

RELIGION

O B I T U A R Y

In Loving Memory of Charles Oliver Lucas

Charles Oliver Lucas passed away on April 19, 1998 at his residence from cancer.

Mr. Lucas was born on December 6, 1927 in Selina, Kansas to Harold E. and Celia A. (Simpson) Lucas. He was a laborer in the construction industry. Mr. Lucas had lived in Portland since December 1966 and he was never married. He is survived by:
Brother; Clarence E. Lucas Junction City, Kansas
Brother; Calvin C. Lucas Sacramento, California
Brother; Chester W. Lucas Portland, Oregon
Brother; Thomas J. Lucas Location Unknown
Sister; Zara M. Curtis Portland, Oregon
Sister; Sara J. Smith Portland, Oregon

Beatrice "Bea" Roach

Friends were invited to attend a Homegoing Celebration Service for Beatrice "Bea" Roach on May 18th, 1998.

Bea was born on October 3, 1928 in Norfolk, Virginia to Essex and Josephine Brinkley and passed away in a Portland, Oregon hospital on May 11, 1998 at the age of 69 years, with the cause of death being chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Bea attended schools in Norfolk. She graduated from the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond as a L.P. Nurse and moved to Portland and had resided here since. She worked 40 years in nursing and retired in 1993. She had worked at Holladay Park Hospital, Emanuel Hospital and Dr. Reynolds Office to name a few.

Bea was a member of Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church for over 30 years. She was a member of the Usher Board and later joined the choir. She was a member of the Eastern Star and was a driver for meals on wheels and was an award winning salesperson for Avon products.

Bea is survived by:

Husband; John T. Roach Portland, Oregon
Son & Wife; Gregory & Sandra Brinkley Portland, Oregon
Step Daughter; Sharon Roach Norfolk, Virginia
Step Daughter; Stephanie Baldwin Virginia Beach, Virginia
Brother; Albert Brinkley Norfolk, Virginia
Brother; Andrew Brinkley Norfolk, Virginia

W i t n e s s

Some people are simply born with a destiny and calling. In the first chapter of Jeremiah, God tells the Old Testament prophet: "I knew you before you were born...I sanctified you and appointed you as my spokesman to the world." Sisters Lisa Page Brooks and Leah Page were born into a house full of music, and with hearts for the Lord. And as the nucleus of Witness--one of the great vocal groups of modern Gospel music--they have indeed spent most of their own lives speaking to the world with powerful words and music.



And on the group's latest release, Love Is An Action Word, those voices shine more brilliantly than ever. With newcomers Candice Smith and Ayanah Thomas on board, the foursome has perfected a sound unique in contemporary music. Under the sure hand of Lisa's husband--producer and songwriter--extraordinary, Michael Brooks--both quiet elegance and joyful abandon meet in a Gospel/urban/r&b/pop amalgam that is nothing short of thrilling to behold.

Is it really Gospel? Absolutely. The Good News and the Church which sings its praises permeate everything Witness touches. Is it serious, no-nonsense urban/r&b grooves? Believe it. These ladies can cook with the best. And pop? Witness seamlessly sews together diverse influences into a garment that fits people of all persuasions, propensities and tastes.

Call it any or all of the above. Or better still, just call it Witness.

With an ear on the streets, and eyes on the Lord, Witness delivers a message of relevance and urgency in the musical vernacular of the modern day masses. And Love is an Action word is a back-to-back, full-tilt journey into that rare, anointed place where entertainment, inspiration and worship meet in perfect harmony. On an album filled with hits-in-the-making, it's hard to pick any one track over another. Still, several songs literally jump up and command attention.



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TUNE IN

The Power of Racial Unity

will show on Sunday, June 7th & 14th

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This video explains the Baha'i Faith's pursuit of Racial Unity.

