THE LIVING CHURCH

METRO CHURCH ROUNDUP

Eastside Ministries contribute to Africare project

At the Good Friday celebration, representatives of the Africare project receive a $3,000 check from the Eastside Ministries Groups. The celebration was held at Centennial United Methodist Church.

(From left to right) Mrs. Dorthea Jordan, representatives of the Africare project, and Centennial United Methodist Church pastor, Rev. Mamie Williams.

BALTIMORE'S OWN gentlemen of song, the Welcome Travelers will perform at a benefit concert for Greater Remnant Church of God on April 19 starting at 7:30 p.m. The concert will also mark the 4th anniversary of the "Remnantairs" gospel group. Other groups to appear will include Spann, The Christians, The Torrance Singers, The Golden Spirituals, Johnson Brothers, and Deacon Aaron Evans.

By Brion M. Tyson
AFRO Staff Writer

More than 500 city churchgoers showed up on Good Friday when the Eastside Ministries Group held a fund-raising culmination celebration at Centennial United Methodist. Those church members present on that morning also celebrated Lent and conducted their Holy Week services.

The Eastside Ministries Group is a church organization which includes Centennial United Methodist Church, Christ United Methodist Church, John Wesley African Methodist Episcopal Church, Knox Presbyterian, and Trinity and Waters African Methodist Episcopal churches.

For the year, the group successfully reached its goal of raising $3,000 for the self-development efforts of Africare, a group concerned with the well-being of black people in Africa. The group presented a check in that amount to representatives from Africare.

Rev. Mamie Williams, pastor of the host church, Centennial United Methodist, said, "It was a great celebration, and it showed a renewed commitment to black people suffering in certain parts of Africa."

According to Rev. Williams, this year the monies raised will go to the construction of a plumbing project in Zimbabwe.

"We see this as a way to serve outside of our community and a commitment that offers new life," Rev. Williams said.

WELCOME TRAVELERS TO RELEASE NEW RECORDING

Baltimore's own gentlemen of song, the Welcome Travelers, are in the process of releasing a new gospel album on the Starship label. The Travelers will be doing some recording at the Sheffield Recording Studio in Phoenix, MD. The group began recording Wednesday evening. They will perform at a benefit concert at Greater Remnant Church of God on Saturday, April 19.

The Welcome Travelers, a unique gospel singing group, was founded in 1965 in Baltimore. Since their origin, group members have carried their inspiring Gospel message in gospel music as they have travelled throughout the eastern United States.

The group has appeared on live radio, on over 40 telecasts, on records and in concert.

In 1980, the Welcome Travelers celebrated their 25th Anniversary at the Baltimore Convention Center. On that same occasion, they were honored by the mayor, William Donald Schaefer, who proclaimed the day "Welcome Travelers Day" in Baltimore and Gov. Harry Hughes proclaimed the day "Welcome Traveler's Day in the State of Maryland" for their work with the churches, nursing homes, civic organizations and fraternal groups throughout their years of singing.

The group has won channel 13 WJZ-TV's "Showcase 13" and were awarded a contract with the Joy Talent Agency in Newport, R.I. The Travelers also were the first gospel singing group to appear at the International Platform Committee at the Sheraton-Park Hotel in Washington, D.C. Now in semi-retirement, the group does concerts in and around the Baltimore area and performs on a bi-weekly basis.

The present members of the group are Robert Walker, the group's manager for 19 years, Bill Sturgis, also a manager for 19 years, James Fleming, Willie Smith, and Lee Whitner, the group's newest member.

Music for the group is provided by Rev. Al Brown, guitar, George Smith, bass, Robert Merryman, drums, and Rev. Jerome Williams, rhythm guitar.

Organist Ada Wilder honored at All Saints Baptist Church

The minister, Rev. Melvin Chase, and members of All Saints Baptist Church saluted their organist, Mrs. Ada T. Wilder, immediately after the Palm Sunday service.

The congregation marched in singing "Happy Birthday" and was served a delicious dinner afterwards. After dinner, the honoree, Mrs. Wilder, served the birthday cake to the guests.

After enjoying dinner, the committee members each took time to say a personal "Happy Birthday" and thanked Mrs. Wilder for her many years of service to the church as organist. The committee consisted of 12 members.

Visitors at this memorable occasion included Mrs. Wilder's children: James Wilder of Baltimore, Mrs. Ellen Washington of District Heights, MD; her granddaughter, Mrs. Brenetta Jackson; and two great-grandchildren, Ramon and Darvis Jackson.

Mrs. Ada T. Wilder, organist at All Saints Baptist Church.

