



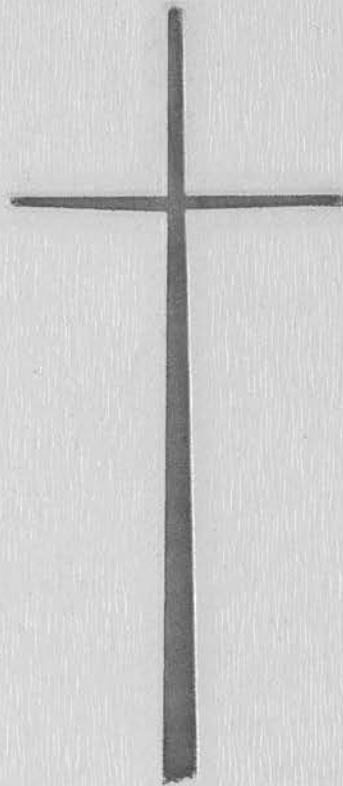
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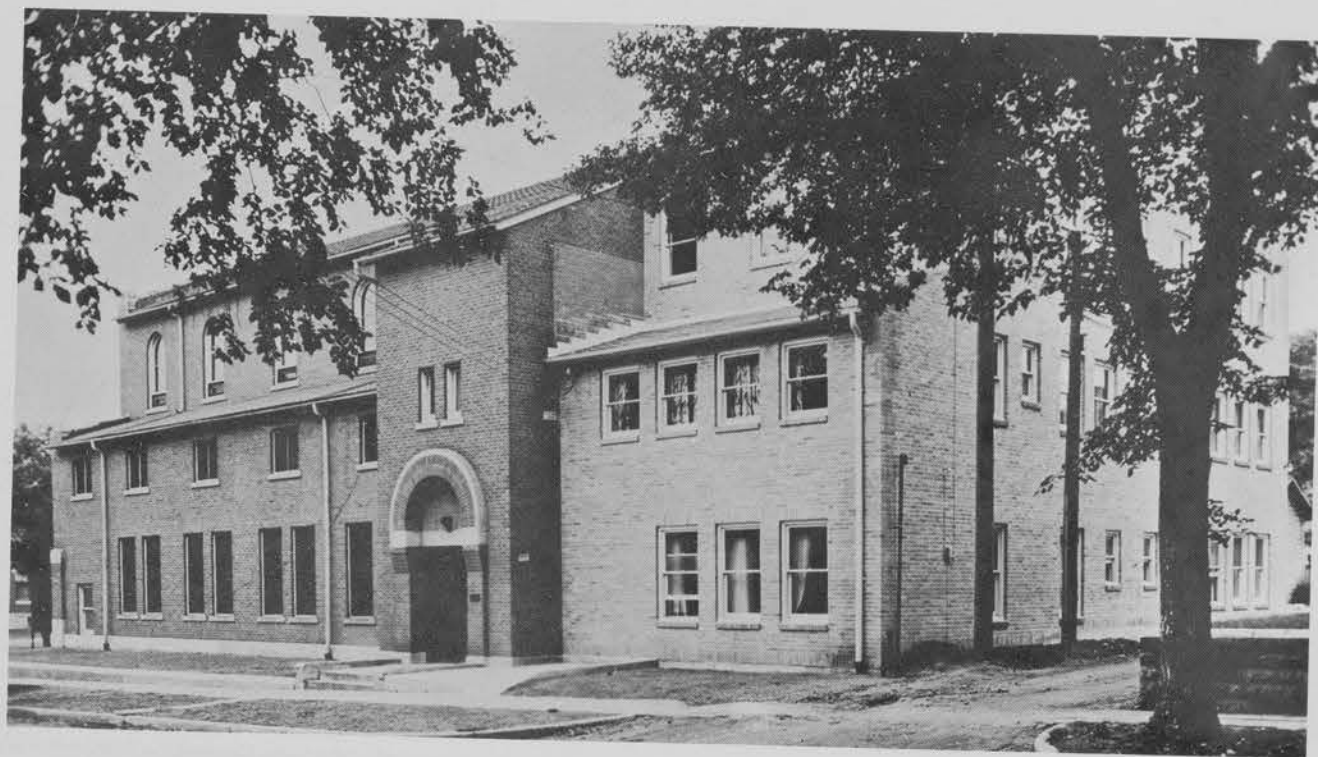
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Pilgrim Baptist Church
St. Paul, Minnesota



Educational Unit of Pilgrim Church
Erected in 1949



Reverend Dr. Floyd Massey, Jr.

FOREWORD

One hundred years ago, Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation freeing slaves in rebel states took effect. In that same year, a group of escaped slaves founded Pilgrim Baptist Church.

This year, we celebrate a century of Pilgrim's Progress. Those early founders put first things first! Their first big project was to form a church in St. Paul because they knew that man's chief purpose for existing is to glorify God. Moreover, they knew that Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, alone, could not free them. Actually, no man is fully free unless he is free inside. Jesus Christ frees us of the slavery of fear, jealousy, greed and hate. The hearts of men must change. In Christ, we become a New Creation.

This book is designed to show the progress of a band of predominately Negro Christians. In 1863, during

the war between the States, Lincoln wrote "Throw away the help the Negroes are giving and the Union goes with it." It is our hope that after 100 years, our city, denomination, nation, and the world can see that same type of necessary spiritual and civic importance in the labors of this band of Christians of Pilgrim Baptist Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, U.S.A., 1963.

These pages point out that there is a place in our Lord's program for everyone. Just as the "twelve were with Him" regardless as to their various backgrounds, abilities, and dispositions, so can we find a place in which to serve Him. Men and women of force or weakness, dedication or insincerity, enthusiasm or lethargy, action or vacillation all can find a place as soldiers of the cross. Pilgrim's 100 years have illustrated that fact.

May God grant us wisdom and courage for the next century.

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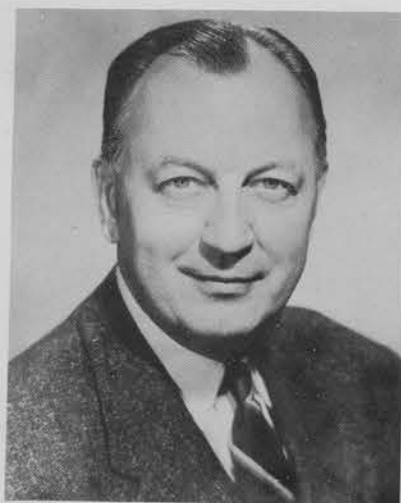
YOUR CHURCH WAS FOUNDED IN FREEDOM--BOTH PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL--IN THE GREAT YEAR OF THE EMANICIPATION. I KNOW THAT IT CONTINUES TO EXIST IN THAT SPIRIT AND TO PROVIDE A SOURCE OF CHRISTIAN STRENGTH FOR THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY.

WITH BEST WISHES FOR THE NEXT HUNDRED YEARS OF CONTINUED SERVICE TO GOD AND YOUR FELLOW MAN
JOHN F KENNEDY.



President John F. Kennedy

Governor Elmer L. Andersen



Greetings:

It is indeed a great privilege to have this opportunity to greet the members and friends of Pilgrim Baptist Church on the occasion of its Centennial Anniversary.

This event is a milestone in a long career of dedicated Christian service to the community and I know that all Minnesotans join me in wishing you an abundance of success and prosperity in the years to come.

Cordially yours,

Elmer L. Andersen

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GOVERNOR

My congratulations to the members and leaders of the Pilgrim Church. Your progress has been impressive and inspiring.

I wish you continuing progress. My prayers are with you.

Hubert H. Humphrey

Hubert H. Humphrey
Senator



Senator Hubert H. Humphrey



Senator Eugene J. McCarthy

Congratulations to Pilgrim Baptist Church on the observance of its centennial.

You have every right to be proud of your history of achievement, and I know that the people of Minnesota share this pride. Your contribution to the religious life of our State during the past century will continue to be an inspiration to your friends.

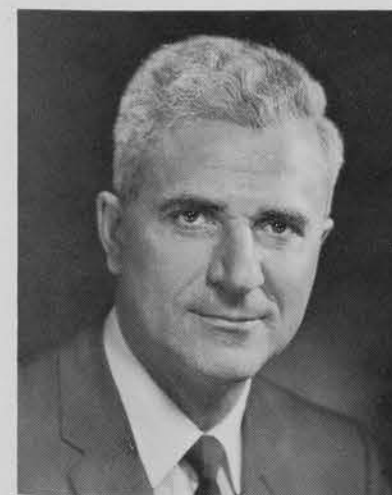
Eugene J. McCarthy
Sincerely yours,
Eugene J. McCarthy
Senator

I am happy to be able to extend my congratulations to the Pilgrim Baptist Church on the occasion of its Centennial. May I also use this occasion to wish the very best to all the parishioners and your beloved pastor Reverend Floyd Massey, Jr.

Joseph Karth
Representative



Congressman Joseph E. Karth



Mayor George Vavoulis

It is an extreme pleasure for me to extend congratulations to you and the members of the Pilgrim Baptist Church of Saint Paul on this the 100th anniversary of your Church.

On behalf of the citizenry of Saint Paul, I would like to take this opportunity to personally commend the Pilgrim Baptist Church for the many outstanding civic contributions it has made toward the cultural, social and religious improvement of our community.

Best wishes for continued success, in the hope that together we can build an even greater Saint Paul in the future!

Sincerely,
George J. Vavoulis
MAYOR

George J. Vavoulis



President J. H. Jackson,
The National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc.

I join with others in extending to you warmest greetings on this historic occasion. The Lord has blessed your labors through the years and you have made a contribution both to your local community, to the nation and the world.

May the grace of God sustain you in this hour, and preserve your strength for the task of the future.

J. H. Jackson

Yours truly,
J. H. Jackson
President

As President of the American Baptist Convention and on behalf of its more than 6000 sister churches, we most heartily congratulate pastor and people of the Pilgrim Baptist Church of St. Paul on the significant occasion of the 100th Anniversary of the founding of your historic church.

Your church is uniquely outstanding in having been founded by ex-slaves from Missouri. You are further distinguished by having obtained the rank of the largest predominately Negro church in your state of Minnesota.

Our hearts and our most brotherly prayers rejoice tremendously with you on this Anniversary occasion with the assurance that God will lead you forward through all the years to come, guiding you by the pillar of fire by night and the pillar of cloud by day. We rejoice that your pastor also is a great leader of the expanding World Mission of our churches and we pray God's special blessings upon him.

Cordially yours in Christ's service,

Ben Browne

Benjamin P. Browne
President of the American Baptist Convention



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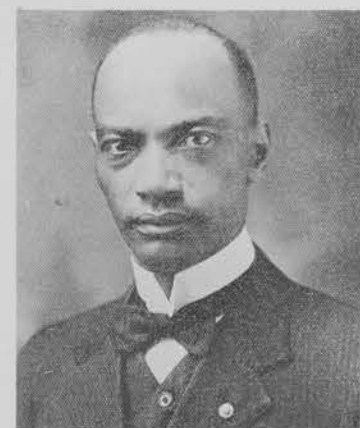
Rev. Robert T. Hickman,
Founder, 1863-1886.



