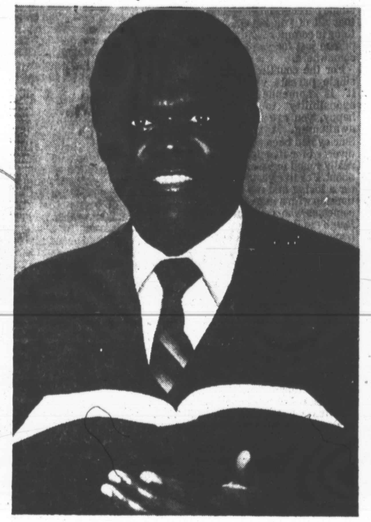
THE LIVING CHURCH

Local Minister's 'History of Black Baptists' receives acclaim



Rev. Leroy Fitts, pastor of First Baptist Church and author of the book "History of the Black Baptists".

More and more people are reading the book by Rev. Leroy Fitts, "The History of Black Baptists," and readers are finding it a legitimate and accurate history of a movement that has contributed greatly to the spiritual wealth of black people in America.

Rev. Fitts, pastor of First Baptist Church, located at 525 N. Caroline St., was inspired to write the book because of the lack of black Baptists portrayed in the spiritual development in American history.

In his book, Rev. Fitts documents and confirms repeatedly the presence of the black baptist in the history of black religious tradition.

Rev. Fitts deals with controversy over the origin of black Baptists and proves that many of the spiritual sentiments of the Baptists were shared by the most primitive of churches. He acknowledges that since the "Christian" origin, every age has contained communities of people who were faithful to Baptist doctrine.

Rev. W.T. Moore, book review writer for "Ethnicity," credits Rev. Fitts for his zeal in undertaking the "impossible task of writing a comprehensive history of black Baptists in one volume.

Rev. Fitts succeeds in providing an understandable record and analysis of the trends and influences affecting the black Baptists in America. Rev. Moore calls "History of Black Baptists" a "welcome" addition to the black Baptist history shelf.

Rev. Moore calls the book the best black Baptist history since L.G. Jordan's "Negro Baptist History" and compares it to Mechel Sobel's "Travelin' On," whose chronology ends in 1865 and "The Story of National Baptists" by Pelt and Smith written in 1960 as well as to "The Epochs of Negro Baptists and the Foreign Mission Board" by E.A. Freeman in 1953.

Rev. Fitts' history refutes historians' tendency to identify Baptists as latecomers along with the early Protestants of the 17th century. He challenges his readers to question the resources available to their "respected" historians. In his book Rev. Fitts asks the question: "Who is more reliable as far as the record of Baptists is concerned, those men who had access to the older records, and sometimes personal acquaintance with the people themselves, or these latecomers who "scientifically" analyze what is available to them now?"

More importantly, Rev. Fitts' history supports what is good and upright and scorns the evils of racism and discrimination. In his volume Rev. Fitts brings the black Baptists and the Moral Majority into confrontation.

However, Rev. Fitts' findings reveal that the Moral Majority and the black Baptists share common ground in their pro-life, pro-family, anti-drug, anti-pornography beliefs although he differs with Moral Majority's Jerry Falwell on political views that he suggests tend to reinforce the "status quo system" of materialism and oppression.

Nevertheless, "History of the Black Baptists" proves to be a fine and oustanding study by a local minister that serves a meaningful purpose in the religious community. For many years to come it should bring pride to other local clergymen that its author resides here in Baltimore.

After being fired at Mt. Olive Rev. Williams starts new church

Rev. Franklin Delano Roosevelt Williams former pastor of First Mt. Olive Freewill Baptist Church.

By Brion M. Tyson
AFRO Staff Writer

Since his recent dismissal from the pastorship of First Mt. Olive Freewill Baptist Church, Rev. Franklin Delano Roosevelt Williams has resolved to forget the past and start anew. And since that time, only weeks ago, Rev. Williams has started a new church in West Baltimore which is rumored to have attracted a large number of former Mt. Oliver members.

On Friday, Dec. 6, a vote taken at Mt. Oliver Freewill Baptist Church failed to tally for Rev. Williams, but after leaving the church peaceably, Williams claimed that the election was illegal.

