THE LIVING CHURCH

Life to Life Givers hold Salute to Golden Agers

Shown above from left to right are City Council President, Clarence Du Burns, Rev. Samuel Ray, Delegate Hattie Harris, Mrs. Ethel Stewart (at mike), Al Stewart, Rev. John Duckette, pastor of Waters AME Church, and State's Attorney, Kurt Schmoke.

M.C. Al Stewart holds the mike for 114-year-old Acorn Manuel who had a few thoughtful words for the 350 citizens who attended the Life to Life Givers "Salute to Golden Agers" at Morningstar Baptist Church. Also shown (from left to right) is Rosellen McDavid, Alma Manuel (niece), and Elianor Green.

By Brion M. Tyson
AFRO Staff Writer

Saturday, the Life to Life Givers, a local organization concerned with providing resources for senior citizens, ended a year of service to the elderly with its annual "Salute to Golden Agers" at the Morningstar Baptist Church.

Three hundred fifty citizens and seniors attended the affair that began at 3 p.m. A number of local officials and dignitaries were also present at this memorable affair.

Those guests included, State's Attorney Kurt Schmoke, City Council President, Clarence Du Burns, Del. Hattie Harrison, Mrs. Verda F. Welcome, Rev. Samuel Ray, pastor of Morningstar Baptist Church, and Rev. John W. Duckette, pastor of Waters A.M.E. Church.

Such dignitaries made it a point to attend the affair so they could show their appreciation for past services rendered by this valuable component of our society.

"The group that attended showed a great deal of enthusiasm for the organization and its purpose. We consider these Golden Agers' an important part of the community, but many folks are unaware of the knowledge and wisdom they possess. There is so much that they can teach us," said Al Stewart, the group's chairman.

The program consisted of various speakers including, Mrs. Ethel Stewart and others, and music was provided by Mr. and Mrs. William Cummings and Alvin Richardson, who sang solos.

During the celebration, a special tribute was paid to 114-year old Acorn Manuel, who is the oldest senior among the large group that attended the affair.

"Mr. Manuel is a delightful individual who has much to share. He enjoyed the affair and the folks loved him," Mr. Stewart told the AFRO.

According to Mr. Stewart, on that night, senior citizens who showed up from all over the city "were treated like kings and queens," and accommodations were made for the deaf and blind.

The group's goal, according to Mr. Stewart, is to eventually feed 1,000 elderly persons at their annual function. Last year at the annual celebration, the Life to Life Givers fed 250 seniors. Saturday 350 seniors were fed.

"Fantastic, super! It was very fulfilling to see their responses to this day set aside for their honor. The feeling that we (the Life to Life Givers) get from knowing that we have honored these traillblazers who have laid the groundwork for many of the things we enjoy today is indescribable," Mr. Stewart said.

Many seniors were able to attend the function with thanks to a well-coordinated transportation plan. They came from a number of nursing homes around the city.

Chef Jonathan Edges, owner of Hamilton's Landing, prepared the food for the affair. Members of the Life to Life Givers, as well as a number of other community residents, joined to put together this wonderful affair.

Among those were Mrs. Joyce McNair, Jonathan Edges, Mrs. Charlotte Bell, Mrs. Mary Anderson, Mrs. Ethel Stewart, Bishop Monroe Saunders, Rev. H. Walden Wilson, Rev. Samuel Ray, Joconda Barnes, Rev. John Duckette, Ernest Dorsey, Louise Graves, and Calvin Butler.

The Life to Life Givers are currently planning to hold another affair where the group will give away a number of food baskets to seniors and deprived families. Also on their agend is the attempt to form a center to hold affairs and provides services for the elderly.

The Life to Life organization started in 1982 in the home of Mrs. Jesse Wiggins, located in the 1900 block W. North Ave. The group was concerned with the despair and neglect experienced by senior citizens.

Since then, the group has grown to over 100 members and has provided a variety of services and activities aimed at assisting the city's senior citizens.

ST. JAMES' REV. WILSON CELEBRATES 40 YEARS IN PRIESTHOOD

Last Sunday, Rev. Donald O. Wilson, pastor of St. James Episcopal Church, Lafayette Square, celebrated 40 years in the ministry in a combined worship service with St. James Episcopal of Parkton.