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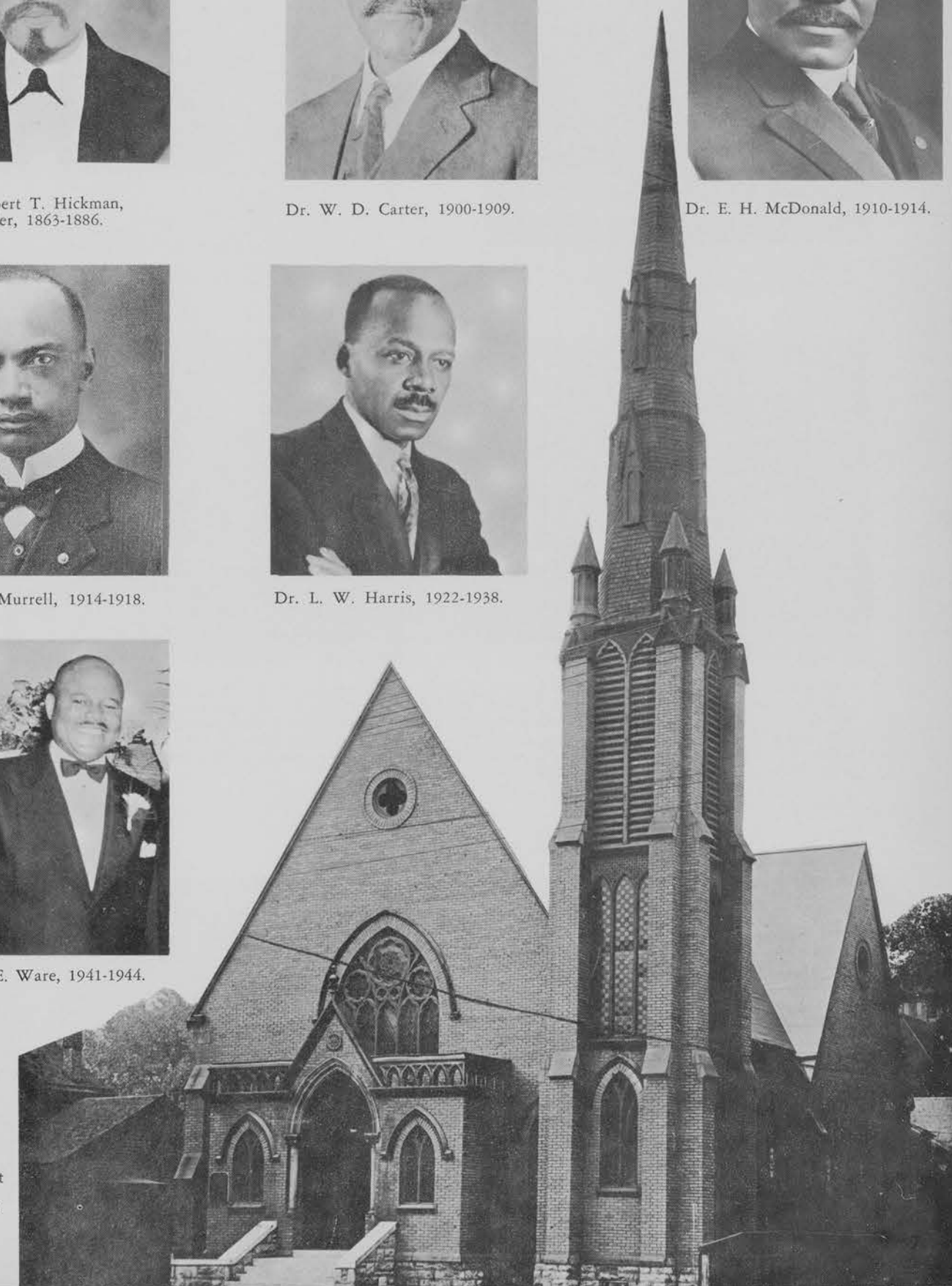
Rev. B. N. Murrell, 1914-1918.



Dr. L. W. Harris, 1922-1938.



Rev. S. E. Ware, 1941-1944.



Old Cedar Street
Church Building



Early Deacon Board During L. W. Harris Administration, 1927: Left to right, front row, Benjamin Stephens, William Howard, John B. Johnson, George James, George Wills. Back row: Charles Walker, Thaddeus Stepp, William Hood, William Black.



Early Choir, L. W. Harris Administration, 1933; Left to right, first row, A. V. Hall, Mary Young, Berdella Sheldon, Cora Belle Banks, Birdie High, Earline Walker, Shelley Lewis, Freda Harris, Helen Lawrence, Hattie Hall. Second row: Timothy Howard, Emma Hood, Ruth Brown, Mattie Rhodes, Ermine Allen, Icesam Oliver, Cora Dillingham, Ted Harris, Jr., C. David Milligan, Jr. Third row: Leonard Oliver, James Cooke, James Combs, Emily Harris, Elizabeth Hall, Annie Jordan, Alberta Pleasant, James Murphy, A. J. Lewis, Fred Sheldon.



Deacons — Deaconesses Board, 1946: Left to right, first row, L. E. Tarver, G. W. Wills, N. N. Smith, Rev. Massey, Frank Simpson, Chairman, W. V. Howard. Second row: Monroe Duncan, Foster Phillips, Simon Arnold, N. J. Hunter, George Downey. Third row, Deaconesses: Lydia Brown, Anna Black, Lillie Downey, Stella Arnold, Alice Jackson, Azzie Stephens, Chairman, Josephine Todd, Myrtle Oliver, Annie Banks, Alberta Bell, Cordelia Hunter, Hannah Massey (Rev. Massey's mother).



Board of Trustees, 1946: Left to right, first row, Harry Ballard, B. L. Morris, Queen Ransome, M. A. Bolling, Chairman, Dr. Massey, Effie Wills, Elizabeth Hall, Archie Ragland, S. E. Hall. Second row: I. S. Wooten, James Murray, B. F. Taylor, Edmond Moore, I. M. Dorsey, John Lawrence, Charles Jackson, Robert Williams.



Opening Day, Pilgrim Baptist Church, 1928.

Pastors of Pilgrim Church

1. Rev. Robert Hickman — 1863-1886
2. Rev. Bird J. Wilkins — 1886-1887
3. Rev. William Gray — 1887-1889
4. Rev. Lewis C. Sheafe — 1889-1893
5. Rev. Robinson C. Quarles — 1893-1895
6. Rev. J. D. Underwood — 1895-1896
7. Rev. B. B. Hill — 1897
8. Rev. D. S. Orner — 1898-1900
9. Rev. W. D. Carter — 1900-1909
10. Rev. E. W. McDonald — 1910-1914
11. Rev. B. N. Murrell — 1914-1918
12. Rev. B. H. Hodge — 1918-1920
13. Rev. L. W. Harris — 1922-1938
14. Rev. S. E. Ware — 1941-1944
15. Rev. Floyd Massey, Jr. — 1944-

"A Look At Pilgrim's Progress"

The history of Pilgrim Baptist Church, St. Paul, Minnesota, had its inception in 1863 when Rev. Robert T. Hickman, a slave licensed as a preacher in Missouri, and about fifty other slaves escaped by way of the underground to the Union Army lines at Jefferson City, Missouri. Traveling on to a Mississippi River Port, they embarked on the Steamer "War Eagle" for St. Paul, Minnesota. They were disembarked at Fort Snelling where they were kept while citizens of St. Paul decided what should be done with them. Later, they were split into three groups and the group that remained in St. Paul, led by Rev. Hickman, founded Pilgrim Baptist Church.

Early meetings were held in a music hall on Third Street. For some years the congregation had difficulty finding meeting places and shifted from one hall to another; then a church was built on Sibley Street. Later this building was moved to Cedar Street near Thirteenth. Around the beginning of the century, this building was incorporated into a larger structure which was used until the present edifice was constructed in 1928 during the able pastorate of the late Dr. L. W. Harris.

History records that Rev. Hickman served from 1863 to 1886 and during his ministry he was instrumental in establishing the firm roots from which Pilgrim Baptist has nurtured and grown throughout the past one-hundred years. It is Minnesota's oldest and largest predominantly Negro Church. Further, during the administration of Rev. Hickman, under authority of the church, two mission churches were organized . . . Zion Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota and another church at Hastings, Minnesota. The Sunday School development was on a parallel with that of the church; satisfactory in every detail. The children were well indoctrinated and preserved to the denomination. Some of the early Sunday School Superintendents included Brothers: G. W. Prescott, Robert Jordan, A. M. Torbet, Orlo Rogers, Thomas G. Merrill, H. C. Hobart, J. H. Hickman, Charles Martin, D. E. Beasley, G. W. James, Mrs. Lillian Turner, George W. Willis and Marion Bolling.

During the period 1870-1880 the following brothers and sisters served in the capacities indicated: Church Clerks . . . Brothers William H. Griffin, J. H. Hickman, James Henry, Clarence Jones, Charles Martin, George W. James, Oliver Blidge, G. W. Wills and Sisters Ann Durant and Fanny Dodd; Deacons . . . H. Moffit, John Trotter, Ben McHandy, D. E. Talbert, J. Combs, Sr., Andrew Jackson, Clement Seymour, J. H. Hickman and Clarence Jones; Trustees . . . D. E. Talbert, F. Combs,

Anderson Peters and Andrew Jackson, Church Treasurers . . . F. Combs, Jr., J. H. Combs, Ann Durant, Charles Martin, J. H. Hickman, J. J. Allen, J. B. Johnson and Alf Roberson. Unfortunately, the records between 1880-1890 have been misplaced and we are unable to give the succession for the intervening years.

The Rev. Bird J. Wilkins succeeded Rev. Hickman. He pastored from 1886 to 1887. It was during his pastorate that the Cedar Street church was built. Rev. Wilkins was followed by the Rev. William Gray who administered the needs of the congregation until 1889. The next pastor was Rev. Lewis C. Sheafe who served til 1893. Rev. Robinson C. Quarles succeeded Rev. Sheafe and served til 1895. Rev. J. D. Underwood followed him and served til 1896. The Rev. B. B. Hill pastored the church in 1897. He was followed by Rev. D. S. Orner whose tenure was from 1898 to 1900. Dr. W. D. Carter was called to the pastorate in 1900 and served until 1909. During his tenure, Pilgrim got her first pipe organ. Mrs. Nellie Francis journeyed to New York City and persuaded the Carnegie Foundation Organ Committee to present Pilgrim with an Espey organ. It remained in service until 1958 when it was replaced by a new pipe organ.

Dr. E. H. McDonald served the church 1910-1914. He was one of the first Negro graduates of the University of Chicago. During his tenure many outstanding Evangelists were secured and a great harvest of Souls gathered into the fold. The Deacons and Trustees, on the request of the Pastor, were arrayed in Prince Alberts for Sunday Services, making a very dignified appearance. On many occasions Dr. McDonald took the Church on "A Trip Aboard" with slides taken in London. He took great pride in doing this and giving all the proceeds to the church. Once each year the Rev. McDonald and wife gave a banquet in his home for the officers of the church. The Rev. B. N. Murrell ministered the church from 1914 to 1918. It was during his pastorate that the present church site was purchased. At this Central & Grotto corner stood a tiny wooden church building which was later moved to the alley to make room for the present sanctuary. In this wooden structure the St. Paul Urban League and N.A.A.C.P. were organized. The tiny wooden building was used for lavatories and meeting rooms until the Educational Unit was built.

