

RELIGION

Explore Religion's Roots in Turkey

(NU) - With the approach of the millennium, interest in religious travel is high. For a wealth of religious history, one can't do better than to visit Turkey. There you can travel back in time to the roots of Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

It is the birthplace of Abraham and St. Paul, and home to such mystical rituals as the whirling of dervishes.

Here are more highlights of Turkey's rich religious heritage:

- St. Paul was born in Tarsus. Nearby is Antakya, known in biblical times as Antioch, and founded around 300 B.C. It was home to an important Christian community started by St. Paul in A.D. 42.

Just outside town is the Grotto of St. Peter, a cave-church enclosed by a wall built during the Crusades. It's said that the Apostle Peter preached there.

- Along Turkey's Aegean coast, visit the communities known as the Seven Churches. Their ancient names — Ephesus, Smyrna, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, Laodicea and Bergama — are all familiar to readers of the New Testament.

These are the towns where Paul proselytized and built the early church. Ephesus, for example, is believed to have been home to St. Paul, St. John and the Virgin Mary. The Great Temple in Ephesus was considered one of the Seven Wonders of the Ancient World. And tradition has it that The Basilica of St. John, near Ephesus, is John's final resting place.

- In the Cappadocia region Christians built complete underground cities to escape persecution during the seventh century.



Frescoes of early Christian teachings, The Dark Church, Goreme.

- Out of the rocky terrain of the Goreme Valley, it is said that Christians carved a different church for every day of the year.

- Legend has it that when the waters of the great flood receded, Noah's Ark landed on top of Mt. Ararat in eastern Turkey.

- In the 5,000-year-old city of Sardis are the remains of the largest ancient synagogue in existence. It dates back to the fourth century B.C.

- In Istanbul's Sultanahmet Square, visitors can explore the Blue Mosque with its magnificent dome and six minarets, and St. Sophia, once the largest church in the Christian world, then a mosque, and now a world-famous museum.

- Look near Istanbul's old Jewish Quarter for Ahrida Synagogue, built in the 15th century, 19th century Neve Shalom Synagogue and the Zulfaris Jewish Museum.

For more information about travel to Turkey, call 202-429-9844 or 212-687-2194.

Church Homecoming Set

Annual Event Begins May 13

The Mallory Avenue Church of Christ annual Homecoming begins May 13-19.

The theme this year is There is a Balm in Gilead.

Group singing begins at 6 p.m. Saturday, May 13, and everyone is invited.

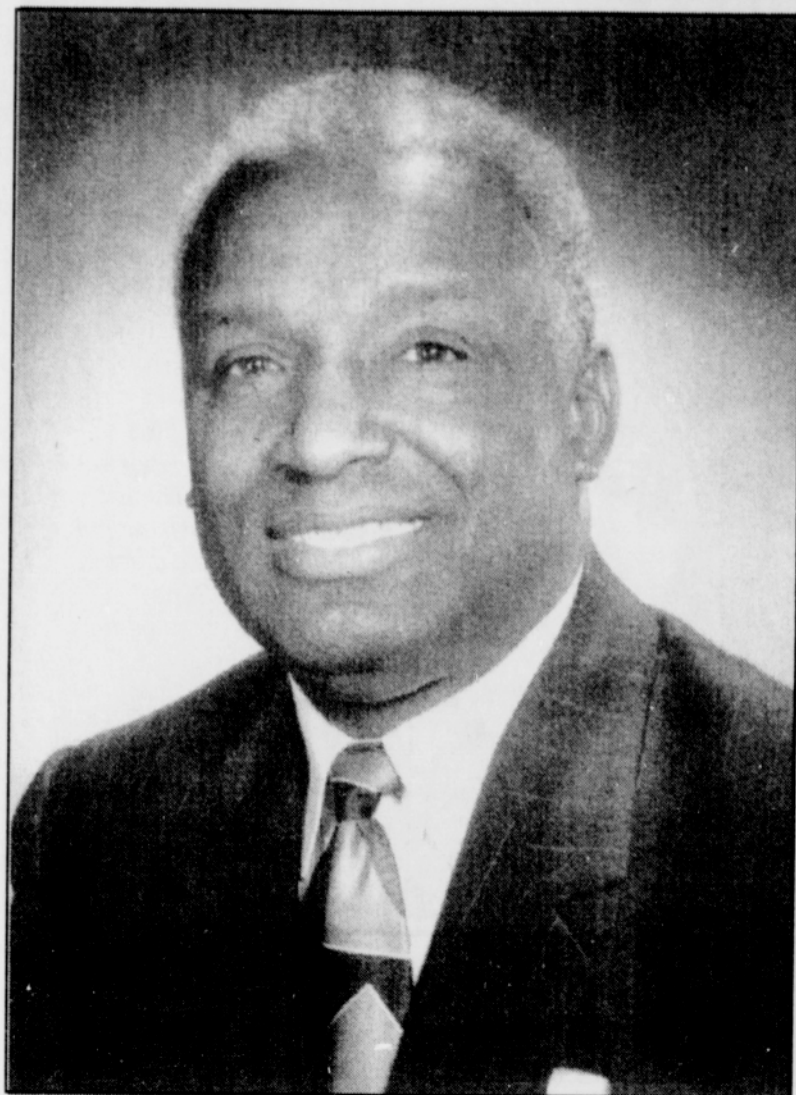
Guest minister Brother William Harper from Seattle will speak Saturday and Monday, May 15.

During the week on Tuesday and Wednesday Brother Rudolph Johnson from Piedmont Church of Christ will preach and Brother Jeff Hicks of Hazel Dell will wrap it up Thursday and Friday.

