

MRS. KATHERYN B. JONES
(Mother Dear)

"Who can find a virtuous woman? For her price is far above rubies. She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy. She openeth her mouth with wisdom; and in her tongue is the law of kindness. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in the gates."

Proverbs 31:10,20,26,31

Lovingly
Katheryn Jones, affectionately known as "Mother Dear" to all the many she has known and helped during her life time. If there was a job to be done to help her church, her community, those who were poor, sick or rich, Mrs. Jones was willing to give of her time and energy helping.

Mrs. Jones moved to Champaign-Urbana with her husband, Edward E. Jones, in 1941. Soon after moving to the Champaign-Urbana area she became involved in community activities. She joined Salem Baptist Church and *soon* ~~almost immediately~~ started to work with the young children. Mrs. Jones worked with the Sunshine Choir and helped to provide them with robes. You could find her on Sunday mornings helping the Primary Sunday School class. In the summer she would go from door to door recruiting neighborhood children to come to Salem's Vacation Bible School. She also helped with the Salem Pre-School.

Recognizing an injustice against Blacks, she spearheaded a boycott against the Meadow Gold Ice Cream Parlor. Blacks bought ice cream in that business ~~establishment~~ but they had to take it

elsewhere to eat.

She ^{also} learned that it was hard for Black students to find a place to live on the campus of the University of Illinois in the forties. She and Mr. Jones, now ~~d~~ceased, firmly believed that education could make a difference in the lives of Blacks. They opened their home to provide a place for many students to call their home away from home. The relationships that formed back then are still strong today. Her home also became a haven for young Airmen. Mr. Jones, was an instructor at Chanute Air Force Base and was always inviting homesick, lonesome, airmen home for Sunday Dinner.

In the early fifties, Mrs. Jones saw another need, and that was the children who needed a foster home. This was a central Illinois effort. There are many men and women today who look back and thank Mrs. Jones for the love and affection they found in her home.

During the years when many organizations were forming to help Blacks achieve equality, Mrs. Jones gave many long hours helping to plan, organize and recruit members. Among these organizations were the Concerned Citizens Committee (CCC), The Progress Association for Economic Development (PAED), Community Advocacy Depot (CAD), The Economic Opportunity Committee (EOC) and others.

In the late sixties the Educational Opportunities Program at the University of Illinois (Project 500) was on the horizon. Mrs. Jones, a leader in the Concerned Citizen Committee met with the University admissions officers and others to try to ensure a smooth

transition for the community students. In addition, she spent many hours with the admissions personnel going through applications from community youth. She provided additional information to ensure that each applicant had a fair chance for consideration.

She was "Mother" and advisor to the University Pal Program director, who had little experience in this type of endeavor. She helped to bridge the gap, ~~in many instances~~ between the University students ~~and~~ the community children served.

She gained experience working with Project Summer Thing, a summer educational and tutoring program for community students in the late sixties and early seventies. Using this experience, Mrs. Jones worked with other Senior Citizens as an aid and advisor to classroom teachers in the Champaign schools.

She has also been active with the Girl Scouts, Senior Citizens Group and a member of the National Black Child Development Group.

Although her steps are slower and her eye sight is not as sharp as it used to be, Mrs. Jones still has a prayer and encouraging word for others.

February 1994

cause of *of the* She also gained the letter "Solid Rock"
 An essay written by my daughter (Dana) on ~~which~~ she received an "A"
 Her courage, unyielding strength and deep faith in God have inspired not only me but others in her day and in ~~the~~ generations to come.
 Mother Dear, on behalf of the Women's class we would like to present you with these Rocks

Salem Baptist Church: beacon light for 112 years

by Rev. Wilford Stevenson

Grove Street Church of God in Christ

"Our basic mission is soul saving." Deacon Taylor said.

"And we are still working at it hard." added Rev. Donaldson.

These words describe the main mission at Salem Baptist Church, 500 E. Park Street, Champaign, Illinois, where the Rev. W. Howe Donaldson is the pastor. Though advancing physically is important, the primary emphasis of the church is on spiritual development. As expressed in the words of Deacon Taylor, "We have adopted a policy of more spiritual growth."

