AT THE INDUCTION OF THE COLUMBIA YOUNG ADULT CLUB of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. are (seated, L to R): Janet Y. DeShields, secretary; Celonia A. Walden, second vice president; Daphne L. DeShields, president; Karen McCray, first vice president; Laurie C. Hoes, treasurer. (Standing, L to R): Ms. Josephine Lowery, Mid-Atlantic District Governor; Vivian Daniels, Gail Baker Allen, Robin A. Wilson, Carolyn L. Brown, Celonia B. Walden, organizer. Not pictured are Sandra Carter, Lucia K. Holman and Mildred Smith-Evans.

Pinnie Ross

COLUMBIA CAPERS

Columbia Young Adult Club inducted

By Pinnie L. Ross

Twelve young talented ladies were recently inducted into the Columbia Young Adult Club of the National Association, Negro Business and Professional Womens' Clubs, Inc. by Mid Atlantic District Governor, Josephine E. Lowery. The ceremony took place at the home of the organizer of the CYAC Club founder of the Columbia Club of NANBPWC, Celonia B. Walden.

The young ladies sat and listened to Mrs. Lowery as she welcomed them to the Columbia Club, after which she gave them a brief message on "Being a Valuable Member".

In outlining their roles of responsibilities as a member of the newly organized club she had this to say. "You must accept your responsibilities in this youth club....you will have many challenges including meeting the needs of your community." She then challenged the young ladies to be strong members of the organization...

During the ceremony the young members of the CYAC received the usual organization yellow rose, club pins and By-laws.

Members of the new group are Gail Baker Allen, Commercial Insurance Underwriter; Sandra Carter, Bookkeeper - Accountant; Vivian Daniels, Computer Operator; Daphne L. DeShields, Senior Auditor, Club President; Janet Y. DeShields, Retail Store Manager, Club Secretary; Laurie C. Hoes, Foreign Language Teacher, Club Treasurer; Lucia K. Holman, Flight Attendant; Karen McCray, Banking Analyst, Club's first vice president; Mildred Smith-Evans, Elementary Teacher; Celonia A. Walden, Registered Nurse, Club's second vice president; Robin A. Wilson, Advertising Coordinator and Carolyn L. Brown, Children's Center: Asst. Administrator.

The young ladies seem to have been very eager to become members of the Columbia Young Adult Club so much that I posed two questions to them: Why did you become interested in the Young Adult Club? and what do you think you will gain from the Club with a group of young leaders that have diversified backgrounds?

Youth group President, Daphne L. DeShields remarked: "I attended the Founder's Day Luncheon in '83 and was very impressed with the accomplishments that members had made in various professions.

She said she would be able to gain by network sharing information with others.

Carolyn Brown stated: "It has been my natural response to seek a membership in an organization such as this. I hope to continue to grow in the field of business."

Robin Wilson said: "I have

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Religion In Modern Life

Gospel luncheon at Wayland Baptist headed for success

The Seventh Annual Gospel Luncheon sponsored by the Gospel Chorus of Wayland Baptist Church, 2300 Garrison Boulevard, will be held on Saturday, December 1, 1 p.m.

The luncheon, which has for years been an advocate of gospel talent in the local area, will bring together some of the city's most noted celebrities in the Christian arena.

It is a fundraising effort that began seven years ago to raise money for the church, much of what was spent on social and community programs—a project undertaken by the Gospel Chorus of Wayland which has been there for more than 25 years.

Last year, an estimated 800 attended the affair, making it again an impressionable success. The first year of its initiation only launched more interest in the continuation of the program.

After eating a well-balanced lunch, guests participate in a worship service which include a sermon, followed by various selections from some of the more prominent soloists and groups around town.

The annual speaker for the occasion is Rev. Duane Simmons, a graduate of Morgan State University now in his post studies and a member of Christian Unity Temple.

Rev. Simmons, 23, has been in the forefront for the advancement of young ministers in the city. His highly spirited delivery his boosted him to the pulpits of some of the country's most prestigious churches.

Other guests for the $6 affair will include Deacon Tommie Roberts, Roland Joe Smith, Julia Price Williams, The Veshti Gospel Singers, The Singing Deacons, Julia Graham, Linda McNeil and Samuel Shufford.

"I have no where else witnessed the combination of talent as well as good food," said 20-year Wayland Baptist member Ricky McCormick who has attended the luncheon each year.

"It is a unique Saturday afternoon experience."

Descriptions of the service go from exciting to over exhilarating and nothing but compliments continue to come.

But for members of Wayland, they recognize the luncheon as a reflection of their activeness, their participation in community service.

