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The Living Church

Rev. Carter's birthday

The Surprise 50th birthday party held recently for Dr. Harold Carter, pastor of New Shiloh Baptist Church was a gala affair and as he said, "The first birthday party I have ever had."

The event held at the Belvedere as a sitdown banquet for closest friends and hosted by his wife Weptanomah, his daughter, Wept, Jr. his son Rev. Harold, Jr. and wife Monique.

Among family members was Rev. Carter's brother, Dr. Nathan Carter, the noted musician, who videoed the party. Also present was Dr. Thomas Jones who journeyed from New York with his wife especially for the event. Dr. and Mrs. Jones have traveled around the world several times with the honoree and his wife.

A friendship hour preceded get - together games and the banquet was followed by dancing to a live orchestra. Among gifts was a portrait of Dr. Carter to be hung in the new church and done by artist Arthur Milton, a graduate Ford Foundation student at the Maryland Institute.

The evening ended with Dr. Carter blowing out the 50 candles on the three tiered birthday cake.

Noteworthy was the popular minister's praise of his wife and family whom he described as the love of his life and his inspiration in everything he accomplishes.

Dr. Carter, Mrs. Carter, Wepthanomah, Monique and Rev. Harold Carter, Jr. at the birthday gala.

Kenneth Williams and Hattie Shannon at the Belvedere for the banquet.

A gospel explosion

By Joanne Davis
Special to the Washington AFRO

The Black Gospel community began this year's Black history month off with a gospel explosion during an exciting concert sponsored by the Black National Religious Broadcasters held earlier this week at the Sheraton Washington Hotel.

The word of God was rendered in song by such well-known artists as Donald Vails and the Salvation Corporation of Washington, Dr. Pearl Williams-Jones and the Bible Way Television Choir of DC; and the Richard Smallwood Singers.

The program, sponsored by Dr. Clay Evans of Chicago, Ill., Bishop Samuel Green Jr. of Newport News, Va., and Bishop Smallwood E. Williams of Washington, D.C. cost close to 2,000 according to Evans. Seats, however, were free.

Over 2,000 people in attendance including four busloads of participants from Bible Way Church.

"We enjoyed a shouting good time after hearing Bible Way Church's choir sing "Magnify the Lord" and the nationally acclaimed Richard Smallwood Singers' sing "So Glad I'm Here."

Evans was awarded a plaque for his 3 years of service to Savoy Records by Milton Biggham and the Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church of Chicago, Ill.

The Black National Religious Broadcasters is a specialized segment of National Religious Broadcasters. The organization's primary function is to articulate the concerns and give special attention and discussion to the interest of minority religious broadcasters.

The history of BNRB dates back to the 31st annual NRB's meeting in January 1974. During that time a group of Black Broadcasters formed an ad hoc committee to offset a demonstration protesting the racism, token representation and unconcern for the needs of Black Broadcasters in NRB.

The special purpose committee proposed a black broadcaster's symposium in Philadelphia on Feb. 20, 1974, and out of that historical gathering, there developed tentative plans for an ethnic broadcaster's committee.

When the 32nd annual meeting of NRB's convened Jan. 28, 1975, the Ethnic Broadcasters Committee, now the Black NRB, was established and was made an integrate part of NRB by the Board of Directors of National Religious Broadcasters.

Said a spokesman for the BNRB, "Our purpose is not to be a separatist group, but we have something to say."

Religion in America

By Willmar Thorkelson
Religious News Service

MINNEAPOLIS — After more than 200 years of pursuing religious freedom as a people, Americans are more divided than ever over what it means to be religious in America, a specialist in contemporary religious movements says in a new book.

"As religion has gone public, it has created deepening hostility and partisanship among us," Dr. Erling Jorstad writes in "Being Religious in America," published by Augsburg Publishing House.

Dr. Jorstad, professor of history and American studies at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn., explores four critical public issues which he says "focus on our lives in society rather than on our interior, spiritual ways of being religious." The four are patriotism, pluralism and the new religious, religion and politics and public education.

To most Americans in the 1950s, Dr. Jorstad writes, being religious in America meant "endorsing the national government's resistance to communism, supporting traditional economic values, being busy in local parish life and advocating a gradual approach toward correcting the injustices of social life."

In the 1960s, he says, "the understanding and expression of being religious in America underwent an astounding transformation" as proponents of reform "used confrontational agitation rather than consensus building as their mode of reform."

In the 1970s, the author says, Americans started to fragment, to "Balkanize" into small special interest groups, to retribalize around what people considered non-negotiable.