Also during that program, the church paid tribute to its assistant pastor, Rev. Charles L. Taylor, who has completed 30 years of priesthood.

Over 200 attended the combined worship service with choirs and the congregation of St. James Episcopal - Parkton.

Of his 40 years in the ministry, 22 years were spent at St. James Episcopal. Prior to coming to the Baltimore church, Rev. Wilson served at St. Matthews Episcopal Church in Wilmington, Delaware.

METRO CHURCH BRIEFS

Faith Tabernacle Church

Faith Tabernacle Church presents "The Real Meaning of Christmas," a play to be held on Monday, Dec. 23, at 8 p.m. The church is located at 2422 W. Patapsco Ave., off of Hollins Ferry Road.

During the presentation, the Faith Tabernacle Choir will sing "Silent Night."

New Promiseland Community Church

Season's Greetings. The New Promiseland Community Church graciously invites you to its new church home dedication ceremony. Also, Rev. Willie Ray's installation and 16-year anniversary for ministerial services will be observed. Rev. Vernon Dobson of Union Baptist Church will be the host and guest speaker. This affair will take place on Sunday, Dec. 22 at 6 p.m. at 2110 W. Edmondson Ave. near Pulaski Street. A reception will be held at the "New Godfrey's, 1717 N. Charles St.

Union Memorial United Methodist Church

The Sanctuary Choir and the Children's Choir of Union Memorial United Methodist Church cordially invite you to an Evening of Worship featuring The Promise of Peace and Star Carols with Candlelight Finale. This event will take place on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 6 p.m. at Union Memorial United Methodist Church, 2500 Harlem Ave.

Moorish Science Temple of America

Executive intervention for the purpose of preservation of the Moorish Code. Pursuant to Chapter 48 Article 1 of the Moorish Code. Effected 1983. Declared October 27, 1983. All members and officers or persons that claim to be the prophet in the flesh, of the Moorish Science Temple of America shall be in violation of the Moorish Criminal Code and also federal law and are subject to arrest, prosecution and conviction by law. "The last prophet in these days is Noble Drew Ali, the prophet and founder of the Moorish Science Temple of America Inc. Illionis Statutes." Send all replies to: Domestic Public Relations (Moorish Court) P.O. Box 23835, Baltimore, Maryland.

Church of God at Gambrills, MD

The Church of God, Rt. 175 in Gambrills, plans a special Christmas Cantata Dec. 22 at 11 a.m.

"A Song Unending," by John Peterson, will be performed by the church choir. All interested people are invited to attend.

New Elizabeth Baptist Church

You are invited to come and celebrate the holidays at a Christmas Concert given by The Mass Choir of New Elizabeth Baptist Church with William Boyd directing. The theme will be "Go Tell It on the Mountain That Jesus Christ is Born."

The church is located at 4901 Park Heights Ave. The date of the concert is Sunday, Dec. 22. A candlelight service will be held at 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Simmons Memorial Baptist Church

The Voices of Simmons will be celebrating their anniversary on Sunday, Dec. 22, at 7:30 p.m. The service will be held at Simmons Memorial Baptist Church.

A musical experience with James P. Thornton, Jr. and Julia Mae Price Williams in a joint recital sponsored by the Organ and Piano Committee of Simmons Memorial Baptist Church. The event will take place on Sunday, Dec. 22 at 3:30 p.m. Admission is free. The church is located at Pennsylvania Avenue and Cumberland Street.

Christian Women's Fellowship

The Christian Women's Fellowship will sponsor its next monthly prayer breakfast on Dec. 21 at 9 a.m. at the Pimlico Center, 5430 Park Heights Ave. The speaker will be announced at that time. The cost of the breakfast is $7.50 per person. All reservations must be made by Monday, Dec. 16.

For further information, call Delores Russ at 233-3307, Selina Thornes at 466-6161 or Eulalia Willoughy at 563-3565.

Metropolitan United Methodist Church

Metropolitan United Methodist Church, located at Lanvale Street and Carrollton Avenue, will hold its annual Christmas Program and worship service on Sunday, Dec. 22.

At 9:30 a.m. the Church School will be presented in a drama by Mrs. Beatrice Myers entitled "The Voices of Christmas."

At the 11:00 a.m. worship service, the Combined Choirs of Metropolitan will present a Christmas musical, "Heaven Rejoices," by Ken Parker. Dr. Mack Statham is organist director and Dr. Irvin C. Lockman is the minister.