Rev. Darneal Johnson, who is also president of the local Progressive Baptist Convention, is the pastor of the church.

St. John Christian Commuity Church celebrates growth

By Eddie King
AFRO Religion Editor

A Sunday morning spent at St. John Christian Community Church at 1208 E. Lanvale Street is a real treat.

Echoes of soulful melodies bounce from wall to wall as one of the eight multi-talented choirs belt out lyrical sensations, forcing a patting of the feet or maybe provoking screams of enthusiasm their delivery of the Word in song.

A highly visible minister brings things back to order with a hardy "Amen brothers and sisters." His deep bass voice begins to mean with the choir, a mean that soothes yet complements the spirit within.

Pastor Tommie Jenkins stands at his pulpit as he did 20 years ago when he founded the church, hands perched firmly on the podium and eyes staring coldly into the congregation—the same look, some say, he uses when bringing a new member into the church—something about making sure one is serious about his commitment to the Lord.

The first church was in the 2000 block of Greenmount Ave. It was 1964, and there were only the eight, the founding members.

There was something mystical about young people's attraction to Rev. Dr. Jenkins and his church. They came to the church by 10's and 20's and with them came their parents, grandparents and friends.

Before long, the church that had become identified as "the one with the good choir" had to move. Membership was too large, and after only a few years, the congregation had to move again. Membership was too large.

But with this move in August of 1979 came the purchase of land and an entirely new building was constructed. This is the new St. John as it stands today.

The membership now has exceeded 3000 and 27 auxiliaries comprise the intricate make-up.

And original services to the community have been expanded and more added. Services are annual Thanksgiving and Christmas food drives, missionary programs, food and clothing distributions, and even an active vacation Bible school, complete with free lunch programs.

And in the midst of all this growth, not once has any of the choirs lost the pizzazz in their sassy religious style in their contemporary delivery that has launched them into those important circles of gospel music excellence.

But any member of St. John will make it clear that it is not the dynamic minister or harmonic choirs that sustain the church; nor is it the fancy new building or its adjacent parking lot.

It is the dedication of the members to God, as the pastor describes, that holds things together.

"Our people are very dedicated to working for the Lord. They are like a church with one big happy family," he said.

"When we are in service, we rejoice. It is a celebration of God's goodness to us, and we see the rewards of that dedication."

One such reward came last Sunday when the church burned its mortgage, having completed a 15-year-payment plan in only five years. Now members own their worship quarters lock, stock and barrel.

It was an impressive ceremony too with dignitaries attending from all levels of government. Even City Council President Clarence DuBurns dropped in for the occasion.

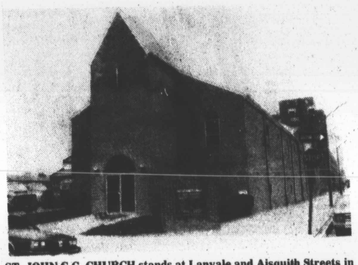
"It is a miracle in this day and time to be able to pay off a 15-year mortgage in only five years," said Pastor Jenkins. "Money is hard to come by, but what I think you see is the reflection of a hard-working and dedicated membership."

While members are basking in this new achievement, still there is some consideration of what to do if membership continues to increase at such rapid pace.

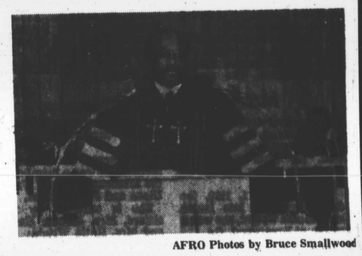
"Well, we'll just have to add more space to the church," said the 55-year-old reverend. "We will not let this stop our progress."

Future plans include the addition of more service programs to the community and a few open air services on the parking lot.

St. John, in its own right, has become a model for other growing churches in the city, a model that is very closely reaching the mark of becoming a pioneer.



ST. JOHN C.C. CHURCH stands at Lanvale and Aisquith Streets in East Baltimore. The five-year-old building encompasses a 600 seating capacity main plush sanctuary as well as multipurpose lower auditorium.



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REV. DR. TOMMIE JENKINS, founder and pastor at St. John, has developed a reputation as one of the city's most outstanding speakers.

REV. EARNEST LONG and St. John's 50-voice Choir (portions shown) have brought national attention to the church, having turned down several recording contracts because of travel time.

MEMBERS OF THE SENIOR CHOIR hold their own at their church, having demonstrated their flexibility by mastering various song styles.

Metro Church Briefs

St. Matthews U.M.

