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## NEWS WIRE

### California Youth Treated More Harshly By Justice System

(NNPA) - A study completed by the Justice Policy Institute (JPI) found that minority youth, particularly African Americans and Latinos, are treated more harshly than Whites with the criminal justice system. Conducted in California, findings concluded minorities were 2.8 times more likely to be arrested for violent crimes, 8.2 times more likely to be jailed in adult court and 7 times more likely to be sentenced to prison than their White counterparts. According to Dan Macallair, the reports co-author, while the disparities are clear identifying the cause is not.

### Rio de Janeiro's High-Ranking Black Visits U.S.

(NNPA) - The Honorable Benedita da Silva, vice-governor of the state of Rio de Janeiro and the highest ranking Black elected official in Brazil, will tour the United States Feb. 21-25 promoting business and cultural networking. According to Harry C. Alford, president/CEO of the National Black Chamber of Commerce (NBCC), the host organization, Silva is "evolving into the most important leader who believes that business progress should be tied to social improvement. The Black Diaspora has no better advocate now than Parren J. Mitchell and Nelson Mandela are retiring. We must support her efforts and respond to her initiatives." She understands business development and the power it brings to a community," said Arthur Fleicher, NBCC chair. Silva will visit the District of Columbia Feb. 21; New Orleans Feb. 22; Houston Feb. 23; San Francisco Feb. 24; and Chicago Feb. 25. Call 202-466-6888.

### Burger King Issues Voluntary Recall On Pokemon Balls

(NNPA) - After the apparent suffocation of two infants in December 1999 and January 2000, Burger King has issued a voluntary recall of more than 25 million Pokemon balls distributed from November through December 1999 with Burger King kids meals. Consumers should immediately take the ball away from children under three years of age. It can either be discarded or both halves and the clip returned to a Burger King restaurant for a free order of small fries. Children can continue to use the toy inside. Call (800) 775-0625.

### Automotive Leaders Initiate Seatbelt Awareness Campaign

(NNPA) - Every hour a death occurs from a direct failure to fasten seatbelts. On average, African-American teens are 50 percent less likely to wear seatbelts than White teens. Auto Industry Diversity Efforts, the nonprofit arm of On Wheels Inc. and a staunch supporter of seatbelt-safety usage, has partnered with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and Mitsubishi Motors of America Inc. to help put the brakes on this deadly problem.

The campaign, "Why Can't We All Just Buckle Up?" hopes to increase African American seatbelt usage from 51 to 90 percent, particularly among young passengers, as well as reinforce among adults the importance of wearing seatbelts and using car and booster seats with young children.

Auto Industry Diversity Efforts' outreach will support NHTSA's "Buckle Up America Campaign" via African Americans On Wheels (AAOW) magazine, the Internet, radio and participation in grassroots community activities. Vehicle displays will also be used to demonstrate life-saving procedures featured in the campaign. "Information that is targeted to mainstream America does not always relate to the culture of African Americans or Hispanics," said Randi Payton, president of Auto Industry Diversity Efforts.

"This campaign will go into the heart of the community where the people are to deliver the message," added Frank Fountain, program chairman of the nonprofit organization.

## "A personal profile of a serious minded Brother - John Wallace - Who wanted to improve the living standards and life style of black youth through vocational and formal education."



(Editor's note: This article was written by John Wallace, and in his own words. He wanted to make a positive contribution to the Black Community during "Black History Month.")

My Mom and Dad moved to Lubbock, Texas in December, 1953 with a cotton pick, 46 years ago. Several years later, as a Senior at Lubbock Christian College (LCU), I read an article in the West Texas Historical Society by Texas Tech University Professor, Dr. Alwyn Barr entitled "A History of Black Lubbock." This article by Dr. Barr stated that only reason that Black and Hispanic were admitted into Lubbock as residents was because the White Lubbock Cotton Farmers needed the labor force of the Black and Hispanic to help

successfully harvest their crop of cotton.

I grew up on Lubbock's Eastside, some refer to it as the "hood." I attended the following Eastside schools: Phyllis Wheatley Elementary, Dunbar Junior and Senior High School, 6th through 10th grade. September 1965, three Dunbar High School Juniors Joyce Alexander, Kermit Queenan, and John Wallace became the first Black students to attend Monterey High School. A fourth student, Joyce's younger sister Brenda Alexander, joined the group during their Senior years at Monterey High School. Brenda attended Monterey High School for three years, while the first three black students attended for two years. I never stepped foot inside Monterey High School for fourteen years after graduating in May 1967.

I volunteered for the US Army in December 1969, from Lubbock Christian College. I spent over 4 years in the US Army from December 28, 1969 until February 1974. I took my Republic of Vietnam training at Fort Sam Houston (San Antonio, Texas). I was also trained as a Medical Corpsman Medic at Fort Sam Houston. I took a 15 day leave to go home to Lubbock, Texas in June 1970 before beginning a 3 year overseas tour of duty to Germany from June 1970 - June 1973.

During my three years tour

of duty overseas, I studied various forms of government, and read many Black History books. I also took a sixteen week Black Studies college course. I read books about Malcolm X, Martin Luther King, Marcus Garvey, W.E.B. Dubois, Booker T. Washington, George Washington Carver, Angela Davis, Soledad Brother by George Jackson, and Soul on Ice by Eldridge Cleaver. I also read about Stokely Carmichael, H. Rap Brown, Huey P. Newton, and Bobby G. Seale, co-founder of the Black Panther Party. A group of Black G.I.'s even donated money to the Angela Davis defense fund.

While studying Black history in Germany, I decided to complete my formal education. I was discharged from the Army on February 22, 1974. Before I returned to college, I had to pay off my delinquent government loan. To accomplish this, I worked two full-time jobs, working 80 hours a week I was able to pay off my loan. I was able to finally graduate from Lubbock Christian University on December 12, 1981 with a Bachelor Degree Secondary Education.

I went back to Monterey High School for the first time in 1981, when I wanted to give a graduation invitation to my favorite teacher, Mrs. A.M.B., who taught English and Latin, as well as being my home room teacher. Mrs. AMB explained that she had always

wanted to know what had happened to the first three Blacks who integrated Monterey High School in the fall of 1965. I told Mrs. AMB that each one of the three Black students had become college graduates. Kermit has a Bachelor Degree from University of Northern Colorado in Greeley Colorado; with a major in psychology and an minor in political science. Joyce is a graduate of Texas Tech University, with a degree in social work. I am a graduate of Lubbock Christian College, now LCU twice, having earned an Associate Degree in Applied Arts in May 1969, and fourteen years later, after serving in the U.S. Army, a B.A. degree in Secondary Education. The fourth Black to attend Monterey, Brenda Alexander, graduated from the University of Houston School of Pharmacy. Brenda has been a pharmacist in Houston for over 20 years. Mrs. AMB appeared to be very pleased that the three Black students had earned college degrees.

