

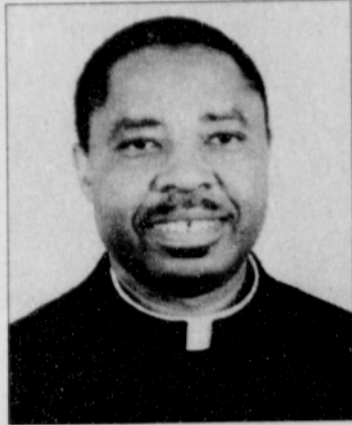


Religion

Tanzanian Pastors Join Catholic Community

Adding to the rich multiculturalism of the northeast Portland area is Tanzanian Fr. Nicolaus Mirandu of Immaculate Heart Parish. He is joined in the Archdiocese of Portland by fellow Tanzanian Fr. Nicholas Nilema of Our Lady of Victory Parish in Seaside. These priests are a small part of a trend in the United States, of bishops bringing foreign-born priests to fill the gaps in the U.S. ministry, which adds to the enrichment and diversity of the multi-cultural Catholic community.

Both men are members of the Apostolic Life community of priests, and came to the Archdiocese in July of 1992. They were invited to come to the



Father Nicolaus Mirandu

Archdiocese by the former Archbishop William Levada, now Archbishop of San Francisco. Members of the Portland Black Catholic Lay Caucus, now officially known as the African American Catholic Community



Father Nicholas Nilema

of Oregon, accomplished this action after several years of urging and solicitation.

Father Marandu was ordained in 1982 in Rauya-Moshi, Tanzania, where the native language is Swahili. Upon his arrival in Port-

land, he was assigned to be Parochial Vicar for Holy Redeemer, St. Andrew and Immaculate Heart of Mary parishes. Since 1994, he has served as pastor of Immaculate Heart, at 2926 N. Williams Ave. This church is one block east of Emanuel Hospital, where he also serves as Catholic chaplain.

Father Nilema was ordained by 1988, like Marandu in Rauya-Moshi. When he arrived, he was assigned to St. Therese parish in northeast Portland as a Parochial Vicar, and was in residence at the Immaculate Heart Rectory with his friend Fr. Marandu. In 1997, he was appointed administrator of Our Lady of Victory in Seaside, where he became pastor in 1998.

Reverend Jesse L. Jackson Launches "1000 Churches Connected" Project

At New York Theological Seminary, Thursday, October 25, 2001, Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, Sr. and the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition announced the launch of 1000 Churches Connected, a new initiative to work with Pastors to create or enhance economic literacy programs within their congregations. The press conference, at the New York Theological Seminary located at 5 W. 29th Street in Manhattan, at 11 a.m. features clergy and corporate supporters of the project.

Reverend Jackson is joined in leading and announcing this initiative by Reverend James T.



Reverend Jesse L. Jackson

Meeks, Pastor of Salem Baptist Church of Chicago and Executive Vice President of Rainbow/

PUSH. Partners and supporters include Sanford I. Weill, Chairman and CEO of Citicorp, Dwight P. Robinson, Senior Vice President, Corporate Relations of Freddie Mac, Dr. Ileana Rodriguez-Garcia, Acting President of the New York Theological Seminary, and over a dozen other corporate representatives and clergy. The Financial Ministry curriculum of 1000 Churches Connected has already been successfully piloted in churches in Atlanta, Kansas City, Newark, New York and Chicago. According to Reverend Meeks, "10,000 members at Salem Baptist Church

are on the road to financial freedom by eliminating debt and participating fully in the economic rejuvenation of our community."

The 1000 Churches Connected program features a comprehensive curriculum for all denominations. It includes instructor training, computer and Internet access and a series of training modules emphasizing personal financial planning and management, debt and consumer credit education, wealth accumulation, home ownership, investment, insurance education and utilization of technology as a financial resource.

Obituaries

Verneda Newborne

A funeral was held Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2001, in Killingsworth Little Chapel of the Chimes for Verneda Newborne, who died Oct. 17 at age 84. Mrs. Newborne was born Verneda Carter on June 19, 1917, in Wynne, Ark. She moved to Portland in the late 1940s and was a cook for OHSU for more than 30 years until retiring. She married Ardyce Newborne; he died in the early 1990s.

Survivors include her son, William "Bill"; two grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. Interment in Sunnyside Memorial Gardens.

Willie B. Curtis

March 3, 1907 - October 23, 2001

Willie B. Curtis was born to Willie and Precella Garrett in Calvert, Texas on March 3, 1907. In her teen years she attended Dallas High School in Dallas, Texas. She later married Edward Blankenship and to this union they had two daughters Edna Willis and Lela Mae Thomas.