The Rev. B. H. Hodge was called in 1918 and pastored until 1919. During his pastorate, a parsonage was purchased at 719 St. Anthony Avenue.

In 1922, Dr. Lee W. Harris was called. Dr. Harris

was reared and educated in Emporia, Kansas. He received his Bachelor of Divinity Degree from Emporia State College. In 1931, the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred on him at Western Baptist Seminary at Kansas City, Missouri.

Early in his career he pastored in Leavenworth, Kansas, was Home Missionary Field Worker in Canyon City, Colorado under the sponsorship of the American Baptist Convention. Following this position, Dr. Harris served twelve years pastorate in the state of Missouri. Nine years of his Missouri pastorate were spent as pastor of Virginia Street Baptist Church at Carrollton, Missouri. The remaining three years were spent as pastor of Calvary Baptist Church at Fulton, Missouri. While pastoring in Fulton, he was appointed Field Secretary for the National Baptist Convention. At this time, the NBC was in the process of erecting the National Baptist Publishing House under the leadership of the late Dr. A. M. Townsend.

In April 1922, Dr. Harris accepted a call to pastor at Pilgrim Baptist Church in St. Paul, Minnesota. During his pastorate, the present Sanctuary was erected in 1928. The Daily Vacation Church School was organized in June of 1922. He also fostered participation of the Community Youth in the Snail Lake Vacation Camp. For several years, Dr. Harris was Moderator of the Minnesota Baptist State Convention . . . a position he held until his demise.

The late Dr. L. K. Williams appointed him to organize and direct the National Baptist Moderators Association of the National Baptist Convention. Dr. Harris was also active with the American and Northern Baptist Conventions and the Greater Twin City Council of Churches. He served on several different boards of these organizations.

Dr. Harris was Editor and Printer of the first printed church bulletin for Pilgrim . . . it was known as the "Informer".

Besides his religious activities, he found time to serve as active board member of such different civic organizations as the Urban League, N.A.A.C.P. and Hallie Q. Brown Community Center.

The family of Dr. Harris supported Pilgrim during his lifetime and has continued since his death.

The late Mrs. L. W. Harris was organizer and president of the L. W. Harris Gospel Chorus in 1938, Director of the Cradle Roll and Home Department of the Sunday School as well as active with other Pilgrim organizations.

Mr. Lee W. Harris, now a resident of New York City, was well known as an outstanding singer here before making his home in New York. At present Mr. Harris holds an executive position with Ohrbach's Dept. Store in Union Square, New York.

The late Miss June Harris was a faithful and ardent worker in the church. She was quite active in the BYPU and a member of the Gospel Chorus. She edited the Pilgrim Baptist Church Bulletin for several months. Miss Harris was also a group worker at Welcome Hall now known as Ober Boys Club.

Mrs. Odelle Harris Galloway is Assistant Director of the Gospel Chorus. She also holds a position as Social Worker with Ramsey County Welfare Department.

Mrs. Arlee Harris Scott is President-Director and Pianist of the Gospel Chorus. Mrs. Scott is a member

of the staff of the Ramsey County Welfare Department serving as Case Aide. Also, Mrs. Scott is an accomplished Musician, having studied at the University of Minnesota. At present she is continuing study at MacPhail College of Music.

Women have played an important role in all phases of the work. Some of the first members were: "Grandma" Hickman, wife of founder Rev. Hickman, "Aunt" Slate, Mesdames Trotter, Combs, Toliver, Peters and Giles. Some of the outstanding leaders were: Maggie Irvin, First Pres. of Ladies Aid, Lula Howard, Henrietta James, Susie Gaylord, Anna Jordan, Laura Hickman, zealous missionary workers. Mmes. Jordan and Gaylord were staunch supporters of the National Baptist Missions cause. Annie Foster was president of Ladies Aid for more than quarter of a century, Jennie Kelly was financial secretary, Susie Walker, Ida M. Johnson were zealous Ladies Aid Workers. Nellie Francis secured a pipe organ from the Carnegie Foundation, Martha Diggs and Nema Phillips were pastor's aid leaders, Emma Mosby, Martha Williams, Carrie Johnson lived to 100 years of age; Mother Clayton, Azzie Stephens, Josephine Todd were Deaconess board Chairmen, Effie Wills served as Trustee, Deaconess and Social & Literary Society leader, Evelyn Hickman, granddaughter of the founder, was an early organist, Hattie Hall, late wife of Trustee S. E. Hall was organist for more than 40 years. Queen Ransom was the first Woman Treasurer, Hattie Walker was president of Earnest Workers for more than 20 years.

Today our women are carrying on in excellent fashion as did the Women of yesteryear. God's benedictions be upon all of them.

The Rev. S. E. Ware was pastor 1941-1944 coming from Pittsburgh where he was on the ministerial staff of Central Baptist Church. During his tenure, the sanctuary and parsonage were remodeled. Rev. Ware was dynamic and created a new spirit of giving. Moreover, many members were added to the rolls.

Mrs. Ware was an accomplished musician who worked with the Senior Choir and Treble Clefs. She was an excellent teacher of piano and voice and contributed much toward the cultural enrichment of the community.

A word should be left here regarding Rev. David Beasley, Rev. J. W. Phelps, and Rev. Isaac Fisher. At different periods, they served the church on an interim basis. They are unsung heroes who helped keep the ship moving until a new captain came.

In September 1944, Floyd Massey, Jr. a native of the Carolinas, came to us as pastor, following graduation from Divinity School. Under God's Guidance, peace and harmony prevailed. Immediately, the church roster was brought up-to-date and the budget system was adopted. For the purpose of erasing the remaining \$5000 indebtedness on the sanctuary, the pastor introduced Fellowship Units system. Within eight months the mortgage was retired. Such an effort encouraged the congregation to continue its spiritual efforts. The roof and exterior walls of the sanctuary were repaired, the parsonage property improved, the Cedar Street Church lots were saved by paying the taxes, and later sold to the city for the capitol approach project. Partitions were purchased to provide some privacy for church school classes, a public address system was installed and an electrical outdoor bulletin board presented.

Moreover, the church yard was improved with a cement retaining wall plus sidewalks and curbing.

The campaign to erect the Educational Unit began in 1946. In Dec. 1948-Sept. 1949, the three stories structure was erected containing individual church school rooms for all departments, the church office, pastor's study, nursery, church parlor, baptismal dressing rooms, Board of Education office, lavatories and a new gas furnace. Moreover, in the same year, the Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, and the kitchen were completely re-decorated. The kitchen is equipped to serve 300 people. Four times, the sanctuary has been redecorated during this administration. In 1957 new pews and new hymnals were installed and in 1958 a new Wicks pipe organ was purchased and installed. In May 1961, the congregation liquidated the indebtedness on the Educational Unit, three years ahead of time, and burned the mortgage, October 8, 1961 on \$170,000 of improvements. Today, Pilgrim Church property is evaluated at \$250,000 and is debt free. The funds were raised mostly through the Fellowship Units system headed by Deacon M. A. Knott, Sr.

Memorials have been made possible by bequests of deceased members and families of the deceased: organ chimes, water fountains, pianos, some pews, some hymnals, church & christian flags, pulpit Bible, offering plates, tithing box and the church library. May God bless our donors and the memory of our dead.

In the special projects, through the years, Dr. Massey has solicited or influenced from friends outside our congregation, plus his own contributions, \$32,661.62 as of Dec. 31, 1962. In the same period, we have raised \$554,521.24 and 1333 new members have been received. Our sanctuary is usually filled to capacity on Sunday morning and the Educational Unit is over crowded. Our Vacation Bible School is of capacity proportions.

We are indeed proud of the fine spirit which has been manifested through the years. It has been an "Era of good feeling". Five young men were licensed and ordained to the christian ministry: Milton Combs, Moses A. Knott, Jr., John Diggs, Chester Jones and Gerard Laroche. A Director of Christian Education, Miss Hazel Murray, was added to the staff in Oct. 1959. Her services ended Dec. 31, 1962.

The congregation of Pilgrim Church has been a driving force for Civic betterment in the North Central Community of our city. Dr. Massey was the chairman of a drive which resulted in successful erection of a \$750,000 new Maxfield Elementary School in 1955. In 1956, the Rondo-St. Anthony Highway Organization was formed, convened by Dr. Massey and led by a Pilgrim member, Timothy J. Howard. This group gave unity to hundreds of homeowners who were dislocated

by the freeway and aided them in getting best possible prices for their homes. This group also led the fight to get a depressed freeway which kept property values up and the adjacent streets liveable. We joined others in the drive to make possible the new Oxford playground. Moreover, our congregation is particularly proud of paid-up Life Memberships in the N.A.A.C.P. for both pastor and church. Enactment of Fair Employment Practice laws and Open Occupancy laws had strong leadership and support from Pilgrim. Public Housing and Urban Renewal received vigorous leadership support from our members. Both the Democratic and Republican parties have leaders in our fold.

Church-wise, Pilgrim supports the Baptist World Alliance, American Baptist Convention, the National Baptist Convention U.S.A. Inc., the National Council of Churches, the Minnesota Council of Churches and the St. Paul Council of Churches.

In addition to groups which may be found in the pastor's section of this publication, Dr. Massey has served on Council of Churches and Urban League Boards, was formerly President Colgate-Rochester Alumni Association, member Executive Board of the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., and is presently member of Foreign Missions Board of both the National Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Convention. At the Philadelphia Convention, 1962, he was elected President of the ABC Foreign Mission Societies.

Dr. and Mrs. Ethel Hurley Massey came to us as newly weds. She is a graduate of Benedict College, Columbia, S.C. and a former teacher of French, Algebra and Director of Dramatics at Marlboro High School, Bennettsville, S.C. Dr. Massey is a graduate of Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, N.C. and Colgate Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, N.Y. They are the parents of three boys, Floyd, III, Ronald Bruce and Thomas Rickie. Mrs. Massey has directed several plays for teenagers and adults of Pilgrim and the State Baptist Pastors Wives. She has been in demand as a public speaker and a funds raiser for many worthy campaigns in the city. They have enjoyed the full confidence of Pilgrim congregation and community throughout these nearly 19 years. God has truly blessed the work.

The next 100 years of Pilgrim's Progress should be more revealing because of the foundation laid by those children of God who labored to fill the first 100 years to overflowing. Thanks be to God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

Contributors: S. E. Hall, The B. F. Taylors, Ida Mae Murphy, Arlee Scott, A. W. Jordan, Dr. Massey

— Edited by James R. Brown



Dr. Massey's late mother, Alice Massey. Passed — 1927.



Dr. Massey at age 4.



Dr. Massey at college graduation. Age 20.



Dr. and Mrs. Massey during period of engagement, 1944. (Ethel Hurley)



Pictures of Dr. Massey as Baccalaureate Speaker at Johnson C. Smith University, Charlotte, North Carolina, in 1955.



He received Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree.



Pastor and family with his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Massey, Sr., in front of Administration Building, J.C.S.U.