Since that time, I have worked with gang members as a Case Worker with Mental Health, Mental Retardation (MHMR), and as a substitute teacher with the Special Education Department in the Lubbock Independent School District. I have worked as a Juvenile Detention Officer at Lubbock

State School for about six years, and I taught in the inner city schools in Compton California.

I recently spoke with the current principal of Monterey High School, Mr. Mike Bennett regarding the first three Black students that attended Monterey High School. I explained to Mr. Bennett, that because the first three Black students have been successful in life, they would be great speakers at Monterey during February 2000, in recognition of Black History Month.

I love and enjoy working with youth. As I look back on the past 10-15 years, the one thing that I most proud of is that I have been able to help over 100 mostly Black, Hispanic and poor White students get into trade or vocational school, job corps, and in the end get better jobs. I have been able to get over 100 minority students a free college or University education by helping these students get academic or athletic scholarships to Paul Quinn College, Southwestern Christian College, South Plains College, Cisco Junior College, Wayland Baptist University, and other institutions of higher learning. I strongly agree with the motto of the United Negro College Fund "A mind is a terrible thing to waste." May God bless all young people in their future endeavors.

## Franklin Graham, Son of Reverend Billy Graham, Coming to Lubbock for West Texas Festival 2000

FESTIVAL MEETINGS AT UNITED SPIRIT ARENA WILL BE GRAHAM'S FIRST IN LUBBOCK



LUBBOCK, TEXAS, Jan. 1999-Franklin Graham will bring a straight forward message of hope to the people of Texas when West Texas Festival 2000 arrives April 28 - 30.

"We are excited to see how much effort the people of Lubbock have given to make this event possible," said Sherman Barnett, Festival director. "I

believe Franklin Graham will bring something to Texas that the area has never seen before."

West Texas Festival 2000 is a non-denominational outreach of Texas churches in cooperation with the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA). Franklin Graham was invited by church leaders to conduct the Festival, an event that includes

concerts, a youth night, a kid's festival, and men's and women's rallies held at the United Spirit Arena. Graham will be the featured speaker each night of the event which is open to the public and admission is free.

### Franklin Graham the Evangelist

Since 1989, Franklin Graham has conducted up to 10 Festivals a year as an evangelist for the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. In 1995, Graham was appointed first vice-chairman of the BGEA, a position with direct succession as chairman and CEO of the organization.

### Franklin Graham the International Relief Worker

Throughout the year, Graham travels the world as

president of the international Christian relief organization Samaritan's Purse, which is currently delivering more than 3.2 million shoe box gifts to needy children in 60 countries through its project Operation Christmas Child. Based in North Carolina, Samaritan's Purse is working in more than 80 countries around the world, maintaining seven offices.

Last year, Graham conducted Crusades in Montego Bay and Kingston, Jamaica; Tuscaloosa, Alabama; Perth, Scotland; Calgary, Canada; and Santa Cruz, Bolivia, speaking to crowds totaling more than 380,000. Since he began preaching in 1989, Franklin Graham has spoken to more than 2 million people at 71 Crusades.



## National Council on Disability urges better enforcement of Civil Rights Laws for Children with Disabilities



WASHINGTON, DC - Every state and the District of Columbia is out of compliance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) requirements, according to the National Council on Disability (NCD) evaluation of nearly 2 decades of federal enforcement.

NCD released its report "Back to School on Civil Rights," detailing the enforcement and

implementation of IDEA, during a Jan. 25 news conference in Washington, D.C. The report is the second in the NCD's "Unequal Protection Under the Law" series of independent analysis of federal civil rights enforcement for Americans with disabilities. The report offers recommendations to the President and Congress on how IDEA can be better enforced.

"This study confirms what children with disabilities have repeatedly told NCD, that non-compliance has persisted in some states over many years," said Marce Bristo, NCD chairperson. "This non-compliance has placed enormous burdens on children and families."

Unfortunately, the burden is often more severe for low-income and minority families. "Minorities with disabilities get hit with discrimination twice because they have a disability

and they are a minority," explained, NCD vice chair Hughey Walker, a judge in Georgetown, SC.

"Countless numbers of children with disabilities, especially those from low-income, ethnic and racial minority or rural communities are still not receiving the full benefit of the law," Bristo added. "They struggle daily to obtain the services and support they need to learn."

Carolyn Cooper was entangled in such a struggle for years. Cooper, now president of the United Advocates for Children of California, told the gathering about the many difficulties she faced with the education system while trying to obtain proper schooling for her "emotionally challenged and learning disabled" son, Titus. She said the various authorities in California were "unresponsive and worthless." She

said her son finally received the Individualized Education Program when he was 21 years old.

Sadly, however, soon after getting the appropriate education program, "my child, my boy was shot down?" Cooper said. "But I have not given up the good fight" to seek help for children with disabilities.

The NCD study found that many parents of children with disabilities, like Cooper, spend endless resources confronting obstacles to their child's basic right to have an appropriate education, often at the expense of their personal lives, their financial livelihood and their careers.

The report also showed that the Department of Education under Secretary Richard Riley, has been more effective in using sanctions than previous administrations. However, Bristo stressed that NCD's evaluation

spanned several administrations: Clinton, Bush, Reagan, Carter, and Ford. Bristo thanked Riley for "his efforts to improve enforcement of IDEA, an important civil rights law that directly affects children with disabilities."

Walker urged responsible federal officials to improve their enforcement of IDEA. "Let's stop doing wrong to our kids," he said. "Let's do the right thing - not the easy thing - and educate all of our children."

NCD is an independent federal agency charged with advising the President and Congress on public policy affecting people with disabilities. It is currently coordinating a multiyear study on the implementation and enforcement of the Americans with Disabilities Act and other civil rights laws.

## Ruby Jay's Corner



The New Hope Baptist Church, 2002 Birch Avenue, is the "Church Where The People Really Care," and Rev. Billy R. Moton is the pastor. All are invited to visit New Hope if you are looking for a church home. Our doors are always open, so come and be blessed.

Services began last Sunday morning with Sunday School beginning at 9:30 a. m. with all teachers and students in their various classrooms for 30 minutes of instruction. At 10:15 a. m., all reassembled to the main auditorium marching and singing "Glory To His Name." High points of the morning lesson were given by the youth department.

Secretary's Report: Youth Department — the Junior Class received the Offering Banner. Adult Department: Adult Class No. 4 lost the Offering Banner to Adult Class No. 2.

During the 10:45 a. m. devotional period, Sister Joan Y. Ervin and Brother R. J. Givens presided. It was another glorious time in the Lord.

The Adult Choir marched in the processional singing out of their hearts and souls. This choir brought the Lord with them as they sang. Altar prayer was offered by Rev. Jeff Brown, who also filled in for Pastor Moton who was away.