She moved to Portland, Oregon in 1943 at that time she began working at the Shipyard. Later she worked at Multnomah County Hospital in the kitchen where she retired in 1970.

In 1953 Willie accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her personal Savior and became a member of Emanuel Free Methodist Church, while a member of the church she served as the Church Secretary for 38 years. Willie loved attending church every Sunday and was always actively involved in her Church functions.

Her late husband Charlie Curtis precedes her in death; he passed away on May 10, 1958. 3 of her children Lela Mae Thomas, Willie Curtis, and James Curtis. Her mother and father also precede her in death.

Willie B. Curtis leaves to cherish her memory, 4 children: daughter Edna Willis of Dallas, Texas; Charlene Buckner of Portland, Oregon; Monzella Curtis of Oakland, California; and Janice Hudson of Portland, Oregon, and 1 son-in-law Leroy Hudson of Portland, Oregon. 24 Beloved Grandchildren, 63 Great-grandchildren, and a host of cousins and friends.

Interment will be at Willamette National Cemetery, 11800SE Mount Scott Blvd., Portland, Oregon 97266.

Esther Bessie Adams

A funeral was held Tuesday, Oct. 30, 2001, in Rose City Funeral Home for Esther Bessie Adams, who died Oct. 23 at age 84.

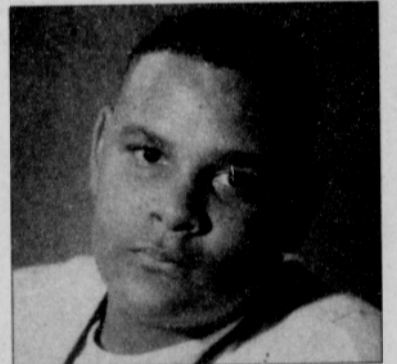
Mrs. Adams was born Esther Bessie Clark on Feb. 16, 1917, in Meridian, Miss., where she was raised. She earned a nursing degree in San Bernardino, Calif., and was a licensed practical nurse for the veterans hospital in Tacoma for 32 years until retiring. She moved to Vancouver, Wash. in 1995. She married Hilray Roach Sr.; they were divorced and he died. She married James Adams; he died in 1995.

Survivors include her sons, Hilray Roach Jr. and Willie Roach; sisters, Pat Clark, Daisy Mae Dickson and Mary Ann Bolden; and seven grandchildren.

Interment in Rose City Cemetery.

Danny M. Nichols

A life celebration for Danny M. Nichols will be held Friday, Nov. 2 at First AME Zion Church, 109 N. Skidmore at 11 a.m. For more information, call 360-254-4258 or 503-335-0771.



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Gospel Celebration and Food Drive

To lift the spirits of those who've been affected by the recent terrorist attacks, a gospel celebration and food drive will be held on Saturday, Nov. 3 at the New Song Community Church, located at 2511 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. The theme for this event is called "Feeding the Soul, Promoting Health and Healing the Community."

Mr. Baruti L. Artharee, Chair, Urban League Board of Directors will be giving the keynote address. In addition, Robert L. Vieira, Ed.D, Vice Provost Office of Academic Affairs, Oregon

Health & Science University will be speaking about the University's community outreach efforts.

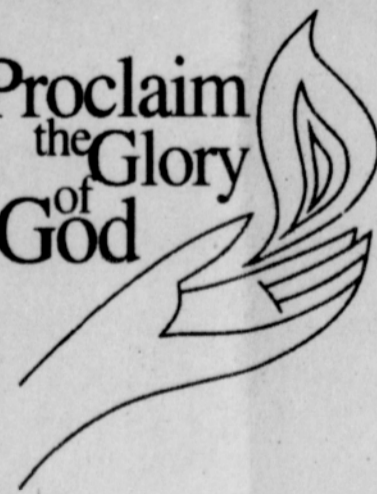
The Gospel Celebration will feature the OHSU Community Gospel Choir, Genesis Community Choir, True Vine Missionary Baptist Church Choir, Grant/Franklin Gospel Choir, singers Pamela Anderson, Tonya James, and a host of other performers.

For more information, call Richard Loudd, the Community Outreach Coordinator for OHSU/Urban League of Portland. Call 503-494-0711 or 503-280-2659.

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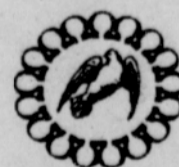


Bishop Timothy J. Clarke
Berean Fellowship of Churches
First Church of God, Columbus Ohio

Dates and Times

Sunday, November 11, 2001
10:30am and 6:00pm

Monday, November 12
&
Tuesday, November 13
at 7pm



All services at:
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