Religion In Modern Life

Prison Fellowship Chair speaks at Morning Star Baptist Church

By Brian Tyson

—The only way you are going to have an impact upon crime in American culture is to change the moral values by which the American people live. —Charles W. Colson, Oct. 12, 1982

Friday morning, May 10 at 10 a.m., following the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast at the Convention Center, former presidential aide, Charles Colson, the Rev. Willie Ray, and a number of other local ministers and community members met at Morning Star Baptist Church, 1063 W. Fayette St. Colson met to familiarize the group and the public with the Prison Fellowship Ministries program.

Meeting in the Pinkey Room, located next door to the church, the group of nearly 200 was served brunch, courtesy of P.F.M. as they mingled with Colson and his staff.

Colson, who chairs the Prison Fellowship and served as an aide to Richard Nixon during his presidency, was the morning's keynote speaker.

He founded Prison Fellowship Ministries in 1976 after his own prison term for watergate - related offense. The organization now has a staff of 150, a network of more than 30,000 volunteers in the U.S., and affiliated ministries in 21 nations.

Colson is the author of three bestsellers: "Born Again," "Life Sentence," donated to the prison fellowship.

Realizing that God had touched his life for a reason, Colson began his crusade after his release in August, 1974.

Words of support were given by several of the local ministers present before the church's pastor, Rev. Dr. Samuel Ray, introduced the keynote speaker.

"I haven't seen so many politicians since the last time I was in prison," joked Colson as he referred to the mayor's prayer breakfast.

Shown above: Rev. Samuel Ray, pastor of Morning Star Baptist; Chuck Colson, guest speaker, and Rev. Willie Ray, Baltimore Prison Fellowship coordinator.

He went on to outline some of the merits of the Prison Fellowship Ministries.

"Inmates never come out of prison better citizens than when they go in unless God touches their lives," he said.

"The Lord is raising up leaders who are capable of solving the problems of the common man," Colson said.

Local clergyman Vernon Dobson said, "Black churches in particular are churches of the oppressed. Large numbers of state jail inmates are members of the black community. It's our cousins, brothers, and fathers who make up the larger part of prison inmates in the state. I like Mr. Colson's ideas, they have impressed me that God can make a difference anytime and under any circumstances."

"Members of the church community should stop looking at prison inmates as 'those people,' and start accepting them and making contributions to their rehabilitation," Rev. Dobson added.

Rev. Ray, Stop the Killing board organizer, and the morning's coordinator said, "Gatherings like these are always useful to the community. Today we have an influential group of city ministers who have assembled to contemplate solutions fro problems that affict our community . . . Chuck Colson is the influential kind of administrator, who with his present religious convictions, could enhance the support for church and church organizations among government officials. It's a fact that his support will encourage others. At the mayor's breakfast, he challenged political and business leaders to become involved with 'Stop the Killing' as part of a moral commitment for the betterment of the community."

Rev. Ray also revealed that the Prison Fellowship plans to open a prison fellowship house in Baltimore.

"This will be a step in the right direction which will create another positive alternative for recently released inmates," Rev. Ray said.

At the end of the program Colson commended Rev. Ray for his efforts to stop the killing in Baltimore.

Beverly Burke speaks Sunday

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BEVERLY BURKE WILL SPEAK AT CHERRY HILL PRESBYTERIAN

The Women's Organization of the Cherry Hill Community Presbyterian Church, 819 Cherry Hill Rd., will observe its 39th Annual Women's Day Celebration on Sunday, May 19.

The celebration theme is "Women of the 80's Marching with Christ."

The guest speaker at the 11 a.m. service will be Miss Beverly Burke, well-known media personality. A celebration luncheon will follow the service.

Baltimore Archdiocese schedules Tridentine Mass

In response to a number of requests for the celebration of the Tridentine Mass, Archbishop Borders has granted permission for the scheduling of two Masses in accord with the 1962 Missal (the book containing the rite for the celebration of the Mass). These liturgies will be celebrated on Sunday, June 2 at 10:00 a.m. and Sunday, July 7 at 10 a.m.

The location of these Masses will be St. Mary's Seminary, 5400 Roland Ave. Father Edward Hogan. S.J., chaplain to Charlestown Retirement Community, will be the celebrant on both occasions.