After the singing of "Hold Up The Blood Stained Banner," Rev. Brown delivered a dynamic sermon. His subject was "Keep Holding On To Your Blessing." His scripture text was Genesis 32. He preached to all of us so we will have something to feast on all next week. What a sermon!

Let us continue to pray for our sick and shut-in citizens of the community. There are so many who are ill, so let us stay on our knees.

It was good to see Sister Clara Colquitt in church last Sunday morning. The same holds true for Sister Helen Skief who has been able to attend church services.

Let us remember those bereaved families. They include Sister F. Stokley, Sister Bernice Kelly and Sister Elnora Dyer. Remember, God is able!

With the theme, "Remembering Where We Came From," members of Bethel AME Church celebrated their Founders' Day Services. Members of Johnson Chapel AME Church of Amarillo, Texas were special guest. Their pastor, Rev. Phillip Randel, brought the sermon. They traveled to Lubbock via chartered bus.

Rev. Elliott C. Lambert is pastor of Bethel AME Church.

## New Book on Segregated School Shows Positive Influence on Students and Community



Chapel Hill, N.C.— African American schools in the segregated South faced enormous obstacles in educating their students. But some of these schools succeeded in providing nurturing environments despite the injustices of segregation, according to a new book.

In *Their Highest Potential. An African American School Community in the Segregated South* (University of North Carolina Press), Vanessa Siddle Walker focuses on one such school in rural North Carolina, the Caswell County Training School (CCTS), which operated from 1934 to 1969.

Walker herself attended CCTS until age nine; her mother taught at the school and her father was once president of the PTA. During her graduate school and teaching years, she says, "it was rare that anyone talked about segregation, and when they did they never suggested that anything good happened in the schools. I internalized the negative messages of the poor segregated schooling of African American children."

A trip to North Carolina in 1989 changed her mind. Talk was in the air about the anticipated closing of Dillard Junior High, the former CCTS. Walker was surprised to hear people expressing

fondness for their former segregated school and regret that it might be closed. That was the beginning of an investigation that sent her to rest homes, hotels, and corporate headquarters to speak with former students and teachers. She says, "They have been kind enough to go through file drawers, attics, and long-ignored boxes." She studied old yearbooks and interviewed 100 members of the school community.

There is no doubt that there was a blatant lack of equality in school facilities and resources in the segregated South. But to remember segregated schools by recalling only their poor resources presents a historically incomplete picture, says Walker.

In the case of CCTS, Walker focuses especially on the importance of dedicated teachers and the principal, N. L. Dillard, who believed their jobs extended well beyond the classroom, and on the community's parents, who worked hard to support the school.

According to Walker, the relationship between school and community was mutually dependent. Parents sacrificed financially to meet the school's needs, and teachers and administrators put in extra time for professional development, specialized student assistance, and home visits.

The result was a school that placed the needs of its students at the center of its mission, which was in turn shared by the community.

Although her book is about the role of one segregated school in its community, Walker

says that it is not an argument in favor of segregated education. Nor is it an argument to justify the inequities African American teachers and principals faced. Rather, Walker says, the book is about how to understand more fully a historical moment in the cycle of black education and to answer the question, "Why did some people value it so?"

Walker received her undergraduate degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and graduate education degrees from Harvard. She has taught in a variety of high school and college settings and is currently an associate professor at Emory University.

Her book is available in paperback for \$14.95 at bookstores or from the University of North Carolina Press.

Earlier this year, the Press also published *Schooling the New South: Pedagogy, Self, and Society in North Carolina, 1880-1920*, by James L. Leloudis. Focusing on an earlier period, Leloudis explores the wide-ranging social implications of the transition from old-fashioned common schools to modern graded schools in North Carolina.

He argues that the architects of the New South, by altering the way students were educated, hoped to instill in them a vision of life that valued individual ambition and enterprise above the family, church, and community.

His book is also available, for \$39.95 (hardcover), at bookstores or from the Press. Toll-free credit card orders: 1-800-848-6224.

## Fall in Love with an Exchange Student! Volunteer Host needed for International Exchange Students

This Valentine's Day is the perfect time to fall in love with an international exchange student! The SHARE! High School Exchange Program is seeking local volunteer families to host an exchange student from one of a variety of countries for the 2000/2001 school year. Students will begin arriving in early August, 2000. The program has already received Applications from students who want to participate in this exciting exchange experience

and who are anxiously awaiting host families.

The exchange students, all between the ages of 15 and 18 years, will live with host families and attend local high schools. They are carefully selected, speak English, have their own health insurance and spending money. Host families provide a bed and meals for their exchange student, as well as friendship, understanding, and a genuine desire to share the American way of life. All types of

families are digible to host: those with small children or teens, "empty nest" families or those with no children, retired couples, and single-parent families.

The Share! High School Exchange Program is sponsored by Educational Resource Development Trust (ERDT), a non-profit educational foundation that has been promoting intercultural exchange for 25 years. The local coordinator will provide information about

the SHARE! Program and will help families select a student with similar interests. Interested families are urged to call Yvette Coffman, Texas State Director, at 1-800-941-3738 or the ERDT Southwest Regional Office at 1-800-414-3738.



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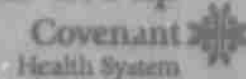
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# UAW- Genral Motors Presents Lubbock Athlete with a Brand NEW Car



Pictured from left: Calvin Williams, GM market area manager for Lubbock, hands over the keys of a brand new Pontiac Grand Prix to U.S. Olympic Decathlon Team hopeful Trafton Rodgers as Craig Nix, general sales manager for Frank Brown Auto & Truck Ranch, looks on.

Lubbock decathlete hits the road to success with new Pontiac Grand Am

LUBBOCK, Texas - Trafton Rodgers, a local U.S. Olympic Team hopeful from Lubbock, received the keys today to a brand new Pontiac Grand Prix from Frank Brown Auto and Truck Ranch. General Motors, in cooperation with the International Union, UAW, has developed a unique program called The Team Behind the

Team, where 100 U.S. Olympic Team hopefuls from around the nation were chosen to receive new GM vehicles.

General Motors, the exclusive domestic automotive sponsor of the U.S. Olympic Team, partnered with the UAW in this joint, innovative program to provide quality transportation to assist athletes and their families with travel to training and competitive events in preparation for the

upcoming Games in Sydney, Australia.

"Supporting our U.S. Olympic Team hopefuls is a good example of how UAW and GM reach out to people in communities across America," said Richard Shoemaker, UAW Vice President and Director of the UAW-GM Department.

Rodgers' event, the decathlon, consists of 10 track and field events that take place over a two day period. They include the 100-meter run, long jump, shot put, high jump, 400-meter run, 110-meter hurdles, discus, pole vault, javelin and 1500-meter run.

