Dates to Remember

April 9-10-11 - The Arena Players present the hilarious smash hit "See How They Run" by Philip King at The Arena Playhouse weekends.

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April 10- Boys Choir of Harlem, a sell-out performance last year. Harlem's premier singing troupe has continued to perform before SRO audiences in Europe and America, at the Dunbar Performing Arts Theatre, Orleans and Caroline Sts. For more information call 276-4646.

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April 10-11 - Antique Carousel - Opening Easter Weenend - Saturday & Sunday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Come ride this historic Herschell-Spillman Merry-Go-Round, which was carved in 1912. Adjacent to the Carousel for this memorable week-end will be a 50-animal petting zoo.

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April 11 - The historic U.S.F. Constellation in Baltimore's gleaming Inner Harbor will be the tranquil setting of a unique Easter morning service at 10 a.m. The interdenominational service will feature traditional music of the season accompanied by a concertina. Seats will be available on Constellation Dock for participants. There is no charge.

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April 12 - An evening with Amalie Rothschild. Two films by Amalie Rothschild, prominent feminist film-maker and founder of New Day Films. "Nana, Mom and Me," and "Whoo Who? May Wilson." 7:30, Listening-Viewing Room, Levering Hall. Comment: the film-maker, Amalie Rothschild.

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April 13 - "A Woman. A Family." 7:30 p.m., Listening-Viewing Room, Levering Hall. Comment: Emily Martin and Hill Gates, professors, Dept. of Anthropology, Johns Hopkins.

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April 13 - Lost Civilizations: The Lost Temple B of Rio Bec. Lectured by Gillett Griffin, Faculty Curator of Pre-Columbian and Primitive Art, The Art Museum, Princeton University. Ind. lectures: $3.50-$4. Graham Auditorium. 8 p.m. at Walters Art Gallery.

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April 14 - Stuart Dempster, composer, concert trombonist, recording artist, a pioneer in performing theatrical music. UMBC Fine Arts Recital Hall 8 p.m. General admission $3, students and senior citizens $1. Part of UMBC's Progressions. Call 455-2179 for more information.

Rita Marley at Towson Center, Towson State University on April 22.

April 15 - William J. Bennett, Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, will give his first public address in this area since his appointment by President Reagan in December. Topic: "New Direction for the Humanities?" University of Maryland Baltimore County Fine Arts Gallery. 8 p.m. Call 455-2901 for more information.

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April 16 - Traditional Music Concert. Santiago Jimenez Jr., will perform "Tex-Mex" or norteno, a rich combination of the varied musical strains brought into the southwest during several centuries of immigration which blended such diverse cultural strains as German-Bohemian-Czech polkas and Mexican corridos. Fine Arts Gallery. 8 p.m. Free Call 455-2106 for more information.

April 16-17 - The sixth annual Foreign Film Festival will be held at Catonsville Community College on Friday and Saturday, each evening at 7 p.m., "The Big Deal on Madonna Street," an Italian comedy, will be shown. The Academy Award winning movie "Moscow Does Not Believe in Tears" will play each night at 8:30 p.m. The movies will be shown in the Humanities Theatre on the CCC campus, 800 South Rolling Road. Admission is free; seating is on a first come - first served basis.

April 16-17 - The Academy Award winning movie "Moscow does not Believe in Tears" will highlight the Sixth Annual Film Festival to be held at Catonsville Community College. "Moscow" will be shown each evening at 8:30 p.m. in the Humanities Theatre on CCC campus, 800 S. Rolling Rd. The Italian comedy "The Big Deal on Madonna Street" will play each night at 7 p.m. Admission is free but seating is on a first-come, first-served basis.

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April 16-18 - Woody Allen's hilarious comedy, "Don't Drink the Water," opens at Essex Community College Friday, April 16, in a dinner theater production by Masque, the organization of theater students at the college. A zany theater hit on Broadway, it's the story of a bumbling American family on tour — and in Dutch — behind the Iron Curtain. Mistaken for American spies, the Hollanders are caught in an American embassy, but it's all in fun, with the dialogue snappy and the laughs piling up as the doings get daffier.

