

GOOD VIBRATIONS
SAVE THE CHILDREN



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The Biblical writings within the Book of Exodus have had a significant meaning to oppressed people throughout the history of modern man. Enclosed in Exodus is the story of the Hebrew people who were delivered from Egypt, delivered out of the hands of their oppressors, and liberated from a psychological warfare that made a mass of people think in negative terms. The significance of this deliverance from Egypt was not that it took place. The beauty is found in the fact their liberation came about not out of an independence from the oppressor, but out of a dependence on a God by a historic revelation that became the faith of the Hebrew people.

Now, in the scriptural text of Exodus 2:1-10, we became involved with the actions of a woman; a woman who became a mother. She had conceived and given birth to a son; and seeing what a fine son he was, she kept him hidden for three months. This may sound strange to us who are living in the 20th Century, and we may ask ourselves, 'Why did she lock this creation that was given to her by the Creator in some secret hide-out?' For someone who doesn't know the whole story, they could envision that the child was unwanted... or maybe the child was born out of wedlock... or maybe the child's conception interfered with the woman's professional career.

Those who do know the whole story can understand that this woman, the mother of Moses, did what she had to do out of love, and out of concern for the continuation of life. As we enter a new school year, in the wake of a boycott of the school district, the plight of the Black male, the increase in violent crime, the declining economy, and the growing lack of concern of the aspirations and desires of the African American community, let us get our act together

because there are those among us who are the oppressors in our society. Like the mother of Moses, we too need to here the call of God—a call for sacrifice, a call for love, a call to save the babies.

ADVENT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HOSTS SWAN JUBILEE GOSPEL SINGERS

The Swan Jubilee Gospel Singers will lead the Prayer and Praise Service at Advent United Methodist Church on Sunday, September 6, at 6:00 p.m.

The gospel group brings a dynamic music ministry to an interdenominational community worship service. Recently celebrating their 12th anniversary, the Swan Jubilee Gospel Singers have become a favorite at Advent.

John Davis, spokesperson for the Swan Jubilees stated

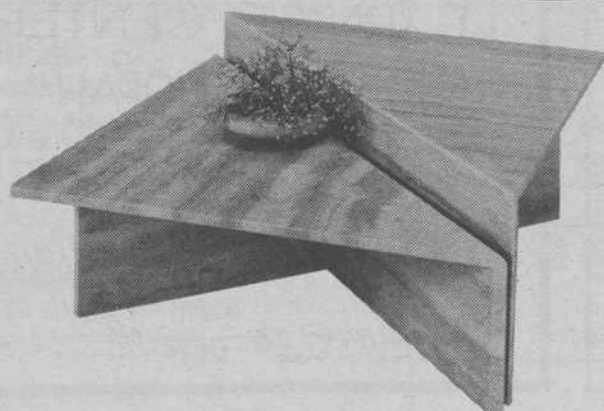
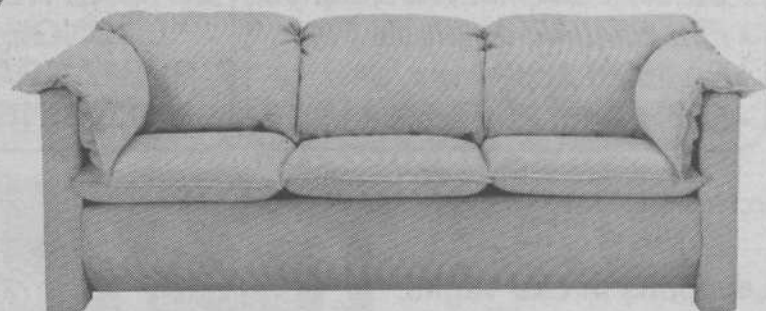
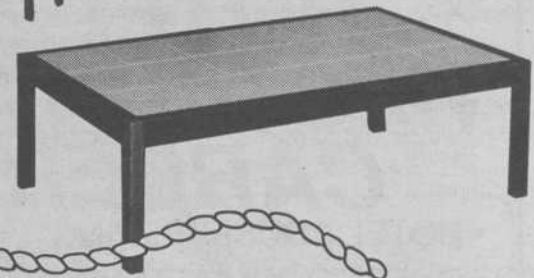
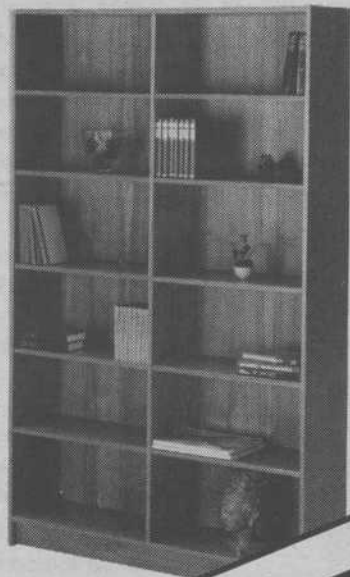
recently, "We are truly blessed each time we witness in song. Nothing is more important to us than praising Jesus, and if our music helps someone else realize their joy in the Lord, then we are doubly blessed."

Pastor Jeri Lee Harrell extends an invitation to all gospel music lovers to attend this exciting service. Advent is located at 3460 N. Rancho Drive, north of the intersection of Cheyenne Avenue and Rancho Drive.

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