Black Catholic Revival set for May

The Archdiocesan Office of Urban Affairs has released the following statement about the Black Catholic Revival to be held in Baltimore in May:

Baltimore is best, and we are especially proud of our many ethnic cultures and the diverse gifts that they give to our fair city. It is that diversity that unites us as a community. Much like our cultural affairs and ethnic celebrations, the Archdiocese of Baltimore will be hosting a Black Catholic Revival on May 5, 6, and 7 at the Basilica of the Assumption on Cathedral and Mulberry Streets.

The revival will begin at 7:30 p.m. each of the three evenings. Father Giles Conwill will be the revivalist. Father Conwill is a priest for the Diocese of San Diego, CA. He is well-known throughout the country as a preacher and for giving workshops in the area of black Catholic history, culture and evangelization.

Father Conwill is a native of Louisville, KY. He was ordained a Catholic priest for the Diocese of San Diego, CA in 1973.

Since ordination, he has served as associate pastor of St. Rita's in San Diego and also as Vocation Director of the National Office of Black Catholics. He is presently a doctoral candidate in the area of cultural studies at Emory University in Atlanta.

He resides at St. Joseph Cathedral in San Diego and is a member of the National Black Catholic Clergy Caucus.

In addition to being a doctoral student, he spends much of his time preaching revivals and giving workshops in the area of black Catholic evangelization and black Catholic history and culture. He recently participated in the Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. Black Catholic Revival.

Father Conwill has written several articles about the black Catholic experience. The most recent will be published by the Paulist Evangelization Association of Washington, D.C. this year.

The summer issue of Critic Magazine will also feature an article by Father Conwill.

For further information, contact the Office of Urban Affairs at 547-5486.

Metro Church Briefs

MASJID AS-SAFFAT

The Women's Committee of Masjid as-Saffat sponsors its third annual Islamic Women's Conference on Saturday, April 19 from 12 noon to 4 p.m. at the Control Data Business and Technology Center, 2901 Druid Park Drive. Workshop topics will include: Islamic Education for Adult Muslim Women and the Community, Preparation of the Body for Burial, and Establishing Businesses for Financial Security. The $10 donation will include a luncheon, workshops, and a short Islamic Fashion Show.

This event is for women only. For further information, call 435-3031 or 523-0477.

RIGHT WAY MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Right Way Ministries International, Inc. invites you to attend their Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, April 19, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn, 301 W. Lombard St.

Pastor Fred Robinson from Philadelphia will be the featured speaker.

Everyone is urged to attend the breakfast with Right Way. For tickets and additional information, contact Estelle Gross at 255-1828.

FIRST CORINTHIAN BAPTIST CHURCH

The Male Chorus of Simmons Memorial Baptist Church will be at the First Corinthian Baptist Church performing on the evening of Sunday, April 13 at 6 p.m. The church is located at 3512 Powhatan Ave. All are welcomed.

GRACE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

"The music of John Rutter" will be presented by the combined choirs of nine area churches and chamber orchestras on Sunday, May 4 at 4:30 p.m. at Grace United Methodist Church. The church is located at 5407 N. Charles St. (near Northern Parkway). The program will feature "Gloria" and a variety of other compositions by this contemporary composer.

Nine area choirs will be participating. Each of those nine choirs participated in a seminar-workshop under John Rutter last summer.

The 170 voices and orchestras will be under the direction of George Woodhead. Bruce R. Eicher is director of music at the host church.

This is the kick-off program in the local observance of National Music Week. The public is cordially invited; there is no admission charge. For more information, please call Mr. Eicher or Mrs. Allen at 433-6650.

GILLIS MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

The Gospel Workshop of America, Maryland Chapter, will hold its Annual Spring Concert at Gillis Memorial Baptist Church. Services will begin promptly at 6:30 p.m. on April 27. This is a free concert, so come along and bring a friend. The church is located at 4016 Park Heights Ave. For more information, call Rev. Evora Robinson Burns, 465-8038.

ONE IN THE SPIRIT CRUSADE

Two "Spiritual Dynamos," Rev. Walter Thomas and Rev. John R. Bryant, will be preaching a One in the Spirit Crusade reclaiming Baltimore for Christ. This crusade will be held nightly at the Lyric Theatre on April 21-25 at 6:30 p.m. Come and be blessed, and let this city be one in the Spirit. The theater is located at 1404 Mt. Royal Ave.

UNITED BAPTIST CHURCH

The United Baptist Church Building Fund Committee presents in concert Keith Pringle on Sunday, April 20 from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Keith Pringle is known for such inspirational songs as "Call Him Up," "Perfect Peace," "True Victory," "I Feel Like Going On," "Someday," "When All God's Children Get Together," and "Saved to Serve."

Preferred seats are $5, and all other seats are $3.50. For tickets, call 889-0184 after 6 p.m.

