## Mrs. Pearl Williams

A funeral for Mrs. Pearl Williams was held Jan. 2 at New Unity Baptist Church. Mrs. Williams died Dec. 28 after a brief illness.

She was the daughter of the late Amelia Butler Wilmore and Thornton Wilmore. Mrs. Williams was baptized at Fountain Baptist Church in 1937. She was a member of the Senior Missionaries, Willing Workers, Senior Choir and superintendent of the Beginners Department in the Sunday School. She was also past chairwoman of Community Missions United Baptist Missionary Convention of Maryland.

Mrs. Pearl Williams

In 1956, she married the Rev. James S. Williams and became the first lady of New Unity Baptist Church. Her Christian work continued at New Unity where she was church treasurer for 23 years, chairwoman of the Thanksgiving basket committee for 24 years.

She became the first superintendent of the Sunday School of New Unity, a position she held for 23 years. On May 7, 1979, she was elevated to the position of superintendent emeritus.

Mrs. Williams is survived by her husband; four children, Charles, Gilbert and George Stevenson and Thelma Stevenson Russell; two sisters, Mrs. Sarah Wallace and Mrs. Bernice Tate; two brothers Leonard and Robert Wilmore; six grandchildren; two daughters-in-law, one son-in-law, four sisters-in law, two brothers-in-law


**Bethel A.M.E. Church**
1300 Druid Hill Ave. & Lanvale St.
Baltimore, Md. 21217
8:00 A.M. Service

Rev. John R. Bryant, will be preaching on a series through the bible beginning with the Book of Genesis at the 8 a.m. service. All are invited to participate in this enriching experience.

JOHN R. BRYANT, Pastor



*"The Church On The Urban Frontier"*
**NEW FRONTIERS OF FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH**
II Cor. 10:16
The Alameda Beaumont Ave.
36 Bus, at the door
THE LORD'S DAY
Sunday, Jan. 11th 1981
11 A.M.
*Memorial Services For Deaconess Rena Grove*
50 Voice Memorial Choir under the direction of the Rev. Jimmie McDonald, A.M.E. Pastor of Kansas City, Missouri, Instrumental Duet by the Russell Bros. Family and Friends assembled from Coast to Coast
Eulogy by Pastor Eugene T. Grove, Sr.
I Samuel 1:11
Pastor Grove's Class of '29 In Attendance
ALL ARE WELCOME



**St. James Episcopal Church**
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 COMMUNITY CHURCH**
"The People of the Way"
Lafayette and Madison Aves.
MARION CURTIS BASCOM
D.D. Minister
James S. Hammond, M. MUS

Sunday
January 11, 1981
Eight and Eleven O'Clock

MARION C. BASCOM, Preaching

The Lord's Prayer —Jerry Nowak
Antiphonal Psalm —Henry Pfohl
From The Rising Of The Sun —F. A. Ousley
Soon-A Will Be Done —William Dawson


# Annual MLK Dinner held at YWCA

Miss Oprah Winfrey, co-host of People are Talking and a reporter for WJZ-TV, will be the speaker at the third annual Martin Luther King Dinner sponsored by the YWCA of the Greater Baltimore on Jan. 15, 6 p.m. at 128 Franklin St.

In remembrance of the slain civil rights leader, the evening's program will be dedicated to heightening the awareness that it will take continued perseverence to see Dr. King's dream fulfilled.

An addition to the YWCA annual observance of Dr. King's birthday, will be the YWCA Martin Luther King Essay contest, which is being held in cooperation with city schools. Students from Baltimore City Middle Schools are being encouraged to enter the contest.

The contest is an effort by the YWCA and city schools to increase the awareness of young people of the leadership roleDr. King took in the civil rights movement. The YWCA makes racial justice a year round effort and sponsors special events each winter beginning with the Martin Luther King dinner. The student author of the prize winning essay will be announced at the dinner on Jan. 15.

