Mandela thanks churches for their support

By Dan Johnson

Save South African leader Nelson Mandela Thursday praised American churches for being in the "front line" in the fight to help his Black countrymen break the chains of apartheid.

In a colorful and moving ecumenical service in "praise, thanksgiving and commitment" at the huge Riverside Church, Mandela gave an impromptu address from the audience, apologizing to the congregation but explaining he had been asked to speak.

"Churches throughout the world have given us tremendous support...you are our comrades in arms," he told a packed congregation containing many of the countries religious leaders.

The churches are in the front line of the struggle and they have been in the front line of the struggle ever since I can remember," he said.

In a moving appeal for countries not to loosen their stands on economic sanctions against his homeland, Mandela warned that any move to reward the South African government for freeing him after 27 years in prison "is totally misguided.

Mandela, the deputy president of the Africa National Congress who is in the second day of a U.S. tour, had canceled an early morning breakfast meeting with the Rev. Jesse Jackson.

However, he met with the civil rights leader for a few minutes at Grace Mansion, Mayor David Dinkins' official residence, before going to the church.

Mandela's route to Riverside Church took him from wealthy Upper East Side into Harlem, where thousands crowded the streets to cheer him and his wife, Winnie, as they passed.

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Mrs. Elvira Butler

Funeral services for Mrs. Elvira Butler were held Thursday, June 7. Mrs. Butler, who was 54, died at University Hospital on June 2.

"Sissie," as she was affectionately known became a member of John Wesley Methodist Church where she served as a junior and young adult usher at a very young age.

She was employed with the Maryland Classified Employees at Rosewood Hospital, where she finally retired because of her health.

Mrs. Butler was married to the late Mr. Charles Butler Jr.

She is survived by a daughter, Ms. Angela L. Stevenson; two grandchildren; one great-grandson; three brothers, Roland L. Delaware, Bryan Delaware and Roland N. Mills and step-mother, Mrs. Mattie Delaware.

Interment in Baltimore Cemetery.

Joseph E. White

Final rites for Mr. Joseph Everett White were held Thursday, June 14. Mr. White, who had been ill for five years, died Saturday, June 9.

He attended the public schools in Baltimore and was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1942. He served abroad in Germany and was honorably discharged in February, 1946.

Son of the late Harry and Mary Wesley White, he was born Sept. 4, 1926. On January 21, 1967, he was married to Emogene M. Clark and two children were born from this union.

After his army tour, he was employed at Bethlehem Steel. Later he worked at U.S. Postal Service for 39 years until illness forced him to retire in 1968.

He attended John Wesley Church.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by one son, Bryan; daughter, Lisa; one grandson; two brothers, Harry and Jerome; four sisters, Marceline, Laura, Mary and Bertha.

Interment in Arbutus Memorial Park.

Mrs. Helen V. Lovett

Funeral services for Mrs. Helen Viola Lovett were held Thursday, May 31. Mrs. Lovett died May 27 at University of Maryland Hospital after a long illness.

She was educated in the Baltimore City public schools and worked as a government employee in Chicago for several years. In 1932, she married the late Charles A. Colbourn and from this union, one daughter was born.

In 1965, she married the late Samuel Lovett.

Daughter of the late Mary Gertrude Dixon and Charles Tyler, she was born on March 20, 1917 in Howard County.

Mrs. Lovett is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Merle G. Babb; one granddaughter, Marie Armstrong; one great grandson, Ernest Murphy, III and one sister, Mrs. Barbara Johnson, all of Baltimore.

Interment in Mt. Calvary Cemetery.

Hope

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is the Lord," and greatly to be praised. David had captured a glimpse of the greatness of the Lord. David realized that the God he served was a great God . . . A God who was able to do all things but fail. David realized that the God he served was a God who was able to make a way out of no way.

David realized God was His protector . . . God was His shield . . . God was His armour bearer . . . David realized the God he served is a great God.