Tuesday Joe L. Strong, a deacon at Rev. Williams' new church, Williams Tabernacle United American Freewill Baptist Church, told the AFRO, "The deacons were so determined to get rid of Rev. Williams that they held an illegal election. The charges against Rev. Williams were supposed to have been forgotten after a meeting supervised by high-ranking officers in the Baltimore Baptist's Conference in July."

At that meeting, a vote of church members was taken to decide if Rev. williams were to stay or go amidst charges of battery and a pending court case. The meeting was supervised by several leading Baptist ministers as a result of several prior meetings that was disrupted by disorganization and unruly members.

Those meetings came after members of the congregation showed discontent with Rev. Williams, who was accused to attempting sexual relations with several women of the church. Because of allegations of child molestation, misuse of church funds, and other church-related offenses, Rev. Williams was the center of attention at the West Baltimore church.

Many congregants from the Mt. Olive congregation showed up at a series of hearings over battery charges involving Rev. Williams and churchwoman Barbara Reed's minor daughter.

Facing charges of battery on Aug. 28, Rev. Williams received a "stet" which means the charges are placed in an inactive file for a period of one year providing that the person is not involved in any similar incident during that time.

However prior to Rev. Williams's dismissal as a result of numerous complaints against him, Mt. Olive deacons held a meeting and asked the congregation if it would acknowledge certain charges against him.

Those charges included inconsistency of word and action on the pastor's part, which negatively affected the church's morale, a sense of distrust against the pastor, dishonesty, lying, and a series of financial problems, the AFRO was told.

Upon receiving the church's acknowledgement, Deacon Board Chairman Calvin Dickens requested a vote to again decide the status of Rev. Williams's pastorship. He lost the vote and was dismissed.

According to Deacon Joe L. Strong of Williams Tabenacle, Rev. Williams suffered because of personal dislike from certain member of Mt. Olive and member of the Mt. Olive Deacon Board.

"After those deacons would not honor the decision reached by the vote in July they continued to cause controversy in the church. Rev. Williams said that they were not worthy to be deacons because just as they did this, they would do other ungodly things. He sought to dismiss them," Deacon Strong told the AFRO.

However, according to Deacon Strong, the new church has a positive outlook and looks forward to the new year.

"About 300 members from Mt. Olive have started to attend Williams Tabernacle," Deacon Strong said.

He said that many of those members decided to stand behind Rev. Williams as an upright minister because he had suffered so much ridicule at Mt. Olive.

"Yes we are willing to talk to the media as long as it's something good about our pastor. Anything good for our pastor. As long as we know he's right, we're behind him," Deacon Strong added.

The William Tabernacle United American Freewill Baptist Church is located at the corner of Garrison Blvd. and Liberty Heights Ave.

Shown above on left is St. James pastor, Father Donald Octavio Wilson christening the baby Jeruselum during a service held in recognition of his 40th year in the ministry. Above right is Ethiopian mother Regbe Tedla, Nena Barrick, a sponsor and godmother Tsegewini Hagos.

Ethiopian Families at Home with St. James Episcopal

Since June 1985 St. James Episcopal Church has participated in a humanitarian program sponsored by the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief which has brought them together with St. James-Parkton to adopt two Ethiopian families. And although many miles from their original home, the families have found love and comfort in the sanctuaries of these two outstanding churches.

"Together we have sponsored two Ethiopian couples coming to the states. We have provided them with housing, clothing and subsidy for all or their expenses," said Rev. Donald Octavio Wilson, pastor of St. James Episcopal Church in Baltimore.

On the day the families arrived, they were met at BWI by representatives from each of the church's Ethiopian Settlement Committees. From there they were escorted to St. James Episcopal Church, located at 1005 W. Lafayette Ave.

At the church they were greeted by the Welcoming Committee which prepared food and other accommodations to make the families feel right at home. On that day a beautiful welcoming celebration was held.

Since that celebration, the families have settled in a house in the 100 block of Myrtle Ave.

"Both families have settled at the Myrtle Ave. home and to see them living together this way is really a beautiful thing. They're doing very well," Rev. Wilson told the AFRO.

