

# RELIGION

## Church Announcements

### HOMEWORK HELPERS

If you would like help with your homework - math, reading or anything... Come to St. James Church, 820 North "H" Street.

Monday and Tuesday evenings 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Reading program: Thursdays 6-7:30 p.m.

All are welcome. Don't forget to bring your homework!

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The St. James The Apostle Catholic Church and Theta Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority are sponsoring a literature program for children and their parents in the community around the church. We are calling this program project "READ" - Reading for Enjoyment And Development of values.

The program meets every Thursday night at the St. James The Apostle Catholic Church at 6 p.m. The sponsoring groups had a summer program that was so successful that they felt that the program had to continue in order to continue to meet the needs of the community.

The program is funded by the Nevada Humanities Committee. Anyone interested in participating should call 648-6606.

The church also sponsors a Homework Helper program every Monday and Tuesday from 6 to 7:30 p.m. For further information please call 648-6606 or LaVonne Lewis at 870-4757.

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The N. Nevada and E. High Sierra California & Southern Area Boards of Women's Aglow Fellowship are announcing a Statewide Conference on Spiritual Warfare, March 26, 27, 28, 1993 in Carson City, Nevada.

This is an unique opportunity for the Christian Women of Nevada to gather together to surround all areas of Nevada in prayer and to intercede for the leadership and government of the State of Nevada.

Cindy Jacobs, president of "Generals of Intercession" and Author of "Possessing the Gates of the Enemy" will be the featured speaker.

Please call (California) 619-932-7808, (Reno) 702-747-4877, or (Las Vegas) 451-3912 for information on Registration, Housing, and Meals.

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The Sonshine Ministry presents "Spring Is In The Air" As For Me and My House, Saturday, March 20, 1993, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Shiloh Room Showboat Hotel, Las Vegas.

Your family is welcome to share a day of fellowship, praise and worship as we celebrate God's plan, purpose and promise for our lives!!!

An Offering will be received. Our guest Speakers Include: Joshua Beckley, Andrea Awerbach, Dorothy Rimmey.

Anointed Music by: The Sounds of Sobriety, Leviticus, The Sonshine Singers.

Call (702) 644-4349 or (702) 595-1266 for reservations. Limited Seating.

FREE...FREE...FREE!

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The Christian Education Ministry of Victory Baptist Church will sponsor a workshop entitled "Marriage takes more than Love." The sessions will be held March 22-26, 7-9 P.M. each evening. Gloria Chaney-Harris will be resource leader. Everyone is welcome to attend. Telephone 648-2286 for further information. Rev. A.J. Thompson, Pastor, Minister Mylas Thompson, Director of Christian Education.

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The True Love Missionary Baptist Church was very pleased with the support during our black history program, it was wonderful! We'll be doing it again next year.

The pastor's aide and the mission department presented the founder and pastor with a beautiful white robe, accented with bold red crosses. The robe was a delayed gift honoring eighteen years of loyal and faithful service. A dedication service was preformed and the pastor was thankful for the thoughtfulness of these auxiliaries.

We were also honored with the presence of senator Byran, his wife and a co-worker in our morning service.

Coming Sunday, March 21, 1993, at 4:00 p.m. will be the annual choir day. More details in our future church news.

A friendly church, with eternal Love; teaching the word of God!

Don't just watch us grow, come grow with us! 1941 North H Street (702) 648-3603. Founder & Pastor Rev. I.W. Wilson. Church News Linda B. Wright

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Second Baptist Church's 51st Church Anniversary Celebration will be held March 20 and 21, 1993. Theme: "The Church-A-Sure Foundation" I Corinthians 3:11.

Speaker & Choir: Dr. A.L. Phillips, Pastor Mt. Gilead Baptist Church Denver, Colorado.

Saturday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m.

\*Pre-Anniversary Musical\* Sunday, March 21 at 3:00 p.m. \*Anniversary Program\*

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SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH YOUTH DEPARTMENT SPONSORS COMMUNITY TALENT SHOW

On Friday, March 19, 1993 beginning at 7:00 p.m. the youth department will present a community talent show at the Mabel Hoggard Sixth Grade Center. Anyone inter-

ested in entering, can do so by calling Second Baptist Church, 500 West Madison Avenue, Rev. Willie Davis, Pastor at 648-6155. Donation is \$5 adults and \$3 children under seventeen years.

The public is invited to attend.

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My Dear Brothers and Sisters, greetings in the name of Jesus. We are inviting your choir soloist and every group willing to participate to the Gospel Excellency Awards Night, March 27, 1993 at 9:30 p.m. at the Goodwill C.O.G.I.C. 976 Hassell Street. Some of the Guest Groups are: The Gaston Family Choir; The Gaston Five; Evangelist Claudia Gaston; The Willonettes of Los Angeles, CA.; John Edmonds and The Gospel Truth; Mr. John Edmonds, President of Ashure Records, Inc.; Bro. Antwan Coleman and many more...

The Mistress of Ceremony will be Miracle Faith Temples very own National Trouble Shooter of Anderson, Indiana, Evangelist Evelyn Cosby.

Let us count you in the numbers.

Promoted by C.G.J. Productions. For more information call 702-648-9512.

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### 3RD YEAR CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

TIMES: Thursday and Friday, 7:30 p.m. nightly at Miracle Faith Temple, Saturday 9:30 p.m., at Goodwill C.O.G.I.C., 976 Hassell, and Sunday, 3:00 p.m. LOCATION 2736 Chamberlain, Greater Faith M.B.C. where the Pastor is Rev. Henry.

