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Youngsters open Easter in Song

Going to see the King

By Elizabeth Oliver
City Editor

Despite the Palm Sunday downpour of rain hundreds of persons gathered at beautiful New Shiloh Baptist Church to hear the young peoples' choirs of five churches open the Holy Season.

Easter, the highest Christian holiday, culminates a week of prayer and remembering the sufferings of Christ. Rejoicing comes at the Easter Sunday Sunday resurrection and the signs of new life.

All this story was told by the youngsters from ages three through 15 last Sunday in old hymns, gospel songs and spirituals such as the beloved slave marching balled, "Going To See The King."

The youngsters journeyed from their Baltimore churches to the Dundalk location of New Shiloh where Rev. Dr. James A. Everett is pastor. His sons, James A. and Robert Everett, both accomplished musicians presided. A reception followed the evening concert.

Presenting their young soloists and choruses were the Greater St. John Baptist Church, the St. Matthews United Methodist Church and Mt. Olive, Wayland and New Shiloh Baptist Churches.

NEW SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH, James A. Everett Jewels, Dr. Bertha C. Everett, director.

Photos By Ryles

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH, Youth Choir, Gwendolyn Young, director.

WAYLAND BAPTIST CHURCH, the Choralettes, Miss Penelope Callaway, director.

GREATER ST. JOHN BAPTIST CHURCH, the Spirit of Salvation Youth Choir, Gregory Shelton, pianist.

ELIZABETH M. OLIVER

For All We Know

The March Birthday Club founded by Mrs. Dodothy Chambers and with Mrs. Cora Crawley president, honored the fourth annual Baby Contest winners Sunday at a special program.

Contestants were Bandice Armstead, Latonya Chambers, Jamal Coles, Jessica Jackson, Leo Jones and Erica Richardson.

Mesdames Sheila Armstead, Laverne Chambers, Florence Johnson and Eva Clinton, mothers of the winners each received a rose presented by Mrs. Crawley.

Also honored were Mrs. James A. Everett, wife of the Shiloh Church pastor and Mrs. Chambers who received the AFRO's 90th Year Award.

March Birthdays are Joseph Samuel Anderson, Michael Cain, Zenus Fleming, Marcie A. Harris, Coleman Henry, Louis Holmes, Helen C. James, Linwood Johnson, Virginia Lee, Vera Plummber, Margie Rice, Rose Winston, Willie Wynn, James and Rovert Everett and Jules Hines.

CONCERT

April 9 is the date set for the reception honor the 1982 awards recipients of the Miles W. Connor Chapter, Virgin Union University Alumni Asso. The fete will be held at the Fireplace Lounge, Coppin State College, 3 p.m. (Invitation only.)

April 10 is the sold out concert featuring the VUU Choir at 5 p.m. in the Meyerhoff Symphony Hall. Another highlight is the presentation of the Student of the Year Awards. Harlow Fullwood is alumni president.

Dr. David T. Shannon, VUU president will be present at both the reception and the concert. Both events are the highlights of the post-Easter season.

MINISTERS WIVES FETE

Easter Monday's main attraction is the annual luncheon given by the Ministers Wives. This time is at the Fountaine Bleu on Ritchie Highway in Glen Burnie. The organization is over 50 years old. One of the first dynamic presidents was Mrs. Estelle I. Dodson.

In addition to a sumptous menu and mighty elegant company, there will be a fashion show with the latest word in finery on the runway under the Fountaine bleu chandeliers.

Word is there will be a capacity crowd, near 800 ladies and gents, taking part in the event which has become a Baltimore tradition. Chairperson Mrs Ernestine Hill wife of Rev. Isaiah Hill.

DR. OBERLIN PERRY

April 10 is the 6 p.m. ordination service for Baltimore's historian, Dr. Oberlin W. Perry Sr.

The invitations sent out by his wife, Mrs. Chandler R. Perry are quite elegant and bid guests come to the beautifully sacred ceremony at Leadenhall Baptist Church, 1021 Leadenhall St. in old South Baltimore.

Dr. Perry is a scholar of note with many outstanding accomplishments which we will list with the ordination story.

Herbert M. Frisby Historical Society holds its Annual Wreath Placement Ceremonies commemorating Matthew A. Henson, Sunday, April 10 at 3 p.m. at the State House in Annapolis.

This Event has taken place each year since the founding of the society in 1961.

Henson with Admiral Robert Perry, discovered the North Pole in 1909. Dr. Herbert M. Frisby has left this history alive through his trips as second black man to the Artic and his research and records.

Del. Lena K. Lee founded the society. Katheryn Frisby is president, Allegre M. Taylor and Lois Howard, chairpersons and members Martha G. wbradford, Alice Ford Rosalind Lee, Lillie Myers and Jessie Perkins.

Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, celebrates the 135th Anniversary at 11 a.m. April 17 with Rev. Dr. Herbert D. Valentine executive Presbyter, Presbytery of Baltimore, as guest speaker.

Rededication of the church is at 4 p.m. with music by the ch choir. Rev. Reginald Daniels is pastor.

The Church has undergone extensive renovation and now is included in an historic district, the area which extends from North and Madison Avenues down through the 1800 block of Madison.

EASTER SPECIAL

Since Crowdesville AME Church is the smallest in the Capital District, the guest speaker Easter Sunday will be the AME Presiding Elder, D. Walter Hildebrand.

The congregation founded in 1857 is located at the foot of Shekbourn Rd at the entrance to Arbutus Cemetery. The little white frame building has about 10 members and will be the subject of a special feature soon.

Rev. Louis Bowie is pastor.

This is The Church noticed by thousands who drive by year after year on the way to Arbutus Cemetery. When we were there preparing the story Saturday, three funeral processions wended their way on the road that goes directly through the gates of the burial ground. Over 30,000 graves are there

The Story will incorporate history of the ancient area as told by families who have been residents for generations.

YWCA 109TH

Co-Chairpersons Alice Sundburg and Katherine Smith and the committee are busy on the YWCA Centennial Tea set for April 17, 3 to 5 p.m. at the YWCA Auditorium, 128 W. Franklin St. This should be a spectacular event and one to be place high on your calendar. — EMO

Highlights of This Week's News

MISS KIM BURNS, Western High School and Miss Karen L. Robinson, Milford Mill High School's Student of the Year, shown with Bryan Paul Anderson, Milford Mill. Kim and Bryan are the two finalists for the scholarship VVU award among 38 students from 15 high schools.

BANDICE ARMSTEAD
first place-$347

JESSICA JACKSON
second place-$287

ERICA RICHARDSON
third place-$153

LATONIA CHAMBERS
fourth place-$55

LEO JONES
fifth place-$50

Mrs. Cora Crawley
Parch president

Mrs. Dorothy Chambers
AFRO 90th Award

SENIOR CITIZENS HONORED—179 senior citizen members of Gillis Memorial Christian Community Church were honored on March 30 at their church. The Rev. Theodore Jackson (left) pastor and Mayor Schaefer, are shown talking with Early Bell, a member of the church.

(Photo by P. A. Greene)

Group selected to help set first gospel music contest

The Washington based National Coalition of Black Church Musicians has been selected to assist in the planning and implementation of the Kentucky Fried Chicken Corporation's first gospel music competition.

Following several months of preliminary activities, competition finalists will meet at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts on July 10 for a major gospel music event.

According to NCBCM executive directory, Whyethia Knight, "Our involvement in the Kentucky Fried Chicken competition complements what we believe to be an important thrust of our organization broadening the gospel music audience by encouraging an appreciation for and thus, ensuring that this rich heritage is continued."

A non-profit membership organization of vocal and instrumental church musicians, the coalition is developing a network of musicians and individuals interested in black church music.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR — Whyethia Knight is the executive director of the National Coalition of Black Church Musicians. She is working with Kentucky Fried Chicken Corporations with the first gospel music competition.

by creating a forum for artistic exchange.

The group also provides training, exposure and apprenticeships for new talent and serves as a clearing house for gospel singers and musicians.

The organization's future plans include establishing a recording production and publishing company, conducting workshops, promoting concerts, providing music scholarships, and sponsoring a summer camp for aspiring young musicians.

"The growing popularity of black church music indicates the need for an organization that focuses upon these concerns," said Ms. Knight. The competition kicks off this April with a series of preliminary try-outs in both cities. The four finalists from each city will compete for grand prize honors at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts concert in July. Four grand prizes in the amount of $1,500 will be awarded to the churches sponsoring the winning entrants, with $750 awarded to the runners-up.

Easter sunrise services to be held at local churches

Easter is a Christian festival that celebrates the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is the most important holy day of the Christian religion.

The story of Easter comes from the Bible. The gospel tell that the body of Jesus disappeared from his tomb on the third day after his crucifixion.

An angel appeared to his followers and announced, "He is risen." The cross represents the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. It has special meaning to Christians as a symbol of Christ's victor over death. The cross often appears as an Easter symbol.

Eggs represent the new life that returns to nature about Easter time. The custom of exchanging eggs began in ancient times. The ancient Egyptians and Persians often dyed eggs in spring colors and gave them to their friends as gifts.

Local churches will be having sunrise services on Sunday morning. Services will be held 7:15 a.m. at Mt. Sinai Baptist Church, 922 East Preston St. The Rev. William Brown is pastor.