At a cooperative service held to commemorate this 40th year in the ministry on Sunday, December 8, Rev. Wilson took part in the christening of Regbe Tedla's newborn baby, Jeruselum.

Rev. Wilson has served at St. James Episcopal for 22 years. Prior to that, he served at St. Matthews Episcopal in Wilmington, Delaware. Also that Sunday, Rev. Charles L. Taylor celebrated his 30th year in the ministry.

"It was a beautiful occasion not only because of my 40th year in the ministry, but to see these families coming along the way they are," Rev. Wilson told the AFRO.

According to Rev. Wilson the families are studying English at one of the local high schools. Already one of the Ethiopians, Stephanus, has found employment at Fox Chevrolet, another is a painter who does private and contractual work.

"I'm very pleased with their progress. It's obvious that they all will become marvelous citizens. Their future here looks very bright," Rev. Wilson said. "Soon we hope to have them all placed in full-time jobs."

The 200 worshippers were well pleased as they heard selections from the choirs of St. James Episcopal Baltimore-Parkton and as they along with members of the Welcoming Committee wished the Ethiopian families well.

Bishops seek catechism on Faith and Sexual Morals

VATICAN CITY — Members of the worldwide bishops' synod sought a lay-down-the-law catechism on faith and sexual morals to stop Roman Catholics from picking and choosing what they wish to believe.

Group after group urged church leaders to draw up a compendium of Roman Catholic doctrine to dispel confusion arising from the liberalizing reforms of the Second Vatican Council 20 years ago.

"The tensions are especially virulent in the area of sexual morality," Cardinal Augustin Mayer said in a report drawn up after three days of discussions with German-speaking bishops.

"Pluralism has taken on dimensions in ... domestic theology and moral theology which cannot be reconciled with the teaching of the council itself," Mayers said. "The results are confusion among the faithful and discomfort among many Christians who feel they have lost their spiritual home."

Mayer, who said there was "great permissiveness in society" today, said church authorities had noticed "a picking and choosing in moral teaching, which comes at times due to the misrepresentations of pluralism."

In the summary of Mayer's speech released by the Vatican, he did not specify which teachings were being ignored. But he likely was referring partly to the church's total ban on artificial birth control — a ban widely ignored by Catholics in more developed nations.

Mayer, head of the Vatican congregations for the sacraments and divine worship, praised Pope John Paul II's 1981 decree restating traditional Catholic teaching on family life, and said the church should make it better known.

The 174-page document, called "The Christian Family in the Modern World," reinforced the church's ban on artificial birth control, abortion and divorce.

Several bishops have urged the pope to draw up a new catechism of Catholic teaching on doctrine, morals or the teachings of Vatican II.

The 165 bishops, archbishops and cardinals in the two-week synod stressed the council was not to blame for the doctrinal confusion. Instead, they indicated a variety of causes, including dissenting theologians who ignored or distorted basic church teaching.

"There is now a new doctrinal crisis, a new theological crisis which concerns even central parts of faith and morals," said Cardinal Pablo Munoz Vega of Ecuador.

"Freedom all too easily leads to confusion," Munoz said, quoting theologian Karl Rahner.

At the end of the session Tuesday, the 10 non-Catholics invited to attend as ecumenical observers delivered their own address, the only one at the synod to be applauded.

METRO CHURCH BRIEFS

Ray of Hope Baptist Church

The Ray of Hope Baptist Church will celebrate the eighth anniversary of the church's pastor beginning the week of Jan. 6. Services will begin at 7:30 p.m. nightly, and the schedule is as follows: Mon., Jan. 6; Rev. George Crawley, pastor of St. Paul Baptist Church; Tues. Jan. 7; Rev. Arthur Jones, pastor of Jones Tabernacle, choirs and congregation; Wed., Jan. 8; Rev. Theodore Jackson, pastor of Gillis Memorial Community Church, choirs and congregation; Thursday, Jan. 9: Rev. Mark Riddix, pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist Church, choirs and congregation; Friday, Jan. 10: Rev. Clifford M. Johnson, pastor of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, choirs and congregation.

On Sunday, Jan. 12, the 4 p.m. speaker will be the Rev. Errol Gilliard, pastor of Greater Harvest Baptist Church. His choirs and congregation will accompany him. Everyone is invited to come and bring a friend to share in this joyous occasion. Dr. Charles M. Franklin is pastor. The church is located at 300 Parkside Dr.

