



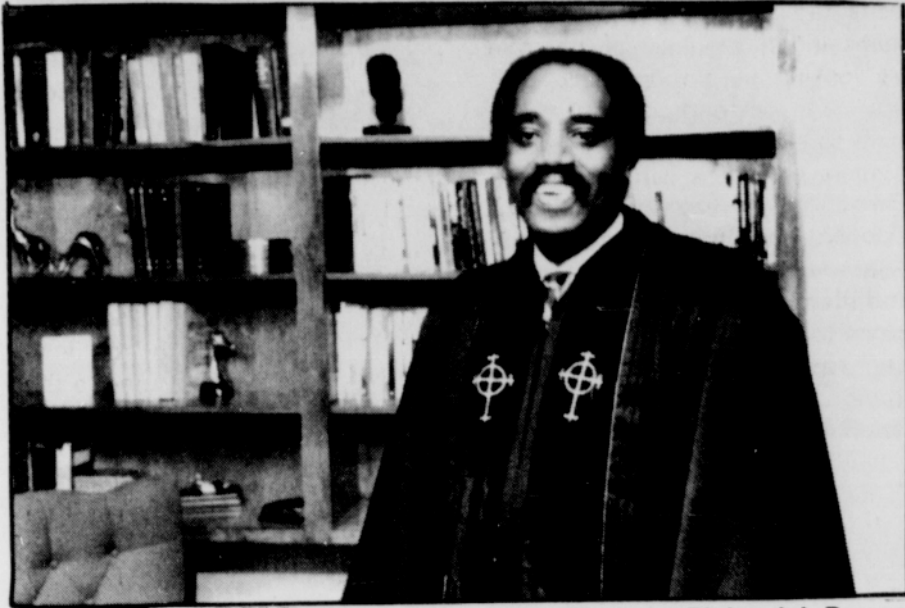
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Carney Ends Maranatha's Search: The Legacy Goes On!



Glandion W. Carney

Photo by Richard J. Brown

by Mattie Ann Callier-Spears

In January of 1986, the very foundation of the Maranatha Church was shaken not by one death but by the deaths of both their pastor and their first lady. John and Yvonne Garlington were killed in a tragic car accident.

Maranatha received the Garlingtons for the last time and held a grand "Home Going Celebration" which spread throughout the Portland community.

The Rev. Dr. Joshua Phillips held down the fort until someone was selected to man the helm of Maranatha.

On October 24th, 1987, the Rev. Glandion W. Carney was officially installed as the new pastor of Maranatha Church. He brings with him

a variety of skills and talents, such as: organization of conferences and workshops for pastoral training; urban work and evangelism; inner-city activities director; Youth for Christ International organizer; Wycliffe Bible Translators International, Board of Directors; Christian Leadership Development for World Vision, director, U.S. Ministry; pastor; author; development of ethnic leadership; Chairperson for the Leadership '88 Conference (a ministry of the Lausanne Committee for World Evangelization).

Glandion Carney's rich and varied background of urban work and evangelism has taken him all over the United States, into Eastern Europe, Africa, Central America,

Haiti and the West Indies.

His focus is, primarily, working with pastors in urban areas in the United States — looking at issues, such as: economics, community development, evangelism, and ways in which the church could have a real active mission in serving the poor.

Carney resigned his pastorate position with the Second Baptist Church in Wheaton, Illinois, about five years ago when he was asked to join the World Vision team.

Through the World Vision, he was involved with a movement called BARAC (Black American Response to the African Crisis). This is an independent movement from the World Vision. Over one-million dollars was raised by the BARAC movement. Three-hundred-thousand dollars was given to World Vision, and the remainder of the monies were used for the purchasing of relief items such as: grain, vehicles and water wells.

Carney brought tours to Africa. Included in these tours were personalities such as Dick Gregory, Martin Luther King III, and other people of that nature who could give them a good perspective of what really happens in the United States.

In the World Vision, Carney's keen interest was in development, rather than evangelism; thus, he got involved with human things like the water wells, crop farming, land development and economic deve-

lopment projects.

During his five-year term with the World Vision, Carney made eight trips to Africa. His longest stay was for three weeks (each trip).

"God used John for a significant reason — to raise the consciousness and awareness of both congregations throughout the United States and the communities in Oregon of the need to respond to those who are less fortunate, in many cases. I feel that John's ministry still lives in those who really understand his mandate of responsibility.

"My understanding of John's ministry is that of appreciation and gratefulness for what work he has done . . . and somehow I want to see what he has started continued.

"I look at it as John passing the baton, and now it's my turn to run the race. Then, eventually, one day . . . I will pass the baton to someone else.

"So, with that perspective, I don't feel smothered or intimidated or even threatened by the legacy John has left.

"John and I are two different individuals with two different kinds of perspectives and two different kinds of ministries — but with the same heart that God's work MUST be done."

Carney feels that in today's society people really have a heart and want to grow in their faith. They want to know how to share their faith in the marketplace, in community issues, and through

educational concerns.

As the new pastor of Maranatha Church, he will be attempting to simply provide a theological plan for people to understand how to really be a witness outside of the church — in the community.

The last overseas trip was two years ago to Addis Ababa which is the capital of Ethiopia. There he actually got involved in the land developing process through the BARAC movement.

Take all of these responsibilities, couple it together with his love for people and his ability to pastor, then you discover the reasons he was chosen from such a broad field of candidates to fill Maranatha's request for a pastor and spiritual leader.

Maranatha's search for a pastor went out nationwide.

Carney was recommended by a pastor friend of his out of San Diego, California.

Garlington and Carney were not strangers to one another. Carney met John Garlington approximately twelve years ago at which time they were both involved in a Leadership Conference which brought together some 500 young adults to focus on the issues of leadership. John Garlington was one of the early speakers for that conference.