Rodgers is the defending champion of the U.S. National Championships for the Indoor Heptathlon, and a U.S. vs. Germany Visa Cup Champion. He is training full-time for the Olympic Trials with Coach Chris Beene, an assistant coach at Texas Tech University in Lubbock.

Along with his rigorous full-time training, Rodgers is a volunteer assistant coach at Texas Tech University and works part-time at

Sexton Enterprises in Lubbock. He learned his strong work ethic from his parents, who both worked for General Motors. He strives to be a role model for those who look up to him, and often gives motivational talks to children. He has two sons, 1 two-year-old Trevor and seven-year-old Demonte. The combination of working and training seven days a week does take its toll and Rodgers is actively pursuing corporate sponsorship to help him ease his load.

"I think a lot of people don't realize how hard it is to train for the Olympics," Rodgers said. "You have to make some sacrifices. I'm impressed and thankful that the UAW and GM decided to help athletes like me out with a new car."

An Athlete Advisory Panel made up of past Olympic legends including co-chairs Grant Hill and Dorothy Hamill chose the 100 athletes from a pool of 1800 applicants. The panel also includes track and field stars Evelyn Ashford, Carl Lewis and Bob Mathias, swimmer Pablo Morales and figure skater Kristi Yamaguchi. Selection was based on financial need, train-

ing and competition requirements and qualification of "hopeful" status.

"Through this partnership, we are pleased to support America's future Olympians by donating our vehicles — the pride of all GM employees," stated Gtry L. Cowger, GM Group Vice President, Labor Relations.

The UAW and GM have

made a significant commitment to the Olympic Movement through its support of U.S. Olympic Teams, 37 National Governing Bodies of Sport, the Salt Lake City Olympic Winter Games and NBC Olympic broadcasts through 2008. The Team Behind the Team program is part of GM's 10-year official sponsorship of the U.S. Olympic Team.



Trafton Rodgers, U.S. Olympic Decathlon Team hopeful leans on his brand new Pontiac Grand Prix from Frank Brown Auto & Truck Ranch in the UAW-GM Team Behind the Team program.

# Actor Steven Seagal Receives Humanitarian Award at Celebrity Tribute to Martin Luther King



1 to r, Steven Seagal, Rev. Alfredie Johnson (Founder of World Literacy Crusade), Leah Remini (King of Queens) and Billy Preston, spoke and performed at the 8th annual World Literacy Crusade tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. World Literacy Crusade is a national inner city literacy program utilizing the Study Technology of L. Ron Hubbard.

LOS ANGELES - The World Literacy Crusade (WLC) celebrated its 8th Anniversary on Saturday January 15th, 2000 at the Wilshire Ebell Theater with its Annual Celebrity Salute to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The benefit tribute was co-chaired by actress Leah Remini of CBS-primetime The King of Queens fame and actor and writer Richard Lawson. The WLC's Spirit of the Community Award was presented to actor and musician Steven Seagal for his dedicated, humanitarian efforts for native Americans.

The benefit, a spiritual event with music performed by gospel and R&B greets like Jonathan Butler, Michael Speaks and Rev. Calvin B. Rhone and readings from Dr. King's works by artists including Dawnn Lewis

(A Different World) and Nancy Cartwright (voice of Bart Simpson), featured Seagal as guitarist and singer in several of the musical numbers. Over 1000 celebrities, sponsors and guests attended the event, which was put on by WLC to honor Dr. King's work for human rights and his effort to end pain and suffering. "History reveals that education is one of the most productive and effective vehicles for African-American achievement and advancement," said Isaac Hayes, international spokesperson for the World Literacy Crusade. "Martin Luther King, Jr.'s dream of freedom and equal opportunity for all races is now possible through the efforts of the World Literacy Crusade and the use of the effective study technology of L. Ron Hubbard."

According to the National Center for Education and Statistics, there is an intimate connection between criminality and functional illiteracy. Of all people criminally convicted, 42% have less than high school level education, while college graduates only make up 7 % of those convicted.

Rev. Alfredie Johnson, Jr. founded the WLC in the aftermath of the Los Angeles civil uprising in 1992. The purpose of the program is to address the illiteracy, poverty and hopelessness underlying such civil unrest. Through a concerted effort of local ministers, community leaders and volunteer tutors, inner city youth and adults are taught the fundamentals of literacy, utilizing the groundbreaking educational materials known as Study

Technology. "With the application of this technology we are living 'the dream' through literacy," said Hayes.

Researched and developed over a period of four decades by author and humanitarian L. Ron Hubbard, the result of learning and applying Study Technology is an individual capable of overcoming any barriers to learning. This enables him to fully comprehend any subject he chooses to learn, opening all avenues for a productive and fulfilling life.

The WLC has literacy projects operating in inner cities across the US, in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, England, Greece and a new project is in the process of being set up in Ghana, West Africa and the funds raised with the event will help to set up more centers around the world.

# It's Time for Black Folks to Stand Up and Be Counted

By Hanadi El Bashir

(NNPA) — It is time to stand up and be counted for the 2000 U.S. Census. Once every 10 years, Americans are required to fill out a questionnaire and return it to the Census Bureau. Census Day is April 1.

The information from the questionnaires is used to determine household compositions and to establish populations for apportionment and redistricting purposes. At stake in the once-a-decade population count is approximately \$185 billion in federal aid distributed by the federal government to states, cities and local communities, as well as the redrawing of congressional district lines according to new population data. An accurate count is key to distributing federal dollars to people who need the money most.

According to the officials at the Bureau, the 1990

census missed approximately 4 million people. African Americans and Latinos, whose undercount was about 5 percent greater than Whites, were disproportionately affected.

"In the 1990 Census fiasco, millions of dollars were lost," said Hilary Shelton, director of the National Bureau of the NAACP. "In the Richmond, Virginia public school system, for example, 11,000 students were not counted. This meant that \$11 million was lost to Richmond schools. At an average of \$2.5 million for a new school building, the school system took a tremendous loss."

For a variety of reasons, the percentage of households returning census forms has declined from 85 percent in 1970 to 75 percent in 1980 and 65 percent in 1990. In an effort to get more Americans to fill out

and mail in their questionnaires, the Bureau initiated a \$167-million advertising campaign in television, radio and print media, which began in November, with a special appeal to Latinos, African Americans, and Native Americans. The pitch is that participation in the census gives people a voice and a better chance of receiving government dollars and programs, which are apportioned on the basis of population. The slogan is "Answer The Census, We're Counting On You."

"The primary reasons Black people might be underrepresented in the census are that there are not enough enumerators being sent to those communities; and that the enumerators that are sent out might not be familiar enough with the

neighborhoods," said Shelton.

"Another reason could be that some poor Blacks are dependent upon federal aid, and if they complete the forms incorrectly or not according to federal standards, their benefits could be diminished [so] they do not want to give up that information. They need to be assured that their census information will remain confidential.