In 1976 Salem Baptist Church celebrated its 110 year in existence in Champaign-Urbana. Salem started in late 1866 and early 1867 when a small group of people recognized a need to organize a church body. At this time, there was a "Council of Recognition" made up of selected members of various churches in the area. It was before this council that these people met at the Old Coffee Place, 406 East Park Street, Champaign, to organize the Second Baptist Missionary Church, later known as Salem Baptist Church.

Rev. Donaldson started pastoring Salem on June 20, 1949. He resigned the pastorate at Salem to go to pastor Zion Baptist Church, Peoria, Illinois, on July 1, 1953. After an absence of 15½ years Rev. Donaldson returned to Salem to complete the work that the Lord had ordained for him to fulfill.

Today, Rev. Donaldson teaches and preaches love and unity at Salem. Recently, Rev. Donaldson's mess-

ages have been based almost solely on the unity and cooperation of the church body at Salem. He has been teaching and preaching to the members to love one another. According to Mrs. Veola Tinsley, the church clerk, he, "...preached two months straight on love." "I am going to continue," he said, "until you start loving one another."

Since his return to Salem in December, 1968, Rev. Donaldson has ordained deacons, licensed members to preach and has brought many members into the Christian family at Salem. Rev. Donaldson says, "When God moves, nothing can hinder it."

At Salem emphasis is placed on teaching ministry. Salem has the Helen D. Johnson Preschool Day Nursery and, according to Sister Veola Tinsley, Salem has Rev. Donaldson's "inspiring" hospital visitation ministry. Brother Theotto Bowles, who is responsible for the entire church grounds and physical property--inside and out, including the church bus--said of Rev. Donaldson, "He has been an asset in his second coming." In the foreword of the 110th year anniversary booklet, Pastor Donaldson wrote:

Today I join with the officer and members in thanksgiving and praise to our heavenly Father for privelege of being affiliated with an institution that has stood as a beacon light in the cities of Champaign-Urbana, pointing weary travelers to the way of life.

Accoring to Rev. Donaldson and the members of Salem, they want to continue that mission today.



Rev. W. Howe Donaldson

Chances Are...

*If it's important
to the black
community,
you'll read
about it in
the Spectrum*

Subscribe Today!

Freewill

New Pastor At Freewill Baptist Church

Morning Star Freewill Baptist Church has selected the Rev. Henry Embry from Toledo, Ohio as its' new minister. The Freewill pulpit has

moving to the C-U area within the next few weeks. Johnson said Embry would commute for Sunday service until moving arrangements were

NY Times 11/25/02

The Rev. L. V. Booth, 83, Baptist Leader

The Rev. L. Venchael Booth, who had a major role in the founding of the 2.5 million-member Progressive National Baptist Convention Inc., a black denomination based in Washington, died on Nov. 16 at the home of a daughter in Memphis, where he was living. He was 83.

Mr. Booth was his convention's president in the early 1970's.

The denomination, which had the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. as an early member, was formed in 1961 after Mr. Booth split with another African-American denomination, the National Baptist Convention U.S.A. Inc. Among the issues in the split, his son the Rev. Dr. William D. Booth said in an interview, was a lack of term limits for the presidents of conventions, which inhibited the rise of younger leaders.

The founding meeting of the progressive Baptist group was in Cincinnati at the Zion Baptist Church, where Mr. Booth was pastor for three decades. He was also was the University of Cincinnati's first black trustee.

Lavaughn Venchael Booth was born in Covington County, Miss., and received a bachelor of divinity degree from Howard University and several other degrees, both earned and honorary, from other institutions. He married Georgia Anna Morris in 1942. She died in 1993.

In addition to his son William, his survivors include two other sons, Paul, a Cincinnati city councilman, and Lavaughn Jr. of Chicago; and two daughters, Anna-Marie Booth of San Francisco and Dr. Georgia Leeper of Memphis.

