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RELIGION

SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK:

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LIFELONG **FRIENDS LEAD** WARRIORS

When Ulf Spears and Steve Adams first became friends in elementary school, in Portland, they probably never envisioned the roads they would travel together.

They probably did not realize that as high school sophomores they would team up with future Los Angeles Laker A.C. Green to win Oregon's state AAA basketball title. Ulf and Steve played 4 years of varsity basketball at powerhouse Benson Polytechnic High in Portland before graduating in 1983.

They probably did not foresee being recruited by dozens of college coaches and playing together for two years at the University of Idaho in Moscow, Idaho, an NCAA Division I School in the Big Sky Conference.

And they certainly never anticipated finishing their college careers together at Western Baptist College, just an hour away from where it all began. But that is exactly what has happened and today they provide Western's Warriors with the fearsome one-two punch that comes with having two of the district's most talented players.

When Ulf, a 6'5" off-guard who averages 15 points a game while sinking 65% of his hots, transferred to WBC in 1987, he was the first major college athlete to play for the Warriors since Roger Mosier came to Salem from the University of Southern California and proceeded to lead the nation in scoring, averaging 33.9 points per game in 1971. This past fall Steve joined Ulf at Western Baptist College and he currently is the district leader in scoring at 26 ppg. and in rebounding, averaging 9 per game. Steve scores on over 50% of his shot attempts. Coach Tim Hills characterizes him as a very "hungry, aggressive player."

While at Idaho, they both were starters averaging 18.5 points per game his sophomore year. Hills, now in his 18t'. year of coaching says, 'They are very coachable men who are good to be





As a high school player, Ulf was recruited by more than 30 Division I schools. Steve attracted even more attention, receiving over 70 scholarship offers. Steve, a 6'6" a small forward, seriously considered enrolling at Syracuse. Both chose the University of Idaho.

With backgrounds such as these, what brought Ulf and Steve to Western Baptist from Idaho, when they could have selected a number of other colleges? and Ulf led the Vandals in scoring, Ulf says that when he visited WBC, the people were warm and friendly, "I'd been treated so wrongly in the past and I appreciated the honesty I found at Western. I prayed about my decision

wounded spirit. The environment has strengthened me."

Steve acknowledges that Ulf's presence at Western was an important factor in his college choice. He says, "I figured that it had to be a pretty good school if my friend Ulf was here. Prayer and Coach Hills' recruiting played a big part, too. He didn't pressure me, but he did stay in touch. I saw Western play once and spent time with the team, and I thought the players were friendly as well as being good athletes."

Their lives have run a parallel course on the hardwood, and their lives outside of basketball also are remarkably similar, starting with the fact that Ulf was born just six days before Steve.

Both are psychology majors who plan to graduate from WBC this year and are interested in working with young people.

Steve has spent seven years dealing with issues related to youth gangs and drugs through Portland's Self-Enhancement Program. He may explore career possibilities in fashion merchandising or art design--he has worked as art director for the Portland Observer. He also plans to actively pursue opportunities to play professional basketball either in the NBA or Europe.

The Western Baptist Warriors traveled to Chattanooga, Tennessee and placed third in the NCCAA tourney. The team was lead by Steve Adams who scored 33 points and Ulf Spears with 25 points. Halftime score was WBC 58 - Bethel 49. The final score was WBC 115 - Bethel 94.

After all the dust had settled, Steve held the conference record for scoring with 1,033 for the season, first-team All-American NCCAA and first-team All-American NAIA, WBC's MVP. Steve's high scoring achievement became the first time in the history of the NCCAA that a single player has ever scored over 1,000 total points. The previous record was held by Karl Hess in 1979-80 with 961 points.

Ulf came away with second-team All-American, All Conference player NCCAA and NAIA.

It will cause much wonderment to see just what other parallel events will occur in the lives of these two young men from the Northeast Portland community.

21 DAY COMMUNITY- WIDE REVIVAL

sinners to come into a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

These meetings are designed to awaken church folk and christians to their sense of duty to God, their fellowmen and themselves.

This need of awakening is most obvious at Sunday church services when we see more pews than people.

These 21 days will give the people a chance to join together and see something unusual happen and leave them with an experience--whereby those who know the way will find themselves revived and their lives enriched with the abiding presence of God. With their spirits on fire--reaching outward from a pure inward consciousness to contribute largely to this ministry of reconciliation. COME!!! SEE!!! HEAR!!!

Witness the manifestation of the Power of God.

Feel the thrill of the touch of the unseen.

Receive healings for your spirit, soul and body.

God has "a miracle" with your name on it!! The theme of this revival is: THERE IS A BETTER WAY TO LIVE.

The remaining locations will be published in the following weeks.

JOHN 8:32 -- "... And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."



FAREWELL-HOMECOMING RECEPTION

A farewell and homecoming reception will be held at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Rozell Gilmore, on Saturday, April 8th, from 3:00 to 8:00 P.M. at 3909 N. Overlook Terrace.