In addition to the keynote address by Miss Winfrey, and the essay contest award, the program will include music by the Tones of Faith of Knox Presbyterian Church and an interpretive dance by the YWCA Rainbow Y-Teens.

## —Ordination Services

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The Rev. Joseph Harmon, rector, The Church of the Ressurection, Elizabeth, N. J., was master of ceremonies. Other participants were the Reverends Dr. Peter Bramble, rector, The Church of St. Katherine of Alexandria; Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Rowland Page Sr., Reginald Walts, senior warden, St. James Episcopal Church; Rev. Donald O. Wilson, Rev. Dr. Robert Ford, deacon St. James Episcopal; Rev. Dr. Robert Bennett, professor of Old Testament Episcopal Divinity School, Cambridge, Mass and the Rev. Michelle Rene Thornton, assistant to the rector The Church of St. Katherine of Alexandria.

Also, Miss Anne Holmes Redding, Mrs. Margaret Clark, Church of the Holy Cross Pittsburg, Pa. and The Acolytes of St. James.

## Perkins Square Baptist church, 100 years old

"Doing His Will, Teaching and Preaching Jesus Christ, With Gratitude and Dignity for A Century," is the theme for the centennial celebration of Perkins Square Baptist Church, 2500 Edmondson Ave.

As part of the celebration, activities will be held at the church throughout the year. Among activities scheduled are services to be held at the church in February with local ministers participating. Pioneer Day will be observed on March 8, Virginia Day is scheduled for April 12. Friends Week and Day will be June 22-28 and homecoming services will be held Oct. 11.

Perkins Square Baptist Church was organized in 1881 by Rev. Frank R. Williams, who served as pastor of the church for 48 years. After he became ill, the Rev. Ward D. Yerby was installed as pastor of Perkins Square in 1930.

The church has been located in the 2500 block of Edmondson Ave., since May 1937, when members moved from George and Ogston Street. The Rev. Richard F. Ogle became pastor of Perkins Square in 1971 after Rev. Yerby retired.

# Freddie Williams Jr.

Final rites for Freddie Douglas Williams Jr., 40, were held Dec. 26 at Grace Memorial Baptist Church.

Mr. Williams died Dec. 23 after a lengthy illness. Born in Baltimore, he was the son of Freddie D. Williams Sr. and Mrs. Julia Inez Williams.

At the time of his death, he was employed as a U. S. Marshal with the United States Marshal Service District of Maryland.

He was formerly employed with the city Police Department, where he started working after being discharged from the Navy. After several years of service with the Police Department, he resigned and went to work for General Motors.

Relatives state his love for law and order, resulted in his decision to embark once again on a career in law enforcement. He also worked for the Maryland State Police for several years until he left and started working as a U. S. Marshal.

He joined New Unity Baptist Church and served on the Senior Usher Board, the Senior Choir and in various other capacities at the church.

He married Miss Melody Lucas on July 26, 1980. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Melody Williams; two daughters, Tanya and Lisa; three brothers, Walter, Moses and Louis Williams and his mother, Mrs. Julia Inez Williams and father-in-law.

Pallbearers were Harry Mason, Richard Goodwin, John Kearney Jr., Leroy Morgan, George Saunders and Michael Giles.


**PERKINS SQUARE BAPTIST CHURCH**
2500 EDMONDSON AVE.
CORNER OF WARWICK
SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 1981
Communion Sunday
8:00 A.M.—Early Morning Worship Sermon By the Pastor
9:15 A.M.—Church School New Members Class
10:30 A.M.—Opening Heart Service
11:00 A.M.—Morning Worship Sermon By The Pastor Communion Sunday
3:00 P.M.—I.C.U.A. of Maryland Inc.
6:00 P.M.—Baptist Training Union New Members Class
Church Officer's Night

REV. RICHARD OGLE Pastor



**Oak Street AME Church**
2301 N. Howard Street
Sunday, January 11, 1981
3:30 P.M.—Rev. John R. Bryant Pastor, Choir and Congregation of Bethel AME Church will worship with us.
REV. RICHARD P. HALL, Pastor
Program benefit of Women's Day in April


# New religious classes held at Sharp Street

Sharp Street Memorial United Methodist Church, Dolphin and Etting Streets will start its second session of childrens Saturday religious programs on Jan.10.