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AREA OBITUARIES

Saturday funeral set for Mrs. Yvette Murphy

Services for Mrs. Yvette D. Murphy will be held at Saint James Episcopal Church, Saturday, April 12, at 1 p.m. She died April 8 at the Union Memorial Hospital after a short illness.

Mrs. Murphy was born in Muskogee, OK, where, she attended elementary school. She attended high school in Saint Louis, MO, and matriculated at Howard University, from where she was graduated in May 1928.

She taught public schools for ten years in Tulsa, OK. In June, 1938 she met and married James N. Murphy, a member of the AFRO founding family, and came to Baltimore where she maintained her home.

From 1970 to 1983 Mrs. Murphy conducted a mini-travel service which had an active membership of nearly 100 persons.

She was a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority and the Links, a national organization. She was also founder of the Couples Club.

She is survived by her husband James; a cousin, Bayone Jones, one niece, other relatives and friends.

Mrs. Ruby W. Freeland, 81, was teacher and principal

Mrs. Ruby W. Freeland died April 7 at Sinai Hospital after an extended illness.

She was born on March 24, 1905, in Richmond, VA, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George (Nancy) West. She received her early education in Richmond and was a graduate of Armstrong High School.

With aspirations for higher education, she moved to Baltimore, where she attended the Coppin Normal School and Morgan State College. She received her master's degree in education from Columbia University in New York City.

For 42 years, she served as an educator in the Baltimore public schools. She was once a teacher, a vice-principal, and spent the last ten years, before her retirement in 1967, as school principal.

She was one of the founders of the "Coo Coo" Social Club that was formed at Coppin Normal School. She was also an active member of the Phi Delta Kappa Sorority.

She worshipped at the Union Baptist Church, where she was a member of the Senior Choir and the Welcome Circle.

She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Mildred P. Hughlett; two cousins, Mamie West Kemp of Richmond, VA and Rev. James O. West of Washington, D.C., as well as other relatives and friends.

Catholic leader confident House will approve legislation

The United States Catholic Conference (USCC) believes that a "strong majority" of members of the House of Representatives would support the so-called abortion neutral and religious tenet amendments to the Civil rights Bill, and that inclusion of such amendments will actually enhance the bill's chances for passage.

But the House cannot act on the Civil Rights Bill because Congressional leaders who oppose the amendments, and those who are responding to the pressure of pro-abortion groups, have kept the bill bottled up in committee for many months.

"The USCC strongly supports congressional approval of this new civil rights legislation," said its General Secretary, Msgr. Daniel F. Hoye. "We are hopeful that the prolonged delay will create enough pressure on the leadership, from those members of Congress who believe as we do, to allow the House to take action on this matter."

"It is clear to us that the civil rights objectives which would be accomplished by enactment of this legislation should certainly outweigh the objections that certain groups and members have concerning the "Tauke-Sensenbrenner Amendments," he stated.

Msgr. Hoye's observations are contained in a memo sent to each Catholic bishop in the country on March 27. The memo is an update on the Civil Rights Restoration Act (H.R. 700, S.431), a major piece of civil rights legislation which is still pending in Congress. The USCC Administrative Board, which met here last month, suggested the bishops would find useful an update on the civil rights legislation. The last such status report on the bill was sent to them on August 14, 1985.

The Civil Rights Restoration Act is designed to deal with the consequences of the Supreme Court's 1984 "Grove City" decision, which held that only federally funded programs, not the institutions which house them, are subject to the provisions of the federal civil rights laws.

The act would ensure that receipt of federal financial assistance would result in institutional-wide coverage under Title IX and three other anti-discrimination statutes relating to race, age and handicapped discrimination in federally assisted programs.

On March 27, 1985, the USCC testified on this legislative proposal before joint hearings of the House Education and Labor Committee and the Subcommittee on Civil and Constitutional Rights of the House Judiciary Committee. The testimony supported equitable and vigorous enforcement of the civil rights statutes to be amended by H.R. 700. It also requested three changes which it said would be necessary to assure USCC support for H.R. 700.

On May 21 and 22, 1985, the two House committees took the legislation under consideration. The Education and Labor committee adopted two amendments which responded to the USCC concerns. These amendments, dealing with abortion and the religious tenet exception, are known as the "Tauke-Sensenbrenner Amendments," named after the major sponsors in each committee. The same amendments were offered in the Judiciary Committee, but were rejected.

However, that committee adopted a modified version of H.R. 700 that did accommodate the USCC's concerns on the issue of a religious tenet exception.

Since that time, however, a 10-month stalemate has occurred.