Portland Welcomes Unity

The Association of Unity Churches, an organization based near Kansas City, Missouri, and consisting of over 900 Unity ministries worldwide, announces its annual International Convention to be held June 15-20 at the Doubletree/Jantzen Beach Hotel on Hayden Island. "Portland was chosen in part because of the large number of Unity churches

in our Western Region," says Debbie Ball, Convention Coordinator. "There are also at least five churches in the local area to help support the convention with volunteers," explains Ball, "but we also chose Portland based on its natural beauty and the hospitality of its residents."

Between 600 to 800 people are expected to attend the conven-

tion, consisting of Unity ministers, licensed Unity teachers and laypersons. Opening ceremonies will include the sharing of spiritual traditions of several religions and cultures. The convention is open to the public, and all are invited to attend personal/spiritual growth workshops for a fee. Keynote speakers can be heard free of charge and include Neale

Donald Walsh, author of *Conversations with God* on Wednesday evening, June 17, and longtime friend and writer for Bob Hope, Gene Perret on Thursday, June 18. Both keynotes are at 7:30.

For more information about Unity, please contact the Association of Unity Churches at 816-524-7414 or your nearest Unity center.

Promise Keepers Confirms "Live A Legacy" Conference at Autzen Stadium

Promise Keepers (PK), the Denver based Christians men's ministry, has returned a signed contract with Autzen Stadium in Eugene, OR., to hold a men's conference on July 31-August 1.

The 1998 season of Promise Keepers men's conferences is based on the theme *Live A Legacy-Make A Difference in*

Your Lifetime. Tom Fortson, Ph.D., chief operating officer of Promise Keepers, issued a challenge to the men who haven't yet registered. "To the guys who were waiting to see if Promise Keepers would be around, it's time to sign up for yourself and the men you're bringing."

Speakers at the two day con-

ference include Dr. Don Bartlette, pastor Danny DeLeon, and evangelist Mike Silva. Topics covered during the conference include "Living a Legacy on the Homefront," "Debt Free Living," and session entitled, "What Really Matter."

Promise Keepers men's conferences are free in 1998, but

men must register to ensure seating and to assist the ministry planning. Register by calling 1-800-888-7595 (Spanish 1-800-203-1564, TTY 1-800-769-6855).

Promise Keepers is a Christ-centered ministry dedicated to uniting men through vital relationships to be godly influences in their world.

"Expanding Our Horizons"

Choral Concert

The Canberra Gay and Lesbian Qwire from Australia's national capital will kickoff its first U.S. tour on June 13, performing in the "Expanding Our Horizons" concert as guests of the Portland Gay Men's Chorus, Portland Lesbian Choir, and Bridges Vocal Ensemble.

The performance will take place on Saturday, June 13 at 7 p.m. at Whitaker Middle School, NE 39th and Killingsworth.

Tickets are General Admission, \$14.00 in advance and \$16.00 at the door. Tickets may be purchased at Gai Pied, 2544 NE Broadway, It's My Pleasure, 3106 NE 64th at Sandy, from chorus members, or at the door.

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Are you looking for continuing education workshops, to equip you for excellence in serving God in your church and community?

We Are Offering Marriage Enrichment Seminars at the NPBC campus. Free and open to all, the seminar is taught by Dr. Otis F. Brown, our president, and Dr. Johnnie Brown, his wife, well known conference speakers.

Are you looking for answers concerning the future, from the Bible?

Then sign up for our summer course, *NT141: The Revelation*. It starts August 4, and is available for credit or personal enrichment. Please contact us for a list of workshops available.

Don't miss the opportunities in your community! North Portland Bible College, 4905 N. Vancouver Avenue, phone 288-2919.



Pastor
Johnny Pack IV

Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church

Every Sunday:
8:00 AM Early Morning Worship
9:15 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Morning Worship
the Lord's Supper
(1st Sunday)
Children's Church
(1st, 2nd and 4th Sunday)
6:00 PM Training Union
(2nd and 4th Sunday)
7:15 PM Evening worship
(2nd and 4th Sunday)
11:00 AM Baptismal Service
(4th Sunday)

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