The program will be held from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. for children 3 to 14-years old with experienced teachers as instructors.

The purpose of the program is to teach religious experience, to provide knowledge of black history, give cultural enrichment and to encourage good citizenship by teaching children how to avoid vandalism and crime. Arts and crafts, trips and a free lunch will also be provided.

Earl Dougherty is chairman and the Rev. John W. Coleman is pastor of Sharp Street. Classes are free for all students attending.

## Charles E. Bonsall dies

A funeral for Charles E. Bonsall, 68, as held Jan. 7 at All Saints Church, 4408 Liberty Heights Ave. Mr. Bonsall died Jan. 4 after a brief illness.

Born in Baltimore, he attended St. Martin's School and was a resident of Howard Park for 34 years. He worked for the Post Office for 34 years and retired in 1974.

He served in World War 11 and served in the U. S. Navy during the war. In his spare time, Mr. Bonsall enjoyed collecting stamps.

He is survived by his daughter, Mrs. Patricia F. Brown; three sisters, Miss Margaret Bonsall, Mrs. Emma Crispens and Mrs. Delores Crispens; two grandsons, Doug and Scott Brown. He is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery.

## United Steel Workers mark MLK Birthday

Local 2609 of the United Steelworkers of America will hold a commemoration of Martin Luther King's Birthday on Wednesday, Jan., 14 at 7:30 p.m. at the union hall on 550 Duddalk Ave.

The program will highlight the contributions of Martin Luther King to the Labor Movement and support making his birthday a national holiday. Speakers will include local black leaders and unionists.

The public is invited.

For more information please contact Eddie Bartee, vice president, local 2609 U.S.W.A. Tele. 633-9220.

## Walburton Pulley, designer

Walburton Pulley, 35-year-old designer of women's wear, died Jan. 5 at Mercy Hospital. Relatives state Pulley had a heart attack.

Funeral services for Pulley were held Jan. 9 at St. Gregory Catholic Church. He is buried in New Cathedral Cemetery.

Before moving his designing and manufacturing business to New York in 1976, Walburton Pulley and Company was located on Charles Street.

Pulley's designs could be found under the label (former Walburton Unlimited) in most of the major department stores in New York.

Relatives told the AFRO Pulley lived in New York until December 1979 when he was seriously burned in a fire in his apartment. Pulley returned to Baltimore in March 1980 and was receiving treatment three times a week from City Hospitals burn center.

His mother, Mrs. Thelma Pulley stated, "When he left home Monday, he seemed to be okay and we received a call to come to the hospital."

Pulley attended Delaware State College and was a graduate of Maryland Institute of Art. In addition to his mother, he is survived by his father, Walburton Pulley Sr.; one brother, Eugene Pulley and a sister, Ms. Ann Mae Rorie.

## Coming Events

Alpha Alpha Sigma Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. invites you to attend a program commemorating Dr. George Washington Carver Sunday, January 11, 1981 at 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Heritage United Church of Christ, 3106 Liberty Heights Avenue, Baltimore, Maryland. Featuring the Drama Club and Glee Club of Walbrook Senior High School.

# in winter

A little extra care during the winter months will help keep pets healthier and could help pet owners avoid emergency veterinary bills, two pet experts suggest.

Doctors Eugene T. Rowe and Joanne V. Baldwin, both Richmond veterinarians, said one of the best ways to protect pets, especially dogs and cats, is to make sure they receive their vaccinations for common pet diseases before winter arrives.

