

From The Pulpit

by Rev. Donald M. Clark

"THE BLESSED MAN"

Text: Jer. 17:5-11.

LET ME look at "the blessed man" in the interpreting symbol of this healthy and graceful tree.

The blessed life is a life of vast resources. "As a tree planted by the waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river." It is not watered by an occasional shower, it is unceasingly bathed by the vitalizing flood. Its rootlets are always drinking the nutritious waters of Grace. The blessed life is planted on the banks of that wonderful river which takes its rise in the great white throne.

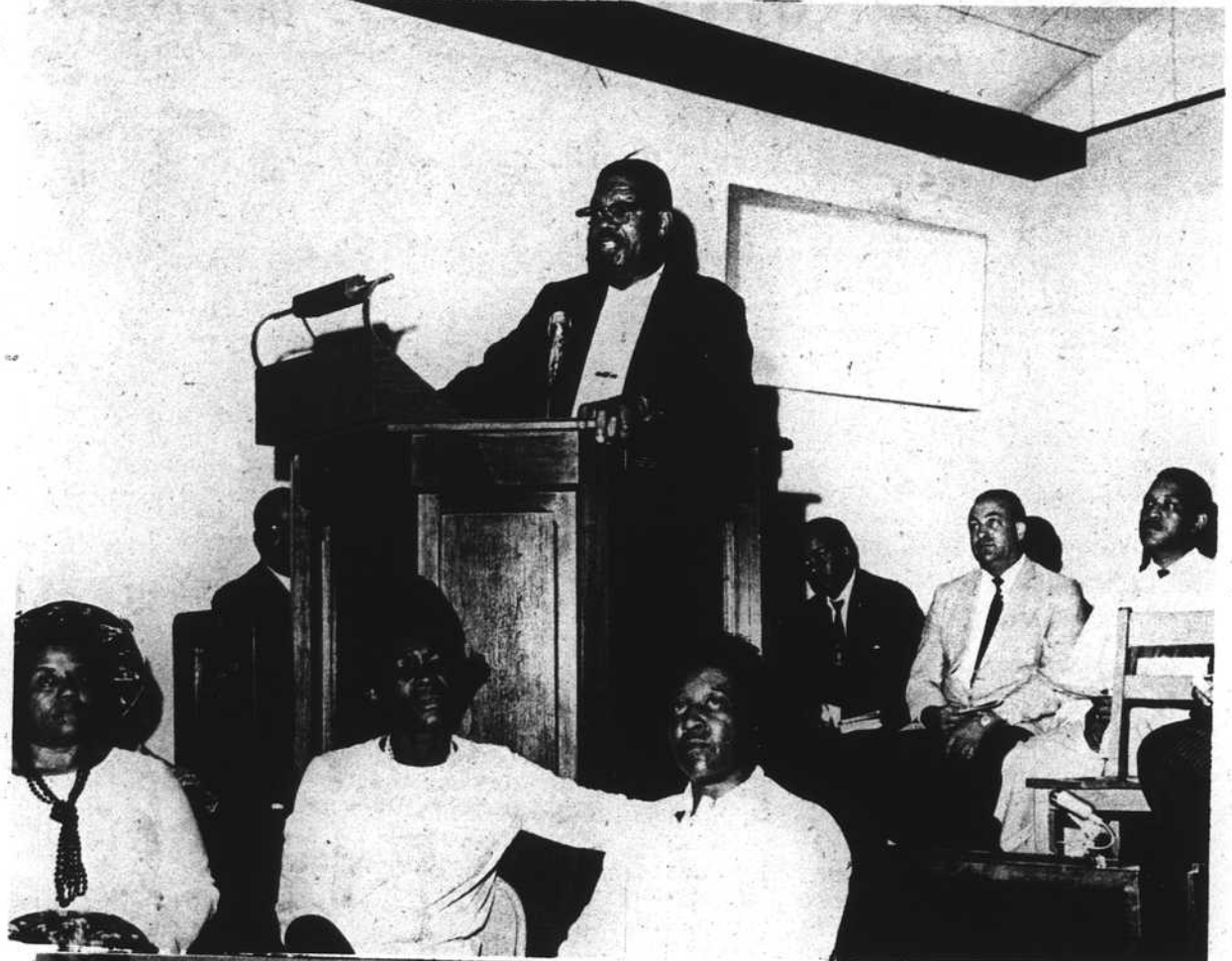


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And just because of these boundless supplies, the blessed life is undisturbed in times of grave crisis and emergency. "He shall not see when heat cometh." He shall be cool when the unblessed are hot and fever-stricken. He shall "keep his head" in times of general panic. His powers of endurance shall make the world wonder! He shall "hold out" when everybody else is faint.