Waters A.M.E. Church

The Sunday School of Waters A.M.E. Church will present an encore performance of the Christmas musical, "If I Were a King," on Sunday, Dec. 22 at 6 p.m. in the church sanctuary. Admission is free, but an offering will be taken. Waters A.M.E. Church is located at 417 Aisquith St. near the corner of Orleans Street. Rev. John W. Duckette is pastor.

Trinity Presbyterian Church

You are invited to a very special presentation of Saint-Saens Christmas Oratorio with string ensemble, organ, and piano by the combined choirs of Trinity Presbyterian Church and Heritage United Church of Christ. This event will take place at Walbrook Senior High School on Sunday, Dec. 22 at 4 p.m.

Ray of Hope Baptist Church

On Sunday, Dec. 22, Dr. Hailie Wilson, pastor of Israel Baptist Church, will be the guest speaker at 4 p.m. The choir and congregation of Israel Baptist Church will accompany him.

Dr. Charles M. Franklin is pastor of Ray of Hope. Everyone is invited to attend. The church is located 3000 Parkside Dr.

Faith Baptist Church

The Men's Day concert at Faith Baptist church will feature John Faidley and will take place on Sunday, Jan. 5. The Men's Day Committee and the men of Faith Baptist Church extend a hearty invitation to all of our brothers and sisters in Christ to come out and join them in songs of Zion as they are presented by Mr. Faidley. The church is located at 833 N. Bond St.

Mount Olive Freewill Baptist Church

Rev. Heber Brown, associate minister at the New Psalmist Baptist Church, will be the speaker at the 11 a.m. service on Sunday, Dec. 22, at the Mt. Olive Freewill Baptist Church, located at 290 N. Fremont Ave. All are welcome to attend.

Wayland Baptist Church

The Sanctuary Choir of Wayland Baptist Church, where Rev. Darneal F. Johnson, Jr., is pastor, is presenting "Let There Be Peace On Earth," Sunday, Dec. 22 at 3 p.m. This musical will be done in conjunction with the Church School and members of other Wayland Choirs.

James Poney, the director, will be accompanied by Ms. Shirley Kimbrough and Rodney Whitney. Mrs. Odessa Coates is the general superintendent of the Church School and Ms. Charlene Wicks is the director of the Christmas program.

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10:30 p.m. — WORSHIP SERVICE
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Pastor — Sharp Street Memorial U.M. Church

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9:30 A.M. — Church School
Brother Richard Harris, Superintendent
11:00 A.M. — Morning Worship
Rev. James K. Ames, Preaching
Christmas Day Worship
10:00 A.M. — Rev. Larry Robbins
Watch Night Service Dec. 31
10:30 P.M. — Pastor Preaching
ALL ARE WELCOME
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DECEMBER 22, 1985 DR. WALTER E. PAIGE
8:00 A.M. — EARLY MORNING WORSHIP
Preaching: Rev. William Johnson, Jr.
9:15 A.M. — CHURCH SCHOOL PROGRAM
10:30 A.M. — MORNING WORSHIP
Sermon: Rev. Junior Chambers
December 24, 1985 7:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M.
CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE
December 31, 1985 — 10:30 P.M.
NEW YEAR'S EVE WATCH NIGHT SERVICE
"There were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night. And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were so afraid. And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for behold, I bring unto you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." Luke 2:8-12
Rev. Walter E. Paige, Minister

Churches, synogogues urged to honor MLK on January 20

Churches and synagogues are being urged in a national interfaith statement to honor Martin Luther King, Jr. with prayer services and interfaith memorial convocations January 20.

The statement urging "all of America to celebrate the memory of this strong but gentle man" was issued today by the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A. (NCCC), the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and the Synagogue Council of America.

"On Jan. 20, 1986, a federal legal holiday honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. will be observed for the first time," the statement notes. The civil rights leader was slain April 4, 1968, at age 39.

Expressing his support for church and synagogue observances Jan. 20, the Rev. Arie R. Brouwer, NCCC general secretary, commented, "Martin Luther King, Jr. is one of the great figures in American history and in world history."

"Dr King's commitment to non-violent liberation, his grace and skill in expressing the aspirations of Black people and oppressed people everywhere, and his wisdom in tapping the finest of American tradition and the experience of Blacks in America are paralleled," Brouwer said.