Booker T. Washington High School, Columbia, South Carolina.



Dr. Massey with Historical Society when a teacher at Booker T. Washington High School, Columbia, South Carolina (1936-1941).



Dr. Massey's Graduation Class, with faculty, Colgate Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, New York, 1944.



Colgate Rochester Divinity School Campus.

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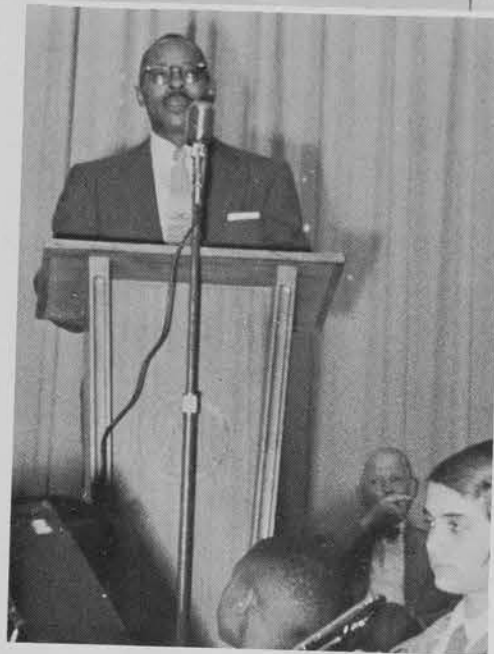
Reception for Dr. and Mrs. Massey as New Pastor and Wife, October, 1944.



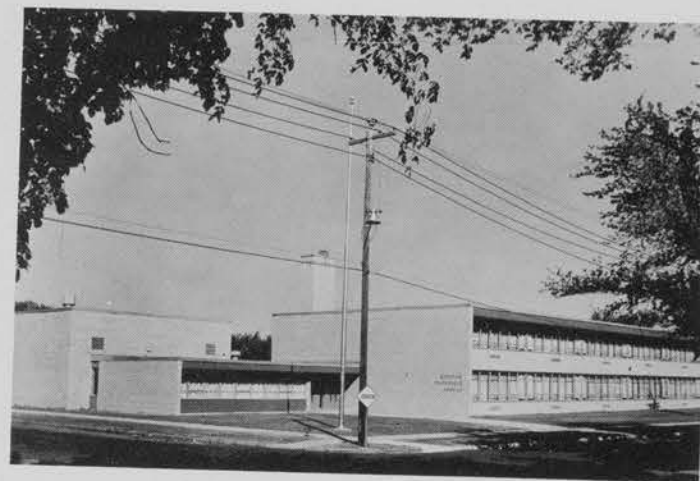
The Massey Family, 1962, left to right: Ronald Bruce, Floyd III, Mrs. Massey, Dr. Massey. In front: Thomas Rickie.



Dr. Massey Delivers Commencement Address at Hometown Highland High School, Gastonia, North Carolina, 1949.



Dr. Massey Delivers Dedication Address at New Maxfield School, St. Paul, 1955; New Maxfield School.



Dr. Massey Receives "Man of the Year" Award from the Sterling Club, 1953.

Left to right: Dr. J. W. Crump, Police Sgt. James Griffin, Dr. Massey, Councilman Frank Marzitelli.



Minnesota Baptist Convention of American Baptist Churches Executive Board.

Left to right; front row: Mrs. Walter Mueller, Miss Evalyn Camp, Rev. Arthur De Neui, President; Dr. C. F. Perron, Dr. F. Massey, L. Melvin Conley, Dr. G. H. Wood. (Dr. Massey is Vice President). Back Row: Merlyn K. Gage, Chester K. Stone, Dr. Alton, G. Snyder, Rev. Carl A. Appelquist, Rev. C. V. Lake, Rev. James Holloway, Rev. Philip Whitaker, Ralph A. Swenson, Rev. G. G. Phillips, Thomas A. Griffin.



Minnesota Baptist Convention of National Baptist Churches Executive Board. (Dr. Massey, President, 1952-1962.)

Seated: Rev. Jos. Jackson, second Vice Pres.; Rev. Stanley King, Secretary; Dr. Massey, President; Dr. B. H. Hunter, first Vice President; Rev. J. R. Holloway, third Vice President. Standing: Dr. H. W. Botts, Sr., President Emeritus; Sam Smith, Treasurer; Willie B. Hale, Director of Music; Rev. J. R. Lockridge, Rev. Kneely Williams, Statistician.



Minnesota State Pastors Conference Officers, 1958.

Left to right: Rev. Stanley Conover, Program Chairman; Dr. Massey, Chairman; Dr. Hayden Stright, Executive Secretary; Rev. Samuel Cook, Treasurer.



American Baptist Foreign Mission Societies Officers, Left to right: Rev. E. F. Parks, 2nd Vice-Pres.; D. F. DeTrude, Recording Secretary; Dr. Massey, President; Dr. E. B. Willingham, General Secretary; Mrs. R. F. Manogg, Vice-Chairman, Board; Dr. J. E. Skoglund, Chairman of Board; Forrest Smith, Treasurer.



Governor Elmer Andersen Addresses Human Rights Dinner; Dr. Massey Presiding.



Governor's Commission on Human Rights, State of Minnesota, Dr. Massey Vice-Chairman.

Seated — Left to right: Geri Swangstue, Secretary; Mrs. Opal Gruner; Dr. Massey, Vice-Chairman; Mrs. Wright W. Brooks, Chairman; Calvin L. Walton, Executive Director; Mrs. Russell H. Bennett, Mrs. Ruth Tanbara. Standing — Cecil E. Newman, Gregory Gonzalez; Judson Bemis; Mrs. John Hammel, John F. Casey, Jr., Special Assistant Attorney General; Samuel L. Scheiner; Carl Winn; Louis E. Lerman.



City of St. Paul Planning Board, left to right, seated: Philip Troy, Walter Dorle, A. G. Bush, Joseph Shiely, Jr., Chairman; Dr. Massey, Secretary; Leslie Janes, George McPartlin, Mrs. Donald DeCoster. Standing: Judson Hilton, John Fischer, Donald Haarstick, Joseph Cohen.



Dr. Massey and Mr. A. G. Bush. Mr. Bush, Pilgrim Church's largest single donor, congratulates Dr. Massey on many jobs well done.



Left to right: Bert Teig, Assistant Director of City Planning, Herbert Wieland, Director of City Planning, and Dr. Massey confer.



NAACP Board, left to right, seated: Constance Freeman, Robert Patterson, Allie Mae Hampton, President; Earline Estes, Bradford Benner, Dr. Massey, Janet Butler. Standing: Timothy Howard, Arthur Sternberg, the Rev. Kneely Williams, Carl Weschcke, Cecelia Williams, Royal Gooden, Jack Barisonzi, Charles Anderson, Lawrence Hampton.



Hallie Q. Brown Community House Board, left to right, front row: John M. Patton, Alice S. Onque, Robert L. Shoffner, Jean West, Chairman; Dr. Massey, Mary Wilson, Walter Fricke, S. Edward Hall. Back row: Veryl Cashman, the Rev. Denzil A. Carty, B. F. Ihlenfeldt, Jean Fischer, Richard A. Bancroft, Jr., Jean McGraw, George Warren, Emily Seesel, Frances Walls, Mabel Cason, Kate Tanner, Ruth Bowman, Leona Winner.



North Central Community Council Board, left to right: Dr. Massey, Sue Williams, James Mann, William Stewart, Leroy Lazenberry, Chairman; Janabelle Taylor, John Patton, Helen Weddington, Timothy Howard.



Rondo-St. Anthony Highway Organization Executive Committee: Left to right, Charles Rogers, Vice-President; Timothy Howard, President; O'delle H. Galloway, Secretary; John Patton, Treasurer; Dr. Massey, Organizer and Advisor.

City-Wide Christmas Pageant, Three Wise Men and Pages: Left to right, Rev. Otto Schmidt, Dr. Ernest Lowe, Dr. Massey. His page, Floyd Massey, III.



Oxford Playground Boosters Leaders: Left to right, seated: Eugene Ross, Coach, Helen Weddington, Cor. Secy., Bill Peterson, Director, Dr. Massey, John Pettiford, President, Ernest Green, Secy. Standing: Ed Jackson, Coach, Sam Robinson, Coach, Huey Landrum, Coach, Bob Carter, Coach, John Cotton, Athletic Director, Roger Lanseth, Coach, Joe Oden, Coach, Art Blakely, Coach.



Centennial Book Committee: Left to right, seated, Yvonne Robinson, Pictures Chairman; Annabelle Beal, Book Sales Vice-Chairman; Estelynn Rodgers, Secretary; Dr. Massey, Winifred Hartsfield, General Chairman; Charlene Dickerson, Treasurer. Standing: James Brown, Church History Editor; Van Buren Deigh, Ads Vice-Chairman; I. M. Dorsey, Ads Chairman; Sgt. John Hartsfield, Patrons Chairman; Benjamin Bryant, Book Sales Chairman. Absent: Calvin Walton, Patrons Co-Chairman.



Pilgrim Church Staff: Left to right, Estelynn Rodgers, Assistant Office Secretary; Corabelle Banks, Clerk; Rosianer Henderson, Assistant Custodian; Louella M. Massey, Office Secretary; Charles Henderson, Custodian, Dr. Massey.



Senior Members, Fifty Years: Left to right, G. W. Wills, 69 years; Effie Wills, 70 years; A. W. Jordan, 58 years; A. V. Hall, 57 years; Jimlu Chapman, 60 years; Timothy Howard, 52 years; Ida Mae Murphy, 59 years; John Dodd, 61 years; Blanche Goins, 57 years; B. M. Brown, 57 years; S. E. Hall, 59 years; Sidney L. Williams; Sam Ransom (Not Shown) 56 years.



Board of Deacons: Left to right, front row: C. S. Anderson, Chairman; A. W. Jordan, L. L. Murray, George Wills, Pink Grant, Ramsey Jackson, Vice-Chairman; Sam Smith, John Banks, Sr., Secretary; L. E. Tarver, Treasurer. Back row: Leroy Cunningham, J. P. Dorsey, John Toliver, Jr., A. C. Brown, David Milligan, Samuel Richardson, William Holloman, Gilbert Laroche, Moses Knott, Sr.



Board of Deaconesses: Left to right, front row: Eliza Smith, Ruby Grant, Effie Wills, Anna Banks, Callie Murray, Regina Morris, Chairman; Louella Brown, Treasurer; Josephine Jordan, Secretary; Alberta Bell. Back row: Estella Dorsey, Vice-Chairman, Etoy Black, Lena Day, Lottie Milton, Allie Hampton, Lydia Brown, Paralee Milligan, Pleasetta Bradley, Roberta Davis, Effie Jones, Jeanetta Knott.



Board of Trustees: Left to right, front row: Calvin Walton, Arthur Rinehart, James Brown, Lawrence Hampton, Sidney E. Williams, Janabelle Taylor, B. L. Morris, Chairman, Justine Jackson, S. E. Hall, Elizabeth Hall, Johnell Williams, Samuel Ransom, center front. Back row: James Taylor, Nathaniel Galloway, John Hartsfield, Vice-Chairman, Jesse Smith, Secretary, John Lawrence, A. V. Hall.