Perhaps David remembered it was God who had delivered him from the bear and the lion . . . Perhaps he remembered it was God who had given him victory over the Phillistine giant.

Maybe he remembered it was God who had exalted him to the position of being a king. I don't know exactly what came to David's mind . . . But the Bible says David declared "Great is the Lord!"

When you have a testimony, you can say, Great is the Lord . . . When you can look back over your life and realize it was God's grace that has brought you safe thus far, you can say, Great is the Lord . . . When you realize that if it had not been for the Lord on your side, you can say, Great is the Lord.

When you knew deep down on the inside there's not a friend like the lowly Jesus, you can say Great is the Lord. My friend, if God has ever done anything for you, you can say, Great is the Lord.

Every now and then, we ought to just let our attention focus on where the Lord has brought us from . . . Every now and again, we ought to just center in on what the Lord has done for you. A song writer said, When I think of the goodness of Jesus, and all He has done for me . . . my very soul cries out, hallelujah, I thank God for saving me.

I don't know what God has done for you . . . I don't know what great and wonderful things He has done in your life . . . I don't know like you know what the Lord has done for you . . . But if God has done great and mighty things in your life, you ought to greatly praise His name . . .

David said, Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised! Well, how can we greatly praise the Lord? My friend, if you want to greatly praise the Lord, sometimes you've got to praise Him when you don't feel like praising Hom.

A song writer said, We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord. That means even though things may not have gone the way I wanted them to go today . . . even though I may have had a hard day on the job . . . even though the children may be getting on my nerves . . . even though my husband or my wife ain't acting right.

Somehow when I think on the goodness of Jesus . . . when I remember that God is my help in ages past and my hope in years to come . . . when I remember that God is the God of my yesterdays and tomorrows . . . when I remember that God changes not . . . somehow, a hallelujah praise rises up on the inside.

I said I wasn't gonna tell nobody, but I couldn't keep it to myself, what the Lord has done for me. Jeremiah said, "It's like fire shut up in my bones." My sisters and brothers, if you want to greatly praise the name of our God, let your entire life be a praise offering unto Him . . . let the words of your mouth and the meditation of your heart be acceptable in His sight . . . Won't you lift up your hands right now, and say, all to Jesus I surrender . . . just give the Lord a praise offering.

The Bible says that the greatness of the Lord is unsearchable . . . A song writer said, I don't know why Jesus loves me . . . I don't know why He cares . . . I don't know why He gave His life for me . . . Oh, but I'm glad . . . so glad He did.

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IF YOU ASK ME

By Bettye Moss

Smile Orchids

Smile orchids to the **Rev. Samuel Ray**, pastor of Century-old Morning Star Baptist Church on W. Fayette St., in downtown Baltimore.

When members of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance met at the church last Thursday, **Rev. Ray** shared with them highlights of his recent trip to South Africa. His camera presented graphic shots of life there and let his fellow ministers see the devastation which exists there.

Cuff note: **Rev. Ray** is among ministerial leaders who will travel to D.C. on Sunday to welcome South Africa's anti - apartheid activist **Nelson Mandela** who arrived in the U.S. on Wednesday for a 12-day visit.

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Cuff note: also in the audience — **Ms. Mankelcoko Mahlangu - Ngcobo**, a member of the African National Congress (ANC), who fled S. Africa nine years ago, is currently a health ministry coordinator for Baltimore City and a Baltimore area anti - apartheid organizer.

She is in a select group of Baltimore area residents who will have private audience with Mr. Mandela in D.C. this weekend.

More cuff — The public is invited to hear **Mr. Mandela's wife, Winnie**, when she speaks at Metropolitan AME Church in D.C. on Sunday, June 24, 4 p.m.

More cuff: At the Interdenominational Alliance, mentioned above, president, **Rev. Dr. Sidney Daniels** and **Ms. Ngcobo**, presented the group's $500 gift to **Bob Mehl**, president of Movable Feast, which helps AIDS shut-ins. Orchids to them, too.

