

RELIGION

Home Going Celebration For The Lady Of Strength

Birdie Lee Taylor

June 25, 1910 - December 15, 1994

Services: 11:00 AM; December 22, 1994; Fellowship Missionary, 4009 M. Missouri, Portland, Oregon

Rev. Johnny Pack IV Officiating



Birdie Lee Taylor

Born in Magnolia, Ak. Believing in the Lord in her early years, and through her life. Attending Walker Chapel Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, Texarkana, Ak. Born the sixth child of 11 children. Daughter of Dave and Mattie Cole.

Married to O.C. Taylor in 1942. Moved to Portland, Or. during the shipyard years. Birdie Taylor survived the flood in Van Port, by climbing to higher ground with four of her children. The family had lost every thing except the Love of God. She believed and knew how to Love and keep her family together.

Birdie was a woman who knew how to keep her family together. She would walk miles from her home to provide for her family. She went through many trials with the help of the Lord. She was a very strong person who always said to her family, as long as you have GOD, there is nothing you can't do. Birdie carried on after the death of her husband to raise the eight children. She was very determined to make a way for her family. She would always make sure her family was first. Birdie was a loving mother, grand mother & Bigma, she was blessed this year to attend her family reunion.

After 52 years she was happy to see the improvement of her son Ronald this year.

When Birdie's health started to fail she was still active with her children and grandchildren, she was always moving and God blessed her with his greatness.

We could continue telling about Birdie, but we just can't tell it all. Birdie leaves to mourn:

Daughter's: Doris Link, Gary Ann Taylor, Bernadine Johnson, Sharon Taylor, Son Ronald Taylor, All of Portland, OR. Sister Alice Muldrew, of Texarkana, Arkansas, Dorothy Gaddis of California. Doll Phillips Brother in law Jimmy Green, of Portland, OR.

Son in laws: Earl Bennett, Charles Stroughter, Kenneth Jonson,

Charles Roper, all of Portland, OR. **Daughter-in-law:** Stacy Taylor

Birdie was blessed with twenty three grandchildren, thirty six great grandchildren, and a host of nieces and nephews, cousins and many friends. We acknowledge those who have come from out of town for this occasion.

Order of Service:

- **Family Procession**
- **Song** Rev. Johnny Pack - Sadie (Sweet Birdie)
- **Scripture-Old Testament** - Exodus 10:1&2
- **New Testament** - Philippians 4-13
- **Prayer** Rev. Johnny Pack
- **Song** - Going Up Younder - Lorene Wider
- **Inspirational Words** - Teresa Taylor, Tiesha Necole Taylor, Roy Pittman
- **Resolutions and acknowledgment**
- **Obituary** --Tamera Overton
- **Song** - Never Grow Old - Barbara Porter
- **Eulogy** - Rev. Johnny Pack
- **Parting View**
- **Recessional**

Pallbearers: Ronald Taylor, Kenneth Link, Devin Bass, Terry Taylor, Charles Roper, Damien Scruggs, Roy Pittman, Honorary Pallbearers, Terry Butler, Keith Gage, Robert McClaiem, and Melvin Nelson.

You are invited to join the Taylor family for dinner at:

Miracles, 700 N. Killingsworth, Portland, Oregon

The Taylor family gratefully acknowledge your expressions of love and kindness that you have shown us during the loss of our loved one. Thank you and may the Lord Bless each and every one of you.

Funeral Arrangements By Cox Funeral Home, 2736 N. E. Rodney, Portland, Oregon. Interment at Sunset Cemetery.

My Christmas Wish List

BY BERNICE POWELL JACKSON

This is the time of year when, unfortunately, we become obsessed with gifts and shopping and partying. There's nothing wrong with any of those, but Christmas ought to be a time most of all to remember God's wish for peace for the world. For whether you're Christian and believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God, the Prince of Peace, or whether you're Muslim or Jewish and believe that Jesus was a prophet sent by God, you must acknowledge Jesus' call for peace on earth. So, my Christmas wish list is not one of gifts which can be bought in any department store or boutique. It is simply a wish for peace in our land and peace on this earth.