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April 17 - The Art of the Oriental Rug. An all-day Seminar with Walter B. Denny, University of Massachusetts, Amherst. Members-students-senior citizens $12; Non-members $15. Graham Auditorium. 11:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Walters Art Gallery.

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April 17- The Bach Society of Baltimore, directed by Ann Flaccavento, will present "Small Masterpieces for Instruments and Voice" on Saturday, at 8 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church, City Hall Plaz a. The performance will feature the Belle Arte Ensemble, with guest soloist, Dr. Samuel Gordon, tenor.

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April 18 - The History of St. Francis and his relation to the Missal of Assisi. A lecture by Rev. Conrad Harkins, Franciscan Institute, St. Bonaventure, New York to be held at Loyola College, Charles St. and Cold Spring Ln. 3 p.m. —

April 18 - Robin Kissinger, pianist, will perform in a recital on Sunday, 8 p.m. at Catonsville Community College. Admission is free. A member of the CCC music faculty, Ms. Kissinger will perform works by Haydn, Beethoven, Brahms, Muczynski, Ravel and Virizlay. A reception will be held after the concert.

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April 22 - The Mayor's Office of Special Projects will cap off National Secretaries' week with a Secretary's Day celebration in War Memorial Plaza beginning at 12 noon. Entertainment will include a fashion show by the Barbizon School of Modeling and music by Al "Madman" Batch and Band. In addition, door prizes donated by local businesses will be given away in free drawings throughout the program.

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April 22 - Pro Femina, Washington's only women's theater company, will perform its ninth original play, "Close Calls - Far Cries," at the University of Maryland Baltimore County, at 8 p.m. in Lecture Hall 2. Admission is free.

The Boys Choir of Harlem with a new program of spirituals and classics, Saturday, April 10 at 7 p.m. at Dunbar Performing Arts Center.

'Livingstone and Schele'

Afemo Omilami and Esther Ryvlin have been signed for featured roles in "Livingstone and Sechele", a new play by David Pownall about the missionary's violent clash with an African chief who must drop four of his wives (including the one he loves) to become a Christian. Directed by Will Lieberson, the play is previewing at the Quaigh Theatre, 108 West 43rd St., NYC.

Esther Ryvlin has appeared in the New York productions of "Boesman and Lena", "A Midsummer Night's Dream", "The Winter Tale" and "Sister Sonji" at the Negro Ensemble Company, among others. Her film credits include "Dead Ringer" and "Exposed". For television she has appeared on "The Doctors" and "The Guilding Light".

Mike Champagne and Esther Ryvlin in "Livingstone and Sechele."

Afemo Omilami was featured in "Lysistrata" and "She Stoops To Conquer" at the Lee Strasberg Theatre and has appeared in the regional productions of "Equus", "Medea" and "Macbeth" among others. His television credits include the NBC productions "King" and "Sound of Youth" as well as the award winning "Judge Horton and the Scottsboro Boys."

First performed at the Edinburgh Festival in 1978, "Livingstone and Sechele" was performed later that season at the Lyric Theatre in Hammersmith, London. The Quaigh Theatre production marks the American premiere of the play.

You know because you read the AFRO!

Caller last week wanted to know why the AFRO Clean Block encouraged people to put artificial flowers in their window boxes.

The lady gave her name but said she couldn't talk louder because she was at work.

Asked where on earth she got that idea and if she knew what the AFRO Clean Block was all about after 48 years of operation.

Caller admitted she was not a regular reader of the AFRO but she was concerned because she saw artificial flowers in boxes in her neighborhood.

Spent the next hour explaining that each year, the AFRO gives out live seeds to blocks as they register in April and encourages the more than 400 blocks who participate to plant live flowers. More than 2,000 live plants were distributed last year.