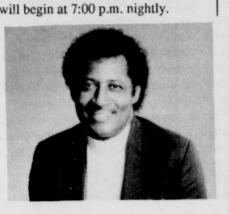
Families and friends are invited to stop by and visit with Michael and LaVeta Jones and the Gilmores. The Jones will be moving to Kansas City, Missouri.

On February 1, 1989 Michael was promoted to District Sales Manager by Burroughs Welcome Company and assigned to serve in the western region. Since their marriage in 1977, Michael and LaVeta, the daughter of the Gilmores, have shared an extensive amount of time and talents with the African American community of Portland, including that of Michael serving as Church Administrator and LaVeta as a Christian Day School teacher at Maranatha Church.

The Rev. and Mrs. Gilmore recently returned to Portland to begin an outreach mission known as "Lutheran Inner-City Ministries."

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT

On Sunday, April 9th, the Women of Zion of the First African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church are celebrating Women's Day. The theme of the event is "I Am A Woman - Speak to me, Lord, I am listening". All are invited to join us in worship at our 11 a.m. service when Reverend Nellie B. Thompson of the Pauline AME Zion Church in Salem, Oregon, will be giving our sermon. Following the worship will be our afternoon program at 2 p.m.. The afternoon program will feature a Salad Buffet Luncheon where State Representative Ms Margaret Carter will address our assembly. A donation is asked of \$5.00 for adults and \$2.50 for children.



! Yes! Three big nights of Spring

Revival Meetings filled with the gospel.

Rev. Weaver is on a mission for the

King of Kings and he has accepted the

challenge to preach the word to the

masses in 21 consecutive days. Twenty-

one days to stir the minds of saints and

This is probably the first of its kind.

Rev. Robert Weaver, evangelist/

minister, will be conducting a 21 day

community-wide revival which will be

held in 7 (seven) different locations

throughout the community. The first

location will be the Greater Faith Baptist

Church located at 931 N. Skidmore St.,

Rev. Chester W. Staples, pastor on

APRIL 2, 3, & 4, 1989. The second

location will be the St. Andrews Catholic

Church on the corner of NE 9th and

Alberta Street, Father Ben Prison, rector

on APRIL 5, 6, & 7, 1989. The services

around. A lot of times, major college transfers come into a small college program with bad attitudes. That hasn't been a problem at all with Ulf and Steve."

and felt comfortable with WBC," he adds. "I felt like I had been bruised and beaten in the secular world and Western has been kind of a healing salve to my

This only goes to show you that it is possible to rise above your environment. These two had a very special " stick" to fight with. They had God on their side!



The Philadelphia Community Missionary Baptist Church 238 NE Mason Street Portland, OR 97211 PRESENTS:

Mrs. Genevia Jones in full gospel concert on Sunday, May 21st at 3:30 pm Mrs. Jones in a J & B Gospel Recording Artist from Vicksburg, Mississippi. This is her (first) 1st West Coast gospel concert to promote her newest album (her 2nd). She has rendered concerts in Chicago, Illinois, Detroit, Michigan, New York City and several other states. Mrs. Jones has also appeared with such great gospel recording artists as the Mighty Cloud of Joy, The Sensational Williams Brothers, The Jackson Southernaires and many more. She is well known throughout the southern states, Mississippi and Louisiana. Mrs. Jones brings to Portland a rich sound in traditional gospel music.

NO Admission Charge REE WILL OFFERING

COME ONE COME ALL For information call Mary O. McSwain - 281-4777 G. Williams - 288-1814 Come and enjoy an evening of great gospel scunds.

CHURCH DEDICATION CELEBRATION

There is a special dedication celebration going on the entire week of March 27th through April 1, 1989 at the Overstreet Powerhouse Temple Church of God in Christ.

There will be over 30 churches participating in the week-long festivities. Each night there will be a different speaker and not one but three choirs lending their voices to celebrate the completion of the building.

The pastor, Rev. Mary Smith; her husband, the assistant pastor; the members, friends and construction workers all join in to say "Praise the Lord from whom all blessings flow." For God has truly blessed the congregation of this church. He sent so many blessings their--until they cannot be numbered properly.

Services will begin at 7:30 each night. The celebration will be concluded on Sunday, April 2, 1989 at 3:00 p.m. service. The dedication message will be delivered by the Bishop Nathaniel Jones, Jr. of Bastrow, California. He is the Bishop of the State of Idaho Jurisdiction, in which the Overstreet Church is a member. In the absence of the Bishop, Mrs. L.M. Crear, supervisor of the women's department of the State of Idaho, will be the alternate speaker. Joining in, the celebration on Sunday, will be the members, choirs and pastors of the Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church and the Christian Fellowship Church.

"TOLL THE BELL DONE GOT OVER AT LAST!"

and Sister Lady How much longer before you show up and Get your mind togather

Please Brother Man

No Fuss about who the Pastor is. No Argument over the salary. Healing, Peace and Prosperity

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Come see what every one's talking about

Mt. Sinai Temple 936 N.E. Beech Portland, OR 284-0854 The Peoples Church

BISHOP W. G. HARDY LITTLE KING

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Bishop W.G. Hardy Little King