They were also involved in ecumenical concerns with a group called "DESTINY" which brought together some 1,500 Black youth to focus on mission from an inter-

national perspective. Although they were not close friends, their paths crossed and they established a professional relationship.

In Carney's words, "Garlington was a great pastor, a good man, a humanitarian. He had a heart for the people and a deep love for God. He left behind a very strong legacy.

"Maranatha is a very large church and, God forbid, if we ever assume that it itself is the church. It is simply a facility where people come to be encouraged and nourished," says Carney. "The church really is the people in those areas of society with the witness for the gospel and the witness in relation to integrity and commitment."

Carney would like to see Maranatha multiply its impact beyond the four walls: in City Hall, city government, through various other marketplace experiences; with the counselors, lawyers, teachers, etc. — people finding an opportunity to express themselves in their constituencies; their vital faith, their love for the Lord, their concern and commitment for humanity and for others less fortunate than themselves.

The vehicle Carney plans to use to implement this plan and put it in action is the Holy Scripture.

Together, with the support of his wife Marian, their four children, and the Holy Spirit, Maranatha Church shall certainly move forward and become a pinnacle in the Northeast community with the Rev. Glandion W. Carney at the helm.

Mt. Olivet Host a Christmas Bazaar

by Mattie Ann Callier-Spears

The first Saturday in the month of December, for twenty years, is a date to set aside.

This year is no different.

The Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, at 116 NE Schuyler Street and First Avenue, will host as Annual Christmas Bazaar complete with Christmas music, goodies, handmade crafts and lots of warm fellowship.

Don't forget to stock up on homemade pastries (that can be

frozen), beautiful and unique crafts, wreaths, wall hangings, etc., for Christmas gifts.

It all happens this Saturday, December 5th, 1987, from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Chicken dinners and Ham dinners are also being sold for \$3.00 each by the Searchlight Missionary Circle.

Get a friend and "Come on Down!"

Come Carol With Us December 5

On December 5, the Northeast Portland neighborhood will be filled with yuletide cheer as volunteers from area churches affiliated with Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon lend their voices in a Christmas-time Carol-A-Thon.

Individual carolers and church choirs will be generating sponsors to support their vocal efforts. Money raised will benefit three Northeast Portland non-profit projects: The Job Opportunity Bank, Project Linkage, and the Northeast Emergency Food Program.

"It is a wonderful way to share the spirit of the Holidays while helping these important community services," says event church coordinator Barbara Swicegood.

People in the neighborhoods are encouraged to join the caroling by

calling the Job Opportunity Bank, 288-1602. People who would like to sponsor a caroler are also encouraged to do so. The event has already attracted several enthusiastic carolers who would be more than willing to accept your pledge dollar.

The event will take place Saturday, December 5, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. with a soup supper and celebration to follow.

Donations are also being accepted to help support these important services in Northeast Portland. If you would like to make a donation, please make your check out to Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon-CAROL-A-THON, and send it to Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, at 0245 S.W. Bancroft, Portland, OR 97201.

Live Nativity

The Mt. Scott Church of God will present a Live Nativity on December 19-23 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. each evening. The Live Nativity will consist of three scenes depicting the birth of Jesus, the three wise men following the star, and a living Christ scene. The event will feature live animals and church members will portray the characters.

To view the scenes, drive east of Flavel from S.E. 92nd to Mt. Scott Blvd., a giant Christmas card at the intersection of Mt. Scott and Knapp will direct you to the church. Enjoy the scenes from the warmth of your car.

New Hope Pulpit Still Empty

by Mattie Ann Callier-Spears

The New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, located at 3725 N. Ganterbein is still looking for a pastor.

On Sunday, while out in the community, I spoke to one of the members from New Hope, and she feels that it will be six months to a year before they find someone to fill the position.

The Rev. Walter Brown is serving as the interim pastor.

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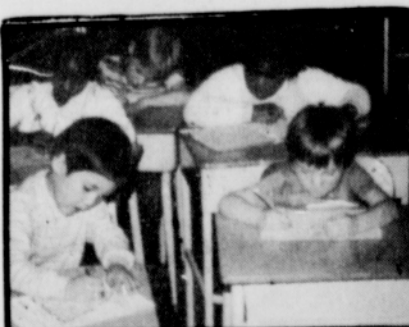
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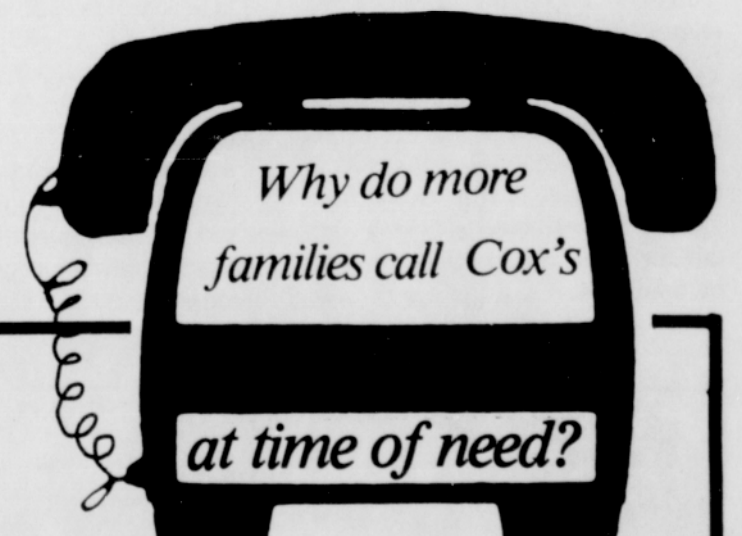
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