



by Mattie Ann Callier-Spears

# RELIGION

Scripture of the Week

Scripture of the Week Micah 6:8

## The Sounds Of Blackness



When suerproducers Jimmy Jam and Terry Lewis set about the business of building their own label, they looked for groups whose musical creativity reflected the essence of what they stood for. They didn't have to look far. The Sounds Of Blackness, the very first album to be released on Perspective

records, is a 40-member vocal and instrumental ensemble. It will be hard to classify The Sounds of Blackness, and lock them away in a neat little niche. They defy limitation in both sound and scope. Sound of Blackness is the embodiment of the music and philosophy of Gary Hines. "There's a niche that

we aim to fill and we believe that we can and will," Hines says. "We feel that we have the right mix, a unique sound and a message being told in a fresh way. People get ready for the mighty sound of The Sounds Of Blackness!

## N.B.E.A. Says "Thank You"

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The month of April, 1991, began by Portland hosting a national convention of the National Black Evangelical Association. Many workshops were held at various locations, such as: Multnomah School of the Bible, Warner Pacific College, Sheraton Inn-Airport, New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, Mount Olivet, Piedmont Friends Church, Bethel AME, and Emanuel Temple Full Gospel Church. There were delegates from Philadelphia, Chicago; Dallas, Texas; Jackson, Mississippi and missionaries from Ghana.

Everything focused on the theme "In the midst of these years, REVIVE US!" There was something for everyone. But - more than anything else the convention could have ever accomplished, it brought about unity among the churches throughout the city; Black and White, Baptist and Pentecostal, Presbyterian and Catholics. Pastors from white churches exchanged pulpits with pastors from black churches all over the city of Portland. Even black pastors from out-of-town were sent to preach to all white congregations. This ex-

change was such a tremendous success that the Portland based N.B.E.A. has pledged to have an on going program which will embellish this idea two or maybe three-fold. "Christians need to know who the rest of their family members are" says Bishop A.A. Wells, Convention Chairman.

Staff members, committee members, officers and all persons, who took part in making this convention fly, met at J.J. North's Chuck Wagon located at Northeast 102nd and Halsey, to fellowship together in an atmosphere of "Appreciation". Among those being named for their support and assistance was the staff of the Portland Observer who worked feverishly publicizing this convention and the convention activities. Rev. Aaron Hamlin, National Coordinator and Executive Director of the Portland office, had nothing but good to say about the manner in which the convention was planned, how the delegates were greeted, how the publicity went out and the general attitude of all those who were connected with the convention in any way, shape or form. The Portland NBEA office says "Thank You!"

Next year the convention will be held in Detroit, Michigan. The convention dates are April 22-27, 1992. In October, of this year, the Portland NBEA chapter will go to Seattle, Washington where they will discuss the outcome of Portland's involvement with the NBEA and the positive affects it has had on the citizens.

There are video tapes available on the "Reconciliation Rally" which was held at the Oregon Convention Center for \$25 each. Also, cassette tapes are available on the workshops for \$5 each. All persons who did not get their NBEA T-Shirts may obtain them by contacting the NBEA office. If you would like to become a member of the NBEA, the membership is priced at \$30 per year. For more information, contact: NBEA Office Portland chapter, 5736 North Albina, Portland, OR 97217, (503) 289-0143.

A grand picnic is on the drawing-board for this summer. Keep your eyes and ears open for the place, date and time. Portland! You did real good! Keep lifting up the name of Jesus.

## Church Launches Annual Building Fund

The Church of the Living God, Temple #102 is raising funds for our annual Building Fund Project. Any financial contributions toward our project goals will be greatly appreciated and is tax deductible.

Our immediate needs are: roofing materials, lumber, windows, doors, kitchen cabinets, chairs, a kitchen sink, insulation, and carpets. Again, thank you for your time, support, and many efforts on our behalf. God is good!

**President:** Barbara Daniels  
Building Fund  
Telephone: (503) 284-8147  
**Pastor:** Rev. T.N. Noffa  
Telephone: (503) 254-5863  
**Please send donations to:**  
Church of the Living God #102  
6401 N.E. 10th St.  
Portland, Oregon 97211

## 8th International Aids Candlelight Memorial

Cascade AIDS Project is sponsoring the 8th International AIDS Candlelight Memorial. The memorial is scheduled for 8:00 p.m., May 19, 1991. It will be held at the First Congregational Church located at 1126 SW Park Avenue, Portland, OR.

