

NORI'I PORI'AND BIBLE COLLECE ANNUA: CELEBRATION OF ACHIEVEMENT at 7 p.m., Friday Evening, June 14, 1991 at

BEREAN BAPTIST CHURCH 4822 N. Vancouver Ave., Entrance on Wygant Street

Theme: "The Power of Bible Knowledge"

Speaker: Rev. Rick Danner, M.A. Asst. Dastor, Dunlap Baptist Church Scattle, Washington Member of NDBC's First Faculty in 1982





Joshua D. Phillips GUTD, Administra

Amelia Lanier, Karla's Seafood Chairman

Alter the program: Refreshments and tour of the new campus which is now being prepared

Certificates will be awarded, and students will be

recognized for completion of sequences.

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IS SCHEDULED FOR SATURDAYS:

#### **Bethel African** Methodist **Episcopal Vhurch**

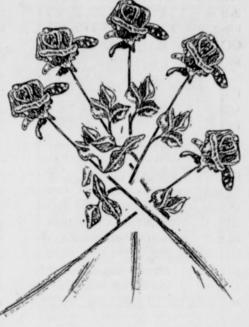
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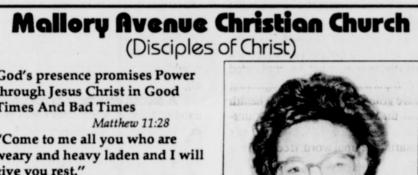
RELIGION

On Sunday, June 9, 1991 at 3:00 p.m. Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church will honor it's Pastor and First Lady, Rev and Mrs. Milton Green, with an Appreciation Celebration as the end of his fourth year approaches. Theme: "A Loving Heart Sees the Need."

This day will be filled with many special blessings as we strive to honor our pastoral family. This a golden opportunity to come together in the name of Our Lord, Jesus Christ to say "thanks for bringing us thus far along the way." The Bethel family extends and invitation to the community to join us in expressing thanks to a very dynamic speaker, pastoring in the 90's.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call 288-5429 or 288-5420.





### Scripture of the Week Scripture of the Week Micah 6:8

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#### BY MATTIE ANN CALLIER-SPEARS perceived as being totally overwhelm-

I've discovered a curious and overwhelming portal that simply loomed over my understanding. No matter how old or how young, the individual may be, the mind is able to perceive appearance; whether it be visual or spiritual. Even though the spiritual and the

physical, or worldly, seem to, at times, they seem to coincide with one another, yet, there is a dramatic difference between th two. A person's spiritual awareness and his/her physical awareness is realized at a very early age. A baby is able to distingu8ish taste, shapes and colors before a word is even spoken.

I found that the state of poverty, for instance, which has had a tremendous effect on the world populous, is not perceived as poverty, to the person experiencing it, until that person's precept of stability, wealth and confidence has been jarred by some outside stimulus.

Each day, we can see people downtown, under the bridges or even in the malls who have no jobs, no homes and don't know where the next meal is coming from. But, are the ones on the outside the only ones who can see their condition? On one of the evangelism team's outings, I asked a little child where her mother and father were. Her response was, "I don't know." She was having the time of her life just playing outside with the other children, in the neighborhood. Her dress was tattered, torn and dirty. Her hair was uncombed. Her face was unwashed; but, she was happy. How could this child smile when, visibly, there was nothing to smile about? It was because she was not aware of her impoverished condition. This kind of innocence is

## **Spiritual VS. Worldy Wealth**

ing to a mind that has never experienced it.

I can remember when my sisters and brothers and me were growing up, we didn't always have everything but our mother would sew for us. She would make dresses that she saw in the magazines. She would make patterns out of newspaper. She would make shirts and trousers for my brothers. She made suits or shorts or whatever we needed to give the appearance being middle class and not poor. However, at school, the kids would talk about us and call us names like "the little rich kids" or "they think they're too much because they have new clothes." The kids had no idea that our mother would pull old dresses, of her own or our great aunt's, apart and make clothing for us. I wonder if it was a feeling of entrapment from society that made our mother go through all the trouble of creating these visions of fabric or was it just because she loved us. Because she wanted the best for us-even though the kids at school were less fortunate. She wasn't negligent in her maternal responsibilities. She would talk to us and tell us that we were somebody no matter what anyone on the outside would say to the contrary. Yet-we were little children just as the little girl was. If our mother had not struggled to make us clothing to give us an illusion of wealth, on the outside, would our lives have been different?

The Holy Spirit struggles with us each and every day trying to get us to believe that we are somebody, in Christ Jesus. Without Christ, we are nothing. Not one stitch of clothing or any expensive brand of perfume or any type of monetary wealth will give us the wealth

that is spoken of in the scripture. [Prov. 11:1-31] Furthermore, Christ Himself said "...Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moths and rust and will destroy it and thieves will break in all and steal it. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven where you treasure is not subject to moths or rust or theives. "[Matt. 6:19 23]

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The old cliche' "Beauty is in the eye of the beholder" is quite true. But- at it is also depends largely upon the beholder. Who is she or who is he? If we go through life using other human beings as yardsticks, we will fail every time. Our primary example should be Christ. He came to this world and lived an exemplary life. One which we should hold up high. Show it to our kids. Let them see themselves through the life of Jesus.

Jesus was not rich in worldly goods me but he was rich with spiritual treasure: faith, hope, mercy, goodness, virtue, et and charity.

We, as human beings, find it hard to look beyond a person's clothing or their monetary wealth. When will we learn that the spiritual versus worldly wealth is a frame of mind. We are borne-not knowing. And many go to ge their graves-not knowing. Are we ever ready to look into the revealing face of truth? The revealing face of Jesus-Himself. By increasing our spiritual awareness, our state of being will be transitionalized. Christ instead of clothes. Clothes do not make the man/womanbut, Christ does.

Looking for a feeling of security, comfort, and peace? Turn your eyes upward! Look to Jesus from which cometh your help. He is the one who made this earth and the heavens. HALLELUJAH! Praise the Lord!



**Baptist Church** 8101 N. Fiske Avenue Portland, Oregon 97203

Church Phone: 289-0147 **Sunday Service** 10:45

Study Phone:289-1911

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

# Maranatha Church

4222 N.E. 12 th 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

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