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Harold Jones
Giant Discount Drug Pharmacist

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Saturday, August 5, 1989

A MINISTRY DEVOTED TO:

Caring for the homeless

By Evan. Theresa Mercer
AFRO Church Writer

As we travel through the downtown streets of Baltimore certain times of the day, lines of our homeless, hungry men can be seen.

The homeless can be seen all over America and some have said, "they are our biggest embarrassment." The land of plenty, seemingly, is unable to solve such a small problem. The homeless who feel like the hopeless.

The churches have opened their kitchens all across the country attempting to address the need, feeding those less fortunate.

There are some Ministries set up to take it a step further. They provide beds, clothing, bathing facilities, personal items, meals and the Word of God.

These Ministries try to help homeless men realize that right now they may be homeless but, in truth, they are not hopeless.

About 10 years ago, a young Christian on his way to Baltimore School of the Bible noticed several homeless men and women on our streets.

It was then he remembers, "that God first put a hunger in me to minister to them. I would think to myself, here I am going to Bible School learning of the love of God and the fact that Jesus died for all man kind, yet, it seemed as though there was nothing I could do to reach out and help these people.

"At that point, I prayed that somehow God would place me in a Ministry to those of whom much of society had given up on," stated Chaplain Kenneth E. Matthews of the Baltimore Rescue Mission, 4 North Central Ave.

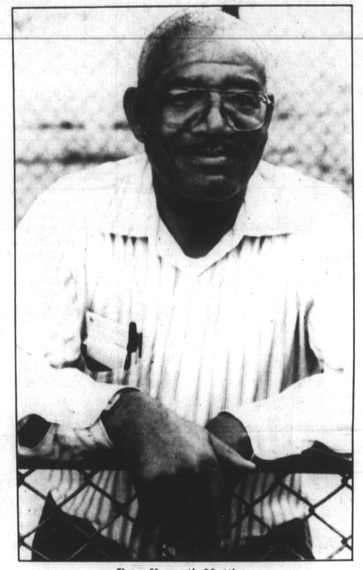
In the course of the time, he found out that one of his Bible teachers the Rev. Raleigh Holt was Director of the Baltimore Rescue Mission where Rev. Matthews is now Chaplain.

It was not until a friend invited him to a Sunday Worship Service of the Open Bible Church, which met at the Mission, did Rev. Matthews become involved with the homeless.

"From that, I began to volunteer part-time to minister to the men, as I continued to hold my full time job. This went on for about four or five years. I was offered a full-time position in Sept. 1986.

"Funding was the only problem. I came onboard trusting God to meet all financial needs. So far, God has met every need.

(Philippian 4:19 my God shall supply all your needs according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus.)



Rev. Kenneth Matthew

About 150 men come nightly to the Rescue Mission seeking shelter. There they are given two meals, clothing, personal items and are allowed to shower and sleep.

The Ministry realizes the only way to really be a blessing is to get these people on their feet.

The Word of God is the tool used to challenge the hearts and minds of these homeless people while letting them know that there is hope.

Within the Mission, there is a church. The Disciples Bible Church, as it is named, is pastored by the Rev. James Holland. Rev. Holland, once a homeless person because of alcohol abuse, has a life changing testimony.

"Once upon a time, I was drunk. I spent 20 years on skid row during my course of drinking. I got so drunk, I'd drink anything, wine, rubbing alcohol, squeeze (sterno), shaving lotions, just anything. I was locked up numerous times all over the U.S.

"I traveled, hitch-hiking and riding freight trains all over. When I wasn't locked up, I was dirty, I wouldn't shave, I wouldn't bathe, I wouldn't get a hair cut, all because of the liquor.

"I slept in empty houses, railroad box cars, in abandoned cars, open fields, anywhere I could lay my head. When I'd wake up, I would seek a drink again.

"I pan handled (asking for money on the streets), I wouldn't work. I couldn't keep a job because of my drinking. As soon as I got my first pay, I'd start drinking all over again.

"I did three years in the Florida penitentiary for getting drunk and breaking into a man's house. I did five years in Leavenworth, Kansas for stealing a nine dollar U.S. Government check.

I've been locked up in so many states, all behind drinking. I've slept in Missions all over the country."

Rev. Holland continues, "I was delivering a trunk for a blind woman, paralyzed, and bedridden. Mother Kess, as she is called, who confronted me with the word of God. I told her that I knew about God.

"I knew when you were good, you would go to heaven and if you were bad then you would go to hell.

"She said, there's more to it than that. She told me to get her Bible and turn to John 3:16 and pointed out to me that I had to believe in Lord Jesus Christ.

She had me turn to Ephesians 2: 8&9 For by Grace are ye saved through faith; and not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

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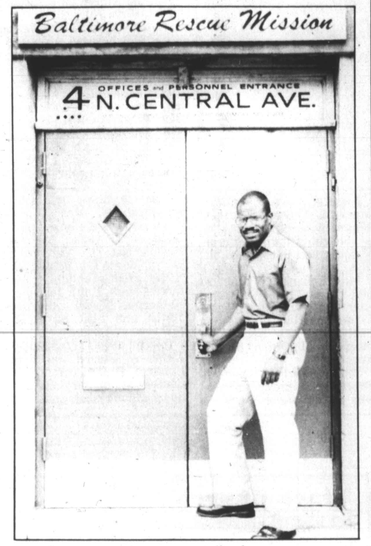

Rev. James Holland

A WORD OF HOPE

By Maxine L. Wallace

"I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress; my God; in Him will I trust." Psalm 91:2.

