - Hill Graphics Enterprises and Ms. Betty B. Cotton, founder - director of the organization, Conservation and Development of Human Resources (C.A.D.O.H.R.), employed with the Social Security Admministration. Rev. Hill and Ms. Cotton, recognizing both talent and the struggle of a fellow human being, met and worked with Ms. Terry, transforming her talents into a profit-oriented business enterprise.

Ms. Terry expressed her gratitude to the staff of AFRO's Mrs. Santa, and a special appreciation to Ms. Cotton and Rev. Hill whom she describes as; "two of the most warm, loving, and unsellfishly giving individuals that I have ever met in my life. My first piece of art work on the market, suitably titled "Equality of Man" was revealed to me by the spirit as a message so greatly needed today. I only hope that people of all races, nationalities, and religious denominations will see beyond the art and realize the truth in the real message.

God often works miracles through people and I knew when Ms. Cotton and Rev. Hill contacted me that somehow His message would reach His people. I am still struggling to make ends meet, yet I feel that I must show my appreciation by helping someone in a similar situation as myself."

The Rev. Isiah D. Hill, pastor of First Baptist Church, Essex, Md.; Ms. Phyllis Terry and Ms. Betty Cotton, founder Conservation and Development of Human Resources. (See Farewell to Welfare).

## Goal $20,000. to help all needy families on her list with food baskets or coupons

**Mrs. Santa Fund $18,227.11**

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| William C. March Funeral Home | $2,000.00 |
| Mondawmin Merchants Association | 2,000.00 |
| Mrs. Santa Softball | 1,213.93 |
| General Electric Employee Fund-Columbia | $1,200.00 |
| Mrs. Louise G. Murphy - Poinsettias | 609.00 |
| Dr. Uthman Ray Jr. | 500.00 |
| M. Goldseker Co. | 350.00 |
| Missionary Society Bethel AME Church | 300.00 |
| The Willing Workers Club | 250.00 |
| Avalon Club | 200.00 |
| Maceo T. Howard in memory of his wife, Peggy T. Howard | 200.00 |
| McCormick Co. | 200.00 |
| Missionary Society First Abyssinia Baptist Church | 200.00 |
| Baltimore United Methodist Ministers | 200.00 |
| Laborers Union No. 194 | 200.00 |
| Poinsettias | 165.85 |
| Continentals | 150.00 |
| Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 56 PHA | 150.00 |
| The Original Gentlemen Ten | 150.00 |
| Dolfield Barber Shop | 150.00 |
| Singleton, Dashiell & Robinson, Attorneys | 150.00 |
| Pi Omega Chapter Omega Psi Phi Fraternity | 150.00 |
| Baltimore Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority | 141.00 |
| Baltimore Marketing Assoc. | 128.00 |
| Mass Transit Assoc. | 118.00 |
| Philomathians | 115.00 |
| Aristocrats Social Club | 110.00 |
| Katto Inc. | 100.00 |
| Modermistic Buddies Inc. | 100.00 |
| Medina Temple Hiram Grand Lodge | 100.00 |
| Concord Baptist Church | 100.00 |
| Alpha Wives | 100.00 |
| Vulcan Blazers | 100.00 |
| Myra Grand Chapter Order of Eastern Star | 100.00 |
| M.W. Prince Hall Grand Lodge | 100.00 |
| Dr. James L. Moore | 100.00 |
| The Finos | 100.00 |
| VAG's | 100.00 |
| Grace United Presbyterian Church Warm Coat Project | 100.00 |
| Beau-Gents Inc. | 100.00 |
| Lambda Kappa Mu Sorority | 100.00 |
| Catherine Dixon | 100.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. W. McCormick | 100.00 |
| The Martiniques Club | 100.00 |
| Brig. Gen. (Ret.) and Mrs. George M. Brooks | 100.00 |
| Minority Trucking and Transportation Assoc. | 100.00 |
| Women's Auxiliary Frontiers Inc. | 75.00 |
| John A. Holmes Lodge No. 89 A and FM | 75.00 |
| Concerned Neighborhood Assn. Mrs. Gracie Adams, president | 75.00 |
| Mrs. Jeanette Johnson | 75.00 |
| Clever Kiquejays | 75.00 |