Both veterinarians said pet owners should keep an eye on their pets' water bowls because winter air usually is drier and pets could get thirsty just as easily as in hot weather.

But Baldwin cautioned that owners who keep their pets outside during the colder months should be especially watchful because outdoor water bowls could freeze rapidly. She said small heaters can be purchased and submerged in the water if owners cannot refill them frequently.

Both veterinarians said pets should be fed more in the winter than other times of the year to provide more body fuel. Baldwin suggested feeding the animals shortly before they go to sleep at night.

Rowe said carbon monoxide fumes from poorly ventilated heating units tend to settle low in areas where pets walk. The result could cause the animals to become ill, he warned.

Dry heat inside homes could cause respiratory problems in birds and skin ailments in dogs and cats, and both veterinarians suggested using humidifiers.

Baldwin also suggested insulated shelters for dogs. A doghouse should be small enough to contain the pet's body heat but large enough for the dog to stand up and turn around in.


**ATTENTION ALL CHURCHES**
Let me help you raise money for 1981 for your pastor's aid, choirs, male chorus, usher's board, building fund, and all special committees — for Easter Sunday, April 19, 1981 for the Mighty Clouds of Joy at the Baltimore Civic Center. 5:30 P.M. Sharp. For information call Mr. Moyer, 566-1362.



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SPECIAL GUEST: THE SAINT CECILIA'S GOSPEL CHOIR
**AT BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH**
DRUID HILL AVENUE and LANVALE STREET
**SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 1981 — 4:00 P.M.**
$3.00
JOHN V. THORNTON, Grand Master
HELEN M. CARTER, Grand Matron

NEW OFFICERS of the 89-year-old Baptist Ministers Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity, the largest organization of clergymen on the Eastern Seaboard, are Dr. Leroy Fitts (C) president; Revs. William E. Johnson and James Ball, 1st and 2nd vice presidents; Walter Brunson, secretary; E. W. Williams, treasurer; Harold Dobson, Sunday School commentator; Mrs. Minnie Robinson, assistant; William Calhoun, news commentator; Dockery Thompson, assistant; Vincent Thompson, corresponding secretary and James Fuller, assistant.

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INAUGURATION AT HISTORIC CHURCH

# 300 Baptist ministers hail Dr. Fitts as new president

It was a momentous occasion. Some 300 pastors of important Maryland congregations poured into the crowd of nearly 500 persons Jan. 5 for the inauguration of the new president of the Baptist Ministers Conference of Baltimore and Vicinity.

The unprecedented event at East Baltimore's historic 145-year-old First Baptist Church witnessed its minister, Dr. Leroy Fitts, officially installed as the head of the powerful organization described as the largest group of clergymen in this area.

The conference was established in 1901 and has met every Monday at Enon Baptist Church for all these years. Dr. Vernon Dobson, outgoing president, stepped down at the end of his two-year term as is customary and handed the gavel to Dr. Fitts in impressive ceremonies.

Also installed were other elected officials, Revs. William E. Johnson and James Ball, vice-presidents; Walter Brunson, Vincent Thompson and James Fuller, secretaries; E. W. Williams, treasurer; Harold Dobson and Minnie Robinson, Sunday School commentators; William Calhoun and Dockery Thompson, news commentators.

Dr. Dobson and Dr. A.C.D. Vaughn presided.

Others on the program were Drs. Calhoun, Walter Paige, Gregory Perkins, James L. Moore, Wendell Sommerville, executive secretary, Lott Carey Foreign Missionary Convention; R. G. Williams, pastor, Mt. Moriah, Annapolis; Chaplain Black, chaplain, U.S. Naval Academy.

Noteworthy was the presence of Macedonia Baptist's Dr. Willard Clayton, a descendant of the First Baptist founder, Rev. Moses Clayton, the ex-slave from Richmond, Va. called the father of Maryland Baptist churches.