Today, in the mid-1980s, Dr. Jorstad writes, Americans are bitterly divided over whether their freedom depends on the United States being a Christian nation. He suggests the current revival of patriotism has brought an overlap between nationalist and church rites and symbols.

The crisis over religious pluralism, Dr. Jorstad says, has to do with how far Americans are willing to protect it. He cites what he describes as the "harassment" which the Rev. Sun Myung Moon and his Unification Church felt was being directed at them by the Internal Revenue Service, which resulted in Mr. Moon's imprisonment for 18 months.

Involvement of churches in public policy making is another area of current crisis, the author says. This has become controversial, he writes, partly because "the new Christian Right is open polemical, argumentative and judgmental toward those who see the relation between religion and politics in a light different from theirs."

Metro Church Briefs

Shriner's Charity Ball

Medina Temples (A.A.O.N.M.S.) cordially invites you to attend the Annual Shriner's Charity Ball on Friday, Feb. 20, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the Palladium, 2900 Liberty Heights Ave.

Music by the Muszak Band. Subscriptions are $30 per person. Unlimited refreshments. After Six attire. Jacket and tie required. There will also be a buffet menu. For ticket information call Christopher C. Rankin at 235-5624 or Frankie Powell at 664-8569. Or call the Masonic Temple office at 523-2800.

On Sunday, Feb. 22, the Women of Pennsylvania Avenue A.M.E. Zion Church, 1128 Pennsylvania Ave. will observe their 56th Annual Women's Day. The 11 a.m. speaker will be Rev. Mary Council Alston of Washington, D.C.

The 3 p.m. speaker will be Mrs. Mary Lytch of Dillon, S.C. There will also be a 6 p.m. Musical Program.

Mrs. Martha Skinner is general chair; Mrs. Cassandra Fowlkes and Mrs. Mattie Shaw are co-chairs. Dr. Marshall Strickland is pastor.

Valentine Tea

Love is the Key at our glorious Valentine Tea sponsored by the Women of Pennsylvania Avenue A.M.Z. Zion Church on Sat. Feb. 14 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Donations are $5.

Mrs. Arlene Rogers is chair.

Fellowship International

"Are you searching for an experience that will have a profoundly positive impact on your life? If so, the Columbia, MD Chapter of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International will be hosting Colonel Myrl Allinder, Jr. at the Hilton Inn in Columbia on the 9th of February at 6:30 p.m.

Colonel Allinder is a retired Marine Corps officer with over 28 years experience in military service and will relate an event in his life that made a dramatic change for the better in his attitude, career, and future.

For reservations or information contact Mr. Wm. Rexford at 776-2444 or Mr. Jim Armshaw at 525-3803. Monday, the 9th of February could be a day you'll never forget."

Heritage Concert

The Sanctuary Choir of Wildwood Parkway United Methodist Church will present it's heritage concert on Saturday, February 21, 1987 at 6 p.m.

The theme for this year will be "On Ma Journey Home; Sweet Honey in the Rock."

Admission is free. Come out and enjoy an evening of our Heritage.

CATCH THE SPIRIT—BE THERE!

History of A.M.E. Church

The Men of Shiloh African Methodist Episcopal Church will present "THE HISTORY OF THE AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND THE CONTINUING LEGACY OF SAINT RICHARD ALLEN" on Sunday, Feb. 15th at 3 p.m.

The keynote speaker is Reverend Benjamin S. Foust, pastor of St. John African Methodist Episcopal Church. Music will be provided by the choirs of St. John A.M.E. Church.

This Black History Month celebration and Men's Day benefit will be held at Shiloh African Methodist Episcopal Church, located at Mondawmin and Lyndhurst Avenues. For directions to the church and further information, call Bill Curtis at 945-7932.

One Day Ski Trip

The New Psalmist Baptist Church Adult Single is sponsoring a bus trip to SKI LIBERTY, Saturday, March 7, 1987. Proceeds to benefit the Christian School. A $15.00 deposit due by February 20, 1987. Please call 233-3449. Balance of $57.00 due the day of the trip.

Reflection of Love

During Black History Month, Adams Chapel AME Church will present the Inspirational Praise Choir of Southern Baptist Church in concert, "A Reflection On Love" on Sunday, February 15, 1987 at 4:00 p.m. at Adams Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church.

The choir, formerly the Young Adult Choir has been singing for 12 years. Under the direction of Eldridge Branch, the group has performed nationally and abroad, appearing with such well known gospel artists as Rev. Timothy Wright, Rev. Keith Pringle, Albertina Walker.