On the first day of Christmas I would wish for just on day of peace in our cities -- just one day when a child is not killing another child, when a husband is not killing a wife, when a young person is not terrorizing an elder. Just on day when we put the guns down and see each other as human being created in the image of God. If we were able to have just one day of peace, perhaps that one day would turn into two and then into a week and then a month and there would be peach in the "hood" every day.

This week I went to a school in the Cleveland area and helped about a dozen young people celebrate Kwanzaa. As we talked about the principle of self-determination, one young man said that it is all white people's fault, that they had been oppressing blacks for 400 years. And I looked him in the eye and said it is not white people who are pulling the trigger and killing our young men, we are killing each other. I don't think he had ever thought about that before. My first wish is for peace in our cities.

And then I would wish for peace in this nation. In the 1970's and

80's, during the many marches I attended when I lived in New York City protesting police brutality and other forms of racial discrimination, we used to chant "no justice, not peace." Part of the reason there is little peace in this nation is that there is little justice. Every week I receive letters from those incarcerated in our criminal justice system - letters not declaring their innocence, but pointing to how they have been discriminated against by the system. For example, those African American prisoners who were in the Lucasville, Ohio prison riot a year or so ago have been writing to tell about how they are receiving additional time even when they were not involved.

There is little justice in a nation where the top one-fifth of the people earn almost one half of the income while the bottom one-fifth earn only four percent (4%). Or where millions of children go to sleep hungry at night and thousands of children sleep in different shelters each night. My second wish is for peace and justice in this nation.

My third wish is for peace in this world. The children of Bosnia, of Rwanda, of Liberia still live in war zones while the world looks the other way. These children now hunger and fear first-hand and know little of play and laughter and holidays. As we celebrate this Christmas, let us all remember those children who long for peace in their lands.

The final item on my Christmas list is a wish for peace in each one of us. I would want each of us to find peace in our own hearts, in our own souls, in our own minds. And then may we share that peace with just one young person so that a day of peace might become a reality in 1995. Now that would be a real Christmas present -- peace.

We Welcome You to The Greater Saint Stephen Missionary Baptist Church

"Serving The Lord With Gladness" Psalm 100:2

Sunday School 10am

Morning Worship 11:05

Wednesday

Prayer & Bible Study 7pm

Rev. G.L. Black I Pastor

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New Year's Day Concert

Theme: "Jesus Is The Center Of My Joy"

Featuring



Miss Karen F. Simpson

Special Guests: Mr. David Hollins
Mr. Michael Whitmore

January 1, 1995 --- 6:00 PM

Faith Temple Church
4224 SE 62nd Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97206

Come And Bring A Friend
& Lets Celebrate The New Year Together

Also

The Annual New Year's Revival
January 2-6, 1995 7pm Nightly

Guest Revivalist:
Elder Don S. Hudson of Brooklyn, New York

The Lords Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debtors, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the Power, and the glory forever. Amen! Matthew 6: 9-3

FAITH TEMPLE CHURCH

4224 S.E. 62nd Avenue
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Portland, Oregon 97206

SUNDAY

Sunday School 9:30am

Morning Worship 10:45am

Evangelistic Service 7:30pm

Tuesday Pastoral Teaching 7:00pm

FRIDAY

Evangelistic Service 7:00pm

DAILY

Prayer 12:00pm & 6:00pm

(503) 774-5470

PASTORS: Bishop Robert Simpson, Jr. • Dr. Ida M. Simpson



St. Mark Baptist Church

103 NE Morris St., Portland, OR 97212

- Sunday School - 9:30am
- Sunday Morning Worship Service - 11:00am
- Sunday School Teacher's Meeting Tues - 6:30pm
- Bible Study Wednesday 6:00pm
- Prayer Meeting Wednesday - 7:00pm

Church Phone Number
287-7457

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The Church Where Everybody is Somebody And Christ Is All.
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Church School 9:30 to 10:30am,
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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 7:00pm

Pastor, Re. James C.E. Faulkner