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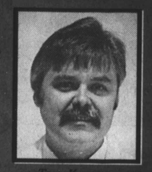

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Saturday, July 15, 1989

A vision for men and fathers

By Evan. Theresa Mercer
AFRO Church Writer

The message is going through the land. A call to our men to stand up and take their rightful places. Our men, lost in their effort to survive.

Starting on June 12, 1989 thru Father's Day, the committee for Non-Violence now asks the question, "Where are the Fathers?" More and More Churches are addressing the issues that challenge our men and fathers.

Violence, drugs, or violence due to drugs, has hardly left one family in Baltimore City untouched in one manner or another.

Martin Luther King Memorial United Methodist Church, on the corner of Windsor Mill and Forest Park Ave., is continuing in the fight for peace in Baltimore City.

M.L. King Church is determined to rally the willing city churches together against destructive forces.

M.L.K. Church began it's quest for non-violence on May 8th, thru, May 14th 1989. Born out of that week's activities for women and mothers, came the vision for men and fathers.

On Monday, June 12th, some of Baltimore's strong, Spiritually annointed men of the Gospel addressed the subject, "Where are the Fathers?" They expounded on each point; the homes, the streets, the incarcerated, and as victims.

These various Ministers contributed: Avon Bellamy of Faith Christian Worship Center; Oscam Gray of Zion Baptist; Jimmy Martin, Chaplin of Baltimore City Jail; Macie O. Tillman, Chaplin of Baltimore City Penitentiary; Robert Grayson, Pastor of Temple of God II; Ken Mathews of the Baltimore Rescue Mission Men's Division.

The Panel was moderated all week by Mr. Henry Holman of Wayland Baptist Church.

As the week went on other Ministers joined the panel; John Harvey of Wayland; C.C. Alexander, Pastor of Remnant Baptist; Wendell Christopher, Pastor of Ebenezer A.M.E.; James Holland, Pastor of Disciple, a Mission for homeless people on Centre and Fayette Sts.; Edward Ferguson of New Christian Memorial; Mr. J. Bobbe Frasier, Mayors Office; and Gary Phinney of Addict Referral.

Each man, unique in his calling, was able to bring a deeper understanding to those in attendance.

Rev. Tillman, gave a unique lesson in black history. He took us back to the days of slavery when our black men didn't want us subject to slave owners or men with that mentality. To stop the deterioration of our women, the men did everything they could do to keep their women from being harmed.

If a family member had to stop school to help the family to survive, it was the male who made the sacrifice. Education was the tool used to free our women.

Now it seems, too many of our men suffer from low self-esteem and our boys are in trouble. Our families are in trouble.

Our men as a whole carried the weight for the good of the race, and now somehow they are known as an "endangered species."

First row: Helen Phillips, mother of Rev. Sands; Rev. Douglas Sands, Sr. and Rev. Barbara Sands, his wife; Patrice Monroe, granddaughter. Second row: Douglas, Jr., wife Robin and Dellyne Russell, daughter. Appreciation banquet honoring Rev. Douglas B. Sanders, Sr. and Rev. Mrs. Barbara J. Sands in recognition of their ordinations as elders, Saturday, June 17.

Part of Non-Violence Now Committee preparing for free banquet held at Howard Park Methodist Church, 5020 Gwynn Oak Ave. Left to right, Selena Williams, Dellyne Russell, originator of committee; Gloria Williams and Olivia Carter.

We that were in attendance gained respect for our brothers and sons and our men. The Brothers shared from the depths of their hearts how we can encourage our sons and grandsons, all the men that are around us.

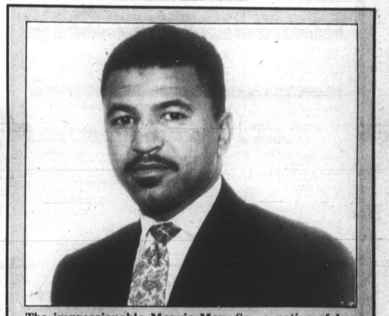
It is impossible to share all the wonderful things that God was able to do there that week. On Thursday Night, the place was filled with youth from the community and people who had drug problems, and people who have been delivered from drugs.

The floor was hot and heavy with discussion from all. The out-come brought about a drug abuse project with willing workers. This committee did not just meet and talk, they now have an active employment project, a youth project, and a drug project open to those who need help on Friday nights. Job sites have started opening up for them so there can truly be a further blessing.

Friday night June the 16th, a free banquet was given to all who wanted to attend and the speaker was Rev. Carroll Carter of Cornerstone Christian Center of Columbia.

And also, Rev. Douglas Sands, Pastor of Martin L. King Church, and the committee for non-violence now continues to forge ahead, determined to make a difference.

As God is looking for that "one," so is the committee for non-violence. They understand if a change is going to come, even if it is slowly, it must start with me, (the individual). There is something that each of us can do. Committee members: CC Chairperson, Rev. Douglas Sands, Chairperson, Dellyne Russell, Selena Williams, Olivia Carter, Rev. Dorothy Finch, Ruth Johnson, Gloria Williams. Audrey Palmer and Rev. Theresa Mercer.



The impressionable Marvis May, Sr., a native of Los Angeles, CA was installed Sunday, July 9 as the 5th pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church. Rev. May is the husband and father of two. Rev. May is bringing much experience to his new pastorage.