So there shall be nothing "sere and yellow" about him. "His leaf shall be green." His faith, and hope, and love shall remain fresh and beautiful even in "the dark and cloudy day."

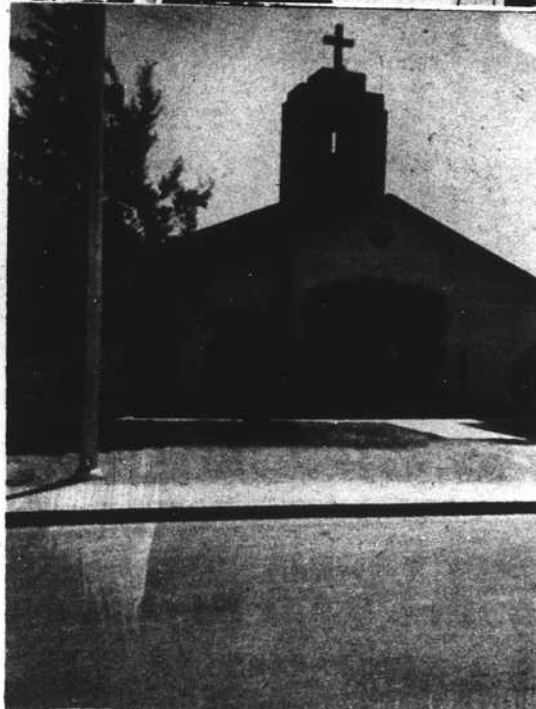
New Church Home For Vegas View COGIC



BISHOP C. C. COX, at pulpit, officially opened The Vegas View Church of God in Christ in a dedicatory service at the Church's new quarters, 1906 Glider Street in North Las Vegas, Sunday, July 2.... Pictured on pulpit rostrum with the Bishop (from left) are Minister Robert Hankins, Ass't Pastor; Elder C. Hall, District Supt. COGIC; Jack R. Petitti, Mayor Pro Tem, NLV; Elder C. H. Parsons, Pastor. Ladies shown are Mesdames J. W. Logan, L. Calhoun, and L. Williams.

Church Pastor, Elder C. H. Parson, and his congregation moved from 306A Lake Mead Blvd. The new facility is now being leased with option to buy... The lovely new church home formerly housed the NLV First Methodist Church.

A three-week Revival is now being conducted by the pastor and other church officials to which all residents of the area and the public at large are cordially invited to attend. Sunday services begin at 9:30 a.m. with Sunday School followed by Morning Service at 11:45 a.m. Y.P.W.W. is conducted at 6:30 p.m. preceding the 8 p.m. Evening Worship... Daily Schedule: Morning Prayer--9 a.m. Monday, Friday; Bible Study--8 p.m., Tuesday; Junior Church--7:30 p.m., Wednesday; Prayer Service--8 p.m. Friday.



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RIOT POWER: PRO AND CON

NEGRO AND white ministers responded in large numbers to the call of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., last year to come to Chicago's West Side to patrol the streets after the first night of rioting.

Despite the fact that many wore clerical attire, we were advised to also wear a WSO (West Side Organization) button, so that west-side residents would know we were friends and not foes. Those of us who patrolled felt that it was the button rather than our visible clergy look that appealed to calmness.

A few weeks ago, while discussing the aftermath of riots with a civil rights friend (before Cincinnati, Boston, Dayton, Tampa, Atlanta and Los Angeles) we were hung up on whether or not, if such an occasion arose again this year, we would be so quick to go into "foreign" territory to imply that we represented an authority come to restore order.

Would not such a visible authority represent an extension of police power?

Analysis of recent riots indicates that the continued presence of the police in a riot zone (See ALTAR, page 3)

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