"Committee leaders do not favor our amendments, but they know they do not have the votes in the full house to strip these amendments from the bill," Msgr. Hoye told the bishops. "Your communications to Congress on this matter have been most helpful in sustaining our position," he added.

"The Leadership Conference on Civil Rights (LCCR), which includes groups interested in a pro-abortion agenda, has taken the position that they will withdraw their support for any bill which includes an 'abortion-neutral' provision such as the Tauke-Sensenbrenner amendment," Msgr. Hoye continued. "Our understanding is that these same groups, which are members of the LCCR, have demanded that other members of the coalition support their position and, until very recently, have been very successful in obtaining such commitments. The House chairmen are cooperating with this strategy and have therefore delayed reporting the bill, indicating that they will not request a rule for the consideration of the legislation in the full House.

"It is our judgment that a strong majority of members of the House of Representatives would support the Tauke-Sensenbrenner Amendments as part of the civil rights legislation," Hoye said. "We also believe that a majority on the Rules Committee would support this position. This has resulted in the current stalemate.

Chief Judge Carl Moultrie dies of bone cancer at 71

Ceremony honoring him Friday postponed

Tough minded D.C. Superior Court Judge H. Carl Moultrie I died early Wednesday at the Washington Hospital Center after his long bout with bone cancer.

His death comes just as friends and associates were scheduled to honor him Friday with the unveiling of a portrait Friday at the Superior Court Building. The event has been postponed until sometime after the funeral.

Funeral arrangements had not completed at presstime.

Considered one of the leading judicial reformist, Judge Moultrie had announced in early March that he was stepping down from his duties as chief judge because of his illness.

At the time Moultrie had been selected by the National Judicial College to represent the American Judiciary at Oxford University's seminar on Anglo-American Judisprudence.

Chief Judge Moultrie was appointed to serve as an associate judge of the D.C. Superior Court in 1972. Six years later, the Judicial Nomination Commission named him to become chief judge.

Meeting the pledge he made to the Commission and, indeed, to citizens of the District of Columbia in 1978, Judge Moultrie implemented a number of far-reaching reforms that have increased the access of District residents to justice and have improved the overall administration of justice in the District of Columbia.

Putting the D.C. Superior Court at the forefront of judicial reform, and addressing the needs of families and children who are put at risk by the non-payment of Court - ordered child support, Moultrie instituted an innovative Child Support Enforcement Program in 1983 through which child support orders are routinely monitored for compliance.

He also convinced the American Bar Association to select the District of Columbia to run a national model program in dispute resolution that in just one year has attracted the attention of judges and criminal justice experts from across the nation and the world.

Determined to reduce unwarranted disparity in criminal sentencing in the District of Columbia, Moultrie spearheaded another reform effort when he appointed a Sentencing Guidelines Commission to consider the establishment of guidelines to increase fairness and equity in sentencing.

The Commission, comprised of Superior Court judges, citizens, City Council members, and criminal justice officials, will issue its report and recommendations to the Board of Judges later this year.

Other reforms initiated by the Chief Judge have improved overall Court operations such as the increase in the Small Claims jurisdictional limit to allow all cases involving $2,000 or less to enter Small Claims Court and the establishment of a program to recruit, train and compensate attorneys to represent parents in child abuse and neglect cases.

With crime in general and drug-related crime in particular on the increase in the District of Columbia, Moultrie established two accelerated felony calendars so that chronic offenders can regularly be brought to trial within 120 days.

He also established three additional felony courts. Twenty-five of the court's 51 judges handle criminal cases, with seven of the judges hearing misdemeanor cases on an individual jury calendar to expedite processing.

As chief judge, H. Carl Moultrie waged a continuing fight to protect the interests of the judges he leads and the community he serves.

He was successful in convincing the Congress that the District of Columbia needed seven new judges, expanding the local trial bench to 51. He also increased the number of Commissioners from one to ten, freeing judges to preside over more serious matters.

Moultrie also fought unceasingly for equal pay for Superior Court judges.

On the bench, Moultrie has the reputation of being a tough, but fair jurist. In the past 15 years, he presided over a number of celebrated cases that have become part of the history of the District of Columbia.

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9:45 a.m.....CHURCH/COMMUNITY HOUR — Dr. Cynthia Neverdon-Morton, Chairperson
TOPIC: Multiple Sclerosis
SPEAKER:.....Ms. Jan Harris, National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Maryland Chapter
11:00 a.m.....MORNING WORSHIP
MUSIC THE ANTHEM: "Rejoice In the Lord".....A. S. Clark
THE SPIRITUAL: "Come We That Love the Lord".....arr. Whalum
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Come and Go To That Land — arr. Olive Williams
11:00 a.m. — Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven — Mark Andrews
My Lord, What a Mornin' — arr. Harry T. Burleigh

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