| Alliance of Black Civil Servants | 75.00 |
| Dallin Wicks | 75.00 |
| Baltimore County Pinochle Bugs | 75.00 |
| Metropolitan Baltimore Alliance of Black School Educators | 75.00 |
| National Alliance Postal Employees | 75.00 |
| Special Aid Club | 75.00 |
| Epsilon Omega Chapter Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority | 75.00 |
| J. Myers | 75.00 |
| Black Telephone Managers Assoc. | 60.82 |
| Pauline Brooks Boutique | 60.00 |
| P.F.C. | 55.00 |
| Paul Laurence Dunbar High School Family | 51.12 |
| Arthur Murphy | 50.00 |
| Eastside Neighborhood Club | 50.00 |
| Park Circle Club | 50.00 |
| Happy Ladies Charity and Social Club | 50.00 |
| St. John AME Church | 50.00 |
| Emma McMillan | 50.00 |
| VFW Post 9227 | 50.00 |
| The Lawyers Wives | 50.00 |
| Argos Club | 50.00 |
| Alice and Mary Manoky | 50.00 |
| Mrs. N. B. Carrington | 50.00 |
| Clifton F. Vincent | 50.00 |
| Mrs. Gertie Hudson | 50.00 |
| Baltimore Chapter of Pinochle Bugs | 50.00 |
| WACS | 50.00 |
| Frank B. Butler | 50.00 |
| Joseph R. Wellsey | 50.00 |
| Mrs. Grace Hayworth | 50.00 |
| Miss Elinor Dimmy | 50.00 |
| United Methodist Women of Amos Memorial United Methodist Church | 50.00 |
| Mrs. Mabel Dorsey | 50.00 |
| Alpha Zeta Chapter Zeta Phi Beta Sorority | 50.00 |
| Henry and Beatrice Rawlings | 50.00 |
| Original Gardenia Bridge Club | 50.00 |
| Mrs. Beatrice H. Hall | 50.00 |
| We Be Co - Women Behind the Community | 50.00 |
| Wives of Fire Fighters | 50.00 |
| Arthur Hicks | 40.00 |
| Black Burgess | 35.00 |
| William and Phyllis McNeal | 35.00 |
| CMBC Black Caucus | 35.00 |
| Bible Way Church | 35.00 |
| Simon Williamson Choir | 30.00 |
| Mrs. Inez Robinson - Poinsettias | 27.00 |
| Mrs. Maxine Smith - Poinsettias | 25.40 |
| Thelma Kelly | 25.00 |
| Mae and Walter Dyson | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Marie E. Murphy | 25.00 |
| Letitia Charity and Savings Club | 25.00 |
| Herbert Alston | 25.00 |
| New Jockey Club | 25.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Julius Taylor | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Margery Prout | 25.00 |
| Town and Country Club | 25.00 |
| Charles and Jessie Wells | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Ellen Fisher | 25.00 |
| Ms. Laura Marable | 25.00 |
| Reginald Hodge | 25.00 |
| Rev. C. L. Whitfield | 25.00 |
| Gregory Hawkins | 25.00 |
| Blanche Bell | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Eva Rawlins | 25.00 |
| Wentas and Carrie McCormick | 25.00 |
| Col. John Lee | 25.00 |
| Louise Turner | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Ava Crowner | 25.00 |

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## Mrs. Santa cases

Case 190 — I am a single parent with two children. My only source of income is welfare. We receive food stamps but they don't last all the month. When there is no food for the children, I become very depressed and Christmas is only a few weeks away and we won't have any food. We will appreciate anything you can do for us.

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Case 193 I have never written for anything before, but I find now that I must ask for help. I am the mother of five girls, ages 13, 14, 11, 10 and 4 years old. I receive social services but after rent and food there isn't much left for the kids. They need coats and shoes. Please let them wake up Christmas morning with a smile on their faces.

Case 194 My husband just left us and we haven't heard from him. Please send a basket and some clothes for my children, ages 16, 12, 11 and 9. We are badly in need.

L.C.Case 195 — I live alone and am in need of food and clothing. I wear shoe size 8 and a size 14 dress. I can not afford these things. Please help me if you can. Thank you very much.