I will sing praises unto my God and King . . . His praise shall continually be in my mouth. When I consider the greatness of the works of His hands . . . how it is He that set the valleys low and exalted the mountains so high . . . how it is He that said let there be light, and behold, there was light . . . when I consider the wonders of His love . . . a love so great that He gave His only begotten Son to be crucified for a wretch like me . . . a love so encompassing that it not only floods my very being, but surrounds me by day and by night . . . . somehow, with everything that is within me, I just bow down before Him in humble adoration . . . For He is the omnipotent God . . . He is the Almighty God . . . He is the eternal I am . . . He is the Lord God of Hosts . . . Oh, how I worship you — my God, my King.

The Lord is my refuge . . . He is my place of resting. When the storms of life are raging on my midst, I'm so glad that I have found a shelter . . . whatever your situation is today . . . no matter what circumstances you are faced with, God will be for you a place of rest . . . a place for refreshing . . . a place where you can find healing and restoration . . . a place of divine peace and hope . . . a place of reassurance and encouragement. Oh, how He loves you.

Oh, what a blessing it is to know that God is my fortress . . . He is my place of protection and security. In Him, I am protected from the wiles of the devil. The Bible says, the name of the Lord is a strong tower . . . the righteous runneth into it and is safe. A mighty fortress is our God! If God be for us, who can be against us. Because God is on my side, my enemies will stumble and fall . . . No weapon formed against me shall prosper; and every tongue that raiseth itself against me, I'm going to condemn it. The Lord is strong and mighty in battle . . . He is my protection from every disease the enemy would hurl my way . . . I am safe in the arms of Jesus . . . I am fortified on His love.

Yes . . . I will put all of my trust in God . . . For I am persuaded that He who has served me is able to keep me . . . He who has raised me up from the pit of degression, doom and domination is my sustainer in the time of temptation . . . my joy in the face

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METRO CHURCH BRIEFS

Concord Baptist Church

Concord Baptist Church, 5204 Liberty Heights Ave., will celebrate Family and Friends Day on Wednesday at 7 p.m., August 9 and Sunday, August 13 with the theme, "Sharing Our Love With One Another, For Love Is Of God And Everyone That Loveth Is Born of God and Knoweth God." For further information, call 367-1117 or 542-9895.

Trinity AME Church

Trinity AME Church, 2140 E. Hoffman St., at Collington Ave. will observe annual Steward's Day, Sunday, August 20, at 3 p.m. Dr. Joseph C. McKinney, Treasurer, AME Church, Washington, DC is guest speaker.

Dr. McKinney will address the theme, "Realizing, Recognizing, and Reaching One's Calling."

Mt.Zion Apostolic Faith Church

The National Women Ministers Alliance will celebrate its 4th annual convention at Mt. Zion Apostolic Faith, 5501 Liberty Heights Ave., August 11. Call 597-9497, 332-1635 or 922-8524 for further information.

Mount Lebanon Baptist Church

The Maryland Chapter of the Gospel Music Workshop will conduct its Consecration Services at Mount Lebanon Baptist, 2812 Reisterstown Road, Saturday, August 5 at 7:30 p.m. Special Guest, Donald Vails and the Salvation Corp., of Washington, DC.

New Bethel C.C. Church

The Pastor's Aid of New Bethel C.C. Church, 3900 Dorchester Road invites all to attend its services, Sunday, August 6 at 3:30 p.m. Rev. Willie Robinson, Mount Zion Baptist, Philadelphia, PA is guest speaker. Social Security Choir of Baltimore will provide the music. Call 664-4048.

Third Church of Christ, Scientist

"Just Say Yes To God," is theme for lecture given by Mrs. Nancy S. Pihl on Saturday, August 5 at 11 a.m. in the church edifice, at 702 Cathedral Street. Mrs. Pihl, member of Christian Science Board of Lectureship lectures around the country on Christian Science healing of loneliness, sickness and substance abuse. Call 685-7183.

Outdoor Revival

New Life Inspirational Church and United Pentecostal Miracle Church will join together for an outdoor revival on Thursday and Friday, August 24 and 25, 7 p.m. nightly, on the parking lot of New Life Inspirational Church, located at 2621 Oswego Ave.

Revivalists are Revs. Herbert E. Sye Jr. and Dr. Joseph M. Showell. Music will be provided by choirs of both churches. Call 367-0900.

Chestnut Grove AME

The Men of Chestnut Grove AME Church will sponsor a Walk-For-Christ on Saturday, August 5 at 8 a.m. as one of the activities leading toward annual Men's Day. After brief devotion service, the walk will begin at 407 Davis Road Street, ending at the church, 828 Coen Road Street. Call 452-5478.

Mount Lebanon Baptist

Sunday, August 6 at 3:30 p.m. the senior citizens of Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church will present "Old Time Primitive Revival." Vocal choirs from visiting churches will be in attendance. Rev. Lloyd Mills and Rev. John A. Parker are participants for congregational songs and prayers.

St. Gerard's Chapel

St. Gerard's Chapel will sponsor its fifth annual Summer Bazaar and Flea Market at the Chapel, located at the corner of Charlotte and Cardiff Aves. on Sunday, Aug. 13. The gates for the bazaar will open at 11 a.m. and close at 3 p.m. Call 633-6494 or 633-5254.

Oblate Sisters of Providence

On Sunday, Aug. 6, the Oblate Sisters of Providence will host alumni and friends at the Annual Homecoming Celebration at Mount Providence, Gun and Rolling Rds. The day's event will begin at 1 p.m., with Eucharistic Liturgy in the Motherhouse Chapel. Celebrant and homilist is Father Frank Whatley, a Trinitarian Priest and an alumnus of Holy Comforter-St. Cyprian School, Washington, DC. Call 247-4776.