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Gospel radio for all souls

Meeting the need

(Photo by Ray Gilbert)

By Evan. Theresa Mercer
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Unknown to so many of us, the way in which we wake up in the morning can either add to our lives or take from our lives.

It has been reported from our medical world that in the middle of the night and early mornings are the most likely times that one might have a heart-attack.

Calmly waking up with good thoughts is the best way to start the day.

Whatever happens with God's people starts in the mind. Romans 12:2 Be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is the good, and acceptable and perfect will of God.

Waking up in the mornings with our minds on our Father God Creator and his only begotten son Christ Jesus starts the day in the most perfect way.

At five o'clock each morning from Monday through Friday, Baltimore City and the surrounding areas hear Pastor Naomi Durant airing on WBGR to encourage the hearts of God's people.

Pastor Durant has yielded herself to do the will of God; and so, she is using all of her God given talents to touch the people of God.

Her gifts include conversation, engineering, broadcasting, journalism, music, and program creativity.

"I can feel the mood of the city and I go straight at it. I focus in on it and I target in on it," states Pastor Durant.

When the pastor was approached to add an extra hour to her program, she sought the Lord and he told her to do something special for the people of Baltimore. The Lord gave her "The Healing Hands."

"He said, minister, that's your hour to minister," states Pastor Durant. Now instead of starting her programming at 6 o'clock, the Pastor, as she is called, begins at 5 a.m.

Between 5 a.m. and 5:30 a.m., calls are made to the station from those who are listening, who have a need. "The calls come from the sick and shut-ins, calls come from the emotionally disturbed," says Pastor Durant.

"Sometimes they just want to tell me their son is on drugs, their daughter is an alcoholic, their husbands have left home;

Of, some have lost their jobs or have been put out or whatever, and I listen. And, I pray with them. While they are speaking, I am praying."

The Pastor continues, "I know that there are so many others out there of God's people who are touched and moved, because he said, where there are two or three gathered together in my name and you touch and agree on the same thing, I'll be a God in the midst and I'll bless the needy one. And that's what He's doing. So, I take great satisfaction in that."

Pastor Durant went on to say, "From 5:30 to 6:00 a.m., we open the altar at large because you see, the altar is God's meeting place. And we go straight to the altar.

"I try to pick the most conscientious prayer, the prayer that's befitting and I try to get someone who's sincere to pray that prayer and get the people ready."

"Now on Friday's, it's a praise hour. We've been begging all week, so now, we come back to say thank you. Things may not be as we like, but, we thank God that things are as well as they are.

And, we thank you Lord for whatever, whatever, whatever, because He won't lead you where He can't keep you," says Pastor Durant.

Whatever success WBGR has been experiencing, Pastor Durant realizes it is because they are lifting the name of Jesus. WBGR realizes that they must meet the needs of people through Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL HEARTBEAT — Airwaves Hostess, Leroya Cothran.

(Photo by Ray Gilbert)

THE VOICE OF WBGR: Program Manager, Champ Haggins.

POPULAR — WGBR Gospel Show Hostess Naomi Durant takes her ministry to the air as she prepares to inspire her listeners with inspirational music and words of reflection.

LAMONT MAURICE — Takes the 6 p.m. to 12 p.m. stint at the helm of the WBGR Gospel Waves.

(Photo by Ray Gilbert)

Holly Capehart, News Representative.

AFRO Minister of the Week

By Evan. Theresa Mercer
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For the last 22 years Pastor Susie Williams has been leading the flock of Jesus of Nazareth Holy Church of God.

Pastor Williams' dedication has led her into many areas of Ministry. Dukeland Nursing Home has been blessed through the ministry.

Every Tuesday morning between the hours of 11 and 12, Rev. Williams and her willing workers take services to the elderly.

For many of the in care patients who don't have many visitors, a ray of hope and sunshine is shared.

Pastor Williams also holds services in the Maryland Baptist Aged Nursing Home on Rayner Ave. on Tuesday mornings, between the hours of 10 and 11 with a group of dedicated missionaries from other churches.

On Tuesday evenings from 3 to 4 o'clock the Lord has led Pastor Williams to teach Bible Class at the First Apostolic Senior Citizens Building located 201 N. Washington St.

In addition to Pastoring and out-reach to the elderly, Pastor Williams has a radio ministry on WJRO and holds services for the senior citizens of Hollands House, 1010 W. Baltimore St.

Pastor Williams' is noted around the city for her love and compassion in the out-reaches that she has been called to for children and the elderly.

(Photo by Ray Gilbert)

Bessie Peete, Pastor John Rollins, Elder William Heggie, Elizabeth Gunter, Pastor Susie Williams, Evan Rollins, Sister Agness Yeargin, and Evan Lewis. They were at one of Pastor Williams ministry sessions.

Metro Church Briefs

Fellowship Baptist Church of Yale Heights

Revival services at Fellowship Baptist Church of Yale Heights, 620 S. Beechfield Ave. began Wednesday through Friday, Jan. 3 - 5. Speakers are: Wednesday, Rev. Bro. Douglas M. Stanton, assistant minister; Thursday, Bro. Raymond C. Boyd, Bible Teacher and Friday, Rev. Tyrone B. Griffin, pastor. The theme, "Christ Of The 90's." Services will begin at 7:30 p.m. Call 646-3520.

Gillis Memorial C.C. Church

Come worship and praise the Lord together at the 17th Anniversary Celebration of the Inspirational Choir of Gillis Memorial C.C. Church, Jan. 7 at 5 p.m. Guest speaker, Rev. Charles Stevenson, associate minister. Music will be provided by the Youth Mass Choir and the Thornes Trio of Charity C.C. Church. All are invited. Call 542-0320.

Epworth United Methodist Church

The public is invited to celebrate the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Saturday, Jan. 13 at 11 a.m. in the Great Hall of the Epworth United Methodist Church, St. Luke's Lane and Liberty Rd. Brunch and art show will be the fourth annual celebration program and is sponsored by Ms. Serena G. Mills, author of historical research materials and published poems.

Concord Baptist Church

For persons 16 years and older who are not currently enrolled in school, General Educational Development and Adult Basic Education classes will be offered through United Black Charities and Community College of Baltimore, Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Concord Baptist Church, 5204 Liberty Heights Ave., beginning Jan. 23. Free services available include tuition, books, child care and tutoring. Call 367-6772.