The Tridentine Liturgy received its name from the Latin, **tridentinus** which is an adjectival form of the word "Trent". It is called "Tridentine" because it was established as the rite to be used by the Roman Catholics of the Western rite after the reforms of the Council of Trent in the sixteenth century.

The Tridentine Liturgy was replaced by the New Order of Mass in 1970 as a result of the reforms of the Second Vatican Council. The major differences in the two rites are: in the reformed Liturgy, the Mass is celebrated in the vernacular, out loud, so that all may hear and with the celebrant facing the congregation.

Archbishop Borders has granted the above-mentioned permission in compliance with the indult granted to diocesan bishops in October, 1984, by Pope John Paul II, which states: "There must be unequivocal, even public evidence that the priest and people petitioning (for the Tridentine rite) have no ties with those who call into doubt the lawful force and doctrinal soundness of the Roman Missal promulgated in 1970 by Pope Paul VI."

Mt. Zion United Methodist holds Revival Week

Mt. Zion United Methodist Church, located at the corner of Liberty Heights and Wabash Ave., will sponsor Revival Week, Sunday May 20 through Friday, May 24, beginning at 7:30 p.m. each evening. Participating ministers and congregation are:

Monday, May 20: Rev. W.W. Payne, City Temple Baptist Church, Tuesday, May 21: Rev. James Smith, St. Luke United Methodist Church, Wednesday, May 22: Rev. James Foust, St. John's A.M.E., Thursday, May 23: Evangelist Rosolyn Ushury, and Friday, May 24: Neil Gilchrist, Retired Minister from John Wesley A.M.E. Zion.

"As we face life's challenges, it's been proven that man can't stand alone," says John Warren, minister, Mt. Zion United Methodist Church. He adds, "We need to establish within the church a strong community of faith." The Mt. Zion family cordially invites the public to attend Revival Week.

Mrs. Sara Gross is the worship chairperson and Mrs. Minnie Thrower is chairperson for Evangelism.

For more information, call 664-7490.

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MORNING STAR BAPTIST CHURCH

William Allen of the Community Players of Baltimore will present a Church Drama and Concert at the Morning Star Baptist Church, 1063 W. Fayette St. on Friday, May 24th, at 8 a.m. in the Multi-Purpoe Hall. The concert is to benefit a number of local charities. Admission is free and the public is invited.

GRACE A.M.E. CHURCH

The Elhana R. Washington, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund of Grace AME Church, 671⅓ Winters Lane, Catonsville, will present "An Evening with Wintley Phipps" on Sunday, May 19, at 3:30 p.m.

Wintley Phipps is the man who moved America with his rendition of "Ordinary People" at the Democratic National Convention.

Admission is $5 in advance and $6 at the door. For tickets call Rufus Washington, at 747-2911 or Shirley Diggs at 741-6812.

MINIATURE MISS PAGEANT

There is still time for young ladies age six through 12 to enter the fifth annual Miniature Miss Pageant, to be held Sunday, June 2 at the Maryland Historical Society, 201 W. Monument St.

To be eligible, youngsters must either sing, dance, play on instrument, or give an oral presentation.

A trip to Disneyland and a Peabody Scholarship will be awarded to the winners. Applications can be obtained at the Maryland Historical society or by calling 947-1496.

ST. JAMES FREE BAPTIST CHURCH

The St. James Free Baptist Church is sponsoring a tour to Montreal, Quebec, departing from 1508 E. Layfayette Ave. on July 8 at 6 a.m. and returning on July 11, at 10 p.m.

The tour includes round trip motorcoach transportation, three nights, hotel accommodations, baggage handling, and a half day sightseeing tour of Montreal (the second largest French-speaking city in the world). The cost of the tour is $220.00 per person, based on double occupancy.

For further information and reservation, call Rev. Morris at 945-2216 or Edith Drakeford at 837-6986.

ST. JOHN'S UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Three benefit performances of "The Island," a play by South African writer Athol Fugard, will be staged at St. John's United Methodist Church Friday through Saturday, May 17, 18, and 19.

The play, a riveting drama about two inmates of a maximum security prison in South Africa, is being co - produced by St. John's and the artist of Freedom Theatre Company. The two - man cast is comprised of Mphela Makgoba, who is also the director of the play, and Mitchell Ferguson.