Services and singing begin at 7 p.m. Sunday, May 14, through Friday.

Please join us for a soul fulfilling, uplifting week of praise and worship.

Mallory Avenue Church of Christ is located at 3908 N.E. Mallory Ave. Call 288-1092 for further information.



Brother William Harper

Ministry To Moms Planned

Ministry to mothers is the theme for two workshops planned for May. "Ministry of Moms Sharing is a process for mothers to experience peer ministry, self-discovery, mutual support and prayer. It promotes personal and spiritual growth, and helps mothers to bring new strength to their families and the Christian community. Leadership training sessions are scheduled for Monday May 8, 1995 at St. Pius X Catholic Church (1280 N. W. Saltzman Road) Portland, and Thursday, May 11, at St. Mary Catholic Church (25th and Tyler Streets) Corvallis. The time for both workshops is 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The M.O.M.S. ministry provides an eight week journey for mothers. It was developed by Sister Paula Hagen, O.S.B., from Jacksonville, FL. She has served as a parish family life minister in Florida, Arizona and in Minnesota. Sister Paula will conduct the leadership training sessions in May. She will also conduct a one day retreat for moms on Saturday, May 13, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at St. Mary Catholic Church (Eighth & Ellsworth Streets) Albany.

Those interested in learning more about M.O.M.S. may contact the Archdiocesan Family Life Office in Portland, 233-8341.

Davis To Shape Policies On Aging

Elizabeth Davis of Portland was named by former Gov. Roberts as a delegate to the 1995 White House Conference on Aging (WHCoA), to be held May 2-5, in Washington, D.C.

The conference is the fourth such meeting in history and the last of this century.

More than 2,250 delegates from all 50 states and the U.S. territories will gather at the Washington Hilton Hotel to develop resolutions which will

shape aging national policy over the next decade.

The theme of the conference is "America Now and Into the 21st Century: Generations Aging Together with Independence, Opportunity, and Dignity."

The agenda consists of four issues: (1) Assuring Comprehensive Health Care Including Long Term Care; (2) Promoting Economic Security; (3) Maximizing Housing and Support Service Options; and (4) Maximizing Options for a Quality

Life.

Two cross-cutting concerns pervade the agenda and will influence discussions at the Conference.

These are: (1) interdependence among generations and among members of extended families, and the responsibility of individuals to plan for changes that will occur throughout their lifespan; and (2) unique contributions and needs of special populations, especially veterans, caregivers (including grandparents), rural elderly, women, minorities and

individuals with disabilities.

Elizabeth Davis is a member of the Governor's Commission on Senior Services.

"I am excited to have this opportunity to represent Oregon at the 1995 WHCoA" says Davis.

"Our work in Washington in May will help to define a national aging policy for our country."

"The follow-through to implement policy is also an extremely important part of the process."

Bankers Take To The YMCA Court

Some area bankers were trying to run up more than their return on assets when they took to the courts Friday night at the N.E. YMCA.

A Key Bank of Oregon team played a game of hoops against a team of Midnight Basketball stars in a show of support for Young Mens Christian Association program.

Key Bank has helped to fund

sessions of games designed to provide a safe, structured nighttime activity for youth who may only have the streets as an alternative.

Midnight Basketball occurs each Friday night from 9 p.m. - 1 a.m.

In addition to the positive recreational opportunity this program offers, players also participate in a 30-minute motivational

talk prior to each game.

Speakers have included U.S. Judge Ancer Haggerty, former Trailblazer Maurice Lucas and U.S. Rep. Ron Wyden.

These presentations are designed to provide information, motivation and positive role models.

"We think this is a great program for the young people and the community," commented

Dianne Haines, a spokesperson for Key Bank.

"Giving these youth a positive alternative to just "hanging out" is a win, win situation for everyone."

"Being able to interact with these young men by joining them on their home court, is a real plus to our involvement and commitment to this program," said Haines.

Choir Performance Set

The Bethel Cathedral Choir Presents "Come Before His Presence With Praise And Singing," Sunday April 30 at 4 p.m.

Participating guests include Mary Alice Collier, Soloist; Mary Wells, Soloist; and Rev. Dorsey McCullough, Soloist.

Also joining the choir is the

Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church and Bethel A.M.E. Mass Choir

Bethel A.M.E. Church is located at 5828 NE 8th Ave. For more information call 288-5429. Mrs. Betty White, President; Mrs. Rochelle McElroy, Director; Rev. Dorsey McCullough, Pastor

Muslim Inquiry Line Opens

The Ahmaddiyya Muslim Mission in Portland has opened an inquiry line for those who are

interested in knowing about the religion of Islam. The number is 246-0813.



Mt Olivet Baptist Church

8501 N. Chautauqua Blvd., at Willis Blvd.

Worship Services 8:00am & 11:00am,
Church School 9:30 to 10:30am,
Bible Study, Wednesdays, 10:30am & 7:00pm
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4224 S.E. 62nd Avenue
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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

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St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church

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

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Sunday School 9:30
Bible Study 6:00
Evening Service 7:00pm

Pastor, Re. James C.E. Faulkner

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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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Sunday Morning Worship 11:45 A.M.
YPWW 6:30 P.M.
Sunday Evening Worship 7:30 P.M.
Tuesday Prayer/Bible Band 7:30 P.M.
Friday Worship Service 7:00 P.M.

"Come Unto Me All Ye That Labor And Are Heavy Laden,
And I Will Give You Rest. Take My Yoke Upon You
And Learn Of Me." Matt. 11:28-29

We have a place for you. Come fellowship with us!

A Welcome Is Awaiting You!