Cascade AIDS Project (CAP) is a community-based, non-profit organization committed to improving the quality of life for people affected by AIDS and HIV disease, and to educating the community about its prevention. CAP operates the Oregon AIDS Hotline, a statewide information and referral service, and directs an extensive educational program to the general public and targeted communities-at-risk about AIDS prevention and awareness. CAP's support services for people living with HIV disease include the PAL Program, counseling, support groups, public assistance advocacy, information and referral, a legal clinic, and crisis management. As Oregon's first and largest AIDS service organization, CAP is committed to helping the community prepare a compassionate and effective response to AIDS.

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## News From The African Festival



Pictured above: Christie M. Green, Mattie Ann Callier-Spears, Waverly Davis President, Mayor Bud Clark and Barbara O'Hare.

Mayor Bud Clark Proclaimed African American Festival 1991. This years official week will be August 15 through 18, 1991. There will be a parade as well as other major events held at the New

Oregon Convention Centers Market Expo where the parade will disband. Look for future information the Festival draws near.

Pictured below: Prince Hassen Najib with his Royal Court during the 1990 Parade which began at Jefferson High School and disbanded at Fernhill Park.

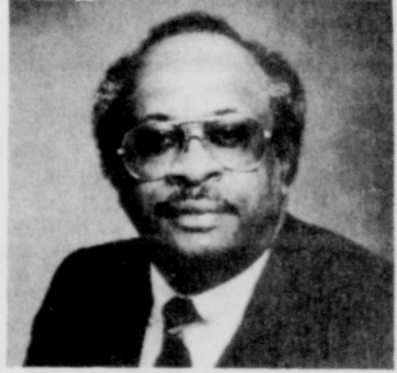


### St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church

8101 N. Fiske Avenue  
Portland, Oregon 97203

Church Phone: 289-0147 Study Phone: 289-1911

Sunday Service 10:45  
Sunday School 9:30  
Bible Study 6:00  
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.



Pastor, Rev. James C.E. Faulkner


**Theme: Whatever you're going to do for the Lord, do it now.**  
I Peter iv.11

To all the moms

# HAPPY MOTHERS DAY

### St. Mark Baptist Church

103 N.E. Morris Street  
Portland, Oregon 97212  
Church Phone: 287-7457



Rev. Dr. Joe S. Hardie, Pastor

Sunday School 9:30 AM.  
Sunday Worship 11:00 AM.  
Bible Study, Wednesday 5:30 PM.  
Prayer Service, Wednesday 6:00 PM.

He That Loveth Not, Knoweth Not God;  
For God Is love I John 4:8

THE GREATER MT. CALVARY MEN'S CHORUS AND THE CITY OF PORTLAND WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE:


"HEAVENBOUND GOSPEL MUSIC" MINISTRY

"IN CONCERT" UNDER THE DIRECTION OF: LONNIE L. HOSLEY  
MUSIC COORDINATOR: BRANDON L. WOODS

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SATURDAY, MAY 11, 1991 AT 7:00 P.M. !!!!  
GREATER MT. CALVARY C.O.G.I.C.  
1234 NE KILLINGSWORTH STREET  
PORTLAND, OR 97211  
BISHOP H.B. DANIELS, SR., PASTOR

THIS INTER-DENOMINATIONAL MUSIC MINISTRY WAS FORMED TO ASSIST IN THE EFFORT OF SAVING THE "YOUTH" OF OUR COMMUNITIES. THERE WILL BE PROCEEDS DONATED TO THE ONGOING COMMUNITY RELIEF PROGRAMS.  
"FREE-WILL OFFERING"



### MT OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH

WE ARE MOVING SUNDAY SERVICES TO

Stone Tower Church,  
N.E. Sandy Blvd. & 30th  
Worship Services 8:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M.  
Church School 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.  
Bible Study, Wednesdays, 116 N.E. Schuyler  
10:30 A.M. and 6:30 P.M.

Radio Ministry each Sunday, 8:00 A.M.-KBMS

A Teaching Church With A Reaching Ministry  
Dr. James E. Martin, Senior Pastor

Church Office 116 N.E. Schuyler,

Jesus Loves You!

### Allen Temple CME Church

Psalm 34:3


4236 NE Eighth Avenue  
(corner of 8th & Skidmore)  
Portland, Oregon 97211  
(503) 287-0261  
Phillip S. Nelson, Pastor



## Maranatha Church

4222 N.E. 12th Avenue, Portland, Oregon

Sunday Services  
Sunday School 9:00 A.M.  
Morning Worship 10:30 A.M.  
Evening Worship 6:00 P.M.  
Midweek Service - Wednesday 7:00 P.M.  
Saturday - BASIC Youth Service 7:00 P.M.



Rev. Wendall H. Wallace  
Senior Pastor

"Maranatha Live" Radio Program/Talk Show KPDQ 93.7 FM 800 AM  
11:00 P.M. to 12:00 midnight (Each Sunday)