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“HATS OFF TO MONTRULA”

MUSICAL TRIBUTE



Mrs. Montrula Shelby

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF SERVICE
SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 2001
3:30 PM

WHO CAN FIND A VIRTUOUS WOMAN? FOR HER
PRICE IS FAR ABOVE RUBIES.
PROVERBS 31:10

SERVICE

Devotion	Praise Team
Introduction to MC	Sis. Christine Goines
MC	Sis. Jeanette Osler
Entrance of Honoree & Ministers Wives	Pastor Shelby
Presentation of Flowers & Memorial Tribute	Sis. Colette Lockett & Sis. Zeffie Crossland
Selection	Voices of Salem
Welcome	Sis. Elease Milton
Response	Minister Wife
Tribute	Sis. Mary Clark
Selection	Bro. Lamar Burney
Tribute	Sis. Carolyn Savage First Lady of Mt. Olive Baptist Church
Selection	Kimberly Keaton
Tribute	Sis. Ruth Daniels Daughter of First Lady
Offering	Committee Members
Tribute	Carolyn Mennifield First Lady of the Jericho MB Church
Selection	R..E. Goines
Tribute	Sis. Mollie McMullen Minister Wives Alliance

SERVICE

Selection	Faith Shelby Daughter of First Lady
Tribute	Sis. Crenza Baker
Selection	The Keaton Klan II
Tribute	Sis. Loraine Jenkins President of the Wood River Region III Women Auxiliaries
Selection	Sis. Dionne Simmons
Tribute	Sis. Marilyn Carter First Lady of New Birth MBC
Invitation to Discipleship	Pastor Shelby
Special Presentations	Sis. Connie Dillard Myers
Remarks	Sis. Cynthia Williams Program Coordinator Sis. Dora Pope General Chairlady Sis. Montrula Shelby Honoree
Closing Remarks & Benediction	Pastor Shelby

There will be a reception in the lower level following the program

DEACONS

David Sayles
 Albert McKinley
 Eugene Caldwell
 J.H. Pierce
 F.D. Brown, Sr.
 L.T. Tinsley
 James O. Wilson
 Otis Scott
 Carl Turley
 Roscoe Tinsley
 Clarence Taylor
 Louis Taylor

TRUSTEES

Jasper Lewis
 Theotto Bowles
 Ozell Thompson

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

S.S. James O. Wilson
 B.T.U. Morris Clark
 Youth Fellowship
 Joan Peacock
 Youth Commission
 Virginia Rodgers
 All S.S., B.T.U. Teachers

TEACHERS

Anna L. Thompson
 Anna Clayton
 Clarence Taylor
 Rose Janes
 John White
 Lessie Stevens
 Margaret Hunt
 Anne B. Williams
 Virginia Rodgers
 Carolyn Williams
 Clarence Thomas
 Mary Elam
 Mattie Smith
 Lillie Mae Cash

DEACONESSES AND MOTHERS

Mary McKinley
 Jessie Caldwell
 Veola Tinsley
 Mary Brown
 Virginia Sayles
 Nettie Scott
 Virginia Sayles
 Nettie Scott
 Estelle Taylor
 Esther Turley
 Anna Watson
 Minnie Caldwell
 Bessie Peacock
 Ruth Taylor
 Effie Payne

MISSION DEPARTMENT

W.H. and F.M. Helen Hite
 Circle No. 3 Ella Williams
 Matrons Emma Liddel

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Organist Ann McLean
 Pianist Esther Turley
 Majestic Choir Hattie Winfield
 Gospel Chorus Bessie Peacock
 Youth Choir Charlie Mae Smith
 S.S. Pianists Betty Lewis and
 Joan Peacock