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

This year's Men's Day activities will include a Pre-Men's Day Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, Jan. 18 at the church located at 833 N. Bond St.

On Monday, Jan. 20, there will be a Brotherhood/Christian Education and Potluck Dinner Night. The speaker will be Brother Daniel Jones of Faith Baptist Church.

There will be revivals on Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 22 and 23 beginning at 8 p.m. Friday will be Internal Joy night.

Highlights will include Rev. Junior Chambers, assistant pastor at Faith Baptist Church at 8 a.m., Rev. Walter E. Paige at 10:30 a.m., and the Men's Day Choir at 3 p.m.

ELIZABETH M. OLIVER
FOR ALL WE KNOW

AFRO'S GREAT 95TH YEAR

The AFRO is in its 94th year and on Aug. 13, 1986 will begin its all-important 95th year ooooooo, Happy New Year to us. The dawn of the New Year, 1986, also marks over-40 (too boo) years at the AFRO. On Oct. 22, 1941, I came to work at the 628 N. Eutaw St. home office as the Librarian.

A backward glance shows a rewarding career, trips abroad; the John F. Kennedy years; the Civil Rights era, my journey to the Middle East, from Paris Rome, Athens, to Cairo and all the Holy Land, Damascus, Syria, all those wonderful Middle East countries, on down to TelAviv on the Mediterranean.

Fantastic experiences that could not be excelled when on the job with any newspaper also include two years in the South Pacific at the end of World War II.

Plus association with wonderful, people in Baltimore and all over, wherever the AFRO goes, who could want for more? Therefore, entering a new year brings more and more wonderous things.

Jan. 8 we begin five weeks vaction in Hawaii with daughter Marsha, her Husband Ken Joyner and my grand kids, a wonderful winter sojourn again for the 12th time.

There is no way to tell you about the wonders of Honolulu but I'll write from there and reveal the many Baltimoreans I usually meet during my stay.

JO ROGERS SLOAN HONORED

Jan. 10 is the testimonial for Jo Rogers Sloan who has retired from her administrative post at the Red Cross and looks back upon an illustrious career as a highly trained professional in social work services.

No one can match her and the Red Cross will be hard put to replace her work there as the person who directed the program to meet the needs of military personnel, veterans and disaster victims.

Should you attend the plush Retirement Banquet at the Forum on Jan. 10 you will hear all the rest of her accomplishments from the time she was the belle at Morgan where she received a bacheior of Social Science and a masters degree in Social Work.

Her resume consumes seven typed pages. Write or call quickly for tickets, Jan. 10, Forum, Hilda Ailor-Carter, 298-5554 for 448-3588. Dave Sloan, the attorney, is her proud hubby.

THE PAUL CHESTERS NEW GRANDSON

Home for the holidays were Atty. Paula Chester Nocera, partner of the prestigious New York law firm, Baskin and Steingatt, her husband, Michael Nocera, the chief operating officer and vice president of the E. F. Hutton Firm, N.Y. PLUS their 9-month-old son, Jonathan Paul.

And what a yuletide it was for the Chesters as they greeted the first grandson.

Paula and her handsome Italian mate met while they were both employed in Washington. They were married 3 years ago in Baltimore at Paula's Whittier Avenue home. The reception following the wedding was at the Acquarium and those attending recall the joyful occasion, the guests from everywhere icluding the bridegroom's relatives, 50 of them from New York.

LARRY GIBSON'S RECEPTION

The grandest occasion at the beginning of the holiday season in Mid-November was the reception Atty. Larry Gibson and the other important folks on the University of Maryland Law School faculty arranged to show off the papers and memorabilia of the "Donald Murray Case" which opened the U of Md. Law School to black students.

The event was held at the Westminister Church Great Hall, that historic church where Edgar Allen Poe is buried in the adjoining graveyard.

The exhibit, one of the most highly prized in the history of law in the United States also displayed clippings and photos from the AFRO, showing the fight led by Civil Rights leaders such as Dr. Lillie M. Jackson.