Proceeds will benefit the St. John's United Methodist Church Building Fund. For information or reservations call 366-7733.

BETHEL A.M.E. CHURCH

The religious drama "And God Raised Her Up" by Jean Coursey, a story on the gospel according to the glorious physician St. Luke, will be featured Friday, May 24 at Bethel A.M.E. Church beginning at 7 p.m.

The drama will feature the Glory to God Dancers and the Christian Women's Ensemble.

The church is located at 1300 Druid Hill Ave. Admission is free.

CHRISTIAN UNITY TEMPLE

You're invited to the 20th Annual Women's Day Celebration at the Christian Unity Temple Church, Garrison Blvd. and Groveland Ave., Sunday, May 26, at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The speaker will be Evangelist Sa-Lee Robinson at 11 a.m. and Rev. Vivian Castian, pastor of Campfield A.M.E. Church at 4 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Celebrating its 151st anniversary, the First Baptist Church Sunday School will present in concert Deacon Thomas M. Boone, a baritone from Mount Winans First Baptist Church, on Sunday, May 19, at 6 p.m.

The concert will take place at First Baptist Church, 525 N. Caroline St. All are welcome to attend.

CHERRY HILL COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Women of the 80s Marching on with Christ, a new creation of the Women's Organization of Cherry Hill Community Presbyterian Church, 819 Cherry Hill Rd., invites you to its 39th Annual Women's Day on Sunday, may 19.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The speaker will be Miss Beverly Burke of Channel 13's People Are Talking. You are invited to attend.

UNION MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The women of Union Memorial United Methodist Church will present their Annual Spring Fashion Show and Luncheon featuring "The Fashions of Charlene Hyman of Hyman and Hyman LTD."

The program will take place Saturday, May 18 at 1 p.m. at the church, located at Harlem and Warwick Ave.

Donation is $10. For tickets, call 945-2723 or 298-8990.

MT. PLEASANT BAPTIST CHURCH

Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church invites you to attend its 31st Annual Women's Day Sunday, May 19, at the church located at 1801 E. Preston St. Two services will be held, one at 10:45, and the other at 4 p.m.

ISRAEL BAPTIST CHURCH

On Sunday, May 19, the men of the Israel Baptist Church, 1220 N. Chester St. will celebrate their 75th Annual Men's Day. The speaker for the 8 a.m. service will be the church's pastor, Rev. H.W. Wilson II.

The 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. speaker will be the Rev. L.T. Daye, Zion Baptist Church, Newport News. Also featured will be the Singing Disciples of Baltimore.

You are invited to come and share this day of worship.

UNITED CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST APOSTOLIC

The United Church of Jesus Christ Apostolic will celebrate its Family and Friends Day Sunday, May 19 at 3:30 p.m.

The church is located at 2226 Park Ave. Bishop James B. Thornton is pastor.

EASTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH

The Service Ushers of Eastside Baptist Church will hold a Prayer Breakfast on May 18 at 9 a.m. at the church, located at 2516 E. Preston St.

The guest speaker will be the Rev. John Lunn, pastor of Berean Baptist Church.

Tickets are $5 in advance and at the door. All are welcome.

MT. OLIVET CHRISTIAN CHURCH

The 60th Annual Women's Day will be held on Sunday, May 26, at Mt. Olivet Christian Church, 230 N. Fulton Ave.

The theme will be "Christian Women-Therefore, Choose Life."

The 11 a.m. speaker will be Rev. Mamie Williams, Centennial United Methodist Church. The 3:30 speaker will be Rev. Dr. Edna Isaacs, New Testament Baptist Church. Admission is free and all are welcome to attend.

JOHN WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

John Wesley United Methodist Church will present its Annual Tom Thumb Wedding on Sunday, May 26, at 3 p.m.

The theme will be "We Are The World: We Are The Children." The program will benefit the Renovation and Restoration Committee. You are invited. The church is located at 3202 W. North Ave.

SIMMONS MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Everyone is invited to attend "The Five Choir Recital" to be held at Simmons Memorial Baptist Church, Pennsylvania Ave and Cumberland St. on Monday, May 27 at 8 p.m.

