

# RELIGION



Local and visiting members of the National Association of Colored Women's Clubs and Youth Affiliates, Inc., gather in Portland for the 35th biennial conference of the club's Northwest Region at the Ramada Inn near the airport.

## Oldest Black Women's Club Celebrates

The Northwest Region of National Association of Colored Women's Clubs and Youth Affiliates, Inc. held their 35th biennial convention July 27-30 at the Ramada Inn by the Portland Airport.

The association, which has existed since 1896, is the oldest Black Women's club to continuously operate in

the United States, and has existed in the state of Oregon since 1918. Betty Stephens is the current president of the Oregon chapter.

The weekend event, which had a full agenda, included an awards ceremony, banquet, and church attendance on Sunday at the Vancouver Avenue Baptist Church.

## AME Zion Bible Camp Arrives

The A.M.E. Zion Church, 3605 E. 13th St. in Vancouver, invites both the young and the old to their summer vacation Bible School, Aug. 15-17.

Although there is no registration fee, a donation of canned goods for the church's "Benevolence "Food

Pantry" would be welcome.

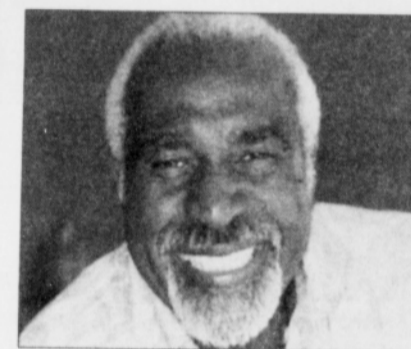
The theme of the bible study event is "Living as God's Covenanted People," and will be filled with activities for all ages. Participants will meet each night from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. For more information, call 360-693-4566.

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Bishop Samuel M. Irving and his wife Ella R. Irving will celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary with a dinner party at the Rose Quarter on Saturday, Aug. 20.

## Couple Celebrates 60th Year

Bishop Samuel M. Irving and Ella R. Irving of Portland will be celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary with members of the community on Saturday, Aug. 20.

The dinner event will begin at 6 p.m. in the Garden Room at the Rose Quarter and will also include a celebration of Bishop Irving's 80th birthday. The cost is \$25 per plate.

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