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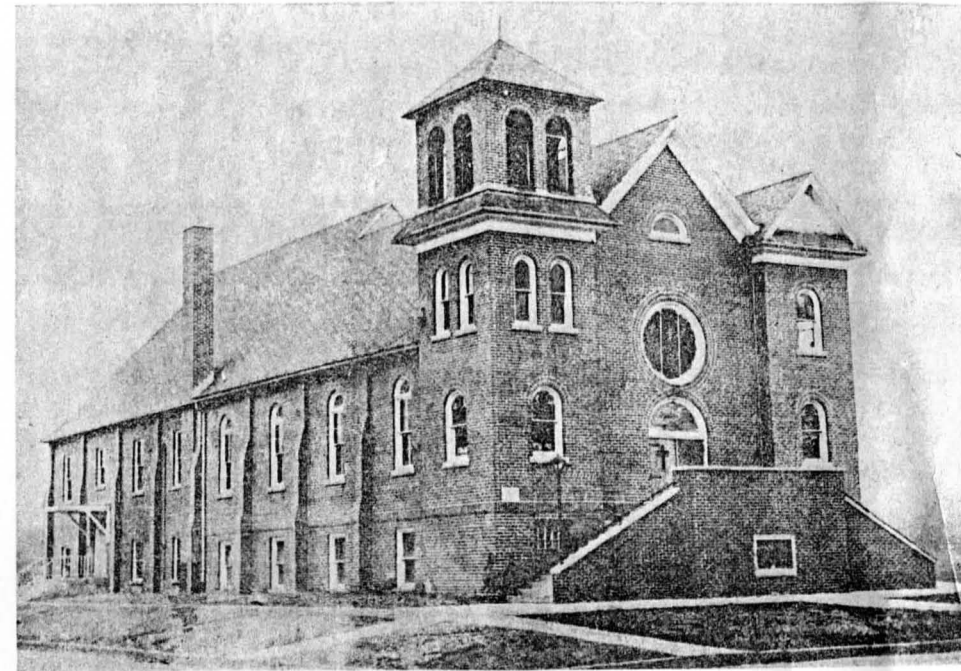
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Albert McKinley



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 Theotto Bowles Church Treasurer
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 Helen Hite Clerk

THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP
 Eleven O'Clock August 9, 1959

"Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer:
 preserve my life from fear of the
 enemy."

LET US DRAW NIGH UNTO GOD

Organ Prelude
 Call to Worship
 Processional Hymn "All Hail." #255
 Invocation
 Congregational Hymn "There Shall Be Showers of Blessings" #97
 Responsive Reading
 Prayer of Dedication
 Announcements
 Selection "In The Name of Jesus" Youth #313
 Scripture and Prayer
 Presentation of Tithes and Offering
 Organ Offeratory "All On The Altar" Choir
 Selection "Nearer My God To Thee" Rev. Eugene H. Williams
 THE SERMON
 Subject: "They Took Off His Clothes" #357
 Invitation "Look To Jesus" #481
 The Closing Hymn "I raise God"
 Benediction
 Organ Postlude

ORGANIST

Miss Joan Peacock

CHORIST

Miss Patricia Lewis

THE ORDER OF EVENING WORSHIP
 Seven Thirty-Eight Thirty August 9, 1959

"Hide me from the secret counsel
 of the wicked; from the insurrection
 of the workers of iniquity:"

LET US DRAW NIGH UNTO GOD

Call to Worship
 Processional Hymn
 Invocation
 Congregational Hymn "The Solid Rock" #96
 Prayer of Dedication
 Selection "He Delivered Me" No. 2 Chorus
 Scripture and Prayer
 Selection "At The Cross" Gospel Chorus
 THE SERMON Rev. Eugene H. Williams
 Subject: "Our Most Valuable Possession" #56
 Invitation "I Am Thine O Lord"
 Offering
 The Closing Hymn
 Benediction

If you have any announcements, please call
 Connie Peacock at 7-3294 no later than
 5:30 on Friday.

Wednesday, February 12, 2003

Revisions on art proposal sought

■ Council members want city to avoid any added expenses

By J. PHILIP BLOOMER
News-Gazette Staff Writer

CHAMPAIGN — It's not that the Champaign City Council is necessarily opposed to the idea of art in public places.

But they sure want to keep it at a safe distance. As in distance from any liability, maintenance or other costs

that might be associated with public art.

That at least was the message from five of the council members in response to a staff proposal outlining an approval procedure for requests to place donated art on public property. In a rare 5-4 vote in a Tuesday study session, the proposal was sent back for additional refinement.