"Enumerators also need to make clear to each household what is at stake, the importance of giving up that vital information, and to address concerns regarding confidentiality," he said.

Other issues of concern for the African-American community and other minorities include "sampling" and race identification, which will also

profoundly affect the results of Census 2000 and may call into question the accuracy of the data.

Census questionnaires will be mailed a week prior to April 1. Census-takers began visiting housing units and remote areas to drop off and pick up forms in January and will continue until May. In mid-March, most households (83 percent) will receive a short form that takes about 10 minutes to complete; the rest of the population (17 percent) will receive longer forms that take about 38

minutes. From mid-April to early July, census takers will visit households that did not return census forms. The Bureau wants as many surveys returned by mail as possible because the agency's biggest expense is paying the hundreds of thousands of people who go out in search of those who do not respond. The results are due to the President on Dec. 31. The U.S. House of Representatives is then reapportioned among the nation based on census population statistics.

# OBITUARY

MRS. KATIE MAE JOHNSON

Funeral services for Mrs. Katie Mae Johnson were held Friday February 11, 2000, at the New Hope Baptist Church with Rev. Billy R. Moton, pastor, officiating.

Interment was held in Peaceful Gardens in Woodrow, Texas under the directions of Brock's South Plains Funeral Director.

She was born Katie Mae McDonald on May 1, 1905 in Frankston, Texas, to the parentage of Sam McDonald and Melissa Jones. She was one of six children, all preceded her in death.

She was reared and educated in Frankston, and accepted

Christ at an early age.

She met and married Willie Johnson. No children were born to this union. He preceded her in death.

Mrs. Johnson moved to West Texas in the 1930's, and was employed as a domestic worker. She worked until her health began to fail her, and retired in 1979.

After moving to Lubbock, Texas, Mrs. Johnson united with the New Hope Baptist Church, and remained a faithful member until her passing. She loved to cook and enjoyed spending quality time with her family.

Mrs. Johnson passed away Tuesday, February 8, 2000.

She leaves to cherish her memories her great niece whom she raised, Carolyn Denise Jordan of Lubbock, Texas; a devoted nephew, Henry High; a stepson, Sherman Johnson; several step grandchildren, a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives, and many friends.

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## THIS N THAT

**SHORTAGE OF HEAD COUNTERS!** THIS N THAT would like to remind us in the AFRICAN AMERICAN that WE MUST be counted. Therefore with a SHORTAGE of HEAD COUNTERS for the upcoming CENSUS COUNT More than 2,000 PEOPLE are needed in the Lubbock area and at this report TEMPORARY HELP at over \$9.00 per hour is hard to come by So why not think of being a HEAD COUNTER.

**BLACK CHAMBER HOLDS OPEN HOUSE!** THIS N THAT and many other business persons were present for the RIBBON CUTTING for the OPEN HOUSE of the Lubbock Black Chamber of Commerce located at 1700 Parkway Drive last Friday February 18, 2000 It was good to see and hear from the founder of the Black Chamber EDDIE P. RICHARDSON who was delighted with this new location Now the LUBBOCK BLACK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE has its own office and it is even been said that the CANYON LAKES CREDIT UNION will lodge in the same building. Now this is the beginning of ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT in the BLACK COMMUNITY What a difference A NEW CENTURY can make CONGRATS LUBBOCK BLACK CHAMBER

**BLACK HISTORY PARADE WAS A SUCCESS!** THIS N THAT also says CONGRATS to the LUBBOCK BLACK CHAMBER for the SUCCESS of their annual BLACK HISTORY PARADE during Black History Month In the parade we were GO HART VEHICLES HORSEBACK RIDERS various FLOATS and many other vehicles and other organizations including a decorated car by DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC CORNELIA ABANOBI who was chosen as MISS-BLACK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE" was also in a decorated vehicle It was a LARGE PARADE and with the POSITIVE INPUT which is being heard-in the BLACK COMMUNITY THIS WAS A GREAT EVENT! Congrats to the coordinator of the event DWIGHT PIERCE.

**GOOD CHOICE!** THIS N THAT seconds the motion on the couple who was chosen as the PARADE MARSHALS of this years BLACK HISTORY PARADE They were OCTAVIA r. j. gives local business persons and owners of GIVENS REAL ESTATE This was a VERY GOOD CHOICE!

**WOULDN'T A MCDONALD GO WELL IN EAST LUBBOCK?** THIS N THAT has been asked this question "WOULDN'T A MCDONALD'S GO WELL IN EAST LUBBOCK? Sure and any other kind of restaurant would do well because the CITIZENS of East Lubbock have a different kind of WEALTH It is called . LOYALTY WEALTH and it GROWS So YES MCDONALD'S and others would go well EAST LUBBOCK. Let's keep this out in the community of Lubbock and if we really believe something will happen

**PENNY HASTINGS THE BARBER SAYS:** "PARENTS ..who are afraid to put THEIR FOOT DOWN USUALLY HAVE CHILDREN who step on THEIR TOES"

## Letter To the Editor

Dear Eddie Richardson, American Youth Abroad (AYA) is a not-for-profit program sponsored by the American Institute For Foreign Study Foundation. This program is a great way for Lubbock students to travel overseas for a summer or winter, or a semester or an entire academic year (see attached for complete listings). We would greatly appreciate your printing this press release in Southwest Digest. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

### Exciting study abroad opportunities now available to Lubbock students

**STAMFORD, Conn.-** The internet has been instrumental in bringing global communities together, but experiencing a new culture first-hand is still the most gratifying. What does it feel like to be immersed in a foreign culture? To speak a foreign language outside of the classroom? Or more importantly, to return to Lubbock after a summer, semester or year abroad, exhilarated by the knowledge you've gained?

American Youth Abroad (AYA) helps high school students find the answers to these questions and more in its new 2000 Brochure, with study abroad opportunities in Austria, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, England, France, Germany, Holland/the Netherlands, Russia and Spain. There are more than 25 study abroad programs; costs range from \$1,995 to \$7,795.

AYA is a not-for-profit program sponsored by the American Institute of Foreign Study Foundation, which is based in Stamford, Conn. For nearly 35 years, AIFS has been a leader in study abroad programs for American and international students. Close to one million students and teachers have participated in AIFS programs all over the world, with great success.

Students who choose to study abroad are not the only ones who benefit. By hosting an AIFS Academic Year in America international student, Lubbock families can earn up to \$1,000 towards exciting study abroad programs or up to \$500 on summer or winter travel/study programs. In this way, students and individual families can experience all the unique aspects of a different culture.

The chance to study abroad gives high school students an added edge; the knowledge they gain will put them ahead whether it's in college, in a career, or in cultivating a broader understanding of the world we live in. To receive the new AYA 2000 Brochure, call Andrea Baskinger at 1-800-322-4678, ext. 5164, or send your request via e-mail to abaskinge@aifs.com. You can also visit AYA online at [www.academicyear.org](http://www.academicyear.org). The deadline to apply is April 15, 2000 so don't wait!