An Easter luncheon will be held on April 2, 11:30 a.m. at Wayland Baptist Church, 3200 Garrison Blvd. Roslyn Ushery will be the guest speaker.

Sunrise services will be held at Greater New Hope Baptist Church, 2716 North Ave., at 6 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Leonard E. Hicks is pastor.

Faith Baptist Church members at Bond Street and Ashland Avenue will also have sunrise services at 5:45 a.m. The Rev. Dr. Walter E. Paige is pastor.

Consuella Newton will speak at Concord Baptist

A workshop on Accelerated Personal Rebirth for the New World will be held April 8-10. The three day workshop will be led by Mrs. Consuella Newton.

She will be teaching participants how they can develop higher awareness in a short period of time. The workshop will be limited to 40 participants.

Mrs. Newton will be speaking on April 10, 8 p.m. at Concord Baptist Church, 5204 Liberty Heights Ave. She will speak on Footsteps into the Adventurous Future.

She is a Morgan State University graduate and a former teacher in the city schools. She has done post graduate work in speech pathology at Loyola College. Mrs. Newton is a member of the board of directors of Enchanters Products, Inc.

Mrs. Newton is a believer in

Consuella C. Newton

God and is an Episcopalian and a charter member of the Ecumenical Healing Council of New Jersey, where she taught healing and served as a lay healer on the altar with 15 ministers, priests and rabbis of various denominations at St. Mary's Episcopal Church of Haddon Heights, N. J.

The Senior Choir of First Baptist Church, 525 N. Caroline St., will appear in a concert, "Sing Unto God" on Sunday, April 17, 4 p.m. James C. Poney is director and the Rev. Leroy Fitts is pastor.

The Floral Circle of New Shiloh Baptist Church, 105 East Avenue in Turners Station will present Ms. Gleniss Brown and The Cleff of Joy in concert on April 10, 5 p.m. The Rev. James A. Everett is pastor.

The LIVING CHURCH

Catholic library group to hold convention in Washington

The 62nd annual Catholic library Association Convention will be held April 4-7 at the Washington Hilton Hotel.

Approximately 1,000 members are expected to participate in a program centering attention on the theme "Choices and Challenges."

The scheduled programs for Monday, April 4 include a workshop on "Photographs in Archival Collections," a general session on "Choices and Challenges," and the start of a week long conference within the convention on computers.

The Regina Medal for excellence in children's literature will be presented to Tomie De Paola at the Regina Medal Luncheon April 5. Sester Claudia Carlen IHM, special assistant to the Rector of St. John's Provincial Seminary, Plymouth, Michigan and internationally known scholar of Papal Documents will receive the "Aggiornamento Award" from the Parish Community Libraries Section of the Association.

Other scheduled programs include: "Working with Gifted and Talented Children."

"Story on Soul Food," "Technology and the Post-industrial Socie y: The Academic Library in the 1980s and Beyond."

Mrs. Marjorie Holmes will receive the high school libraries section certificate of merit on Wednesday, April 6 for her many artic articles and books for the teenager.

General Sessions will feature discussions on "Beyond Fact:-Nonfiction That Starts the Wheels of the Mind Turning," "The Libraarian's Role in Curriculum Development," "The Online Catalog: More T Than A Catalog Online."

Delegates will have the opportunity to participate in a tour of the National Archives and the Manuscript Division on the Library of Congress and also to attend a specially designed social event provided by the School of Library and Information Science at The Catholic University of America.

Dr. Elizabeth W. Stone, Dean of the School of Library and Information Science, The Catholic University of America, will address delegates on the topic "Libraries in the Public Mind," April 7.

An exhibition of over 400 Library and educational materials and services will be on display during the conference.

Provident to host annual chaplain's workshop

"The Clergy and Physicians Meet" is the topic of the provident Hospital annual chaplain's workshop to be hosted in the Emmanuel Chambers auditorium, Tuesday, April 12, 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The Rev. Dr. Clyde Shallenberger who will mark his 20th anniversary as director of chaplaincy services, Johns Hopkins Hospital will be the guest speaker.

Registration fee is $10 and includes lunch and a sertificate of participation. Deadline is April 7. For registration call 225-2421.

16 workshops offered at Godly Women's Confab

A one day Godly women conference will be held at the Convention Center on April 2. The conference will be composed of 16 workshops designed to meet the needs of Christian women.

Ms. Jocelyn Whitfield stated this is the first attempt of the organization to bring Christian Women to gether to share the love of Jesus and to learn Biblical precepts to living godly and virtuous lives.

The conference will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday and workshop start at 9 a.m. Late registration is 8:30 a.m. until 9 p.m.