Miracle Faith Temple will begin celebrating the churches 3rd year anniversary on March 25th - March 28th, 1993. These services will begin Thursday, March 25th, 1993, the guest speaker will be Elder George White of Vision Temple Community Church. Friday on March 26th, 1993, the guest speaker will be Rev. A. Addison of New Light M.B.C. Thursday and Friday services will be held at Miracle Faith Temple, 820 West Bonanza Road Suites C through E. Saturday the services will be held at Goodwill C.O.G.I.C. where the pastor is Elder C. Murray. This sight will host the Second Annual Gospel Excellency Awards. Which convenes at 9:30 p.m. this date is March 27th, 1993. Sunday the church anniversary will move to Greater Faith M.B.C. Lo-

cated at 2736 Chamberlain, North Las Vegas, Nevada 89030, where the Pastor is Rev. Earl Henry. Our special guest will be Dr. Bernice Tolbert, Chief Apostle and overseer of Miracle Faith Temple, Anderson, Indiana. The guest speaker will be District Elder S. Victorian, Pastor of Church of the Lord Jesus.

Thank you for your support of these services!

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Miracle Faith Temples National Bible College opened its doors again to the church community on February 25th 1993.

Classes will begin April 29th, 1993 at seven p.m.

Some classes include religion 101 - the beginning, religion 102 the training. Religion 202 Evangelism and its power, religion 303 demonic warfare, and religion 400 - tactics and principle in the ministry.

If you are interested in spiritual growth, then this is the place for you, for the scriptures remind us that we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities and spiritual wickedness in high places.

For enrollment information please call 702-646-7869.

Thank you for your prayers and support in advance!

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### GOSPEL MUSIC PROGRAM AT GREATER FAITH

The Swan Jubilee Gospel Singers' next Sunday evening program is scheduled for March 21st at 7:30 p.m. at Greater Faith Baptist Church. The Swans regularly present a gospel music program at Greater Faith on the third Sunday evening of every month.

The Swan Jubilee Gospel Singers had a busy schedule this Winter, and their Spring 1993 schedule will be equally busy. Their program at New Light Baptist Church last weekend featuring the Starlight Gospel Singers from Los Angeles was very successful.

The Swans will celebrate their 13th anniversary this year. Rev. Adam Addison, artistic director, is an inspiration to the group as they prepare for recording sessions. Watch this space for a release date.

If you long for an evening of meaningful music in the gospel tradition, you won't want to miss Sunday's program. Greater Faith Baptist Church is located at 2736 Chamberlaine Lane.

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## ★ GOSPEL'S TOP TEN ★

FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 613 1993

1. John P. Kee & New Life Community Choir - WE WALK BY FAITH
2. Daryl Coley - WHEN THE MUSIC STOPS
3. Rev. Milton Brunson & The Thompson Community Singers - MY MIND IS MADE UP
4. Georgia Mass Choir - I SING BECAUSE I'M HAPPY
5. The Anointed Pace Sisters - U KNOW
6. Rev. Clay Evans - I'M GOING THROUGH
7. Melvin Williams - IN LIVING COLOR - "LIVE"
8. TM Mass Youth Choir - SEND YOUR ANNOINTING
9. Shirley Caesar - HE'S WORKING IT OUT FOR YOU
10. Rev. James Moore - LIVE IN DETROIT



JOHN P. KEE

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## A Cursillista's Comments GOD HELPS (LIBERATE) THOSE WHO HELP THEMSELVES

By Al Triche

Nearly sixteen-hundred years ago an African bishop, one of Christianity's greatest intellects said, "I believe, and therefore I speak out." Showing the same disarming simplicity as did Descartes ("Cogito ergo sum"), St. Augustine was no less profound with those words from his classic, Confessions. He has given me the rationale for what has become a layman's fascination (if not obsession) with the concept of liberation theology.

The practice of religion, certainly for the true Christian, is inextricably linked to an effort to achieve true freedom for the oppressed in this world. Long before Christ arrived scripture relates how the Almighty reminded Moses (Ex. 19:4-5) that he delivered the Hebrews from their Egyptian slave-masters, and implied that if that newly liberated people remained faithful to Him they would have His protection. Elsewhere in the Old Testament the famous 23rd Psalm is preceded by the 10th, a prayer for help against oppressors. Later, in the New Testament, Jesus essentially kicks-off His ministry by announcing that part of His mission was "... to proclaim liberty to captives..." (Lk. 4:18). Liberation is not simply part of the "Good News," it is the essence of the Gospel, the basic fabric of the salvation tapestry.

Contrary to an all-too-popular notion, God is not color blind, certainly not in a racist society. Just as Yahweh chose a side, so too did Jesus align Himself with the poor and oppressed. Today as well, Divine providence stands ready to act on behalf of the downtrodden, making the fight for liberation, as Torres puts it, "a Christian, a priestly struggle."

In its worst form, the white-American version of theology sanctioned genocide of indigenous people and enslavement of blacks. Small wonder that African-American Muslims look askance at those among us who cling still to that perverted Anglo model of Christianity. Liberation theology demands that the pristine tenants of Jesus coexist with ethnocentricity of the oppressed, and in U.S. society people are oppressed because they are black.

The social focus of the African American Christian should be clear. It is the common objective of Black Islam and Black Christendom in American...liberation in the present time. Between these two powerful forces dialogue and coalition are long overdue, while preoccupation with theoretical differences due to theology are secondary and counter-productive to our goal of real freedom for all Black Americans. To be sure, we must put God first, but that needn't be cause for discord. We can worship apart while fighting for liberation together. This I believe, and therefore I speak out.

(See A Cursillista's Comments, Page 20)

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