The church is located at Garrison Blvd. and Egerton Road (3811 Egerton Road) near Liberty Heights Avenue. The program is sponsored by the Special Projects Committee of Adams Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church, where Rev. Robert M. Pritchett, Jr. is pastor.

Churches alerted to health 'battle'

ELYRIA, Ohio (UMR) — Churches had better start thinking about treating nurses and others in their health-care institutions in a better way, a national labor relations consultant says.

Health-care facilities will be the nation's next battleground in labor relations, Wayne T. Alderson said at a recent two-day seminar.

And that has major implications for denomninations, such as the United Methodist Church, which own large numbers of such facilities, he said.

Mr. Alderson, a former steel company executive who has a multi-industry reputation as a labor relations consultant, spoke at a seminar at the Elyria United Methodist Home. The home is related to the East Ohio Annual Conference.

He said disregard of perceived needs of teachers is what created intense labor problems in the '70s and '80s for educational institutions. The same problems are confronting health facilities, he said.

"We are burning out nurses and throwing them away," Mr. Alderson said. "We are forcing them into unions."

He said he hoped church-related health-care institutions would become "creative, innovative and God-centered, providing a model for others."

Mr. Alderson said his management and union experiences had made him a Christian idealist and "a born-again capitalist."

"I believe in profits and return," he said. "Those are holy words."

He commended the Elyria home for being involved in prevention "in a creative way."

He told the two-day seminar that the church could and should hold its members accountable for placing people first and economics second in the workplace.

The church, he said, must speak of love, not hate, and of reconciliation, not of confrontation in the marketplace.

The Elyria retirement home recognizes two unions as bargaining agents for some of its employees. Unions represent dietary, maintenance and housekeeping workers; nurses' assistants; licensed practical nurses; and ward coordinators.

The home, said its chief executive, Roger Turnau, is attempting to exhibit "a new way of doing business with labor and management."

"This may be as appropriate a role for ministry as anything," he said about the seminar.

Elyria home employees were invited to the seminar along with labor and management leaders from the community.

Salvation

Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling" wrote Paul to the Christians at Philippi, "for it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure." This conjunction of God's initiative and your life and prayer.

On the one hand, there is open to us the resources, the promises, the purpose that God has for us, and that are proud not upon us in the events, circumstances, and inspirations working upon us through the years. If we but came awake to all that he works in us, we would go about our life astonished and wondering at what God means for us to become.

On the other hand, there is our response to his work in us — which so often becomes willful resistance and when not that, still is made so feebly, so intermittently, and so often with a calculating eye to our own interest and advantage!

The initiative of God does not free us of response — of responsibility in the root sense of having the capacity and accepting the obligation to respond fittingly to his purpose and claim upon us. We have our work to do.

Neither a false modesty, which sees anything we do for our salvation as incapable of affecting the outcome, nor a false optimism, which assumes God will do everything for us, and clear us of this response.

Regular monthly meetings of the General Baptist Deacons Association of Washington and Its Auxiliaries will hold their regular monthly meeting on Monday at 7 p.m. (due to the holiday on the third Monday).

The church is located at 1100 North Capitol Street, N.W. Mt. Airy Baptist Church — Dr. Rafe Taylor is host pastor. Invite a fellow Deacon or Deaconess to come along with you and join in the fellowship.

Deaconess Ruth Johnson, President of the Women's Auxiliary of the National Baptist Deacons Convention of America, Inc. said the Deacons Alliance of Hartford, Conn. joined them in a workshop recently, which was held in White Plains, New York.

Trustee Jennie E. Hall reported the Progressive National Baptist Convention met in Myrtle Beach, S.C. recently and there was an array of guest preachers that did some extraordinary preaching in that city.

The entire setting of the mid-year session was well attended and very productive.

Deaconess Mary Lancaster lost her cousin last week. Deaconess Mae Summers lost her stepmother and had to travel to Adyan, North Carolina for the funeral services. Also, Deaconess Annie Timbers lost her brother and he was funeralized in Virginia.

Deacon and Robert Williams along with Mrs. Rosie Ford and some youth from the department traveled to Chester, Pa. on last Saturday to attend a planning meeting for the National Youth Day which will take place on the last Saturday, in March in New Brunswick, NJ.

An Annual Prayer Breakfast of the Women's Auxiliary of the Deacons will take place on March 21 at the Walker Memorial Baptist Church located at 2020 - 13th Street, N.W.

Tickets are available and you may contact Elizabeth Harris for details at 543-0912.

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