

Desmond Tutu To Be Honored

Desmond M. Tutu, the Anglican Archbishop of Capetown, South Africa, who received the Nobel Peace Prize in 1984 for his "courageous and fearless" stand against apartheid, will accept the 26th annual George Brussel, Jr., Memorial Award of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue in Manhattan Monday evening, January 30.

In announcing the award and Bishop Tutu's acceptance of the synagogue's invitation to receive it in person, Rabbi Balfour Brickner, Spiritual leader of the Reform Jewish congregation, said the black leader had been chosen "as one who has consistently fought for the abolition of apartheid and for the entire spectrum of civil and human rights for all peoples.

"To all of us, Bishop Tutu is the personification of the spiritual man who pursues justice with mercy and courage," Rabbi Brickner said.

The award will be in the form of a shofar, the traditional ram's horn sounded on the Jewish New Year



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DESMOND M. TUTU
Anti-Apartheid Leader
Honored by New York's
Stephen Wise Free Synagogue

alarm in times of danger. It marks the first time Bishop Tutu has been honored by a Jewish religious institution, Rabbi Brickner said. In response to the presentation, the Nobel laureate will deliver an address on the anti-apartheid struggle.

The citation accompanying Archbishop Tutu's Nobel Peace Prize declares, in part: "Although he has never learned to hate, no one has opposed injustice with a more burning anger." Bishop Tutu, the Nobel Prize Committee said, is "a unifying symbol for all groups of freedom campaigners in Africa regardless of the danger to his own life."

The George Brussel, Jr., Memorial Award is conferred each year by the board of trustees of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue acting on the recommendation of its social action committee. It is given "for exceptional devotion to the cause of individual freedom and social justice, in the spirit of the Hebrew prophets." The award was established to honor the memory of George Brussel, Jr., who had been vice president of the synagogue and chairman of its social action committee.

Among the 25 previous recipients of the award have been Norman Lear, Jack Greenberg, Daniel Schorr, The Fortune Society, People of the Netherlands, former Mayor John V. Lindsay and Carl Sagan.

The first black to assume the post of Archbishop of Cape Town, Bishop Tutu has made the liberation of South African blacks part of a theological movement. Through his initiative, the South African Council of Churches, of which he was general secretary for seven years, supported striking black workers and organized campaigns against forced resettlement of blacks in so-called "rural homelands." For his work in behalf of world peace, he has received a number of honorary doctorates and many prizes. He is honorary chairman of the United Democratic Front of South Africa and of the Bishop Desmond Tutu Southern Africa Refugee Scholarship Fund, which he founded in the United States in 1984.

The presentation to Bishop Tutu by Rabbi Brickner will be made at 7:30 Monday evening, January 30, in the sanctuary of the synagogue at 30 West 68th Street.

Story Of A People

Story of A People, the award winning profile of Black Americans, has cleared over 80% of the country for syndication. The two one-hour specials--"Who Is That Black Man?" and "The Gospel According To ..."--will air January through March 1989 in cities which include Los Angeles, New York, Chicago, Detroit, Dallas, Houston, Atlanta and Miami. The first show, hosted by veteran actor James Earl Jones, premiered January 8th on KNBC in Los Angeles.

"Who Is That Black Man?" contains four unique profiles of Black American men including: John H. Johnson, founder and president of *Ebony* and *Jet* magazines; the songwriting and theatrical production team of Cliff Rocquemore and Micky Stevenson, whose latest work "The Gospel Truth," is now a highly acclaimed musical theatre production;

eminent jazz producer, writer and musician, Billy Mitchell; and the Delphi of Louisville, Kentucky, a Black men's club started over 30 years ago, with members now located across the country, who have kept in close touch throughout the years. Producer is Stafford Bailey. Writer is Bob Dockery, Jr.

"The Gospel According to ..." looks at the business side of Gospel music, and the performers currently involved in Black Gospel Music (including the established legends), talks with industry leaders, shows who is buying this music, and how it has moved out of the *The Gospel According To ...* is produced by Stafford Bailey, and written by Rift Fournier. Fay Hauser is Associate Producer for both shows. Bob Dockery, Jr. is Executive Producer. The specials are distributed by JM Entertainment.

Library To Celebrate Black History Month

The Street Corner Singers, the musical voice of the California Raisins, will perform their doo-wop music in the Black Resource Center of the North Portland Branch Library on Saturday, Feb. 4.

The performance, which celebrates February as Black History Month and is the second anniversary of the opening of the Black Resource Center, begins at 2:30 p.m.

On Saturday, February 18, members of the Sojourner Truth Theater Company will present "Great Moments in Black History." The performance begins at 2:30 p.m.

Programs are free and open to the public. The North Portland Branch Library is located at 512 N. Killingsworth.

COLOR ME HUMAN

Have you heard the story about THE BOY AND HIS DOG? It seems a little boy tied his dog to a pole, but he didn't tie him well. And while he was playing with his friends, the rope came loose and fell.

Now the dog really wanted to play, but he howled and he cried; and stayed right in that very same spot, because he thought he was tied.

When the boy returned and saw the dog loose and all, he patted his pet on the head; and said, "You're a very good dog." But, the boy, being the master, he had fun and was satisfied. And the dog could have too, but he thought he was tied.

As I look at the masters and servants among men, I see this same story happening, over and over, time and again. Some people are using their minds. They're creating and being satisfied. Others are confused and crying, because they think they're tied.

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