Rev. St. George Cross and members of St. Matthews United Methodist Church, 416 E. 23rd St., will conclude revival services this weekend, Nov. 23, 24 and 25 with guest ministers W. Shambach, Dr. Roy Hicks, John Osteen and Betty Robinson, popular radio evangelists.

St. Matthews Apostolic

St. Matthews Gospel Tabernacle Apostolic Faith Church, 1907 Rosedale St., will celebrate its third year victory service on Sun., Nov. 25 at 3:30 p.m. with the Youth For Christ Choir in concert. Pastor Gilbert Queen will preach the sermon.

Andover U.M.

Homecoming services at Andover United Methodist Church, Andover and Nursery Rds., will be Sun., Nov. 25 at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. services.

Macedonia Baptist

"What Is Mission Sunday," a play, will be presented at Macedonia Baptist Church, Fremont and Lafayette Aves., on Sun., Nov. 25, 2 p.m.

Ray of Hope Baptist

Men of Ray of Hope Baptist Church, 3000 Parkside Drive, will host the Seventh Annual Greater Harvest Day on Sun., Nov. 25. 11 a.m. speaker will be Dr. Charles Franklin; 4 p.m. speaker will be Rev. Clifton Freeman.

Harlem Park Community Baptist

Harlem Park Community Baptist Church, 612-14 N. Gilmor St. presents Handel's "Messiah" with the Community Choir on Sun., Nov. 25, 3 p.m.

St. Edward's

Ladies Sodality of St. Edward's Church, Lafayette Ave. and Poplar Grove St., are presenting an annual Christmas bazaar and spaghetti dinner on Sun., Nov. 25, 1-5 p.m.

Pennsylvania Ave. A.M.E. Zion

The Norman Muldrow Male Chorus will be in concert at the Pennsylvania Ave. A.M.E. Zion Church, Dolphin and Pennsylvania Aves., on Sun., Nov. 25, 3 p.m. for Men's Day services

Bethel A.M.E.

Pastor's Aide Society of Bethel A.M.E. Church, 1300 Druid Hill Ave., is sponsoring a baby contest on Sun., Nov. 25, 6 p.m. For further information, call church.

St. Luke U.M.

United Methodist Women will celebrate their annual day on Sun., Nov. 25, 3:30 p.m. at St. Luke United Methodist Church, Gilmor St. and Riggs Ave. Guest speaker, Mrs. Blanch Powell.

St. Matthews U.M.

Annual Women's Day, 66th, will be at St. Matthews United Methodist Church, 416 E. 23rd St., on Sun., Nov. 25. 11 a.m. speaker, Rev. Delores Carpenter.

St. Katherine of Sienna

Ladies of St. Katherine of Sienna, 1222 N. Luzerne Ave., are sponsoring a comedy Play, "Chumby's Last Stand" and dinner at Bolton Hill Dinner Theatre at 1111 Park Ave. on Nov. 26, 6:30 p.m. For further info. call 732-1692 or 563-2367.

Wayland Baptist

Rev. Ellwood Foster, noted tenor, will be in recital at Wayland Baptist Church, 3200 Garrison Blvd., on Nov. 29, 8 p.m.

Perkins Square Baptist

Gospel Chorus of Perkins Square Baptist Church and the Voices of Praise Gospel Singers are sponsoring their first pre-holiday gospel banquet at the Pimlico Center, 5430 Park Heights Ave., on Fri., Nov. 30, 7 p.m. Featured guests will include Jesse Newson, John Highsmith, Good News Singers, O.E.S. Choir, Gospel Chorus of Perkins Square Baptist and many others.

Walbrook Senior High

Morgan State University Choir will be in concert at Walbrook Senior High School, 2000 Edgewood St., on Fri., Nov. 30, 8 p.m., $6.

Ray of Hope Baptist

"None But The Righteous," a play, will be featured at Ray of Hope Baptist Church, 3000 Parkside Drive, on Friday, Nov. 30, 7:30 p.m.

Sisters In Solidarity

Sisters In Solidarity are giving a breakfast and dialogue at Martin's West on Saturday, Dec. 1, 8 a.m. Rev. Dr. Ray Hammond and wife will be special guests. For further info. call 795-7451 or Bethel A.M.E. at 523-4273.

Zion Evangelical Lutheran

Men of Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church, Grindon and Mainfield Aves., are sponsoring an annual beef supper, bake sale and bazaar on Sat., Dec. 1, 3 p.m..

Enon Baptist

The Elizabeth Bourne Christmas Bazaar and variety dinner will be given by the Open Door Circle of Enon Baptist Church, Edmondson Ave. and Schroeder St., on Sat., Dec. 1 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

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