Invited caller to attend the AFRO Clean Block leadership meeting to be held Friday, April 30 at the Clean Block office at 12 noon.

Here's a woman... she's no lady... who admits she has never read the AFRO Clean Block page all these years... but will spend a half hour of my time complaining about something she doesn't know anything about.

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Another caller wanted to know why the AFRO couldn't cover rehearsals of a play they are doing at 6:30 at night.

The answer is obvious. An editor can't work eight hours all day and be expected to sit thru rehearsals, after work. Editors try to cover press nights of plays where they appeal to a broad segment of AFRO readers.

To the caller: There is a difference between advertising, news and public relations. If you want people to know about your play, where it is to be held and how much the tickets are... that's advertising. Bob Greene of the AFRO Advertising Department will be happy to quote rates. Call 728 - 8205, Monday to Friday.

Top Hits

Albums

1. The Poet
   Bobby Womack.
2. Love Is Where You Find It
   The Whispers
3. Skyline
   Skyy
4. Yes, It's You Lady
   Smokey Robinson
5. Your Wish Is My Command
   Lakeside

Singles

1. That Girl
   Stevie Wonder
2. The Gigolo
   O'Bryan
3. You're The One For Me
   "D" Train
4. Tell Me Tomorrow
   Smokey Robinson
5. Mirror, Mirror
   Diana Ross

Free Events for children

Saturday, April 10

Central Library, Children's Department: Preschool story hour, 11 a.m.

Light Street Branch: Saturday Game Club for ages eight to twelve, 2 p.m.

Monday, April 12

Canton Center: Films — "The Red Balloon" and Band Concert," 4 p.m. Light Street Branch: Preschool story hour, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 13

Light Street Branch: Films — "Dick Whittington and His Cat" and "Delicious Inventions," 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, April 14

Waverly Branch: Films — "Madeline," "A Little Girl and a Gunny Wolf," and "A Letter to Amy," 10:30 a.m.

— Edmondson Avenue Branch: Films — "The Magic Tree" and "Ben and Me," 1 p.m.

Highfield Branch Center: Films — "Five on Treasure Island" (Episodes 4-6). 3 p.m.

Herring Run Branch: Films — "Tara, the Stonecutter," "The Man Who Wanted to Fly," "The Dragon's Tears," and "The Stonecutter," 3:30 p.m.

Northwood Branch: Films — "The Singing Bone" and "That's My Name, Don't Wear It Out," 3:30 p.m.

Walbrook Branch: Film — "Hunted in Holland," 3:30 p.m.

Reservoir Hill Center: Karate demonstration presented by Leonard Thompson and his students. 6 p.m.

Thursday, April 15

Reisterstown Road Branch: Films — "A Little Girl and a Gunny Wolf," "The Story about Ping," and "Why the Sun and the Moon Live in the Sky," 10:30 a.m.

Northwood Branch: Preschool story hour, 7 p.m.

Friday, April 16

Dundalk Avenue Branch: Films — "What is a Friend?," "Five Survive," and "The Lorax," 3 p.m.

Patterson Park Branch: Films — "K 9000: A Space Odyssey," "Teeny-Tiny and the Witch Woman," and "Hardware Wars," 3:15 p.m.

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Admission to all film programs is free.

"Cosmos" (Part 3). Dr. Carl Sagan's overview of society's changing ideas about the heavens, will be screened at 6 p.m. on Monday, April 12, at the Pratt Library's Edmondson Avenue Branch, 4330 Edmondson Ave.

"Cosmos" (Part 4). Carl Sagan's graphic description of the evolution of the universe, will be screened at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14, at the Edmondson Avenue Branch, 4330 Edmondson Ave.

"The Little Shop of Horrors," a terrifying encounter with a blood-eating plant, directed by Roger Corman, will be screened at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14, at the Fells Point Center, 606 South Ann St.