The featured choirs will be the Gillis Memorial Church Choir, Radio Choir of Christian Community, the Gospel Chorus of Jones Tabernacle, The Revelations, and the Voices and Senior Choir of Simmons Memorial. This service is being sponsored by James P. Thornton Jr. and Carter Robinson.

ASSOCIATED CHURCHES OF CHERRY HILL

The Associated Churches of Cherry Hill will sponsor their 5th Annual Spring Production featuring the Scope Dancers.

The production will take place Saturday, May 18, 7:30 p.m. at Cherry Hill Junior High School, 2700 Seamon Ave. Donation is $4.

For ticket information call Hemingway Temple A.M.E. at 355-2929, First Baptist Church at 355-0384, Cherry Hill Methodist Church at 355-0022, St. Veronica Church at 355-7466, or Cherry Hill Presbyterian Church at 355-6860.

MORNING STAR BAPTIST CHURCH

The Morning Star Baptist Church of Catonsville, in cooperation with the Banneker Community Center Council, will celebrate an Awards and Appreciation Day on Sunday, May 19, at 3 p.m. to be held in the Church Center located at 154 Winters Lane.

Special recognition will be given to those persons who have made significant contributions to improve the quality of life in the Winters Lane corridor. Some of the persons to be honored are The Hon. Donald Hutchinson, County Executive; State Sen. John A. Coolahan, and County Councilman Ronald Hickernell.

Communitywide participation for this day of appreciation will be greatly appreciated. For additional information please contact Bill Holly at 747-8222.

Admission is free...bring a friend.

ST. JAMES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Three of the charismatic ministers of the Baltimore Conference of the United Methodist Church will participate in a 3 day revival at St. James United Methodist Church is located on the corner of Monroe and West Lexington St.

According to the church's pastor, the Rev. Dr. Basha Jordan, Jr., the revival will be the local church's response to helping revive the spiritual life of the church's member and community.

The festivities will begin on Sunday, June 2 and ends on Tuesday, June 4.

All United Methodist Ministers are urged to help us in this event by spreading the news.

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10:50 a.m. ..... Morning Worship
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Preaching ..... Reverend Clarence E. Fowler
3:30 p.m. ..... Junior & Young Adult Ushers Anniversary
Wednesday, May 22, 1985, Martha W. Preston Bible Class
DR. SAMUEL RAY, Pastor

Local grad at West Point

Cadet Chris T. Cook, a 1983 graduate of Polytechnic Institute High School, took part in the annual Plebe-Parent Weekend here at the U.S. Military Academy recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Cullen Cook of 2645 Beryl Ave. visited their son for the event. The relatives and friends of plebes (freshmen) are invited to West Point for Plebe-Parent Weekend to tour the grounds, meet with staff and faculty members and learn first-hand about the regimen followed by the academy's newest cadets.

Cadet Cook, one of 1,100 plebes at West Point, plans to graduate in 1988 and be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Mr. and Mrs. Cullen (Evelyn) Cook shown with their son, West Point Cadet Chris Cook.

Quandra Foster, 7, at Johns Hopkins Children's Center.

Hopkins Center names poster children

Quandra Foster, 7, and Christopher Voeglein, 2, patients at the Johns Hopkins Children's Center, have been named poster children for the WMAR-TV 2 Children's Miracle Network Telethon.

Quandra, daughter of Mrs. Angela Johnson and a second grader at Harford Heights Elementary in Baltimore, has been treated for asthma at the Children's Center since she was nine months old. Christopher, son of Rose and Joseph Voeglein, of Arcadia, is treated for hemophilia at the Children's Center.

In addition to appearing in posters and public service announcements, Quandra and Christopher will be in the telethon, which airs from 9 p.m. on June 1 to 6 p.m. on June 2.

Proceeds from the telethon will benefit children's disease research, as well as renovation of the 180-bed Children's Center. Annually, the center cares for 6,000 youngsters, from infants to teen-agers, and provides outpatient care for more than 20,000 neighborhood children.

New honor for Mrs. Marie C. Henderson, the political fundraiser impressario, is her inclusion in the recent edition of 'Who's Who in American Women. Mrs. Henderson is married and has two sons.

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11:00 ANTHEMS
Psalm 47 — Charles Kirby
O, Clap Your Hands — R. Vaughan Williams