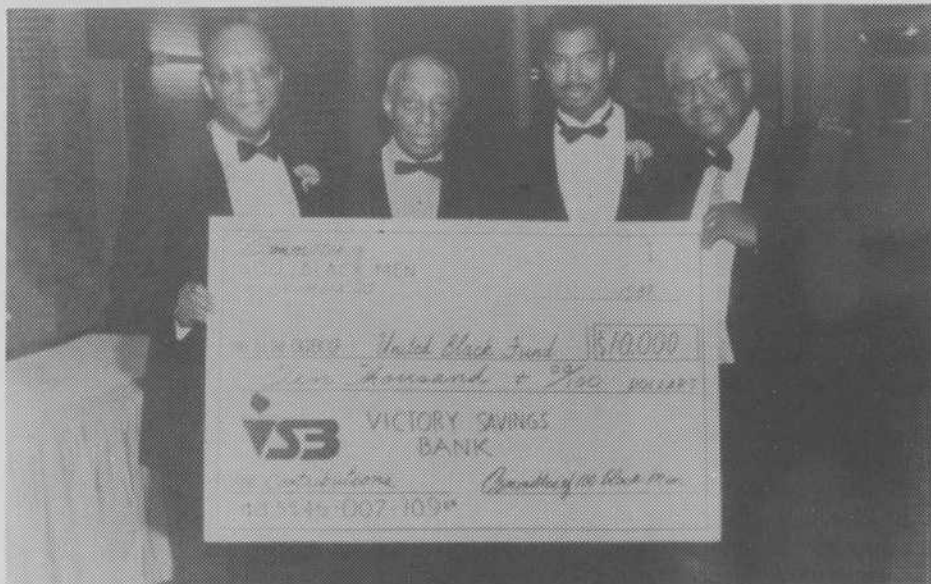


DR. CALVIN W. ROLARK JOINS UNITED BLACK FUND OF THE MIDLANDS, S.C. AND THE 100 BLACK MEN FOR FUNDRAISING

In less than five years, the United Black Fund of the Midlands, South Carolina, Inc. has channeled more than \$125,000 back into the communities of the Central

former) and community activist also serves as Chairman of *The BMI Cooperative of Black Newspaper Publishers* and is a co-founding enabler (along with

through its annual campaigns. However, recently a group of 100 Black men banded together to lend their support to UBF's fundraising activities. This innovative



Dr. Calvin W. Rolark, extreme right above, founder of the United Black Fund and chairman of the BMI Cooperative of Black newspaper publishers, is shown receiving a \$10,000 check for the United Black Fund of Midlands, South Carolina from officers of 100 Black Men of Midlands following a gala fund raiser "100 Black Men Champagne Reception."

Midlands in South Carolina. Established in February 1983, UBF is among more than 60 member agencies of the United Black Fund of America located in Washington, D.C., that provide funds to human service agencies. This parent organization was founded by its current President, Dr. Calvin W. Rolark in 1969 out of a need to provide human service care to those persons not being reached by traditional human service agencies — predominantly minority groups.

Dr. Rolark, a dedicated publisher (Washington In-

Dr. Leon Sullivan) of the 93 national organizations Black-led coalition, the Assault On Illiteracy Program (AOIP).

Through contributions from State and County payroll deductions, through businesses and concerned individuals in the community, UBF dollars help support community based organizations including job training and placement services for youth, AOIP and others. In addition, UBF provides emergency services to individuals in need from its administrative offices.

The major portion of UBF's fundraising was done

project, the first of its kind in the Columbia area, was culminated in an elegant evening last month. This creative fundraiser was the "100 Black Men Champagne Reception" held at The Visitors Center of the S.C. State Museum Complex.

The results of their diligent

MALCOLM X'S WIDOW SPEAKS OF PAIN AND TRIUMPH AS SINGLE PARENT TO WOMEN'S MEET

NASSAU — Growing up in a two-parent Detroit household did not prepare her for the sudden painful trauma of her husband's assassination and becoming the single parent of their 6 daughters, Mrs. Betty Shabazz, a New York educator and the widow of Malcolm X, told the first international conference on single parenting.

"I was not prepared by my early childhood training to deal with the kind of fatality that happened . . . nevertheless I did deal with it," she recalled.

Malcolm X was slain in New York in 1965. Their oldest child was 6 and she was three months pregnant with twins.

hard work and cooperative efforts was the presentation of a check for \$100,000 to UBF Board Chairman, Milton Davenport. This event brought together approximately 300 community-minded individuals who gave their support to the idea and cause of 100 Black Men.

This affair was one of the goals of the 100 Black Men Project in answer to cutbacks to charitable organizations by many major corporate en-

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There were many adjustments to make and it took, she said, "an indomitable will to think through the conceptual framework that psychologically would help me develop the stamina for the constant, persistent kind of discipline I needed. It was not just me, it was not just the house, not just the children or paying the bills or securing a babysitter; I had to have a management system.

"I had to hope I would come out whole, that I would get over it, come out whole, not shattered," Mrs. Shabazz said. Medical science says it is not possible, she added, but "i didn't sleep for three weeks after his assassination. I had to believe my condition was not cast in stone, that it was fluid, and I would retain my sanity.

"I had to believe that like all other living things, we would have peaks and valleys.

"We celebrated our victories and the valleys we would negotiate," Mrs. Shabazz said.

"If we had a victory — a whole day — we celebrated. If we had a day not as fruitful, I would analyse it and see how it could have been

amended. And sometimes I was able to amend it. I cauterized my raw wounds.

"In our day to day behavior, short and long range planning was most important. I ascribed meaning and purpose to our lives. I pulled everybody into behaving differently. All of us had retreated. A house could be coming down next door and we would sit mute."

Gradually, the children began to respond. "I would say 'it's time for this' or 'it's time for that' and one of them might say, 'I don't want to do this.' I would ask, 'what do you want to do' and we began to talk. I knew I was getting through."

The three youngest girls are still in college, their older sisters are out working, but they still want to be considered "all my babies," their mother said.

The week-long conference at the Ambassador Beach Hotel here was sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. and the Delta Research and Educational Foundation, headed by National President Hortense G. Canady, of Lansing, Michigan, and Dr. Geraldine P. Woods, of Los Angeles, respectively. Mrs. Shabazz is an honorary Delta.

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mond, VA, South Atlantic Regional Director. Back row: Dr. Geraldine P. Woods, Los Angeles, conference co-chair and president, Delta Research and Educational Foundation; Mrs. Dorothy Harrison of Chicago, former Delta national president; Mrs. Hortense G. Canady of Lansing, Michigan, Delta national president; Mrs. Tunya Robinson, East St. Louis, IL., Delta Midwest Regional Director; and former Delta president Frankie Freeman, a St. Louis attorney.