"The Angel and the Badman," with John Wayne as a drifter who falls in with a Quaker family, will be screened at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14, at the Hamilton Branch, 5910 Harford Rd.

"Cosmos" (Part 7), which explores the extraordinary scientific advances of ancient Ionian physicists, will be screened at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 14, at the St. Paul Street Center, 2521 St. Paul St.

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THE LIVING CHURCH

Easter, a time for reflection

By Rev. Dr. Raymond Kelly Jr.
Harlem Park Community Baptist Church

At Easter time, our minds and thoughts turn to the suffering and the ultimate triumph of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. In our minds we take an Easter pilgrimage to Jerusalem, for it was in Jerusalem, during the Holy Week, that Jesus ministry was culminated. We reflect and reenact the events which led up to Christ's resurrection, from his triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, to his death, burial and resurrection.

Entry Into Jerusalem

On the first Palm Sunday, when the crowds heard that Jesus was coming, they cut branches of palm trees and went to meet him, many spreading their garments on the ground before him. And those that went before and those that followed cried "Hosanna, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. It is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion, behold your King is coming sitting on a colt." The pharjesees said to one another "Look, the world has gone after him." When he entered Jerusalem he went into the temple. At eventide, after he had looked at all things, he and the 12 disciples went to Bethany.

The Last Supper

Judas, one of the 12 disciples, went to the chief priests, who sought to kill Jesus, to betray him. From that time on he sought an opportunity for the betrayal. The first day of the supper of unleavened bread, when they sacrificed for the feast of the Passover, Jesus sent two disciples into the city to find the large upper room already prepared for them. That evening Jesus came and sat down with the 12. As they sat and ate, and talked, Jesus said, "One of you who is with me will betray me." It would have been better if that man had never been born. Then he took the bread and blessed it, and broke it and passed it among them saying, "This is my body which is broke for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, he also took the cup saying "This cup is the new Testament of my blood which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins."

After supper they went into the Garden of Gethsemane and Jesus spoke to them saying, "This is my new commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you. No man has greater love than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." When Jesus went off to pray, the disciples slept.

The Kiss of Judas

Judas arrived with a crowd of people with him and came to Jesus and said "Hail, Master. Then Judas betrayed Jesus with a kiss. Jesus was led away to the high priest, the chief priest and the scribes who gave false witness and accused him of blasphemy. When he was questioned by Pilate the crowd became fierce, accusing Jesus of stirring up the people with his teaching. Pilate was willing to release him but they cried "crucify him crucify him." Pilate gave sentence that it should be as they required, and delivered Jesus to them to do as they wished. The Crown of Thorns

They stripped Jesus and put a purple robe on him and platted a crown of thorns on his head. They knelt before him, spat on him, and mocked him saying "Hail, King of the Jews." After they had done this, they took away his robe and put his own raiment on him and led him away to be crucified.

The Crucifixion

When they came to the place called Calvary, on Galgatha's Hill, they crucified him on a cross between two robbers. An inscription was written on the cross over him in Greek, Latin and Hebrew reading, "This is the king of the Jews." The crucifixion was an ungodly sight. There were those at the foot of the cross mocking, cursing, and casting lost for his clothes. The rules derided Jesus saying, "He saved others. Let him save himself, if he be Christ, the chosen of God."

The Seven Last Words

There are seven utterances from the cross which we call today, the Seven Last Words of Christ from the cross. These words are expounded upon by ministers all over the world on Good Friday. The Seven last utterance are: "Father forgive them for they know not what they do (Luke 23:24).

"Today thou shalt be with me in Paradise (Luke 23:43).

"Woman, behold thy son; son, behold thy mother (John 19:26-27.)

"My God, my god, why hast thou forsaken me? (Matthew 27:46)

"I Thirst" (John 19:28).