Workshops being offered are Prayer, Wisdom From Above, Sweet Fellowship, The ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Woman, The Single Life, The Beauty of Godly Women, Praise and Worship, How to be Led by the Spirit, Mercy, The Power of the Creative Tongue and god's Woman.

Workshop leaders and speakers are Naomi Thomas Hopkins, Jean Andrews, Cecelia W. Bryant, Ella Tally, Tracey Simons, Pam Roman, Diane Solomon, Helen Stafford, Ruth Travis, Vashti Mckinzie, Gloria Meson, Rosa Drummond, Jacqueline Norris, Joyce Purdue, Brenda Roche, Sandra Phillips, Shirley Williams and Lolita Jensen.

St. John Baptist members celebrate their anniversary

By Pinnie L. Ross

Members of St. John Baptist Church recently celebrated the twelth anniversary of their church at the Wilde Lake Interfaith Center.

"Rededication For Christian Service and Rejoice Through Song," was the theme chosen for the celebration.

The Rev. Dr. O. C. Jones will be the 11:45 a.m. speaker. He is a member of the West Hunter Street Baptist Church in Atlanta, Ga and former pastor of Greater Mount Olive Baptist Church in California.

Dr. Jones is a graduate of Specific Christian College, California Baptist College and the American Baptist Seminary of the West.

His scripture was taken from Acts eighth chapter, first to the fourth verse and his subject was The Church Beyond the Wall.

Deacon George R. Goggins Jr., presided at the morning service. Members who participated in the morning service were Esther Vines, Marie Nottage gave recognition of the Founders. Sandra Gray gave the challenge to the future and Gladys McCullough.

One highlight of the program was the distribution of the church's history printed on a scroll to members who paid $12.00.

Special guest choirs were The Queens Chapel Male Chorus Beltsville, Md; John R. Bryant unspirational Choir, Fabulous Immani Messengers, Suburan Mass Choir, St. Cecelia Gospel Choir; Cole Singers, Galilee Baptist Church, Miss Letricia Loftin.

A reception was held following the services with Mrs. Delores Burgess and Mrs. Frances Gardiner as chairmen. Anniversary committee members were the Rev. Gene Bradford, George Goggins Jr., Sandra Gray, Sally Hawkins, Calquetta Mason, Esther Vines and Pinnie L. Ross, chairman.

Metro church briefs

Easter sunrise service will be held 6 a.m. Sunday, April 3 at Olivet Baptist Church, 3500 Edmondson Ave. The Rev. W. S. Watson is pastor. The Rev. Christopher Hill of Mt. Hope Baptist Church will be the speaker.

The Seven Last Words service will be held at Mt. Lebanon Baptist Church, 2320 Reisterstown Rd., April 1, 7:30 p.m. Easter Sunrise services will be held at the church on April 3, 6 a.m. and breakfast will be served. The Rev. Dr. Olin P. Moyd is pastor.

Bishop Stanley Halton will be the guest speaker at Church Temple Apostolic Faith Church April 4-9 at 517 Chester St.

The Rev. Dr. Walter Thomas will be the April 23 speaker at a prayer breakfast at Emmanuel Christian Community Church, Carrollton Avenue and Lanvale Street. Alfred Bailey is chairman and the Rev. Sidney Daniels is pastor.

The 11 a.m. Easter Sunday morning service at New Shiloh Baptist Church, Fremont Avenue and Lanvale Street will be broadcasted live on WAYE. The Rev. Dr. Harold A. Carter is pastor.

EASTER GOSPEL SHOW — Mrs. Julia Mae Price Williams, a local gospel singer, who recently recorded her first album will be singing at the grand gospel reunion on April 2, 4 p.m. at the Civic Center. Among other groups singing will be The Roberta Martin Singers, The Original Caravans, Doug Miller, Katie Jackson and the Gospearl Choir, The Bells of Joy and the Original Soul Stirrers. For ticket information call 566-3362.

The Women of Ray of Hope Baptist Church, 900 Parkside Drive will present the drama The Challenge of the Cross at 7 a.m. The Rev. Charles M. Franklin is pastor.

The Men's Day Committee of Mount Zion United Methodist Church, Liberty Heights and Wabash Ave., will present Mount Zion and St. Luke's Male Choir in recital on April 10, 3:30 p.m.

The Senior Choir of New Fellowship Christian Community Church, 5202 Park Heights Ave., will present the Male Choir of New Fellowship in a recital on April 3, 8 p.m. The Rev. Kevin A. Rogers is pastor.

A one gay Godly women conference will be held at the Baltimore Coinvention Center on April 2.

The Rev. Hosea Williams, president of Metro S.C.L.C. in Atlanta will be the speaker at the second annual Remnants Day observance on April 4, 7 p.m. at the War Memorial auditorium, Lexington and Gay Street.

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