The full text of the joint interfaith statement follows.

"On Jan. 20, 1986, a federal holiday honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. will be observed for the first time.

"We urge all of America to celebrate the memory of this strong but gentle man. Particularly do we recommend prayer services in churches and synagogues and interfaith memorial convocations so that we can reflect together on the values Dr. King lived by and died for.

"For a dozen years, until his untimely death at the age of 39, Dr. King preached passionately and tirelessly about the worth and the equality of every human being. He shared his dream of an America where all of God's children join hands to work and play together because they were 'free at last.'

"Dr. King looked prejudice in the eye and did not flinch, confident that justice could be achieved in a non-violent way, that right would have the final word. 'Let us not seek to satisfy our thirst for freedom,' he said, 'by drinking from the cup of bitterness and hatred.'

"Dr. King's vision of peace embraced not only our own nation but all the people of our planet. 'I refuse to accept the cynical notion,' he said, 'that nation after nation must spiral down a militaristic stairway into the hell of thermonuclear destruction.'

"In his short lifetime, Dr. King's message began to make sense to many Americans, and now a grateful nation prepares to celebrate his memory. May we all take time on January 20 to draw strength from his words and vision, for the work which still needs to be done."

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Merry Christmas Any How
9:30 A.M. — Fellowship at School
11:00 A.M. — Fellowship at Worship
Rev. Dr. W. W. Payne, Pastor Emeritus, City Temple (Baptist) of Baltimore
5:00 P.M. — Rev. Dr. Leander G. Brown Sr.
New Carmel Star Baptist Church
11:00 P.M., Dec. 24, 1985, Tuesday NightChristmas Eve Service
"A Church of Love and Faith"
Sunday, December 29, 1985
11:00 A.M. & 5:00 P.M. — Youth Sunday
Rev. Mr. Oscar Brown, guest speaker for both services.
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Mr. Maurice Murphy, MUS. D., Choirmaster-Organist
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1985
8:00 A.M. — Holy Communion
9:00 A.M. — Family Service — Church School
11:00 A.M. — Choral Eucharist and Sermon
The public is cordially invited to attend.

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8:00 p.m. — Evening Worship
10:05 p.m.-11 p.m. — Broadcast Service over WITH, 123AM
"ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO THEM THAT BELIEVE"

MOVE victims won't have homes for Christmas

PHILADELPHIA — Some 250 people left homeless in the wake of the fiery May 13 battle with MOVE will not be placed in new homes by Christmas because the city's rebuilding plan was "too ambitious," a lawyer said Tuesday.

The day after police dropped a bomb onto the MOVE house from a helicopter, touching off a massive blaze that destroyed 61 houses, Mayor Wilson Goode promised residents they would be "back in a home, a quality home, by Christmas time."

Five children and six adults, all MOVE members, were killed.

The work "just couldn't be done. It was too ambitious," said Anthony Jackson, a lawyer representing displaced residents of the West Philadelphia neighborhood. "There aren't any homes ready."

However, Jackson said the residents never placed a deadline on the city for the completion of their homes. He said the residents preferred sturdy, well-built homes completed next year than shoddy work completed sooner.

"If a house is not ready, then it's not ready. No one is at fault. We can be patient," said Jackson.

City Housing Director Julia Robinson said some houses were completed but several "small issues" needed to be resolved before any of the residents could move in.

Funds allocated to start Hopkins Metro leg

Rep. Helen Delich Bentley (R., MD.) has announced the approval by the federal Urban Mass Transportation Administration of $2.8 million in federal funds to begin preliminary engineering on the northeast extension of the Baltimore Metro.

The announcement came in a joint press conference with Mrs. Bentley and Maryland Secretary of Transportation William K. Hellmann at The Johns Hopkins Hospital.

This $2.8 million in Section Nine federal funds, matched with $700,000 in state funds, will enable the Mass Transit Administration to begin preliminary engineering on the 1.5 mile line from the Charles Center Metro station to the Johns Hopkins Hospital. The total cost of completing preliminary engineering is $5 million. Next year the MTA will apply for the remainder of the federal money which will come from the interstate transfer program.

Preliminary engineering will include geotechnical analysis of the line, a detailed evaluation of the proposed alignments, a final environmental impact statement and a refined cost estimate for construction of the extension.