"It is finished (John 19:30)

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The Entombment

That evening, Joseph of Arimenthea, a counselor, went boldly to Pilate and begged for the body of Jesus. This he was granted. Joseph took him down, wrapped him in fine linen and laid him in a tomb hewn out of a rock. A stone was rolled into the door to seal the tomb.

Christ Is Risen

On the Sabbath day they rested according to the commandment, but on the first day of the week, very early in the morning, just before sunrise, Mary, the mother of Jesus, Mary, the mother of James and Salome brought spices to anoint the body of Jesus.

They found the stone rolled away from the tomb. When they entered the tomb they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. This troubled them greatly. While they were perplexed about this, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel.

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They were afraid and bowed down with their faces to the earth. The two men said to them "Why do you seek the living among the dead? Remember how he spoke to you while he was in Galilee saying, "The son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." And they remembered his words and returned from the tomb and told those things to the 11 disciples and all the rest.

Later, as the disciples were talking, Jesus himself stood among them and said, "Peace to you." He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures and said to them "Thus it is written that Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be preached to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You shall be my witnesses to all parts of the world. Then he led them as far as Bethany and lifted up his hands and blessed them. They returned to Jerusalem with great joy and were continually in the temple blessing God.

The joy of Easter can be unending if one honestly and sincerely seeks and strives for a spiritual rebirth.

Adams Chapel is the first new African Methodist Church in 32 years

By Pam Widgeon
AFRO Religious Editor

The Rev. Michael Thomas, former associate minister of Bethel AME Church at Druid Hill Avenue and Lanvale Street, has been appointed as the pastor of Adams Chapel AME Church, 3811 Egerton Rd.

The 36-year-old minister says he "feels blessed" to become the pastor of the first new African Methodist Episcopal Church in Baltimore in 32 years.

He told the AFRO, "When I finished school in Boston, I had plans to try to start a church there. It was the Bishop who put the emphasis on new churches. Rev. Thomas says Bishop John Hurst Adams felt the AME church needed to expand.

According to Rev. Thomas, at last year's annual conference Bishop Adams charged the Baltimore conference to plant churches in Baltimore and the committee began to search for places where a church could be started.

The Rev. Michael Thomas

Adams Chapel AME is worshipping in the chapel of Holy Nativity Episcopal Church. Rev. Thomas is presiding as interim pastor until the official announcement is made next week at the annual AME conference being held April 13-16 at Grace AME Church on Winters Lane in Catonsville.

Last Sunday 16 new members joined Adams Chapel and 100 have transferred their membership from Bethel AME Church, where the Rev. John Bryant is pastor.

Rev. Thomas told the AFRO, "Rev. Bryant has had a great influence on my ministry." The new minister's wife, the Rev. Debyiti Sabaho Thomas is also a former associate minister of Bethel AME Church. She will receive her master's degree in theological studies from Harvard Divinity school in June 1982.

Rev. Thomas is a graduate of Morgan State University and received his master's degree in theological studies from Boston University School of Theology.

Prison ministry, evangelism ministry, outreach auxiliary services and ministry to the single parent are only a few of the church programs that are now being held at Adams Chapel.

Rev. Toma met with members and associate minister ?? te urch

The ministry to foreign mission services will be directed by Ms. Ruth Travis and Ms. Mary Johnson who will be going to Africa this summer.

Ray Banks will be the minister to prisons. Johnson Weaver is the minister to men, Timothy Frazier is the evangelism minister, Eloise Hillman will be the minister to single parents.

Gloria Skinner is the minister to senior citizens and Martina Madden is the minister to new borns.

Rev. Thomas said the services offered at the church are open to the community. In addition to outreach auxiliary services, Adams Chapel will also have a food co-op and workshops on voting.

Prayer breakfast held at Garrison Boulevard United Methodist Church

"Christian Women Rededicating Ourselves to Christ," is the theme for Women's Day at Garrison Boulevard United Methodist Church on May 16.