More Orchids

Lots of sunshine in the voices of Lake Clifton Coach, **Charlie Moore**, and his wife, **Laura Jean**, the city teacher, when they renewed their vows on their 25th wedding anniversary a Sunday ago at the Forum.

Cuff note: **The Rev. Timothy Lofton** officiated. **Mrs. Moore's** dad, the **Rev. Dockery S. Thompson**, escorted her. The couple's two children Lynn and Chuckie, stood with them during the lovely ceremony.

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Smile orchids to **Mrs. Frances David**, who retired recently as teacher in the city schools. Co-workers at Bentalou Elementary No. 150, joined by all the pupils and parents in pre K and K classes, turned out to salute her and praise her dedication and love during her 30 years in the system.

There were gifts and citations from Congressman Mfume, Mayor Schmoke and Bentalou staff. Event was coordinated by co-worker **Tonya Greene**.

Cuff note: Mrs. David is a member of the Brown Memorial Baptist Church, where her hubby, Claude David, serves on deacon board. They have one son, **Delbert**, a Goodyear employee.

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Smile orchids to **Audie Wilkins**. He's the personable 26-year-old Howard University grad who was commissioned second looie, is scheduled to report to Ft. Eustis, Va. later this month.

Cuff note: Lt. Wilkins is a 1982 Walbrook High grad, and son of **Mr. and Mrs. Robert Janey (Adal)** of Randalistown.

More smile orchids to his fiancee - **Stephanie Jones**, a Va. Union and Radford U. grad now employed as development specialist with the Agriculture Dept. Her parents are **Mr. and Mrs. David Jones, (Esther)**, of Baltimore.

AKA sorors, she's one of you.

And More

Plenty of sunshine in the voice of **Mrs. Olivia Sheppard**. She's the sixty-year resident of N. Carey St., who is a retired city school cafeteria manager. Her last assignment was at School No. 61.

She is a member of Ames United Methodist Church, enjoys her membership with the United Methodist Women.

Cuff note: Mrs. Sheppard is proud of her family too. Her two daughters, **Mrs. Odessa Taylor** and **Mrs. Delaphine Watts**, are both Bethlehem Steel Co. employees.

And, she talks proudly of her grandsons, Kevin Butler, Emmett and **Samuel Taylor** and **Ricardo Watts**; and great grandchildren, **Johnette Wise, 13 and Terrell Watts**, just 8 months old. Many may remember **Mrs. Sheppard's** husband, Ulysses. He was the longtime Hopkins University custodian who died in 1985.

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More grad smile orchids to **Lynette N. Moore**, who received diploma from Woodlawn High on Saturday, will enroll at Morgan. She's daughter of the Henry Moores (Theresa).

And to her cousin, **Robert F. Cheeks**, who received his diploma from Oakland Mills High. He's son of Army Lt. Col (Ret) **Robert Cheeks** and **Mrs. Cheeks, (Paulette)**. He's been accepted at Valley Forge.

Grad's proud grandparents are **Mr. and Mrs. Willie Cheeks (Edith), Cherry Hill residents, who are well known for their services at First Baptist Church, Guilford, where he is a deacon. Many know Mr. Cheeks** as the retired police officer.

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Mailbag: **Lawrence Henry Collins** writes: "Thank you for your recent smile salute to just plain folks. I would like to salute one of them-**Mrs. Helen Harris.**

She is a hard working single mother who inspires those of us in her neighborhood who see her handiwork in her children who are outstanding in their school work and their good manners. I am not naming the children, but I can assure you they are on the road to success in life, thanks to her."

Editors note: Did someone's smile make your day. Let this column salute them. Write, Smiles, If You Ask Me, Baltimore AFRO-American, 628 N. Eutaw St., Baltimore, Md., 21201, and smile, please.

Let this column know about the favorite grad in your family. Let's send them orchids, too. Write If You Ask Me Today's Smile for Grads section-Afro-American, 628 N. Eutaw St. Baltimore, Md., 21201.