Board of Education: Left to right, front row, Hazel Murray, Justine Jackson, Effie Jones, Rosianer Henderson, Juliette Brown, Lydia Brown, Lawrence Tarver, Chairman, Lela Jackson, Anna Banks, Winifred Hartsfield. Back row: C. S. Anderson, James Brown, Payton Hunt, Albert Banham, Howard Hunt, A. W. Jordan, John Hartsfield.



Auditing Committee: Left to right, Addie Lewis, Timothy Howard, Louella Brown, John Lawrence, Chairman, Corabelle Banks, Theodore Allen.



Flowers Committee: Left to right, Jeanetta Knott, Estelle Dorsey, Chairman, Nina Baines, Rosianer Henderson, Daisy Johnson, Anna Blair.



Ladies Aid Society: Left to right, front row, James Taylor, Matilda Goss, Anna Banks, Helen Wills, Ethel Barr, Roxie Anderson, Eliza Smith, President, Daisy Johnson. Back row: John Banks, Sr., Alberta Bell, Janabelle Taylor, A. Kelsey, Ida Murphy, Lela Jackson, Howard Hunt.



Social and Literary Society: Left to right, front row, Emmaline White, Regenia Morris, Leonia Goodman, Estelle Dorsey, President, Aleathia Jackson, Christabelle Banham, Elizabeth Hall, Roberta Davis, Pleasetta Bradley, Eliza Smith. Back row: Theresa Johnson, Minnie Robinson, Sallie Fletcher, Alberta Chambers, Howard Hunt, Lottie Milton, Theodosia Grant, Etoy Black, Rose Johnson, Jessie O'Neal.



Earnest Workers Club: Left to right, front row, Katherine Scipio, Dolly Crushshon, Margaret Moore, Georgia Brayboy, Idelle Patton, Berlene Casselberry, Jimlu Chapman. Back row: Odessa Brent, Ida Covington, Ellen Harper, President, Roberta Tyler, Ellen Brown, Eunice Jones, Mary Green, Nina Baines, Evelyn Stampley.



Alpha Floyd Massey Club (A. F. M.): Left to right, front row, McWillie Hunt, Pauline Peagler, Marjorie Tendle, Eleanor Barber, Vashti Ransom, Justine Jackson, President, LaMarr Smith, James Ina Magee, Beatrice Goss, Ethel Massey, Sallie Gray.
Second Row: Jeanetta Knott, Ruby Grant, Effie Dean Jones, Etta Townsend, Doris Jones, Hortense Davis, Louella Cameron, Ruby Wood, Beatrice Reed, Rosianer Henderson, Mary Clardy, Edna Mae Bosley.
Back Row: Grace Scott, Loretta Dawson.



Laymen League: Left to right, front row, Clarence Harris, Otis Hampton, Howard Hunt, Floyd Barr, Payton Hunt, John Fanando, Van Buren Deigh, George Milton, Gilbert Laroche, Dewey Jackson, Charles Banks, A. W. Jordan.
Back row: A. Kelsey, Sam Smith, Willie Gray, W. B. Baines, Willis Smith, John H. Toliver, Jr., David Milligan, B. F. Taylor, Richard Gardner, Ernest Wiley, Ben Bryant, President, Ramsey Jackson.



Women's Society: Left to right, lowel level, Anna Banks, Alberta Bell, Matilda Goss, Ethel Barr, Roxie Anderson, Josephine Jordan, Justine Jackson, Eliza Smith, President, Lela Jackson, McWillie Hunt, Annabelle Beal, Alice Wilson, Marie Matthews, Daisy Johnson, Ellen Brown, Roberta Tyler, Georgia Brayboy.
Upper level: Ruby Grant, Lydia Brown, Estelle Dorsey, LaMarr Smith, Allie Hampton, Kelsie Whitmore, Carole McMilligan.
Farland, Jeanetta Knott, Josie Holloman, Lena Day, Katherine Scipio, Frances Crews, Nina Baines, Eunice Jones, Paralee



Ushers: Left to right, front row, Cassie Lynne, Yvonne Robinson, LaMarr Smith, Marjorie Tendle, Jewell Henry, Josie Holloman, Verna Webster, Annabelle Beal, President, Velma Waters, Dr. Massey.
Back row: Mary Durham, Chalsie Chapman, Marie Matthews, Ethel Chandler, Charlene Dickerson, Laura Robins, Obedia Thomas, Constance McMiller, Mary Clardy, Leroy Cunningham.



Youth Ushers: Left to right, front row, Carolyn Collins, LaRue Brown, Kathy Bryant, Greta Thomas, LaVerne Napue, Joyce Henderson, Jewell Jones.
Back row: Billy Holloman, Eric Wood, Larry Tarver, Floyd Massey, III, Eddie Salter, Bernard Hampton, Dennis Sims.

Church Organist, Sidney L. Williams, Son of late Orion L. and Deaconess Carrie Williams; professional organist and pianist for 30 years; studied with father at age 6, later with late Professor George Herbert Fairclough, University of Minnesota. Mr. Williams has taught many organists who serve churches throughout the Twin Mities.





Senior Choir: Left to right, front row, Roberta Davis, President, Flora Benjamin, Ruby Grant, Connie Graham, Dolly Crushshon, Berlene Casselberry, Director, Mildred Hampton, Cathy Grant, Frances Crews, Regenia Morris, Wini-Jackson. Back row: Elaine Montague, Helen Smith, Richard Murphy, Arthur Peoples, Lawrence Hampton, Anna Blair, Justine Jackson.



L. W. Harris Gospel Chorus: Left to right, (only): Lena Day, Matilda Goss, Irene Iverson, McWillie Hunt, Constance Hunt, Lela Jackson, Mildred Diggs, Betty Willis, Willie Gray, Emma McMillian, Arthur Rinehart, Arlee Scott, President and Director, Willis Smith, O'delle Galloway, Assistant Director, Ernest Wiley, Payton Hunt, Otis Hampton, Ruth McDaniel, W. B. Baines, Virgella Harper, Bertha Thomas. Gladys Johnson, Lydia Brown, Josephine Jordan, Kelsie Whitmore, Alice Wilson, Alberta Bell.



Choral Group: Left to right, front row: Louella Cameron, President, Claudia Bryant, Louella Taylor, Directress, Donna Frelax, Charlene Banks. Back row: Jeanetta Knott, Jean Bransford, Beatrice Goss, Vashti Ransom, Rosianer Henderson.



Teen Choir: Left to right, front row: Donna Frelax, Directress, Helen Coolidge, Evelyn Wagner, Greta Thomas, Debby Thomas, Yvonne Henderson, Barbara Peagler, Marion Frelax, President, Barbara Bell, Pamela Bell, Charlsie Chapman, Accompanist. Back row: John Barker, Jr., Yvonne Sims, Maridee Galloway, Roslyn Dent, Barbara Wagner, Charlotte Lewis, Donna Coolidge, Elaine Sayles, Jewell Jones, Margaret Lewis, Charlene Chapman. Dr. Massey in front.



Choralettes: Left to right, first row, Hazel Murray, Directress, Marilyn Barr, Burton Looney, Gwen Bryant, Lanny Taylor, Alvia Hampton, Glenn Taylor. Second row: Merrie Barr, Debbie Dawson, Kathy Robinson, Rosalee Jones, Angelo Hampton. Third row: Gordon Robins, Jackie Martin, Gwendetta Townsend, Jocelyn Collins, Debby Cox, Joyce Wiley, LaRue Brown, Rosalyn Williams.



Music Committee: Left to right, (only), Janabelle Taylor, M. A. Knott, Sr., L. E. Tarver, Chairman, A. Kelsey, Elizabeth Hall.



Scout Troop #408 Receives Yearly Charter: Left to right (only), Lester Boyd, Commissioner, John Toliver, Jr., Dr. Massey, Benjamin Bryant, Gilbert Laroche, Clarence Harris, Donald Day, Jesse Smith, Samuel Richardson, Scoutmaster, B. F. Taylor.



Troop #408: Left to right, front row, George White, Charles Edwards, Earl New, Alvin Day, Ray Woods, Charles James, James Edwards, John Nelson. Back row: Billy Nelson, Lester Boyd, Commissioner, Donald Day, Cecil Nelson, Samuel Richardson, Scoutmaster, Kenneth Cook, John Toliver, Jr., Donald Day, Jr., Kenneth McIntosh.



Church School Teachers, 1963: Left to right, front row, Floyd Massey, III, Charlise Chapman, Joyce Henderson, Catherine Scipio, Payton Hunt, Superintendent, Clarence Harris, Lydia Brown, Floyd Barr, Marjorie Tendle. Back row: Left to right, Herbert Lovelady, Evelyn Stampley, Jewell Henry, Constance Hunt, Magdellene Moses, Marie Matthews, Charlene Banks, Bertha Strowder, Mercedes Travis, Emma Jean McMillian, Calvin Walton.



Church School.



Church At Worship





N. N. Smith Library, Beginning Stage.



The late N. N. Smith who left the largest bequest of any Pilgrim member. He was a deacon, Church School teacher, member of the Board of Education, Laymen's League, American Legion, paid-up Life member of the NAACP, and a great benefactor.

N. N. Smith Library Committee: Left to right (only), Virgella Harper, Mildred Diggs, Ruby Wood, Harold Travis, Evelyn Stampley, Lena Day, Loretta Dawson, Mercedes Travis.



Baptist Youth Fellowship. Left to right, standing, Advisors: LeRoy Haynes, LaMarr Smith, Paula Wood; B.E.F. Officers: Evonne Sims, Treasurer, Floyd Massey, III, President, Greta Thomas, Secretary; Advisors, Herbert Lovelady and A. C. Brown.

"Pilgrim Hi-Lites," Church Paper Staff: Left to right, Joyce Henderson, Kathy Bryant, Ronald Massey, Carolyn Collins, Charlene and Maurice Dickerson, Adult Advisors, Charlene Banks, Editor, Jewell Jones, Deborah Thomas, Curtis Willis.





Nursery Committee: Left to right, Ludie Thomas, Barbara Bell, Leroy Cunningham, Chairman, Gladys Johnson, Yvonne Pinnix.



Children's Work Committee: Left to right, L. E. Tarver, Marjorie Tendle, Yvonne Robinson, Louella Taylor, Chairman, Dr. Massey, Ludie Thomas, Anna Banks, Lydia Brown, Payton Hunt.

Dedication of Babies: Left to right, Gilbert and Susie Laroche with baby Regina Mary, Mrs. Gerard Laroche, godparent; Willie and Alphonsine Smith with baby Darryle Bryce, Anna Banks, Cradle Roll Chairman; Dr. Massey, Albert and Thelma Brewer with baby Beverly Diane, Charles and Delores Peguese, godparents.



Children's Story Period: Dr. Massey tells story to children in Morning Worship Service.



Nursery at Work: Left to right, seated, Elizabeth Tarver, Deborah Woods. Standing, Kathy Bryant.



Children's Bible Hour: Teachers, left to right, Grace Scott, Ada Dent, Elonzella Sutherlin, Chairman, Charlene Banks, Eleanor Barber, Ethel Lee Chandler, Theodora Grant.