A prayer breakfast was held at the church April 3 and the Rev. John Betha was the speaker. A birthday celebration for all members of the church will be held on April 18, 2 p.m. and a baby contest is scheduled for April 25.

The women will sponsor the Parham Ensemble in concert on May 14 and a fish fry at the church from 12 to 7 p.m. Mrs. Viola Jackson will be the 11 a.m. Women's Day speaker.

Committee members are Gloria Holeman, Alma Butler, Violet Miles, Patricia Leverette, Georgia Diggins, Bessie Hall, Evelyn Hudgins, Violetta McDuffie, Sidna Gaskins and the Rev. Joseph E. Carter is pastor.

FIRST SERVICES were held April 4 at Adams Chapel AME Church, 3811 Egerton Rd. The Rev. Michael Thomas is the pastor. Members are shown reading their Bibles at the morning service. Adams Chapel is now a part of the first African Methodist Episcopal Church in the Baltimore conference.

AFRO photo by Roman Hankewycz

Women's Day April 18 at New Shiloh

Dr. Weptonomah W. Carter

The women of New Shiloh Baptist Church, Fremont Avenue and Lanvale Street, will observe Women's Day on April 18.

Their theme is "New Shiloh Women Working for Miracles in 1982."

As part of the Women's Day activities, holy week evangelistic services were held at the church this week and the 150 voice Women's Day Choir had a concert on April 8.

Dr. Weptanomah Carter, wife of the Rev. Dr. Harold A. Carter will be the prayer breakfast speaker on April 17, 8 a.m. at the church.

Rev. Carter will be preaching on Women's Day at the 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services. Ms. Oprah Winfrey, host of WJZ-TV's morning program People Are Talking will be the 6 p.m. speaker. Mrs. Marion Patterson and Mrs. Christobel Robinson are co-chairpersons.

Ms. Oprah Winfrey

Metro church briefs

The men of Mount Moriah Baptist Church will sponsor Easter sunrise service and a prayer breakfast on April 11, 6 a.m. at 2201 Garrison Blvd. The Rev. Michael Thomas, pastor of Adams Chapel AME Church will be the speaker.

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Good Friday services will be held at Providence Inspirational Baptist Church, 850 Edmondson Ave. on April 9.

Ministers speaking on The Seven Last Words are the Reverends Clifton E. Freeman, George E. Henry, Nathaniel Johnson, Tyrone Griffin, Ernest Wooten, Z. R. Wright and James H. Reynolds. Services will be held at 12:00.

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New Psalmist Baptist Church, Cathedral and Franklin Street will sponsor a clothing bazaar on April 10, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Rev. Dr. Walter S. Thomas is pastor.

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A "Festival service of The Resurrection" will be held on April 11, at Grace United Presbyterian Church. The Chancel Choir will render "Alleluja" from the motet Exsultate Jubilate by Mozart and Achieved is The Glorius Work from Hadyn's Creation.

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Members of the Virginia Raynor Memorial Choir of Concord Baptist Church, 5204 Liberty Heights Ave., will celebrate their anniversary on April 18, 5 p.m. The Rev. Oscar Brown will be the guest speaker.

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Easter sunrise services will be held April 11, 6 a.m. at Mount Lebanon Baptist Church, 2320 Reisterstown Road. The Rev. Dr. Olin P. Moyd is pastor.

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The Women's Day committee of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Churchwill present the Victorial Specials in recital on April 23, 7:30 p.m. at 1801 Preston St. Mrs. Gloria Wheatly is chairman and the Rev. Clifford M. Johnson is pastor.

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Revival services will be held April 12-18 at Cockeysville Baptist Church, 232 Warren Rd. in Cockeysville, Md.

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The Men's Club of Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, Madison Avenue and Bloom Street, will sponsor a lenten fish dinner at the church on April 9, 11:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Communion will also be served. The Rev. Reginald J. Daniels is pastor and Clyde Rucker Jr., is president.

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