The exhibit is still available for all to see at the University of Maryland Law School Library right here in downtown Baltimore. It is a tremendous exhibit barring none.

NORMAN BRAILEY'S WEDDING SET

Norman Brailey, son of Sen. and Mrs. Troy Brailey and Ms. Barbara Butler of Oakland, CA will be wed in that California City on Valentines Day, Feb. 14 in a simply fabulous ceremony.

After all, he is assistant to the mayor of the historic town, Annapolis, you know. The couple will reside in Annapolis.

PHOTOGRAPHER RYALES GRANDDAUGHTER VISITS

Photographer, Glasco Ryles who owns Celebrity Photo Shop in downtown Baltimore, was host to his daughter Dorothy and granddaughter Danielle and her father Blain this week. However, it was three-year-old Danielle, frocked in a red snow suit, who was center of attention.

A beautiful little ballerina, she is the star of the coming ballet in their New Jersey hometown.

For her special Yuletide gift, Grand Daddy Ryles bought her an Alice in Wonderland wardrobe.

Her mom is a Rutger University grad. Due to arrive the first week in January is his other daughter who is a highly classified big wig with the Internal Revenue. The occasion is a closed conference in Washington.

BACK HOME — DR AND MRS. C. LYCURGUS KIAH

Visiting for the Yule Holiday were Dr. and Mrs. C. Lycurgus Kiah of Savannah, GA. She is the former Virginia Jackson Kiah, daughter of Dr. Lillie Jackson, and sister of Atty. Juanita.

Dr. Kiah is the former dean of faculty at Savannah State U. for 20 years and for 10 years vice president of Georgia State U. in Atlanta. He is from the historic Kiah family on the Eastern Shore.

The Kiahs have retired college life and now Virginia devotes timeto her own museum, the Baltimore Jackson Museum and her profession as a portrait artist.

While here the Kiahs were wined and dined by others but the special event was held at the new Carrollton Avenue residence of Cong. Parren J. Mitchell.

There is no way to describe that Victorian mansion into which he moved just two weeks ago from his Madison Avenue residence.

Besides white marble fireplaces in every room, the Carrollton Avenue hone (which was in move-in condition) has all the fine, handsome touches of a mansion of that Victorian era, floor to ceiling mirrors, perfectly preserved oak floors, the whole bit.

Colorfully displayed in the parlors, dens and huge drawing room are the congressman's countless honors, plaques, trophies, tokens from all the USA and just every nation on earth.

The New Parren J. residence is in the neighborhood where he spent his youth along with his brother, the famed Clarence M. Mitchell, Jr., the rest of the brothers and sisters and their parents.

The park across the street, Lafayette Square, has been restored complete with running fountains and is bordered by four churches including old St. Johns and St. James Episcopal. What a joy it will be to view the arrival of Spring from P.J.'s windows.

P.J.'S office staff took him to dinner at the John Eager Howard Room Belvedere Hotel for his Yultide gift. As usual he enjoyed many New Year's Day dinners invited, one at Racheal DeFord's home.

THE LEMI PICKETT'S NEW HOUSE

Seems like the late 1985's was good time to get into a new home. You should see the Wheaton, Md. cottage Marilyn Oliver Pickett, her husband, Lemi Pickett and son, John Oliver Pickett have. The kitchen is wonderful and the center of family living since Marilyn is a superb cook. For breakfast Christmas Day, we had blueberry muffins made from scratch.

Son John who is 11 got all the computors, movable toys robots, etc in the world including several from Grandfather and Grandmother, the John Olivers in Indianapolis, Ind. and Uncle John J. Oliver, Jr. (Jake) the lawyer — Baltimore.

CARTER'S AND BARRETT'S OPEN HOUSE

The architect, John Carter, his lawyer wife, Beverly and her brother held open house at their beautiouss residence on Eutaw Place Dec. 31. Present were the Maryland architects' circle crewd, Big Wigs, all the courthouse jurists and bench including Beverly's boss, Judge Robert Bell and a host of states attorneys and assistants, their spouses - all to enjoy the Carter's and Barrett's good old home cooking . . . and view the priceless antiques and the appointments of that home's beveled-edge glass doors and mirrors.