Social Action Committee: Left to right, front row, James Taylor, Janabelle Taylor, Clarence Harris, James Brown, Juliette Brown, Dr. Massey, holding NAACP Life Membership Plaques for Church and himself, B. F. Taylor, Estelynn Rodgers, M. A. Knott, Sr., Ludie Thomas, Sam Smith. Back row: Willis Smith, Virgie Wilson, Roxie Anderson, Marjorie Tendle, Allie Mae Hampton, Timothy Howard, O'delle Galloway, Lela Jackson, Erma Sims, Queen Taylor, Edgar Pillow, Absent due to illness, Major Samuel Ransom, Chairman.

Dr. Massey in Church Washington Seminar Group, 1954.



Senator Hubert H. Humphrey Honored for Civil Rights Leadership: standing, Frank Boyd; seated, Major Samuel Ransom, presiding, Senator Humphrey, not identified, Dr. Massey.



First Aid Committee: Left to right, seated, Ethel Barr, Marcella Thomas, model. Standing: McWillie Hunt, Jeanetta Knott, Josephine Jordan, Lena Day, Kelsie Whitmore, Ruby Grant, Chairman, Lydia Brown.

Deacons' Ways and Means Committee: Left to right, Leroy Cunningham, Samuel Richardson, Sam Smith, A. C. Brown, J. P. Dorsey, Chairman.



White Cross Committee: Left to right, Eliza Smith, Georgia Brayboy, Nina Baines, Carole McFarland, Roberta Tyler, Katherine Scipio, Eunice Jones, Lydia Brown, Ellen Brown.



A.F.M. — Laymen's Scholarship Committee: Left to right, the Rev. John Diggs, W. D. Gray, III, Floyd Barr, Willis Smith, Ruby Wood, Benjamin Bryant, Marie Matthews, Justine Jackson, Rosianer Henderson.



Delores Holloman



Shirley Fields

Recipients of 1962 Scholarships — from Pilgrim



Paula Wood



Rita Holloman

Recipients of 1960 American Baptist Convention Scholarships.

Sons of Pilgrim, Licensed or Ordained Ministers.



The Rev. and Mrs. Moses Knott, Jr., Executive Secretary, American Bible Society, Monrovia, Liberia.



The Rev. and Mrs. Milton Combs and Children, American Baptist Convention Missionaries to Burma.



Left to right: The Rev. Samuel R. Shephens, Founder, Bible Church, Chicago, Illinois; the Rev. Samuel Robinson, member of Pilgrim Baptist Church; the Rev. J. W. Phelps, Pastor, Community Baptist Church, Minneapolis.



Left to right: The Rev. Chester Jones, Executive Secretary, Urban League, Columbus, Ohio; the Rev. Frederick O'Neal, Ministerial Staff, Vermont Avenue Baptist Church, Washington, D. C.; the Rev. John Diggs, member of Pilgrim Baptist Church; the Rev. Gerard Laroche, Assistant to Pastor, Zion Baptist Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota.



Tithers Fellowship: Left to right, front row, Moses and Jeanetta Knott, Alberta Bell, Marjorie Tendle, B. F. Taylor, A. W. Jordan, Dr. and Mrs. Massey, Rosianer and Charles Henderson, Paralee and David Milligan, Rev. John Diggs. Middle row: Three boys, Lanny Taylor, Thomas Rickie Massey, Glenn Taylor. Back row: Left to right, James and Juliette Brown, Anna and John Banks, Sr., Arlee Scott, Johnell and Anna Rose Williams, Floyd Massey, III, Ronald Bruce Massey, Lawrence Tarver, Jr., Elizabeth Tarver, Velma Waters, L. E. Tarver, Malinda Sidler, Kenneth Cook, Patsy Tarver, Lydia Brown, Queen Esther Taylor, Yvonne Henderson, Justine Jackson, Joyce Henderson, Yvonne Robinson.



Fellowship Units Leaders; Campaign Leaders for Mortgage Retirement and Capital Improvements: Left to right, front row, Dr. Massey, Roberta Davis, Ethel Williams, Emmaline White, M. A. Knott, General Chairman, Jeanetta Knott, Sallie Fletcher, Daisy Johnson, Roxie Anderson, Arlee Scott. Back row: Left to right, Sgt. John Hartsfield, Winifred Hartsfield, Secretary, Theodore Allen, James Taylor, LaMarr Smith, Willie Gray, Alethia Jackson, Howard Hunt, Dorothy Brown, A. C. Brown, Deborah Allen, B. F. Taylor, Estelle Dorsey, J. P. Dorsey, Regenia Morris, Johnell Williams, B. L. Morris, William Holloman, S. E. Hall, Jesse Riley.

Dedication Sunday Service of Educational Unit, Sept. 1949.



Final Payment on Mortgage, May 22, 1961: Left to right, seated, Johnell Williams, Treasurer, Russell Johnson, Vice-Pres., Twin City Federal, Dr. Massey. Standing: Ramsey Jackson, Chairman, Trustees, M. A. Knott, Chairman, Units Campaign, Regenia Morris, Chairman, Deaconesses, Winifred Hartsfield, Secretary, Units Campaign, Hazel L. Murray, Director of Christian Education, C. S. Anderson, Chairman, Deacons.

Burning of Mortgage, October 8, 1961: Left to right, G. W. Wills, Senior Deacon, Alberta Bell, Senior Deaconess, Thomas Rickie Massey, Youth Member, Dr. Massey, S. E. Hall, Senior Trustee.



Some Statistics For Pilgrim Baptist Church

732 W. Central Ave., St. Paul 4, Minnesota

- Dr. Floyd Massey, Jr., Pastor -

| YEAR | CURRENT EXPENSES | BLDG. FUND OR MRCI FUND | BENEVOLENCES | TOTAL GIVING | NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED |
|---------------|------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|
| 1945 | \$ 8,809.82 | \$ 2,662.77 | \$ 652.98 | \$ 12,125.57 | 70 |
| 1946 | 13,241.62 | 4,912.43 | 849.73 | 19,003.78 | 70 |
| 1947 | 13,880.35 | 2,170.57 | 924.55 | 16,975.47 | 70 |
| 1948 | 10,673.97 | 6,785.66 | 909.44 | 18,369.07 | 52 |
| 1949 | 10,758.71 | 18,936.34 | 793.75 | 30,488.80 | 60 |
| 1950 | 12,215.16 | 44,598.11 | 1,113.88 | 57,927.15 | 89 |
| 1951 | 12,022.56 | 8,189.56 | 1,100.12 | 21,312.22 | 70 |
| 1952 | 13,468.74 | 3,242.52 | 1,300.11 | 18,011.37 | 64 |
| 1953 | 14,799.91 | 9,556.88 | 2,320.92 | 26,677.71 | 54 |
| 1954 | 17,003.31 | 5,514.26 | 2,143.39 | 24,660.96 | 70 |
| 1955 | 17,438.73 | 4,348.76 | 1,897.53 | 23,685.02 | 104 |
| 1956 | 19,383.39 | 7,312.70 | 2,163.85 | 28,859.94 | 88 |
| 1957 | 21,121.20 | 4,409.47 | 3,551.69 | 29,082.36 | 60 |
| 1958 | 22,715.78 | 14,900.26 | 4,158.13 | 41,774.17 | 64 |
| 1959 | 22,034.32 | 11,116.80 | 3,178.28 | 36,329.40 | 84 |
| May-Dec. 1959 | 18,334.34 | 5,838.87 | 1,382.15 | 25,555.36 | 43 |
| 1960 | 29,938.13 | 2,819.23 | 3,014.93 | 35,772.29 | 71 |
| 1961 | 32,126.42 | 15,950.00 | 3,634.35 | 51,710.77 | 78 |
| 1962 | 29,165.29 | 4,384.97 | 2,649.57 | 36,199.83 | 72 |

GRAND TOTAL

PRESENT ADMINISTRATION

Sept. 1944 — Dec. 31, 1962

\$339,131.55 \$177,650.16 \$ 37,739.35 \$554,521.24 1,333

Amount solicited by Dr. Massey directly and influenced by him from outside our congregation (plus his own contributions) toward Special Projects, September, 1944 to December 31, 1962.\$ 32,661.02.

Some William and Adeline Howard Award Winners: "Man and Woman of the Year." Left to right, Payton Hunt, Janabelle Taylor, I. M. Dorsey, Ruby Wood, Estella Dorsey, Timothy Howard, Elizabeth Tarver, Paralee Milligan, Jesse Riley, B. F. Taylor, Moses Knott, Sr.



Pews Donors, 1957.



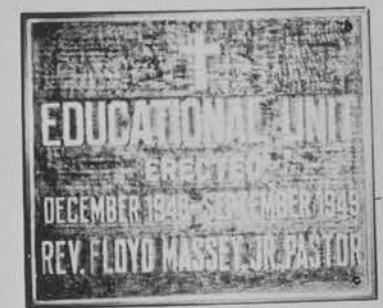
Mortgage Retirement Honor Roll, 1961.



Present Edifice Cornerstone, 1928.



Cedar Street Church Cornerstone, 1886.



Educational Unit Plate, 1949.



Social and Literary Society, King and Queen Contest: Left to right Regenia Morris, Emmaline White, Judy Jones, Bernard Hampton, Leon Goodman, Dr. Massey.



J. R. Jones, Regenia Morris, King and Queen Contestant Dr. Massey.



Little King and Queen Contestants: Robert Cox and Alvia Hampton.



Floyd Barr's Church School Group 1955: Front row: Left to right, Paula Wood, Sherri Mazingo, Martina Sparks, Natilee Galloway, Dorris Shannon, Betty Barr, Eugene Hill. Back row: Wayne Hill, Harold Knott, Arthur Hill, Martin Weddington, Floyd Barr, Instructor.



1960 Women's Day Queen Jeanetta Knott Crowns 1961 Queen, Gertrude Willis.



Women's Day Leaders, 1961: Left to right, Estella Dorsey, Marie Neal, Queen E. Taylor, Yolanda Ridley, Speaker, Mildred Diggs, Cora Belle Banks, Yvonne Robinson.



Church Wedding: Boyd Crawford and Betty Lewis.



Wills' 69th Wedding Anniversary Celebration, 1962: Seated: Senior Deacon and Deaconess George and Effie Wills. Standing: Left to right, J. W. Wills, Brother, Beatrice Gibbs, Daughter, J. W. Wills, Jr., Nephew, Grace Mann, Daughter, William Green, Brother, Effie Wills, Pilgrim's Oldest Member (1893) 70 Years, G. W. Wills, Second Oldest Member (1894) 69 Years.

Gastonia, North Carolina, City Councilman J. Q. Falls, 1961 Speaker, Governor Elmer Andersen, Dr. Massey, in Governor's Office.



Falls Poses with St. Paul City Council: Left to right, seated, Corporation Counsel, Louis Sheahan, Mayor George Vavoulis, Commissioner Mrs. Donald DeCourcy. Standing: City Comptroller Joseph Mitchell, Commissioners Frank Loss, Severin Mortinson, J. Q. Falls, Milton Rosen, Robert Peterson.