Following preliminary engineering will be final design and construction. The current projection for completion of the Hopkins extension is 1993.

According to Secretary Heilmann, "This good news comes at a time when the MTA is also projecting completion of the Owings Mills Metro extension at least $20 million under budget."

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"Merry Christmas"
"For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." St. Luke 2:11
Sunday, December 22, 1985
9:00 A.M. — Sunday School (All Ages)
10:30 A.M. — Live Radio Broadcast WYST 10:10 A.M. dial
11:00 A.M. — Morning Worship Service
Sermon by Elder C. Green
5:00 P.M. — Annual Christmas Tree
Sacred Drama & Musical featuring the Christian Community Players and the Radio Choir
Sis. Sheila Washington, Drama directress
Bro. Ernest E. Pretlow Sr., Choir director
Elder Melvin C. Green, Director of Music and Organist
Wednesday, December 25, 1985, 11:00 A.M.
Annual Christmas Day Service
Tuesday, December 31, 1985, 9:00 P.M.
Annual Watch Night Service

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Officiating Minister:
Dr. Marion C. Bascom
8:00 a.m. — The Angel Gabriel
— Arr. Robert Johnson
Glory To That Newborn King
— Arr. John W. Work
11:00 a.m. — The Best of Rooms
— Rardall Thompson
Mary, Mary Where Is Your Baby?
— Jester Hairston

Mrs. Troy Brailey injured in car crash

Mrs. Troy (Chessie) Brailey, wife of the state senator, was severely injured in a car crash at North Avenue and Poplar Grove Street Dec. 11.

The accident about 5:35 p.m. came when a car, police report, ran the red light and crashed into the Brailey station wagon leaving it an almost total wreck.

Mrs. Brailey sustained injuries of the head and legs and was taken to emergency at Lutheran Hospital.

Sen. Brailey summonsed from their 2405 Baker St. residence arrived on the scene almost immediately and took his wife to the hospital.

Released from Lutheran Thursday morning, Mrs. Brailey is recouperating at home.

The accident occurred at the North and Popular Grove intersection, the scene of the fatal bus accident about a month ago.

Mrs. Brailey was enroute Wednesday to pick up food for the elderly and shut-ins, a task she performs every month.

Christmas Worship Services
Metropolitan United
Methodist Church
(At Carrollton Ave. and Lanvale St.)
Sun., Dec. 22
9:30 a.m. — Church School play, "The Voices of Christmas"
11:00 a.m. — A Christmas musical, "Heaven Rejoices"
by the Metropolitan Choir and the Men's Chorus, directed by Dr. Mack Statham
Sermon by Dr. Irvin C. Lockman, Minister
Dec. 31, 10:00 P.M. — Watch Night Services
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Mrs. Louise Dorsey dead at 99

Mrs. Louise Watkins Dorsey, 99, a lifetime resident of Howard County, died on Monday, Dec. 16.

Funeral services are Saturday noon at Douglas Memorial Community Church, Lafayette Avenue at Madison Avenue.

Survivors are her son, James T. Dorsey, deputy grandmaster of Prince Hall Masons, and her daughter, Mrs. Mary Nash, of Philadelphia.

NEW CHRISTIAN
MEMORIAL CHURCH
3525 W. Caton Avenue
Sunday, December 22, 1985
Pastor wishes the New Christian Memorial Church Family and friends the Blessings of a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.
9:30 a.m.
Sunday School
11:00 a.m.
Morning Worship
Watch Night Service
December 31, 1985
10:00 p.m.

WALTER BRONSON JR.,
Pastor

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1063 West Fayette Street
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1985
8:00 a.m. — PRAISE & SPIRITUAL HEALING SERVICE
9:00 a.m. — CHURCH SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
Deacon William Nelson, Director
11:00 a.m. — MORNING WORSHIP
MUSIC THE ANTHEM: "O Holy Night Of Memory" — Wilson
THE SPIRITUAL: "Mary Had A Baby" — Hall Johnson
Special Music: — Mr. Samuel Jonathan Ray
Mr. James R. Peterson, Director
PREACHING: "What Was It About Mary's Baby?" — Pastor Ray
3:30 p.m. — The Combined Choirs present AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC
Reverend Dr. Samuel Ray, Pastor