# Our Focus is African American Missionaries

By Marilyn Lewis

Every February, the African American communities have honored their achiever. As the celebrations occur, it is a known fact that the month is "too short" to focus upon every achiever. Since the first African arrived here almost five hundred years ago, it is not surprising that this community have achiever in all areas of life. No other minority group can attest to such a lengthy and notable list of people who have helped to make American great.

However, there is an area of the African American community that has been solely neglected. That is, the history and achievements of the African American on the mission field. Who were the African Americans who left the shores of America and served in the evangelization of the world? Why did they

leave this country? What were/are their names and their achievements?

According to studies, missionary interest started in the African American communities during the Revolutionary War era. The first Africans were self-supporting and left the shores of America to "spread the Gospel". Eventually these missionaries were instrumental in establishing churches, schools and mission stations in the West Indies, Africa, Canada and South America. These African Americans continued their service despite racism, discrimination and segregation.

This February we are asking all churches to focus upon the African American missionary. The focus should include mission-awareness activities that involve the entire con-

gregation. This can include praying for missionaries and asking God to send more workers; posting missionary information on the bulletin boards; contacting missionary organizations, ascertaining and providing for the needs of the missionaries; inviting missionaries to speak to the entire congregation and attending classes to acquire more mission awareness information.

Today there are approximately 90 active, career African American missionaries on the field serving on major continents: Europe, Asia, Africa and South America. Private individuals, church groups, and organizations support these missionaries. They serve overseas in areas of transportation, communications, education and in the medical health fields. They are airplane pilots, bus dri-

vers, video specialists, teachers, ministers, curriculum writers advisors and consultants. Many live in rural areas and some live in the major urban areas of the countries.

The majority of the career African American missionaries generally serve for seven years and almost all of the missionaries have established lasting relationships with the people they serve.

So, this February focus on the African American missionary. The neglected portion of church history that many Americans know very little about. To assist in this endeavor, the U. S. Center for World Mission is featuring the African American as its focus for February in its magazine, *Mission Frontiers*. The articles will portray what God is doing on the mission field through

the lives of the African Americans. The fifty-page plus magazine is filled with information about the histories of African Americans in mission; mission strategies; mission minded churches; and testimonials by active and inactive missionaries.

*Mission Frontiers* is a publication of U. S. Center for World Mission which was founded in 1976. Its purpose is to assist in the goal of world evangelization. The Center is located in Pasadena on a thirty-five acre campus geared towards the task of

providing training, services, and teachings about mission. The idea to focus upon the African American missionary is a project of Mobilization Department—African American Center. The magazine is offered without cost to any church interested in the publication, however, if one desires to donate, donations are accepted.

Let us become involved in this Black History Month by focusing upon the African American missionary. Call 626-792-7836 for your copies.

## Enough Is Enough, Too Much Stinks!

By Eddie P. Richardson



Within a three month span, we have lost two senior citizen Black men, both friendly and neighborly persons. That makes them easy prey for unsavory prey. This writer can identify with this kind of culture, because this

writer has been guilty of harboring strays, opening my door, and trying to be a friend and people who have no one else who will or would help them.

But guess what, this writer will no longer do so I will be aware of evil doings, because stuff they use have no morals or consciousness. So it makes it almost impossible to be human or friendly if you are a senior citizen and want your life extended. At this time in life, time one has left, no matter how short or long it may be, it is precious.

The Neighborhood, City, County, State, Nation and the World are tired, and saying "Enough

Is Enough and Too Much Stinks! These punks, male or female, must be handled to the maximum by the justice officials with no slack given. Enough Is Enough and communities and neighborhoods must become involved and report all suspicious acts in their neighborhoods and become active in their neighborhood association and neighborhood watch. If you do not have one then organize one today!

Watch out for your senior citizens, and keep an eye on those they are friendly with during these times. This could save their life.

Nuff Sed!

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

February 10th City Council Chambers 1625 13th Street, Lubbock, Texas 79401, 11:05 a.m. To consider distribution of Community and Services Block Grant Funds for FY 2000.

For Further Information contact the City of Lubbock Community Development Department at 775-2301.

City of Lubbock Public Hearings are available to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance please contact the City Secretary's office at 775-2025 or write Post Office Box 2000, Lubbock, Texas 79457 at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

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# Philip Morris and National Urban League Celebrate 50 Years Partnership

Philip Morris donates \$120,000 to National Urban League to further social and economic goals



National Urban League CEO Hugh Price (second from right) receives a \$ 120,000 grant from Edna Moore (left) Director, Public Affairs, Philip Morris Management Corp., George Lewis, CEO, Philip Morris Capital Corp., and Tina Walls, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, Miller Brewing Company.

NEW YORK, February 9, 2000 — Philip Morris continued its 50 years of support of the National Urban League by donating \$120,000 at a meeting at the National Urban League headquarters in New York City. The NUL is a prominent social service and civil rights organization in America, assisting African-Americans in the achievement of social and economic equality.

The Philip Morris family of companies has given the NUL more than 148 grants, totaling more than \$3.1 million, to support a wide variety of programs and activities including the league's summer jobs initiative and its public service campaign. Philip Morris Capital Corporation

President and CEO George R. Lewis said, "During the last half-century, the Philip Morris Family of Companies and the National Urban League have worked together to widen opportunities and ensure equal treatment for all Americans. We continue to share the National Urban League's commitment to freedom and equality."

For more than five decades, Philip Morris has been a strong supporter of civil rights and advocacy organizations like the National Urban League, and has forged and maintains ties with many African-American organizations to further educational excellence, cultural understanding and equal opportunity.

## Thank You, Lubbock!

The Lincoln Douglas Tea was a great success, because of the hard work that went into this effort from some of the association people. Sandra Dniley did a beautiful job in coordinating the program as chair person. We had some good talent on the program and we Thank You very much, Ella Sanders, Minnie Burton, Elard Devenport, students from Dunbar and most of all. We want to Thank our sponsors Mr. Crane of Coop Oil Mill, Rhonda Burrows and the city we Thank You. Our Councilman T.J. Patterson did a beautiful job in helping us and Thank again T.J. this will be an annual affair and we look forward to seeing the great number of people there next year 2001 that we had this year 2000, the beginning of the new millennium and a new century. Thanks again, one and All!

Emma Jackson, president, Dunbar/Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association.

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## Lubbock Author To Sign Book February 27th

LUBBOCK - In conjunction with Black History Month, the Friends of the University Library/Southwest Collection will present a new book, "Remember When? A History of African Americans in Lubbock, Texas."