Laymen's Sunday Picture: Participants Sunday, October 14, 1962, left to right, Willie Gray, Sam Smith, Willis Smith, Benjamin Bryant, A. Kelsey, Walter Cade, Jr., Speaker, Benjamin Taylor, Payton Hunt, John Toliver, Jr.



Tim Howard Award at Testimonial for Leadership of Rondo-St. Anthony Highway Organization: Left to right, George Brooks, Chairman, Testimonial Committee, Timothy Howard, Honoree, Frank D. Marzitelli, Deputy Commissioner of State Highways, Dr. Massey.



Reverend Kelly Smith, Guest Speaker, June 22, 1958, His Uncle, C. S. Anderson, Chairman of Board of Deacons, and Dr. Massey.



Reverend F. L. Shuttlesworth, Guest Speaker, March 10, 1957.

Dr. Firpo L. Hurley, 1961 Men's Day Speaker.

Baptism of Nathaniel Galloway, Jr., by Dr. Massey.



Chairman of Committee M. A. Knott, Sr., Presents Token for Labors Beyond the Call to Duty to Massey Family. Mayor John Daubney, in background.

Appreciation Day, October, 1953



Dr. and Mrs. Massey, at Reception.



Appreciation Day Leaders at Reception. Left to right, around table, Floyd Massey, III, Dolly Crushshon, Louella Brown, Ronald Bruce Massey. Standing: Left to right, Norma Goss, Marcella Sayles, Nina Baines, Moses Knott, Sr., M. A. Bolling, Helen Smith, Ethel Massey, Dr. Massey, A. W. Jordan, Lydia Brown, Mildred Jordan, Daisy Johnson, Cynthia Stone.

Some Plays Directed by Ethel Massey in Late 1940's and 1950's.



"Dora Dean" Cast: Left to right, Robert Cox, Constance Goss, Sally Moody, Isiah Brown, Obedia Hunt, Beverly Kirk, Ethel Massey, Marchetta Allen, Yvonne Robinson, Betty Jean Hunt, Theresa Brown, Moses Knott, Jr., Freddie Young.



"The Woman Next Door" Cast: Left to right: Front row, Sally Moody, Marchetta Allen, Ethel Massey, Beverly Kirk, Betty Jean Hunt. Back row: William Lawrence, Obedia Hunt, Theresa Brown, Yvonne Robinson, David Goff, Isiah Brown.



"Journey of Life" Cast: Left to right, front row, Owen Price, Terry Tarver, Floyd Massey, III, Ethel Massey, Creta May Ransom, Louise Thomas. Standing, left to right: Ruby Grant, Daisy Johnson, William Knott, Justine Jackson, Marcella Sayles, Beverly Kirk, Louella Taylor, Helen Wills, Irene Wood, Roxie Anderson, Rosianer Henderson, Timothy Howard, Josie Holloman, Monroe Colston, Marjorie Tendle, Theresa Brown, LaMarr Smith, Harriet Belle Smith, Bradford Benner, Lydia Brown, S. E. Hall.

"Looking Back"



Pilgrim Groundbreaking.

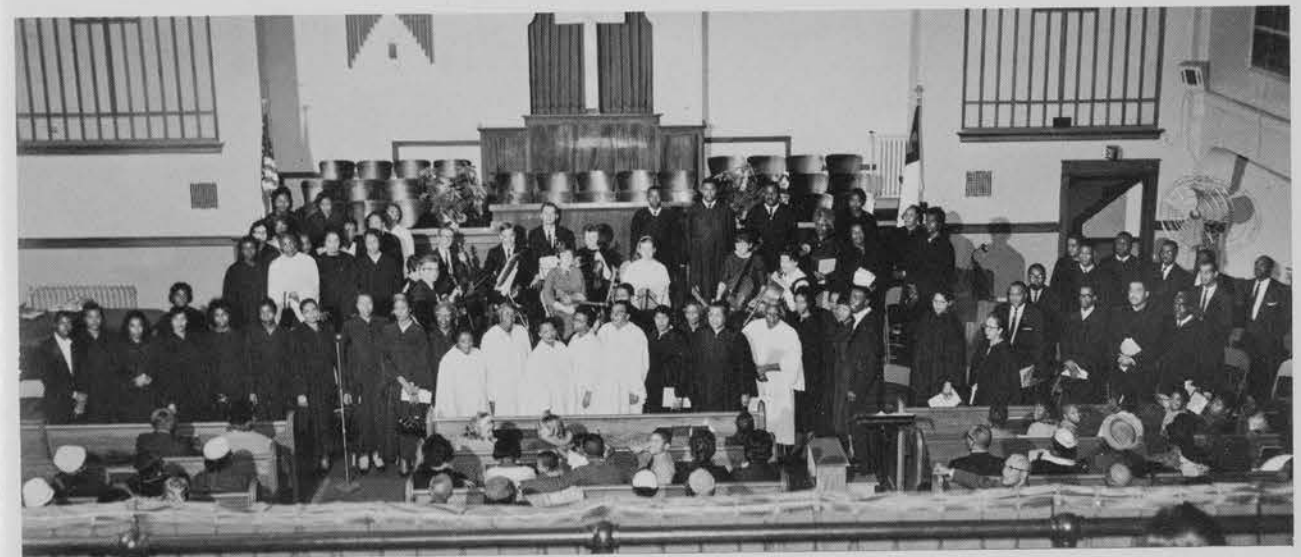


Allen-Hall Wedding June 17, 1931. First in Present Sanctuary. Left to right, Beneta Edwards (Mrs. John McHie), Henrietta Bonaparte (Mrs. Walter Ridley), Dorothy Hall (Mrs. Albert McFarland), Albert Allen, Jr. (Best Man), Ermine Hall (Bride), Theodore F. Allen (Groom), Odell Harris (Mrs. Nathaniel Galloway), Marguerite Tresvan (Mrs. Ronald Judy, deceased), Ruth Thomas (Mrs. Eli Hickman Ann Foster (Mrs. Thomas Simms).

"These Came Our Way"



Prince Hall Masonic Grand Masters' Conference, 1957: Amos T. Hall President, front center. J. R. Lawrence, host Grand Master, front left.



Minnesota State Baptist Convention Choir Renders Handel's Messiah, December 1962: Willie B. Hale, Director.



Johnson C. Smith University Choir, 1961, 1963.



Sandy Stephens, Minnesota All-American Quarterback, 1961, Youth Day speaker.



Bobby Bell, Minnesota All-American Tackle, 1962, Youth Day speaker.



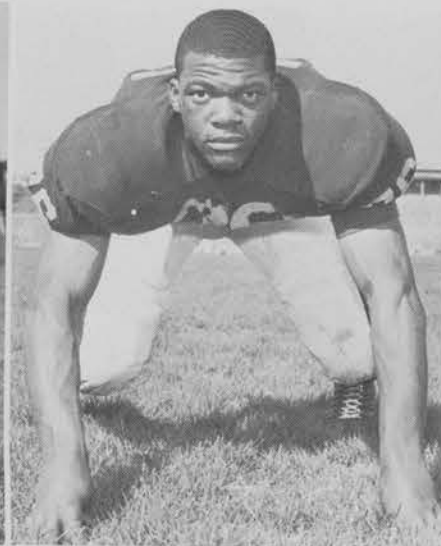
Judge Dickson, Minnesota Fullback, Youth Day speaker.



Bill Munsey, Minnesota Halfback, Youth Day Speaker.



Bill Crockett, Minnesota Halfback, Youth Day Speaker.

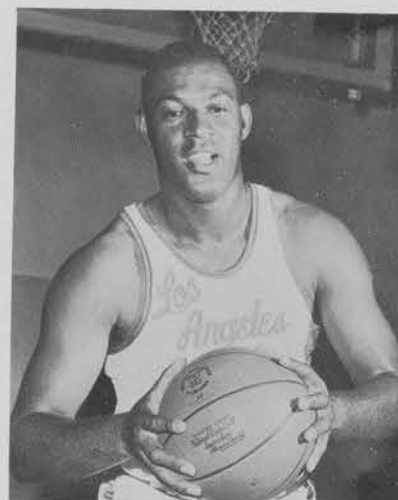


Carl Eller, Minnesota Tackle, Youth Banquet Guest.



Jay Sharp, Minnesota Fullback, Youth Banquet Guest.

"These
Came
Our Way"



Elgin Baylor, Great Lakers' Forward, Youth Banquet Speaker.



Hulio Buquer, Minnesota Twins' Player Presents John Banks and Ronald Massey Track Awards at Oxford Playground's Annual Dinner, 1963.

Youth Activities Groups, Directed by Louella Taylor, 1950-1956

Little Theater Night.



Youth Activities Group.



Hooray For Youth Cast. Left to Right: Anita Hill, James Torrence, Marlene Jones, Dana Wood, Cynthia Stone, Ann Sims, Christine Smith, Emma Miller, Corrine Grant, Billy Knott, Muriel Miller.



Youth Activities Staff. Left to Right: Roberta Willis, Lucile Carter, Louella Taylor, Lawrence Hampton, Ruby Grant, Daisy Johnson, Estella Dorsey.



Youth Choir Directed by Ruby Grant, Front row, right. Mary K. Murray, Pianist.





Headtable Foreign Mission Board, American Baptist Convention, Banquet, Omaha, Nebraska March 1963: L to R, Dr. Massey, President, A.B.F.M. Society, Dr. John Skoglund, Chairman of Board, Mrs. P. S. Curtis, Assoc. Gen. Sec., Dr. Clarke, Nebraska Executive Secretary, Dr. and Mrs. Edward Willingham, Gen. Sec., A.B.F.M.



Rev. Jackson Wilcox, Pastor Park Baptist Church, 1944, who recommended Rev. Massey to Pilgrim Church.

Founders' Day — Pastor's Appreciation Service, June 1962, Speaking, Mrs. Massey. Seated, left to right: H. Janabelle Taylor, Paralee Milligan, Chairman, Rev. Dr. A. P. Jackson, guest preacher, O'Delle Galloway, Dr. Massey, Rev. Gerard Phillips, Rev. B. H. Hunter, Judge Archie Gingold, Rev. Jerome DelPino.



Finance Committee: Left to right: L. E. Tarver, S. E. Hall, Nathaniel Galloway, S. E. Williams, Johnell Williams, H. Janabelle Taylor, C. S. Anderson, Ramsey Jackson, Jesse Smith, Chairman, James Brown, Winifred S. Hartsfield. Standing: J. L. Banks, Sr., James Perry.

Peace Corps Recruits, 1964: Otis and Allie Mae Hampton and son, Bernard.



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SOME FIRSTS FOR PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH AND PASTOR MASSEY

Often we refer to *firsts* on the part of Negro individuals and groups. Such is not to exalt them on the one hand or to express a lesser status on the other hand. Moreover, it is not intended to indicate that certain individuals are superior and thus happened "to break out" of an area of intellectual restraint. The purpose is to simply reveal part of the story of the forward movement of Pilgrim through the years. It is with that simple motive that we outline the data to follow.