Case 196 — I am the mother of one child also my mother and the rest of the family. My father is the only one working. I receive a check for myself, but by time we pay the bills together there is nothing left. I would appreciate it dearly if you are able to help my family in any way.

Case 197 — Would you please send me a food basket. I have 7 children. I will be glad to receive any help you can give.

Case 198 — I am 80 years old and in need of a basket. I am a widow. I hope you can help me.

Case199 I would like to have a nice Christmas this year for my children. The childrens ages are from 3 to 15 years old. I have to pay rent and buy oil. My husband is sick and not working. Will you please help me.

Case 200 I need a food basket for my self and my daughter and 2 grand children. I was put off social service because I was in the hospital for my blood pressure. My husband a also sick. Anything you can give will help.

Case 201 I am writing this letter for my daughter who is on welfare with 2 children. She has chronic asthma and her son has it also. She needs clothes, food and toys. The boy is 8 and the girl is 5.

Case 202 I am 46 years old and divorced, and on social service and get 32.00 worth of food stamps. When I moved the men broke the pipe on my refrigerator. So I have to eat from day to day without any place to keep my food. So please help me.

Case 203 I am 36 years old and I am in a wheelchair. I have 3 children, and I would appreciate any help you can give. So please try to give me a Christmas basket.

Case 204 My son and I live together, and he is sick. After bills are paid there is nothing left. He wears a size 32 length an and size 36 waist. I thank you for any help you can get.

Case 205 I am a sick mother living on a fixed income. I need food and clothing for myself and my child who is a asmatic patient. I also have a daughter who is working. The bills are high, she cannot help me. If I do not get some help I will not have any help at all. I appreciate any help you can give me.

Case 206 I am a mother of 4 children ages from 17 to 12 years old. My husband repairs shoes, he earns 125.00 a week, and it just is not enough. I would appreciate a Christmas basket very much.

Case 207 — I am alone and have no family in this state. I get a small social security check, and $400 for food stamps. I have a hiatal and also I have high blood pressure. I would appreciate any help I can get.

Case 208 I am a diabetic and I am in and out of the hospital. I get a small income and I am taking care of my family the best way I can. There are 5 in my family and would be more than grateful for any help.

Case 209 — Would you please send me a food certificate to get my family of 4, and myself a Christmas basket we are in need of food. Any help you can give us a helpful.

Case 210 — You helped us last year and we are in need of a food certificate this year. There are 5 in my family so any help will be thankful.

Case 211 I am writing because you are my only hope. I need food and clothes for my 3 children and 1 grandchild. We need food and clothes. My daughter is 11, she wears size 9 shoes and size 12 pants. Also a girl 5 wears 8 pants and a size 8 coat and 12 shoe. My grandson is 9 months old and he wears a toddlers size. I am praying you will be able to help me.

Case 212— I need a Christmas basket because I have been handicapped for 7 years. I am also bedridden and I would like a basket for Christmas.

Case 213— I have 5 kids and the range in age in ages 13 to 1 month. I receive a small income, but it is not enough. If I could get a little help that would make my Christmas. Thank You.

Case 214 I am writing about a mother of 5 ranging in ages 4 to 3. She needs food and clothing. Boys sizes 12, 10, 7 and 5. The girl wears a size 12. Thank You.

Case 215 — I know I am late in asking you for last year. Thank you for your concern and help. I have 3 girls and I have not heard from my husband in a year. I would be thankful for any help you can gi^ me.

Case 216— My husband left me 4 months ago with all the bills and the children. I do not want anything for myself, but I would appreciate any help you can give me for my children

Case 217— I have 4 children & need food for them for Christas. Thank you.

Case 218— We are a family of six. Will you please see that we get some food for Christmas.

Case 219— I am a diabetic and disabled. I live alone and I need a basket for Christmas. Thank you.

Case220— I am a mother of 2 children and on social services I need help for Christmas. Any help you can give me will be appreciated

Case 221 — Please help us if it is in any way possible. I! seems that the whole world has caved in on us. We had to use our last bit of money to buy food. It was either freeze to death or starve to death. My husband and I both receive social security checks and will get no more money until next month. Please see that we get a basket for Christmas. Thanks and may God continue to bless you.