Bringing greetings were Ms. Helen Benton, president of the Lott Carey Women's Auxiliary and Dr. Roy Gresham, head of the 300 churches of the Baptist Convention of Maryland and Dr. Silver, head of the United Missionary Baptist Convention of Maryland.

In addition to receiving the BMC plaque from Dr. Dobson, Dr. Fitts received the AFRO-AMERICAN Newspaper's citation. Dr. Baxter Matthews gave the charge of the organization and conducted the hand of fellowship rites.

The inaugural dinner was served in the V. T. Williams Center adjoining the church by First Baptist Willing Workers Club.

DR. LEROY FITTS delivered the presidential address to a standing ovation from the more than 100 ministers present.

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APPOINTMENTS

Presidential Consultants

The Black Press — Dr. Elizabeth M. Oliver.

Evangelism — Dr. Harold A. Carter, New Shiloh Baptist Church.

Mass Media — Miss Oprah Winfrey, WJZ-TV, Channel 13.

Ecumenical Affairs — Dr. Chester Wickwire.

Black Economic Development — Hon. Parren J. Mitchell, United States Congress.

Urban Problems — Dr. Hoover Davor, Morgan State University.

Local Politics — Del. Troy Brailey, Del. Wendell Phillips.

Educational Affairs — Dr. Gwendolyn Cook, Baltimore Public Schools.

Fraternal Organizations — Samuel Daniels.

Civic and Human Rights Organizations — Mrs. Juanita Mitchell, Esq.

Black Colleges — Dr. John Bryant.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Revival — Dr. William C. Calhoun, chairman — Walter Thomas, co Walter Bronson, Jr., Leo K. Ceasar, Arthur J. Benn, Vincent Thompson, Douglass Mills.

Program — Dr. A. C. D. Vaughn, chairman — Vernon Dobson, co, J. W. Kelly, C. C. Alexander, William Johnson, William Rivers, James Ball, Geroge Crawley, W. C. Calhoun.

Membership — Rev James, Ball, chairman—William Chambers, cochair, Hermond Ford, Willard L. Clayton, William Brown, Walter Paige, Montague J. Brackett, Lorenzo Graves, Matthew Marcus.

Hearing - J. W. Kelly, chairman — Henry Simon, co-chair, Leonard E. Hicks, Lewis Campbell, Hezekiah Williamson, Alex Young, W. H. Thompson, L. J. Westbrook.

Sick Committee — Rev. Nathaniel Higgs, chairman — Walter Paige, Oberlin W. Perry, Daniel Johnson, Charles H. Churn, Wallace Poole, Curtis Ringgold, David Sanders, Henry A. Martin.

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Benevolence — George Crawley, chairman — H. M. Williamson, Moses Williams, Samuel Ray, Joseph P. Stewart, Harold I. Williams, Douglas Wilson.

Charter of Incorporation - Lyndsai Pitts, chairman, Oliver Page, Vernon Dobson, Walter Thompson, Roy B Johnson, Clarence Poole, James Ball.

Devotional — Charles Harge, chairman, O. H. Jones, cochair Eugene Belcher, Frank Jordan, Earl Davis, Joseph P. Stewart.

Civic — Douglass I. Miles, chairman — Hon. Wendell Phillips, Emett Burns, Olin P. Moyd, Harold Dobson, Paul Smith.

TRANSITION — Outgoing president Dr. Vernon Dobson hands the gavel to the incoming president, Dr. Leroy Fitts.

Church Problems — Leroy Fitts, cochair, Willard Clayton, cochair A. C. D. Vaughn, Baxter Matthews, James L. Moore, Edmund D. Meade, Harold A. Carter.

Ordination — Walter Thomas, chairman — A. C. D. Vaughn, George Crawley, Porter W. Phillips, William H. Thompson, Edgar Reid, Walter Paige, Clarence Poole, Marcus Wood, Spencer Dobson, Arthur J. Benn, Matthew Silver, Lorenzo Graves.

