



Members of the Corner Stone Community Services committee organizing a Youth Summit with Judge Greg Mathis included LaVern Davis (from left), Elizabeth Faye Richard, Larry Collins, Debra Lindsay, Pastor B.E. Johnson, Deloris Montgomery, Ralph Davis, Fred Trice and Patricia (Pat) Trice.

Success, Hope at Youth Summit

Judge Mathis addresses group

Corner Stone Community Services presented a youth summit and banquet with the Honorable Judge Greg Mathis of the TV show "Judge Mathis" who is a national success story and a symbol of hope for today's youth in urban America.

Over 400 people attended the April 27 event at the Lloyd Center Double Tree Hotel with local African American leader Ray Leary serving as master of ceremonies.

The summit was the result of Corner Stone Pastor B.E. Johnson's vision of encouraging the youth to do the right things, stay in school, and work toward productive futures in spite of difficulties they face in their schools and community.

Honored guests included parents and teachers of Jefferson High School; the Jefferson High School Girls 5A state championship basketball team; the Jefferson High School Boys 5A state championship basketball team; the Grant High School Boys 6A state championship team and their cheerleaders; and the Portland State University Men's Big Sky championship team.

Other distinguished dignitaries included Michael A. Cobb of the Oregon Department of Transportation; Mikal H. Shabazz of the City of Portland; Dr. Algie Gatewood, president of Portland Community College-Cascade campus; Peggy Ross,



Judge Greg Mathis meets guest Bishop H.B. Daniels Jr. during the Youth Summit sponsored by Corner Stone Community Services.

director of the Governor's affirmative action office; Pastor Paul Green; church leader Betty Green; and Bishop H.B. Daniels Jr.

Esteemed support was also given through the attendance of Judge Ancer L. Haggerty, State Rep. Chip Shields, State Sen. Margaret Carter and Dr. Fred Grey, the attorney that represented Rosa Parks in the Montgomery, Ala. bus boycott, a lawsuit that led to the 1956 Supreme Court decision declaring segregated seating on buses unconstitutional. Grey also represented Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. when he was jailed for acts of civil disobedience.

Corliss McKeever from the African American Health Coalition talked about health concerns and preventative care in the African-

ated deaths, drive by shootings, hate crimes, parents against children, children against parents, racial prejudice and discrimination—it is time to make a difference in the lives of our youth," said Pastor B.E. Johnson.

Johnson also spoke about the programs that Cornerstone Community Services offers in the community and the plans to expand and develop more life enriching opportunities for young people.

A job fair on the same day as the banquet also attracted the City of Portland's Development Services, Police Bureau and Fire and Rescue Bureau; the Oregon Department of Transportation; and the US Army. The outreach was aimed at promoting economic opportunities that ultimately provide a living family wage.

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