Case 222 — Kindly send us a basket for Christmas. I am not asking for toys because they can not eat them. I have 10 children and one of my sons used to help me, but he was beaten and robbed. As a result, he had to stay in the hospital for eight months and now he can't work. We have a long winter ahead of us. My husband makes $135 a week which doesn't go very far. Please do what you can for us.

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Case 224 — Please help this family. She is a young lady and is trying very hard to bring up her child without a father. They are in need of food and clothing. She wears a size 10 or 12 and she is 1-year old girl wears a size 10.

Case 225 — Please help me and my two children have a happy holiday. I have a son five years old and a daughter six. They both go to school. My children would also like to have some games and a Christmas basket.

Case 226 — Please help my children and I. I'm in need for clothes toys and food for my family. I have four children, 3 girls and a boy. Thank you very much.

Case 225 — Please send me a basket for my family-of four. My husband is out of work and we are sharing our food with a sister so I would appreciate a basket so we all can have Christmas dinner together.

Case 226 — I have three children, two boys 14 and 11 and one girl 10 and we are on the welfare. My check is gone after paying the rent light and other necessities. My girl weighs 130 lbs. and wears 7 or 7½ shoe. The boys shoes sizes are also 7 and 7½.

Case 227— My father and mother are gone. My oldest brother was stabbed three times and the ned brother died of cancer. I now have two sister and two brothers. We have no heat and no food. I have been writing for the last four years but I guess everyhing ran out before you got to me. Please help my family and me have some food in the house.

Case 228 — have six children and they are all in need of clothes I have applied for social services but it will be some time before we can get any help. Right now I am living with a relative until I can get a house, then I will need furniture. My boys wear size 40 and 30 coats and the three girls wear size 10, 12 and 14 coats. We would also appreciate a basket.

Case 229 — A dear friend of mine has just been over a month in the hospital as a result of a very serious accident. Her husband has been laydoff work. Please send them a Christmas basket to make them a little more happy.

Case 230 — We are on Social Services and can hardly make ends meet. My mother and I share the expenses of an apartment. She is unable to work and our food stamps never last a month. I have a son, 5 years old. He wears a size 7 or 8. Could you please send us a basket and a few toys for him.

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CHRISTMAS IS FOR CHILDREN— Lisa Davis, daughter of Barbara and William Davis is a happy toddler with dreams of sugar plums dancing in her head as she snuggles on Mrs. Santa's lap at Park Hill Day Nursery. Children under Mrs. Iona Collins brought new clothes and toys for Mrs. Santa's needy families. You can make a child happy this Christmas! Send a check to AFRO Mrs. Santa, AFRO Charities, 628 N. Eutaw St., Balto. Md. 21201



# Thank you for caring and sharing

Epsilon Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority presented $75 to Mrs. Santa. Above, Mrs. Idell Pugh, Immediate Past Basileus and Mrs. Henrietta Harcum, Philacter.

Laborers Local No. 194, 317 N. Paca St., presented $200 to Mrs. Santa to help needy families. (Above from L) are Norman L. Kenny, recording secretary; Robert A. Edmonds, vice-president and James McKoy, president.

The Park Circle Club presented AFRO's Mrs. Santa with $50. Above, Mrs. Mamie Peterson, treasurer; Mrs. Buena Vista Prettyman, president and Mrs. Lillian Young.

## Mrs. Santa Cases

Case 221 — I am seperated from my husband and I do not get enough from the welfare to take of my two children and me. Please do whatever you can to help us. They are size 10 and 6

Case 222 — I am in need of a basket for Christmas and clothes. I have four children ages 8, 5, 4 and 9 months. The girl wears size 8 and the boys wear sizes 7, 5 and 1. I try to make ends meet but the money from Social services doesn't seem to last the whole month.

Case 223 — My family and I are in need of a Christmas basket. I have never asked for charity before. My husband is unemployed and I have a daughter 4 years old and a baby on the way. My husband is out every day looking for a job and has to walk because he has no money. We would deeply appreciate any help you can give us.