Unsung Hero

Fourteen-year-old **Cimmon Elizabeth Byrd** of Madison Ave. was honored as Unsung Hero when Fallstaff Middle School held graduation last Friday (June 8).

The citation saluted her for exemplifying the school spirit through good citizenship, academic achievement, outstanding effort, willingness to work beyond assigned tasks. It noted she was outstanding in her concern for others and in her sense of humor which enabled her to bridge gaps and mend fences.

Young Cimmon graduated with other honors too-she had perfect attendance during her three years at Fallstaff, and received awards for scholarships and her work with the science fair.

(Moss Photo)

UNSUNG HERO — **Cimmon E. Byrd, 14, cited as Fallstaff Middle School graduation. See details in If You Ask Me.**

Plus, she was homeroom representative to the Student Council, a peer tutor and an active member of the Md. Legislative project.

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Cuff note: **Cimmon** enrolls in the 9th grade at City College in the fall. Proud parents are **Dr. and Mrs. Eugene Byrd Jr. (Laura Phillips).**

More cuff: Those who have watched young **Cimmon** grow up can testify of her special talents. She's always been a giving, loving child. Keep your eye on her. She's going far.

And, a big orchid, please for Fallstaff's ranking graduate, **Lindsay Schwartz.**

Fallstaff Middle School, offers grades 6, 7 and 8, is located at 3801 Fallstaff Rd., between the 6900 blocks of Park Heights and Reisterstown Rd. **Mrs. Gloria Pegram** is principal.

LOVE NOTE

A great big bunch of smile orchids, and congratulations, too, to Jewel Moseley and Charles P. Howard Jr. They quietly exchanged marriaged vows last Wednesday morning (June 13).

Circuit Court Clerk Theresa A. Tutman performed the civil ceremony in the Clarence Mitchell Court house. Sole other witness was the bride's son. Herbert L. Moseley 3rd.

The new Mrs. Howard is professor of nursing at Howard University and is well known for her generous support of community endeavors. She is active in a number of club groups, including the Pierians, the Northeasterners and the Hob Nobbers. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Sorority.

The bridgegroom is an attorney who for many years has been active in Delta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha. Fraternity which he has served as historian, founder's day chair and historian.

Plenty of sunshine and get-well wishes, please for Mrs. David Wright, (Bea), whom many admire as good, good neighbor. She's in Union Memorial Hospital undergoing tests.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Sylvia Hawkins

Final rites for Mrs. Sylvia Marie Hawkins were held Thursday, June 14. Mrs. Hawkins, who was 37, died June 7 at Seton Hill Nursing Home.

A native of Fort Campbell, KY, Sylvia lived in Kentucky for two years with her family before they returned to Baltimore, where she attended Edmondson High School. She was married for six years to Jeffrey Whitley.

Known for her kindness, humor and love, Sylvia was hardworking and appreciative of life.

Survivors include her father, Mr. Cye Hawkins; mother, Mrs. Virginia Everett; four sisters, Patrese, Jacqueline, Sherri and Jennifer; grandmother, great grandmother and devoted and loyal friend, Marvin Straton.

Interment in Western Star Cemetery.

Michael P. Blackwell

Funeral services for Mr. Michael P. Blackwell were held Friday, June 1.

Mr. Blackwell, who was 37, died May 30.

He received his education at Mergenthaler High School and joined the Marine Corps in 1970.

Survivors include two sons, Michael Jr. and Jermaine Blackwell; four sisters, Gwendolyn Smith, Dorleen Ransom, Barbara Blackwell and Linda Bright; three brothers, Earl, Bernard and Harold Blackwell.

Interment in Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery.

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10:45 A.M — Rev. Vernon Dobson
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5:00 P.M. — Rev. Israel Singleton
Pastor, 19th Street Baptist Church, Washington, D.C.

Music: Mt. Ararat Men's Day Chorus

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