Compiled by Lubbock volunteer and civic leader Katie Parks, the 300-page text chronicles the heritage of African-Americans with respect to the development of Lubbock and Texas. The work, a collaboration between members of the African-American community in Lubbock, is dedicated to the memory of early African-American settlers and their descendants.

A reception and book signing for Parks is scheduled 2-4 p.m. Sunday (Feb. 27) in the Form by Room of the Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library. The event is free and open to the general public. The book, which contains historical photos from the Southwest Collection/Special Collections Library, also received support from the Lubbock Arts Alliance and the Roots Historical Arts Council.

"My objective in writing the book focused on motivating young people to stay in Lubbock after earning their university degrees," said Katie Parks. "So many young, professional African-Americans leave our community, and I want them to know that by staying in Lubbock they are following a long tradition of successful African-Americans who realize West Texas is a wonderful place to start a career and have a balanced life."

According to Parks, the book was also a response to negative comments from city officials about African-Americans, which were printed in the newspaper during the early 1920s.

"I don't have animosity for the tensions that existed early in Lubbock's history, however, I do feel it's important for younger generations to be knowledgeable about the many accomplishments of early Lubbock African-Americans," she said.

Alwyn Barr, a Texas Tech history professor who wrote the book's foreword said, "Readers will no doubt join the authors in a sense of pride while recalling or discovering the efforts and achievements of

black individuals and groups over the years."

The book documents African-American pioneers, early settlers and workers in a range of jobs, along with the names and photos of leaders who worked for advances on many fronts. Similarly, business people, educators, and individuals in the medical and legal professions appear as related to their service to the African-American community.

The efforts of churches to provide religious support and community leadership are described, along with many of the cultural activities that contributed to the social life of African Americans and other groups living in Lubbock.

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City of Lubbock will hold a public hearing Thursday February 24, 2000 at 11:15 a.m. at City Hall 1625 1/3rd Street in the Council Chambers. This hearing will allow for citizen comments on the following items:

- Recommendation by the Community Development Services Board for the following:
  - Consider an Optional Relocation Policy to be revised into the City's Consolidated Plan and 1999 Annual Action Plan
  - Reallocation of \$300,000 HOME block grant funds to the City Housing Rehabilitation Program.
  - Reallocation of \$300,000 Community Development Block Grant funds from City Housing Rehabilitation program to City Optional Relocation program.

Allow a request by the Lubbock Housing Authority to change the use of \$141,000 received in 1998, and \$141,000 from 1999 from demolition to rehabilitation.

Reallocation of \$325,000 Community Development Block Grant funds to the following projects:

- City Parks and Recreation Rodgers Swimming Pool Renovation \$225,000
- Lubbock Boy's and Girl's Clubs Theodore Phea Parking Lot \$ 35,000
- Teen Publications Building Acquisition \$ 30,000
- Lubbock Habitat Infrastructure \$ 25,000
- Community Development Administration Training & Travel \$ 10,000

For further information you may contact the Community Development Department at 775-2301. This hearing is open to all persons regardless of disability. If you require assistance please contact the Community Development Department at 775-2301, or write to Community Development Department P.O. Box 2000, Lubbock, Texas 79457, at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting.

## CHOIR REHEARSALS

A mass choir is being assembled to minister through music at the Franklin Graham Festival each night, April 28-30, 2000. No audition is required. Anyone age 14 and older wishing to sing in the choir is welcome to attend the rehearsals. Attending the rehearsals does not obligate you to sing at the Festival.

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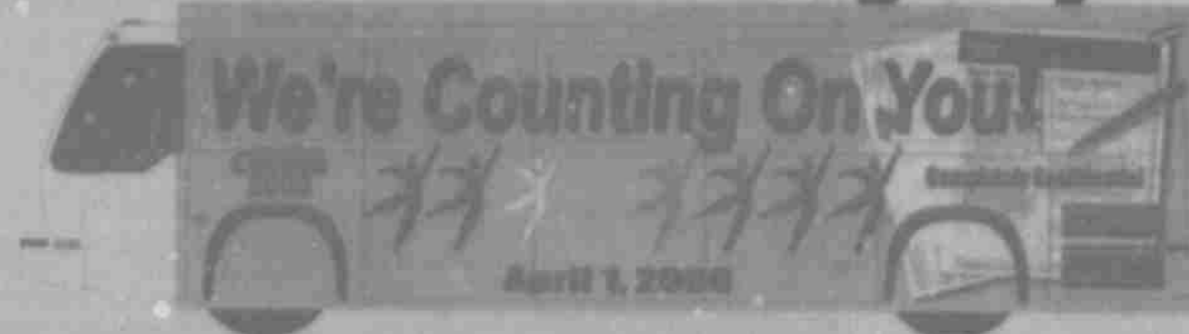
Thursday, April 6th 7:00-9:30 PM  
Calvary Baptist Church 5301 82 St. Lubbock, TX 79424

Friday, April 7th, 7:00-9:00 PM  
Temple Emmanuel Assembly of God 4201 Ave. J Lubbock, TX 79405

Saturday, April 8th, 10:00 AM- Noon  
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For information about the City's Census efforts, please call 775-2105, or for a census presentation, please call the City's Speaker Bureau at 775-2095. Visit the City's Census website at www.ci.lubbock.tx.us/census. A message from the City of Lubbock Complete Count Committee.





# CHURCH DIRECTORY



## IN JESUS NAME

### "Same - Same - Same!!!"

Part 2: Revelation 2: 11a. Jesus said, He that hath an ear, let him hear what the spirit saith unto the churches.

With the world dying around us: we're in the last and evil days: many churches are busy with: musical, car washes, and Bingo: money they raise.

Mark 7: 6,7, Jesus said, well hath E-sia as prophesied of you hypocrites, as it is written, this people honoureth me with their lips, but their hearts is far from me. Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

Many churches say March on abortion clinics; breaking laws is Ok; they're the church of the Devil; follow Jesus: he said I am the way!!!

Matthew 5:9, Jesus said, Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the children of God.

(There is a difference in God's children; the Devil's children are trouble makers. They march on abortion clinics; and draw the police, when they could be some where else keeping the peace! Being ignorant of the world of God; and say: Thy shalt not kill; the world thou (means you or your). In Psalm 23: 4, read, for you art with me; your rod and your staff they comfort me, then they turn and kill the abortion doctors; saying they're trying to save a life: but won't march on the liquor stores: somebody is a fool! Not knowing that everyday someone died because of alcohol. All souls belong to God; but that is not the work of God. Jesus said: go into the world and preach; the good news, of the cross of Christ).

\*\*\*\*\* Will Marches Rob God? \*\*\*\*\*

Matthew 13:30, Jesus said, let both (wheat and tares) grow together until the harvest; and in the time of the harvest I will say to the reapers, gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

Many churches let in sin, if they pay their tithes; that is the main thing; and they know its a disgrace to God's name; Shame, Shame, Shame!!!