A WORD OF HOPE

By Maxine L. Wallace

"He brought me up also out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings." Psalm 40:2

The Lord is the strength of my life . . . He is my rock . . . my refuge . . . my God . . . and in Him will I trust, Great is the Lord, and He's greatly to be praised!

My friend, the Lord is able to bring stability to your life. He specializes in bringing healing and deliverance to every area of our lives. He is omnipotent — He can do all things. He has the power to turn your life around. He is El Shaddai . . . He is the Almighty God.

Is anything too hard for God? Beloved, know that God is able to raise you up out of whatever pit you are in. There is no pit so deep that God's power can't reach down and lift you up to higher ground.

When we accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as our personal Lord and Savior, it was God's love that reached down into the pit of sin that held us captive, and lifted us up that we may now walk in the newness of life.

Yet, somehow, if we are not careful, even as born again believers, we can find ourselves being once gain pit dwellers . . . Dwelling in pits of confusion . . . dwelling in pits of backbitting and deceit . . . dwelling in pits of uncertainty and doubt . . . dwelling in pits of apathy and passivity.

But it is not God's will that we be pit dwellers. For the same God that saved our soul desires that we walk as sons and daughters of the Almighty God. For we are a royal priesthood . . . a holy nation . . . a chosen generation . . . a peculiar people . . . that we should show forth the praises of Him who has called us out of darkness and into His marvelous light.

My friend, God does not want us to live beneath our privilege; but it is His will that we live a victorious life . . . a life that is filled with His power and might.

The Lord wants to set your feet upon a rock to stay. He wants to plant your feet on solid ground . . . so that you will no longer be tossed to and fro by every wind of doctrine. It is not God's will that you be up one day and down the next. God doesn't want you to live your life on a roller coaster . . . going up and down . . . He wants you to stand on Christ the solid rock . . . He wants you to stand on the promises of His Word, knowing that every promise of God is yes and amen. He wants you to trust Him with everything you got. He wants you to give Him first place in your life . . . above every trial . . . above every situation . . . above every circumstance.

And the Bible says that He will establish your goings. My friend, "In all thy ways, acknowledge Him, and He shall direct thy path."

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Metro Church Briefs

St. Matthew's United Methodist Church

A Prayer Breakfast for benefit of Men's Day will be held Saturday, July 22 at 9 a.m., St. Matthew's United Methodist Church, 101 Avon Beach Road, Turners Station. For further information, call 285-4466.

Consecration Service

The Maryland Chapter of The Gospel Music Workshop will hold its Consecration Service at Southern Baptist Church, Lanvale and Chester Sts., Saturday, July 29 at 7:30 p.m. featuring the Maryland Chapter Choir, the Youth Division of the Maryland Chapter and sermonette by Rev. Nathaniel Higgs, pastor, Southern Baptist.

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church

Mount Zion United Methodist, 8565 Main St., Ellicott City, will observe its 115th Church Anniversary and Homecoming, Sunday, July 16 beginning at 12 noon - 4 p.m. Anniversary dinner starts at 2 p.m. All are welcome.

Rev. John Wesley Coleman, former district superintendent, Baltimore Annual Conference is 12 noon speaker. The Rev. Pauline Wilkins, pastor, Homestead United Methodist Church, Baltimore, is 4 p.m. keynoter. Call 465-6793.

Brown Memorial Baptist Church

The Brown's Memorial Baptist Church family extends an open invitation to join them on Sunday mornings and enjoy good gospel singing, fellowship and hear God's word preached with power and conviction. During summer months from July 3 - August 27, services will begin at 9 a.m. Church is located at 3215 West Belvedere Ave. Call 542-5700.

St. Bernardine's Roman Catholic Church

St. Bernardine's Roman Catholic Church, 3812 Edmondson Ave., is sponsoring a summer reading camp. Called "Reading Is Free And Fun," the camp illustrates the church's commitment to the community and its desire to promote literacy to inner city youths.

The camp begins on June 26 and will run for three weeks. Mayor Kurt Schmoke will read to the campers on Wednesday, July 12 at 6:30 p.m. Call 362-8664.

The Lord's Church

First Corinthian Baptist Church, 3512 Powhattan Ave. will serve as the temporary home for The Lord's Church beginning Sunday, July 2. Services will begin at 8 a.m.

The Lord's Church, a newly organized, non-denominational church, is pastored by the Rev. Kevia Elliott.

Macedonia Baptist Church

Week-long installation celebration of pastor-elect, Rev. Marvis P. May, Sr. began July 2 at 11 a.m. and concluded Sunday, July 9 with the "Installation of Confirmation" at 4:30 p.m. Church is located at 718 W. Lafayette Ave.

St. Stephen's AME Church

St. Stephen's AME Church, 1601 Eastern Ave. will honor Donnell G. Hughes, who has maintained straight "A" average for 12 years in Baltimore County Schools, on Saturday, July 15 at 5 p.m.

Head Start Recruitment

St. Bernardine's Head Start Center, 3814 Edmondson Ave. is currently recruiting participants for the Adult Education Center. Registration began July 10 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Monday through Friday. Classes include GED, basic reading and writing, career and parenting skill training. To be eligible for the program, families must have children between the ages of 3 and 5.

Interested persons should call 233-4500 for additional information or to schedule an appointment.