

RELIGION & RACE

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AFRICAN CHURCH MUSIC

TOODEKRANS, South Africa - (NPI)--The era of church music composed for use solely by black Africans in Southern Africa had its beginnings last week when more than 70 delegates and members of 14 churches and denominations attended an acumenical conference on African church music, sponsored by the Christian Academy in Southern Africa. Theme of the meeting evolved around the premise that churches should foster African music, avoiding the practice of forcing black African communities to use ways and means foreign to them.

RECOGNITION

ATLANTA - (NPI)--Judicial recognition of the Muslim faith was obtained last week when U.S. District Judge Frank A. Hooper ruled that the Federal penitentiary must hire a Muslim minister to serve the spiritual needs of some 45-60 Muslim prisoners. However, the court, in deciding upon this issue brought by Henry Walker and others in the prison denied requests for special (pork-free) meals, communications with national church officials, and the piping in, on one of two listening channels in the prison, of a nationwide broadcast of a Muslim speaker.

ON 24-COUNCIL

VATICAN CITY - (NPI)--Among members of the "Council of the 24" appointed by Pope Paul IV, recently are several native-born African bishops--Archbishops John Aggrey, Nigeria; Louis Mulindwa, Congo-Kinshasa; Albert Isiahoana, Malagasy; and Jean Zoa, Cameroon. They and other members have the task of directing a program aimed at bringing fresh missionary experience into the administration of the Catholic church's worldwide missionary effort.

NEW CLASS

CHICAGO - (NPI)--When the spring quarter at Chicago Baptist Institute opens March 11, a new class will be included in the institute's ever-expanding curriculum. The class will be devoted to an intensive review of "Negro History in the United States," under the instructorship of Mrs. Bertha Keith Payne, founder-director of Good Citizenship, Inc., and member of the local public school system. Basic text for the class will be "From Slavery to Freedom," authored by Dr. John Hope Franklin, Department of History, University of Chicago.

JOINT EFFORT

WASHINGTON - (NPI)--A joint effort to eliminate racial discrimination and poverty through changes in laws, social and economic institutions, was urged last week by the Most Rev. John J. Dougherty, auxiliary bishop of Newark, N.J. The call was sent out to Catholics throughout the country, urging their cooperation with and assistance to other faiths and civic bodies.

MODERATOR

CHICAGO - (NPI)--Newly elected moderator of the Chicago presbytery of the United Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., is the Rev. A. L. Reynolds, 59-year-old pastor of Sixth Presbyterian Church. He will be formally installed at the annual meeting of the presbytery, Feb. 13, in LaGrange, Ill.

AMICUS CURIA

WASHINGTON - (NPI)--The National Catholic Conference for Interracial Justice, Chicago, and 24 Roman Catholic bishops joined last week in filing a friend-of-the-court brief before the U.S. Supreme Court in a case that may result in a decree of fair housing as the law of the land. Plaintiffs in the case are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Lee Jones, St. Louis, who attempted but were repulsed in buying a home in the suburban Paddock Woods (St. Louis) development.

Evangelist Featured At Showboat Hotel Banquet



Sister Wilma Cola

Sister Wilma Cola, widely heralded evangelist from Los Angeles, California will be the feature attraction at a Banquet sponsored by the Missionary Society of Victory Baptist Church, Saturday, Jan. 25, 8:30 p.m. at the Showboat Hotel, 2800 E. Fremont Street.

Reservations may be made and tickets obtained by calling 642-4001, telephone number being utilized for the occasion by members of the Missionary Society. Dinner tickets are priced at \$6 each.

A member of the McCoy Memorial Church in Los Angeles, Sister Cola has earned an enviable and well deserved reputation in her chosen field and is billed in her personal appearances throughout the country as "A Dynamic Woman of God".

Powell Back To Bimini Leaves California Shook

BIMINI, Bahamas - (NPI)--Adam Clayton Powell has returned home from a California speaking tour, where he asserted that he would "put the white man on the spot in this nation and in Congress."

Powell's California utterances--many directed at whites--were still reverberating, long after his departure.

The controversial politician made a big hit with Watts residents during a visit to the riot-struck community.

But he really scored at UCLA, when he told 6,000 students that it was black people's turn to free the white man, a century after Abraham Lincoln freed the slaves.

The ousted U.S. representative from New York noted that "the smoldering resentment in the ghettos of America is not a monopoly with young black people. They just have the guts to get with it."

Powell called the predominantly white students "victims of 'the cult of mediocrity.' If you try to break with that, Mr. White Man and Miss White Girl, they're going to throw you back."

The representative-elect then offered his brand of "emancipation" for white people: joining the black revolution.

"I know you white boys and girls are frustrated. You need something to move you," he said, adding: "The trouble with you young white people is you don't have leadership."

Black people, on the other hand, are a "new breed of cats," he averred.

"We are finished with 400 years of deprivation. We are insisting on full equality now... We are proud we are black. We are the same as you are. And in a sense we are better than you."

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MTA

Zion Guild Presents Distinguished Speaker

The Wesleyan Service Guild of Zion Methodist Church presents its Annual Worship Service at 11 a.m., Sunday January 28, 1968. This service emphasizes the role of women in the religious activities of the Methodist Church.

During a period when the church is greatly concerned with Christian witness in a secular environment, the Guild Theme will be "Self-Identity".

Mrs. Mary G. Crawford, Certified Lay Speaker for the Methodist Church, will be the guest speaker. Mrs. Crawford is Head of the Business Administration Department of Wiley College, Marshall, Texas.

Greatly involved in the work of the Methodist Church, she serves in the following capacities: Assistant Secretary of the Texas Annual Conference, Lay Delegate to the Central Jurisdictional Conference, and Reserve Delegate to the General Conference of the Methodist Church.

Mrs. Crawford is a graduate of Wiley College and received a Master of Arts Degree from New Mexico Highland's University. Her other duties include serving as Secretary of the Alumni Council of the United Negro College Fund, President of the Marshall Chapter of the National Business and Professional Women, and President of the Texas Congress of Colored Parent Teacher Association, which boasts of a membership of more than 30,000. To fulfill these varied responsibilities, she has traveled over 50,000 miles.

Mrs. Crawford was elected Zeta Beta Sorority's Woman of the Year, Marshall, Texas. She is the mother of Miss Margaret A. Crawford, President of Zion's Wesleyan Service Guild and Mr. Cranford Crawford, Zion's M.Y.F. Advisor.

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