Social — E. W. Williamson, chairman — Roy B Johnson, John Leary, Bishop Norton, Willie S. Chambers.

Minority Business Directory — Gregory Perkins, chairman — William Johnson, Hermond Ford, cochair

Clergy Physical Fitness — Marcus Wood, chairman — Gregory Perkins, cochair William Johnson, Harold A. Carter, William C. Calhoun.

NEWLYWEDS Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Curzen Green Jr. are at home in Woodlawn, Md.

# Guests from Midwest for Lee-Green wedding

By Elizabeth M. Oliver

Guests came from as far away as Ohio and Texas for the impressive ceremonies which united in marriage Miss Verna Anita Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tolford D. Lee and Thomas Curzen Green Jr., son of Thomas Curzen Green Sr. and Mrs. Alberta Green.

The setting for the vows was at Enon Baptist Church with the pastor Rev. Porter W. Phillips Jr. officiating.

Attending the bride were maids of honor, her twin sisters, Ava and Eva Lee dressed in apricot.

The bridesmaids were Gloria Cooper, gowned in light blue; Karen Dunaway, cousin of the bride in peach; Joan Horton in pink; Nancy Lee, cousin of the bride in blush; Fredrica Magwood in yellow; Dawn Prater, cousin of the bride in light green and Linda Terry, cousin of the bride in aqua.

The best man William Gilmore and groomsmen all in gray tuxedos were Leroy Batty, Willie Jones, George McLain, Leroy Newsome, the bridegroom's brother-in-law; Grafton Sconion, Russell Shipman, Aldred Sullivan, Patrick Watkins.

Flower girls Shawntel Davis and Taleya House, both gowned in yellow and Jason Pittman, the ringbearer are all cousins of the bride. Mrs. Mildred Alston was coordinator of the affair.

The new Mrs. Green is a Morgan State University graduate and Mr. Green a graduate of the University of Maryland, Eastern Shore.

The reception at Martins West was attended by some 400 persons including friends and relatives of the couple. Mr. and Mrs. Green are at home in Woodlawn, Md.

OUT OF TOWN GUESTS PRESENT:

Mrs. Shirley Dunoway, Mrs. Jeannette Pope, Mrs. Geraldine Carter, Mrs. Maxine Carter; Mrs. Ernestine Byrd and son Randy, all of Kilmarrock, Va.; Mrs. Bernice T. Holmes and Mrs. Myrtle Patterson of Richmond Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lee and daughter, Mr. Tony Lee and Iris West of New Carrollton, Md.

Mrs. and Mrs. Norman Lee; Mrs. Faye Sheadley and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lee; and daughter Miss Earla Lee, who played the piano prelude; Mr. and Mrs. William Lee and three sons; Mr. and Mrs. James Smith and daughter.

Rennie Lee and daughter and Curtis Wiggins of Washington, D.C.; Sylvia Campbell of Landover Hgts., Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Lee and son of Arlington, Va.;

Mrs. Mae Julia Williams of New York; Mrs. Beatrice Flint and son James, Mr. and Mrs. George Jones and Mr. Steptoe Curry of Cincinnatti, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Whitman of Oxon Hill, Md.; and Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Pittman and sons of Arlington, Texas.

NINE ATTENDANTS for the new Mrs. Green included her twin sisters as maids of honor, Eva and Ava Lee; Keren Dunaway, Gloria Cooper, Joann Horton, Fredrica Magwood, Dawn Prater, Nancy Lee and Linda Terry.

FIRST FAMILY — Dr. and Mrs. Fitts are shown with their children, Timothy, 16; Dietrich, 13; Leticia, 4 and Angelique, 7.

## Army awards huge contract

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Baltimore District has awarded Merando Inc., of Riverdale an $8.8 million contract for the expansion of a military building at Fort Belvoir.

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