Case 224 - Iwou d like so much for my children and grandchildren to have a full and nourishing meal and a few nice toys. On my income I can never make ends meet. I have five children. I have two girls who ex ch have a child and are trying to finish school. The three boys are younger. Please see what you can do to help us.

## —More Mrs. Santa's fund

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| Inez Cox | 25.00 |
| Nellie Bowie | 25.00 |
| Webster Powell | 25.00 |
| Pixie Productions | 25.00 |
| Coleman Typewriter | 25.00 |
| The Pals | 25.00 |
| Jolly Nine | 25.00 |
| Big Sisters | 25.00 |
| Mamie E. LeDull | 25.00 |
| Delores Whidbee | 25.00 |
| Mrs. Gloria Wilkins | 25.00 |
| Mr. E. Anderson | 25.00 |
| Aquarians | 25.00 |
| Monderustic Toreadors | 25.00 |
| Elmer Brown | 25.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Clifton A. Turner Jr. | 25.00 |
| R. Eleanor Scotland | 25.00 |
| Neighborhood Club Hoobik Carrollton | 25.00 |
| G.M.'s Pleasure Club | 25.00 |
| Dr. Robert W. McDaniel | 25.00 |
| M. A. Harris | 25.00 |
| Shirley Butler | 20.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Vessells | 20.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Roland Henson | 20.00 |
| Raymond A. C. Young | 20.00 |
| James Payne | 20.00 |
| Barbara Davenport | 20.00 |
| Mrs. Mary Hill | 20.00 |
| Mrs. Agnes Reaves | 20.00 |
| James H. Murphy | 20.00 |
| Thomas G. Beverly | 20.00 |
| Paul W. Moore Sr. | 20.00 |
| Mrs. W. Wynne Perry | 20.00 |
| Carl J. Case | 20.00 |
| Blanche Northern | 20.00 |
| Harry Marshall | 15.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Rodman Harris | 15.00 |
| William and Catherine Blackmon | 15.00 |
| Henry G. Wright | 15.00 |
| Bernard and Alma Reed | 15.00 |
| The Toujours Amis Club | 15.00 |
| Golden Girls | 15.00 |
| William Mack | 15.00 |
| Miss Ruth Crawford | 15.00 |
| El Roller | 15.00 |
| Bobbie and Ann Singleton | 12.00 |
| Dr. Theodore Petterson. | 11.00 |
| Ellen Hill | 10.00 |
| Bernice Johnson | 10.00 |
| Ms. Nora Ethridge | 10.00 |
| Robert W. Wait | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Helen C. Lee | 10.00 |
| Mario and Monica Kane | 10.00 |
| Arvel and Pauline Owens | 10.00 |
| Albert Taylor | 10.00 |
| Carolyn Brewer | 10.00 |
| Louise H. Robinson | 10.00 |
| Mes. Vernuece Reynolds | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Essie Sutton | 10.00 |
| Charles and Vivian Smith | 10.00 |
| Margaret Barksdale | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Florence Lyles | 10.00 |
| Flair Studio | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Elizabeth Jefferson | 10.00 |
| Pearl Gordon | 10.00 |
| Ms. Llewelyn Walker | 10.00 |
| H. S. Davis | 10.00 |
| Eight Matrons Plus Gents | 10.00 |
| Vivian Young | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Peggy Hagood | 10.00 |
| Barbara and Edwin Golden | 10.00 |
| Helen Lyles Gray | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Blanche Pettford | 10.00 |
| Josephine A. Lansey | 10.00 |
| Mae and Marshall Stewart | 10.00 |
| John E. Patterson | 10.00 |
| Gilbert Northern | 10.00 |
| Wilmer Northern | 10.00 |
| Esther and Viller Brown | 10.00 |
| Charles and Marie Thomas | 10.00 |
| Pam Sewell | 8.00 |
| Richard and Thelma Johnson | 5.00 |
| Anne Stewart | 5.00 |
| Ms. Naketa Gregory | 5.00 |
| Marietta Long | 5.00 |
| Beatrice Johnson | 5.00 |
| Miss Katherine Jones | 5.00 |
| Laura Harris | 5.00 |
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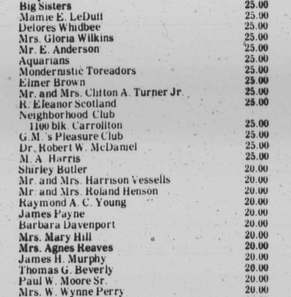
| Martha Grifien | 5.00 |
| Margaret Holland | 5.00 |
| Ellsworth Wilson | 5.00 |
| Thurman B. O'Daniel | 5.00 |
| Wendy Roberts | 5.00 |
| Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dougherty | 3.00 |
| Beatrice Snowden | 3.00 |
| John T. Morse | 2.00 |

Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 56, PHA presented $150. to AFRO Mrs. Santa. Seated Elmer Wright, Senior Warden, Walter Jones, Worshipful Master and Wesley Patterson, Chaplain. Standing from (L) Perry Stewart, Junior Warden, James L. Peacock, Treasurer.

The National Alliance of Postal and Federal Employees Clifton Harris, president, presented $75 to help Mrs. Santa.



Black United Methodist Ministers Association representatives presented AFRO's Mrs. Santa with $200. Dr. O. St. Clair Franklin is president. Seated above are the Revs. Yusef Ahmed, Willie Parker, George A. Stansbury. Standing from (L) are the Revs. James H. Smith, Lloyd E. Marcus and Kelly L. Jackson.

Beau - Gents Inc. presented AFRO Mrs. Santa with $100. A social and civic group, these men have a scholarship program, help underprivileged children and support the NAACP. Seated, Leslie Harris, treasurer; Charles Anderson, business manager, Douglas Warren. Standing, Burnett Davis, James Goode, Eolis Jones, secretary. Not shown, Arthur Johnson.

## Mrs. Santa cases

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Case 234 I have never written for anything before, but I find now that I must ask for help. I am the mother of five girls, ages 13, 14, 11, 10 and 4 years old. I receive social services but after rent and food there isn't much left for the kids. They need coats and shoes. Please let them wake up Christmas morning with a smile on their faces.

Case 235 — My husband just left us and we haven't heard from him. Please send a basket and some clothes for my children, ages 16, 12, 11 and 9. We are badly in need.

Case 236 — Christmas is a sad time for me and my two sons, who are 13 and 14. We would appreciate if you and your helpers would send us a gift certificate so that we could enjoy a lovely Christmas dinner. Please help us.

Case 237 — I have five children and am asking for help. I need food or whatever you can help me with. My girls are 10 and 9 and the boys are 13, 12 and 4. Thank you.

Case 238 — I live on a fixed income and I have three girls who wear sizes 8, 6 and 4. They are all sick. There father has been gone about four years and I have been trying to help them. I will appreciate any kind of help you can give me.

Case 239 — I would like to make my child happy on Christmas Day. I don't have any money to spend on him. I would appreciate a basket and some toys. He is 7 years old and wears size 8 clothing and size 11 shoes.

Case 240 — I have always been able to get clothes, shoes and at least one toy for my children but this year I am unable to do so. One of my boys wants a bike and the other wants a racing car set. Their clothes size are 11 and 12 and size 3½ to 4shoes. If possible, we would also like to have a basket.

Case 241 — I have no relatives in Baltimore and a very few associates. I am single with two children and on the weekends I look for a job everyday but haven't had any luck yet. My daughter has two sons, ages five are really in need of boots and shoes, size 1 for her and size 11 for him. She wears a size 8 sweater and he wears a size 5. We will be grateful for anything we receive.

Case 242 — My mother has just come out of the hospital. Please help me make a good holiday for us. We would like food, candy and toys. I have four sisters, 15, 13, 12, 11 and 3 and two brothers 14, and 3. Please have Santa come so my mother won't worry.

Case 243 — Please help my family and me. My husband is layed off from work and we have no income.

Case 244 — I am cripple, partially blind and unable to work. I am a grandmother of seven children. My daughter is on a fixed income and her husband is a diabetic like myself. Please send them a basket. It will help her and her children.

Case 245 — I have 2 children and I live with my mother. My children need clothes very badly. Both are girls and they wear sizes 4 and 10 clothing. Their shoe sizes are 8½. I will appreciate anything you give.

