

MUSLIMS OBSERVE HOLY MONTH

By Y. Ali El-Shabazz

Muslims throughout the world began to acknowledge one of the mandatory requirements in their religion, the fasting of Ramadan.

With anticipation, the world community of Muslims sighted the new moon Wednesday, March 5, signaling the arrival of the Holy Month.

In Islamic thought, fasting points up limitations of self, that without recognizing limitations real knowledge is impossible, that only in seeing the limits of anything does its true nature become evident.

By imposing limits through curbing indulgence day after day,

Ramadan is seen as underscoring a spiritual lesson of full truth only in Allah (Almighty God), as well as being a kind of sacrificial purification bring renewal and fresh strength. "O ye who believe! Fasting is prescribed to you as it was prescribed to those before you, that ye may (learn)

self-restraint." (Quran- 2:183)

The purpose of the fast is to teach self-control, discipline and obedience of Allah, thus worshiping and signifying humanity's dependence on God.

During Ramadan, when a Muslim restrains from the daily normalities on eating, drinking

and sexual contact from their spouse, they are fulfilling one of the most important pillars in the Islam religion.

However, Allah never puts a burden on a Muslim that they cannot bear; "Permitted to you, on the night of the fasts, is the approach to your wives....and

eat and drink, until the white thread of dawn appear to you distinct from its black thread" (Quran 2: 187).

Ramadan, is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar. It is during the Holy Month that the more than six million American Muslims join in with the one bil-

lion world-wide Muslims for the remembrance of Allah. The complete reading of their Holy Book, Al-Qur'an, during the month is also incumbent on them. The conclusion of the month comes with the sighting of a new moon and the celebration of Eid-ul-Fitr the next day.

CHARLES "CHUCK ROMANCE" TILLEY REMEMBERED

By Parker Philpot

Local radio personality, Charles "Chuck Romance" Tilley, died March 11, 1992 at Sunrise Hospital where he had been diagnosed with liver cancer. Tilley was 60-years-old. Las Vegas was his home since

1978, and he aired on KCEP for many years.

Tilley was best known to Las Vegans as the deep-voiced, afternoon DJ who used a blend of poetry, witty phrases and funny stories. His broadcast career was over 30 years. Tilley has

planned to return to the air later this year.

Tilley was formerly on Radio WBLK in Buffalo, N.Y. Then known as "Chuckie T.", he served as emcee for some of the most well-known entertainers of the 60's and 70's. Tilley's style of

broadcasting could best be described as creative and smooth. He always believed that "imagination" was the most important thing a radio announcer could share with his listeners, according to one former KCEP-DJ he inspired.

Tilley is survived by his mother and children who, along with close friends, were with him as he passed on. Services were held in Buffalo where his family resides.

For Tilley's contributions in the field of broadcasting and for helping so many others get a start in radio, a memorial schol-



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arship in his name is planned. The scholarship will aid students in communications with a community service focus.

CHURCH NEWS

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HELP THE HOMELESS!

On Sunday, March 22 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. the community services department of the Paradise Seventh-day Adventist Church will be sponsoring a pancake breakfast open to the public at the Las Vegas Junior Academy on the SE side of Oakey at Jones. The proceeds will go to help the homeless.

The cost is \$2.50 for adults, \$1.50 for children and \$2.00 for seniors, with a maximum of \$6.00 per family.

For more information contact Karen at 645-1928.

HALLELUJAH FELLOWSHIP LADIES' BREAKFAST

Ladies, join us on Sunday, April 4th at 8:30 a.m. for fellowship, a time of sharing, and a great breakfast. The cost is \$5.50 per person. Bring a friend and come on out to the County Inn Restaurant at 1401 S. Rainbow, 1/2 blk. south of Charleston.

Call 221-6277 for more information.

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Call 221-6277 for more information.

The Community Baptist Church will be celebrating our pastor and wife's, Rev. and Mrs. Sam Roberson, 15th year appreciation service. April 2nd thru April 4th, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. each night and 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 5, 1992.

There will be a musical service on Saturday, April 4, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. to be held at the Greater Jerusalem Baptist Church, 1100 North D Street, Las Vegas, NV.

Special guest will be: Virginia Brooks Brewster, Hazel Jones Williams, Frances Moore Lee, Greater New Jerusalem Mass Choir, Nellis AFB Gospel Choir, Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church Choir, Victory Baptist Church Choir, Greater St. James Baptist Church Choir, Tries Stone Baptist Church Choir, and

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The Women's Day Committee of Second Baptist Church, located at 500 West Madison Avenue, will sponsor a Bazaar and Bake Sale on Sunday, April

5, 1992 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. There will be a variety of interesting and unique items displayed, as well as many baked goods available to purchase. Refreshments will also be available. So come out and see the many quality items we have to offer and share in this fellowship with us as we continue the ongoing ministry at Second Baptist Church.

Revival, with Elder Clay Johnson of Baltimore, Maryland, will be held March 29, at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., March 30th and 31st. at 7:00 p.m. at New Life Tabernacle Church, 2402 East Stewart Ave., Las Vegas, NV.

Elder Johnson is known as God's Miracle Man because his life is a miracle in itself. God delivered and restored him back to life with another man's hands, lungs, fingers etc. The top of his head was blown completely off. He is a gifted organist and soloist.

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