MY FAITH

the Bethel A.M.E. YOUNG ADULT CHOIR

Mrs. Shirley L. Hursey, directress; Miss Vuanita Battle, conducting; Mrs. Ellyn Rivers and Deborah Banks, pianists; James Hill, organist; Rev. H. Henry Walker, pastor

L to R — **Elaine Washington,** *student conductress;* **Shirley Hursey,** *directress;* **Vuanita Battle,** *student conductress.*

L to R — **Marla Burney,** *treas.;* **Karen Wilson,** *sec.;* **David Banks,** *pres.;* **Dennis Stratton,** *vice pres.;* **Rev. H. Henry Walker.**

L to R — **Ellyn River,** *pianist;* **Eugene Washington,** *asst. pianist;* **James Hill,** *organist;* **Deborah Banks,** *asst. pianist.*

The Bethel A.M.E. Young Adult Choir of Champaign, Illinois, consists of 47 young people ranging from 13 to 24 years of age. Most of the choir members attend the local public schools, Parkland Junior College or the University of Illinois. Others are enrolled in various other colleges and universities outside the Champaign-Urbana community.

This choir has appeared at the Annual Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church in Galesburg, Illinois; Youth Conferences in Springfield and East Saint Louis, Illinois; the Black Mother's Day Program at the Krannert Center For The Performing Arts; University of Illinois; and various local churches and organizations in Champaign-Urbana and Central Illinois.

The choir is directed by Mrs. Shirley L. Hursey, who resides in Urbana, Illinois, and is a member of Bethel A.M.E. Church. Mrs. Hursey organized the Young Adult Choir when she realized there were many young people in the church and community who need only a chance to display their talents. She encourages choir members to help in musical arrangements, conducting, planning, and other decision making.

James Hill, our organist is an example of the talent that only needed an avenue for expression. Mr. Hill started playing the organ in Bethel A.M.E. Church at an early age, and is now one of the finest organists in this area.

Miss Deborah Banks, assistant pianist and a member of the Bethel A.M.E. Church, is presently a student at Arkansas AM & N, majoring in music.

Side One

SWING DOWN CHARIOT - *2:53*
Solo - Deborah Banks
DO LORD - *2:11*
Solo - Marla Burney
HELLO SUNSHINE - *2:50*
Solos - Octavia Rollins & Marla Burney
I'LL TRADE A LIFETIME - *4:30*
Solo - Elizabeth Wood
HOW MUCH MORE - *2:48*
Solo - Dennis Stratton
MY FAITH - *4:34*
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