1 Roman 1:18, for the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness.

Many churches say: we need a praying christian president; but God gave us Jesus; King of Kings; He has already been sent. And in running for President: one must be very good Lyer!!!

Psalm 40: 4, Blessed that man that maketh the Lord his trust, and respecteth not the Proud, nor such as turn aside to lies.

Churches say they have a storehouse; but never have anything to give away; The grate preachers are pocketing it; that's the storehouse today. Isaiah 55:8, for my thought are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord.

There is a dying world around us; time out for playing church; we must be about God's business; Preach the truth: even if it hurts!!!

1 Peter 4,17, for the time is coming that judgement must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them obey not the gospel of God?

God is not though with us yet so let pray for one another always. Written by Evangelist Billy B.J. Morrison, III Your Brother in Christ Jesus!!!



from the Desk of Parson D.A. Smith

### "A Great and Good God"

The sun tells us that God is great and good. The potato and tomato also tells us that. Phil says there is no excuse for anyone who does not perceive God's power and divinity through the things that are made. The Bible tells us more, but even without it we would know that God is great and good.

Those who have not been "born again" sneer at this. "If God is great and good, why is there so much bad in the world? Is it because He does not care? Or is it because He cannot do anything about it?"

To the Christian it is none of the above. God knows, He cares, and He can do what seems good to Him. Then why is evil in the world? It is in our world because men and women do wrong. It is seen in Genesis 3:17, 18 that until man sinned was he troubled with thorns and thistles. Without any specific statement of Scripture, it seems safe to conclude that man was not devoured by man-eating tigers or infected by mosquitoes till he sinned. Scientifically speaking, we cannot trace a protest by which man's sin results in earthquakes or tornado, but that does not prove there is no such. Perhaps the processes we cannot trace are more numerous than those we can. Who can tell all about how sunlight, soil, water, and air are transformed into a tomato or a potato?

What a wonderful world this would be if God could count on us as well as we can confidently count on Him. Believe it or not, there are some people who do not want

to know God. God can count on them to be His enemies. There are some that say, "Lord, Lord," but do not do what He Lord tells them to do (Matthew 7:21-23). They do not want to serve Him; they want Him to serve them. There are some who are delighted with the promise of salvation and who begin to serve the Lord with enthusiastic love, but in time they depart from that first love and no longer can be counted on for faithful service.

There are complacent church members. Quite satisfied with things are they are, but the Lord is far from satisfied with them. Then there are some that God can count on, some that give Him first place regardless of cost, some that are faithful unto death.

The question that "de ole parson" is ask you is "where do you fit in?" Surely you are not among the haters of God. You would not read this column if you were. Are you one who gives lip service rather than real obedience? Have you left your first love and eager working? Are you complacently satisfied with yourself? Or are you one of those who "wait upon the Lord?"

I encourage you to heed Revelation 2:10 "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." God is great and good and you can count on Him. However, He needs to be able to count on you. In John's prophetic vision it is written "whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." We can count on that.

## THE OUTREACH PRAYER BREAKFAST

Are you thinking on our children, and the school system? So are the members of the Outreach Prayer Breakfast. We pray: Father, we thank you of the entrance of your word which brings light. Thank you for watching over your word to perform it. Father, we bring before you the school system, and our children as well as those men and women who are in position of authority within the school system. We pray that skillful and Godly wisdom will enter their hearts, and that your knowledge is presented to them. Continue to watch over them. With your understanding, let's keep them and deliver them from the way of evil and from evil men. We pray men and women of integrity, blamelessness, and complete in your sight will remain in these positions, but that the wicked be cut off and the treacherous be rooted out in the name of Jesus. Father, we thank you for being again and spirit filled people in these positions.

As parents, let's train our children in the way they should go, and when they are old, they shall not depart from it. May our children shrink from whatever might offend You, Lord, and discredit the name of Jesus. May our children grow to show themselves, to be guilty, innocent, blameless, uncontaminated children of God without blemish. In the midst of a crooked and wicked generation. Thank you, Father, for you have given them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom, and bring them into favor with those around them.

Father, we pray and intercede that these young people, their parents and leaders in the school system will separate themselves from contact with contaminating and corrupting influences, and they will cleanse themselves from everything that would contaminate and defile their spirits, souls and bodies. We confess they (children) shun immorality and all sexual looseness, flee from impurity in thought, word or deed. We pray they may live and conduct themselves honorably and becomingly as You would have them. We confess and believe that they shun youthful lust and flee from them in the name of Jesus.

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"Satan", we speak to you in the name of Jesus. We bind you, the principalities, the powers, the rulers of darkness, and wicked spirit in heavenly places

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and tear down strong holes using the mighty weapons God has provided for us in the name of Jesus. We bind up that binding spirit of the occult, astrology, witchcraft, and every familiar spirit. We bind up sexual immorality, obscenity, alcohol, nicotine, and drug addiction. We bind worldly wisdom in any form, every opposer to the truth. We bind every destructive, deceitful and thieving spirit, you are loosed from your assignment against God's people. In the name of Jesus, for they escape from the snares of the devil who has held them captive.

are a delivering God. Thank You that the good news of the Gospel is published throughout our school system. Thank you for intercessors to stand on your word and for laborers of the harvest to preach your word in Jesus' Name. Praise the Lord! Amen.

We commission the ministering spirits to go forth and police the area dispelling the forces of darkness. We thank you Father, for you

Thank you for reading!  
Are you hurting? If so read: II Chronicles 7:14, Mark 11:22-26 and Mark 16:17-20. Keep praying and reading your Bible. It will make a believer out of you.

Sister Dorothy Hood, president; Sister Christeue Burleson, vice president; Sister Ernestine Fraizer, secretary; and Sister Elnora Jones, acting secretary.

Come! join us as we sing for joy to the Lord; help us shout aloud to the rock of our salvation.

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Sister Bessie Cox, president, says, "We're just glad to be a part of the work at Parkway Manor Care Center. What a joy it is to do God's work."

Wouldn't it be a blessing if every Missionary Society would get

involved and become a regular visitor at Parkway Manor Care Center, 114 Cherry Avenue. If you are interested, give us a call at 765-8608. You'll be glad you did make that call.

Friday morning, February 4, 2000, at 11:00 a. m., Sister Elurd Devenport, a Missionary Sister of Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, delivered a dynamic speech on Black History. A retired teacher in the Lubbock Public Schools, Sister Devenport spoke in a manner in which all residents related to what she was talking about. Even the residents who do not talk much were

seen communicating and reacting to what was going on. Thank God!

Thank you, Sister Devenport! We surely enjoyed you.

February 21, 2000 was the birthday of Sherry Smallwood who has been employed at Parkway Manor Care Center for three years. She is an excellent housekeeper.

We love you, Sherry!

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