THE DYETT'S PARTY

They tell me the Yule Party of the season was the one at the Winchester Armory given by mortician Leroy Dyett and his wife Susan. An endless stream of guests enjoyed the finest of everything that Christmas dining can bring.

THE ANDREW BILLINGSLEYS OF WHEATON, MD.

Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Billingsley and family also entertained with Yule fanfare at their Wheaton, Md. residence which, all I can say, is indeed out of this world. And the magnitude of the guest book, possibly everyone of Who's Who in the University of Maryland faculty, his associates there and folks from Baltimore, all present and accounted for.

THE GEORGE MITCHELLS TO EUROPE

Lovely Raquel Mitchell (Mrs. George Mitchell) who assists her husband at the Jackson Housing Development, took her children to Europe for the Yule Holiday and what a trip it was . Accompanied by Carla, age 16, and George Jr., age 11, they went to see all that London is.

The youngsters marveled at Buckingham Palace, the Changing of the guard; Parliament; the famed Bussard's Wax Museum, Tower of London, London Bridge. And then, they went on to Germany where they viewed the historic Christmas Festivals. What a Joyous Christmas.

FAREWELL TO THOMAS B. PARKER

Christmas also brings sadness. A fond farewell goes to Thomas Brooke Parker, the retired shipping clerk for the Wabash Street and Lighting Co. who was memorialized Jan. 2.

A native of Prince Georges County, he departed Dec. 26, the day after Christmas, bringing great sorrow to his wife, Katie Granger Johnson; son, Thomas Jr. sister, Maggie Hall of Elkridge, MD, and sister-in-law, Chessie Granger Brailey.

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The Rev. Robert T. Ford, ED. D., Deacon
Mr. Maurice Murphy, MUS. D., Choirmaster-Organist

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 1986

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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9:30 A.M. ..... Fellowship at School
11:00 A.M. ..... Fellowship at Worship

Guest Speaker — Pastor Tyrone B. Griffin
5:00 P.M. ..... Installation Service For Officers of 1986
Our guest will be Oak Crest Baptist Church
Rev. Kenneth Barney — Pastor

Tuesday, Jan. 14, 1986 Anniversary Banquet
Dinner will be at Forum, 4210 Primrose Ave. For information please call 523-9883 or 578-8342

Tues. Nite, 7:00 P.M. ..... BIBLE CLASS
Rev. Kenneth Burney — Pastor

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SUNDAY, JANUARY 5, 1986

10:50 a.m. ..... Morning Worship
Dr. Kearse, Preaching
8:00 p.m. ..... Evening Worship
10:05 p.m.-11 p.m. — Broadcast Service over WITH, 123AM

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ELDER C. GREEN, Pastor

Sunday, January 5, 1986

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
3:30 P.M. ..... First Grand Service of the Year Sponsored by Mrs. Helen M. Talley

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James E. Hammond, Jr. Music
Juanita Hall Davis Organist

Sunday, January 5, 1986
8:00 and 11:00 Services
Dr. Marion C. Bascom

8:00 a.m. — Brother James' Air (Marosa)
The Name of Jesus
— Arr. Gordon Jacob

11:00 a.m. — Sanctus (from "St. Cecilia" Mass)
— Charles/Gounod
Communion Hymn — Let Us Break Bread Together
— Arr. Noah Ryder

Beginning the First Sunday of the new year, BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH will begin TEACHING SERVICES at 6 p.m.
REV. JOHN R. BRYANT will be teaching.

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Sunday, January 5, 1986

8:00 a.m. ..... PRAISE & SPIRITUAL HEALING SERVICE
8:45 a.m. ..... CHURCH SCHOOL — Deacon William Nelson, Director
10:00 a.m. ..... SERVICE OF BAPTISM
11:00 a.m. ..... MORNING WORSHIP/HOLY COMMUNION

MUSIC THE ANTHEM: "The Old One Hundredth Psalm" ..... R. V. Williams
THE SELECTION: "Love Was When" ..... D. J. Wrytzen
BRO. JAMES R. PETERSON, DIRECTOR
PREACHING: "What Shall We Do?" ..... Pastor Ray
Wednesday, January 8, 7 P.M. ..... Martha W. Preston Bible Class
Reverend Dr. Samuel Ray, Pastor