→ The Rev. Claude Shelby of Salem Baptist Church wasn't too concerned. A member of the Martin Luther King Jr. Advocacy Committee, he has been working for several years toward the

erection of a statue to Martin Luther King Jr. The committee wants to place it on a minipark at Wright Street and University Avenue.

"I think we'll get to where we want to go," Shelby said after Tuesday's meeting. "A new bronze statue of Dr. King will speak volumes about our community and to future generations. I think the council just wants more information."

Quite a bit more.

Mayor Jerry Schweighart led opposition to the proposal, saying he was dissatisfied that the policy did not

specify that donating organizations must be responsible for maintaining the art, that liability and necessary repairs must be the responsibility of the donating organization, and that it needed to be clearer that the city council is the final arbiter of what goes where and when.

With the city facing cutbacks across every department, that wasn't an expense the city needed to be adding at this time, Schweighart said. Council members Sher Hampel, Vic

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McIntosh, Kathy Ennen and Jim Green agreed with him.

The policy as proposed would have established a two-tier approval system for any organization wanting to put a piece of art on public property.

The first phase would involve a city staff panel reviewing a proposal for safety and practical concerns, such as whether it met proper setback and site requirements.

A second review panel made up of people with artistic credentials would evaluate the proposals on various aesthetic criteria.

Council member Green won-

dered why the elaborate bureaucratic structure was needed to protect against constitutional concerns.

"What does a blade of grass have to do with the First Amendment?" he asked in reference to one proposal to erect a 25-foot-tall abstract blade of grass on University Avenue near Fifth Street.

City Manager Steve Carter said the minefield of legal risks makes such policies prudent.

"The items sought now may seem noncontroversial but the next one might be," he said. "We live in a university community where imaginations can be pretty broad."

Council member Tom Bruno said the risks are very real and the guidelines are suggested precisely to protect the city from being accused of arbitrariness. But the risks aren't so great, he said, that the city should deprive itself of the appeal and individuality that such pieces provide.

"I have a fertile imagination. Maybe I have a sick imagination. I see this possibly being a slippery slope. We start with Martin Luther King and that's not too controversial. Then someone wants to put up a statue of David Duke or Matt Hale and we have to shoot from the seat of our pants. We're headed for disaster if we take it just

one case at a time," he said.

At the same time, trying to sanitize the city from risk invites blandness. Cities mark their identity by signature pieces of art, he said.

"I hope we don't develop a policy so risk-averse that we don't have any art," Bruno said.

Bruno favored the policy as proposed, along with council members J.W. Pirtle, Michael LaDue and Ken Pirok.

Michelle Bailey, an assistant to the city manager, said she would draw up procedures and responsibilities based on the council's guidance and return to the council again for approval.

Friday, April 4, 2003

RELIGION

Children's Festival set at Salem Church

CHAMPAIGN — Songs, art displays and drama by area children will be part of the sixth annual Christian Children's Arts Festival on Sunday.

The event at Salem Baptist Church, 500 E. Park Ave., C, starting at 3:30 p.m., celebrates the real meaning of Easter and

supports the work of Empty Tomb.

The nonprofit Christian service and research organization at 301 N. Fourth St., C, has a fund-raising goal of \$5,000 this year.

Singers include elementary school children from First Presbyterian and St. Matthew Lutheran churches, both in Urbana, and New Free Will Baptist Church and New Hope Church of God in Christ, Champaign.

Ollie Watts Davis of the University of Illinois will direct a joint choir from Canaan Missionary Baptist Church, Urbana, and the UI music faculty.

Artwork comes from fourth-graders at St. Matthew Catholic School, Champaign.

Youths from the Mattis Avenue Free Methodist Church, Champaign, will present a drama called "The Three Trees."

The Junior Usher Board at Salem Baptist also will participate.

Stevie Jay from WDWS-AM radio station will be the master of ceremonies.

Information is available from Marcia Gruschow at 356-2262 or coor@emptytomb.org.