Case 246 —My husband and I have been separated for two years. I am out of work and I have three children. Please help me with a food basket or any other way. I will be grateful for anything.

Case 247 — I have two girls, ages 5 and 9 and two boys ages 8 and 1. They need clothing and food very badly, which I can't afford to buy because my money has run out. Please help me in any way you can.

Case 248 — My son has a 17-month old girl and a 2-year old boy who live with me. He is not working so I have to take care of him and the children. I also have a disabled brother and two foster children. Please send a basket for my family and a couple of toys for the grandchildren. All in the freezer foster children want is a real family and a good meal.

Case 249 — I am single with three children, girl 14 and boys, 10 and 12. I lost my job about three months ago and am now getting social services. Please send food and clothing for Christmas.

Case 250 —My kids and I are in need of food, clothing and toys. I have two girls ages 15 and 12 and two boys, ages 3 and 10 months. Please send me a basket.

Case 251 —This concerns a mother and five children who are in need of a Christmas basket. Please help.

Case 252 —Can you help me and my three children, two boys, ages 3 and 5 and one girl, 7. I am on welfare, was robbed this month and cannot afford much food with the little stamps I receive. I am not worried about toys but the children need clothes, shoes and coats. My family cannot afford to help me. Anything you can do to help will be appreciated.

Case 253 —This concerns a mother on welfare and her four children. When bills and rent are paid, there is not anything left for much food. Anything you can give will help but the main thing they need is food and food.

Case 254—I am writing for my parents, father, 67, suffering from heart condition and mother, 50, who can only do a few days work when she is able. Please send them a Christmas basket to let them know that God has not forgotten them. Please pray for them.

Case 255—I would like to have a basket for my three girls, ages 11, 10 and 7. They would like to have some toys.

Case 256 — I have two children, a girl, 15 and a five-year-old boy. I am a divorced mother on welfare who does not know how I will make it for Christmas. My children need coats, shoes and toys. My daughter wears size 11 shoes and size 10 coat. My son wears 8 11½ shoe. A basket of food and whatever else you could spare would make our family happy this Christmas.

Case 257—I am writing to you hoping that you will help a family in need of a Christmas basket. She was lost her husband and has two children. Please help in you can.

Case 258— I am writing for a friend who has three children and whose husband has left her. She needs food and clothes and some toys. Most of all, she needs food. Please help her. It would make her very happy.

Case 259—My family and I recently moved into the Baltimore area from North Carolina. I have not been able to find employment. We receive public assistance, but this is barely enough to meet living expenses. I have three children, two boys, ages 11 and 10 and one girl, 7. I am not looking for anything for Christmas but the little ones are. The boys wear sizes 16 and 12. The girl, size 10. Even a small toy would make them smile.

Case 260—I am on Social Services and have three children who could not have a turkey for Thanksgiving but would like to have one for Christmas. A basket would be very nice.

Case 261—Please send my grandmother, who is diabetic and on Social Services, a Christmas basket. I would like to help her, but I am on Social Services and try to help my mother. You will help make our Christmas a happy one.

Case 262—A grandmother who suffers from high blood pressure and has a bad heart would like to have something for her six grandchildren. Four live with me and have a foster mother. Two girls, 2 and 16 months and two boys, 10 and 7 who are with grandmother need anything you can spare. Two girls, 8 and 2 with their mother also need whatever help they can give. Boys sizes are: 16, 8 and 4. Girls sizes, 12, 4 and 24 months. Please remember me.

Case 264—A 71 year old welfare mother who has lots of trouble is striving for her loved ones is in need of anything you can spare for her family of twin a boy, 5 and girl, 3. Please help them have a nice holiday.

Eastside Neighborhood Association, a community organization in the Berea, Federal, Hoffman Street area presented Mrs. Santa with $50. Seated, Sue Bates Gibson, Irene Gibson, Anne Houser, Rose Hall. Standing, James Holley, Ernest Hawkes, Jodie Murchison, financial secretary; Brenda Johnson Miller, business manager; Rosie Miles, treasurer; Hilda Brown, recording secretary; Percy Tillman, vice - president; and Richard McCoy, president.