Pilgrim congregation was the first predominately Negro church in Minnesota:

1. To become organized . . . led by the First Baptist Church, the Mother Church, into permanent organization.
2. To build a church sanctuary.
3. To become dually aligned with the Northern (American) Baptist Convention and the National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc.
4. To build an institutional church with a complete Educational Unit. As of January 1963, Pilgrim is the only one with an Educational Unit.
5. To have a full-time Director of Christian Education, 1959-1962.
6. To install a pipe organ. The second pipe organ was installed in 1958.
7. To have a member to be chosen by the President of the U.S.A. to represent our nation abroad. In 1927 Attorney W. T. Francis was appointed Minister to Liberia.
8. To have a couple sent to a foreign field by the American Baptist Convention. In 1958, Milton and Edna Combs became the first Negro couple to be sent out by the A.B.C. They are missionaries to Burma.
9. To have a member to be chosen by the American Bible Society as representative to an African nation. Moses Knott, Jr., is A.B.S. Executive Secretary, stationed in Monrovia, Liberia.
10. To have a paid-up life membership in the N.A.A.C.P.
11. To have a completed church, constructed by the congregation, completely debt free.

For these we not only are proud, but grateful to God who made such possible.

There are some firsts for our pastor, Dr. Massey, which show how he has spent himself in service beyond the call of duty. He is the first Negro:

1. To serve as a member of the Council on Missionary Cooperation of the American Baptist Convention.
2. To serve as President of the Colgate Rochester Divinity School Alumni Association. He served the unexpired term of Dr. Ralph Johnson, Berkeley, California, 1955-1956.
3. To be elected Chairman of the Minnesota State Pastors' Conference, 1958. He and Dr. H. B. Hicks, Columbus, Ohio, were the first two Negroes in the nation to serve in this capacity, and in that same year.
4. To serve on the Planning Committee for the first Urban Convocation of American Baptist Convention. (Indianapolis).
5. To serve on Planning Committee of the first Convocation on the Mission of the Church of American Baptist Convention. (Minneapolis).
6. To serve on the Foreign Missions Board of the American Baptist Convention, elected in 1956.
7. To be elected President of Foreign Mission Societies of American Baptist Convention, 1962. In the City of St. Paul:
8. To serve on Rent Control Advisory Board.
9. To serve on City of St. Paul Planning Board.
10. Pastor to have a paid-up life membership in the N.A.A.C.P.
11. Pastor to receive the "Man of the Year" Award of the St. Paul Sterling Club for leadership in the successful campaign for a new Maxfield Elementary School.

These services and many more in the 19 years of Dr. Massey's pastorate have been given without monetary compensation.

CENTENNIAL YEAR ACTIVITIES

Throughout the church year, 1963, Pilgrim Church will celebrate her 100 years of progress with the months of June and October becoming the high-water marks. The following is a list of the outstanding events which we sponsor or support:

| DATE | EVENT | TIME |
|--------------------|---|--------------|
| January: | | |
| 9th, Wed. | Annual Church Dinner Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |
| 13th, Sun. | "The Border of Truth" (Movie) by Laymen League | 7:00 p.m. |
| 14th-16th | State Pastors' Conference (Interracial), St. Paul | |
| 22nd-25th | Midwinter Board Meeting of National Baptist Convention, Inc., Hot Springs, Arkansas. | |
| 27th, Sun. | Annual Youth Day: Sandy Stephens, Bobby Bell, Bill Crockett, Speakers | 11:00 a.m. |
| 27th, Sun. | B.Y.F. Fellowship Hour, Refreshments | 6:00 p.m. |
| 28th, Mon. | Teen Roller Skating Party, Skatedium | 7-10:30 p.m. |
| February: | | |
| 1st & 2nd | State B.Y.F. Retreat, Excelsior, Minn. | |
| 3rd, Sun. | City-Wide Annual Youth Meeting at St. Philip's Church (Interracial) | 3:00 p.m. |
| 10th, Sun. | B.Y.F. & Temple of Zion Youth Meeting, at Zion Temple (Interracial) | |
| 15th, Fri. | Laymen's Father-Son Banquet at Church | 7:00 p.m. |
| 17th, Sun. | Brotherhood Sunday — Park & Pilgrim B.Y.F. Meeting (Interracial), at Park | 6:00 p.m. |
| 17th, Sun. | Park-Pilgrim Union Service (Interracial), at Park | 7:30 p.m. |
| 21st, Thurs. | Dr. Massey, Speaker at Bethel College Founders' Week Service | 10:00 a.m. |
| 22nd, 23rd, & 24th | N.B.C. State Convention — Semi-Annual Meeting, Minneapolis | |
| March: | | |
| 1st, Fri. | World Day of Prayer (Interracial), Pilgrim Women's Society, Hostesses | |
| 3rd, Sun. | Training for Church Membership Class, Dr. Massey | 10:00 a.m. |
| 3rd, Sun. | Spiritual Enrichment Institute | 6:00 p.m. |
| 3rd, Sun. | Women's Society Service | 7:30 p.m. |
| 10th, Sun. | Training for Church Membership Class, Dr. Massey | 10:00 a.m. |
| 10th, Sun. | Spiritual Enrichment Institute | 6:00 p.m. |
| 10th, Sun. | Annual Service, Usher Board | 7:30 p.m. |
| 17th, Sun. | Spiritual Enrichment Institute | 6:00 p.m. |
| 24th, Sun. | Training for Church Membership Class, Dr. Massey | 10:00 a.m. |
| 24th, Sun. | Spiritual Enrichment Institute | 6:00 p.m. |
| 31st, Sun. | Youth Participation Day, DR. CARL STROME, Trinity Baptist Church, Mpls., Centennial Speaker | 11:00 a.m. |
| 31st, Sun. | Laymen's Roundtable Discussion | 4:00 p.m. |
| April: | | |
| 3rd, Wed. | Dr. Massey, Lenten Preacher, First Congregational Church, Anoka, Minn. | 7:30 p.m. |
| 7th, Sun. | Training for Church Membership Class, Dr. Massey | 10:00 a.m. |
| 7th, Sun. | Palm Sunday — Hale Singers Concert by Deaconess Bd. | 7:30 p.m. |
| 11th, Thurs. | Maundy Thursday — Communion Service | 7:30 p.m. |
| 12th, Fri. | Easter Egg Party | |
| 14th, Sun. | Easter Program, Church School | 9:15 a.m. |
| 14th, Sun. | Easter Service | 11:00 a.m. |
| 14th, Sun. | Easter Musicales, Senior Choir | 7:30 p.m. |
| 17th, Wed. | Pilgrim — First Baptist Centennial Dinner at First Baptist Church (Interracial). | 7:00 p.m. |
| 23rd, Tues. | J. C. SMITH UNIVERSITY CHOIR Concert | 8:00 p.m. |
| 28th, Sun. | Union Service at Pilgrim (Interracial), Pilgrim and First Baptist Churches | 7:30 p.m. |
| May: | | |
| 5th, Sun. | L. W. Harris Memorial Service | 5:00 p.m. |
| 5th, Sun. | Play — "Our Town" by Junior Usher Board | 7:30 p.m. |
| 7th, Tues. | Twin City Baptist Union Annual Meeting at Pilgrim, PRESIDENT BEN-JAMIN BROWNE, American Baptist Convention, guest speaker | |
| 10th, Fri. | Mother-Daughter Banquet by Usher Board | 7:00 p.m. |
| 12th, Sun. | Mothers' Day Breakfast by B.Y.F. | 8:00 a.m. |
| 12th, Sun. | Mothers' Day Service | 11:00 a.m. |
| 12th, Sun. | Mothers' Day Program by A.F.M. Club | 7:30 p.m. |
| 15th-19th | American Baptist Convention, Detroit, Michigan | |
| 19th, Sun. | Scholarship Service by A.F.M. & Laymen Groups | 7:30 p.m. |
| 26th, Sun. | Centennial Rally by Fellowship Units | |
| 26th, Sun. | Graduation Tea (High School & College Students) | 6:00 p.m. |
| June: | | |
| 2nd, Sun. | DR. CHARLES BODDIE, American Baptist Convention, Centennial Speaker | 11:00 a.m. |
| 2nd, Sun. | DR. CHARLES BODDIE, Speaker, Musical Service | 5:00 p.m. |
| 5th, Wed. | Church Centennial Dinner, Recognition Day for All Departments | 7:00 p.m. |
| 9th, Sun. | Founders' Day, Children's Day Program | 9:15 a.m. |
| 9th, Sun. | DR. J. H. JACKSON, National Baptist Convention, Centennial Speaker | 11:00 a.m. |
| 9th, Sun. | DR. J. H. JACKSON and State Baptist Convention Choir | 5:00 p.m. |
| 10th-21st | Daily Vacation Bible School | |
| 16th, Sun. | DR. CLIFFORD PERRON, Minnesota American Baptist Convention, Centennial Speaker | 11:00 a.m. |
| 16th, Sun. | Choral Group Recital | 7:30 p.m. |
| 17th-23rd | National Baptist S.S. & B.T.U. Congress, Birmingham, Alabama | |
| 28th, Fri. | Musicales by Deacons | 8:00 p.m. |
| 30th, Sun. | Youth Participation Sunday, Tribute to A Century of Progress | 11:00 a.m. |
| 30th, Sun. | Teen Choir Recital | 7:30 p.m. |

July:

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| 14th, Sun. | Morning Worship Services in July and August at 10:00 a.m. No night services. | |
| 14th, Sun. | Annual Men's Day | 10:00 a.m. |
| 19th-21st | Centennial Picnic, Phalen Park, All groups participating | 1:00 p.m. |
| 28th, Sun. | Minnesota State Baptist Convention, N.B.C., Mpls. | |
| 28th, Sun. | Annual Women's Day | 10:00 a.m. |
| September: | | |
| 4th-8th | National Baptist Convention, U.S.A., Inc., Cleveland, Ohio | |
| 15th, Sun. | Annual Service of Deacons and Deaconesses | 4:00 p.m. |
| 21st, Sat. | Talent Night by Choral Group | 7:00 p.m. |
| 22nd, Sun. | Women's Society Service | 7:30 p.m. |
| 29th, Sun. | Promotion Day, Church School | 9:15 a.m. |
| 29th, Sun. | BERLENE CASSELBERRY in Recital by Senior Choir | 7:30 p.m. |
| October: | | |
| 6th, Sun. | Centennial Celebration | |
| 13th, Sun. | REVEREND W. W. MONROE & CHOIR, Memorial Baptist Church, New York City, Centennial Celebration | 11:00 a.m. |
| 13th, Sun. | Memorial Baptist Church Choir in Concert | 5:00 p.m. |
| 27th, Sun. | Annual Laymen's Sunday | 11:00 a.m. |
| 27th, Sun. | Centennial Celebration and Fellowship Rally | |
| November: | | |
| 9th, Sat. | Harvest Festival by Choral Group | |
| 15th, Fri. | Annual Project Program by Usher Board | 8:00 p.m. |
| 17th, Sun. | Women's Society Service | 7:30 p.m. |
| 24th, Sun. | Ladies' Aid Society Program | |
| December: | | |
| 3rd, Tues. — Jan. 18, 1964 | WORLD MISSION TOUR, Dr. & Mrs. Massey, American Baptist Convention Mission Fields: Copenhagen, Russia, South India, Burma, Thailand, Hong Kong, probably the Philippines, Japan, and Honolulu | |
| 8th, Sun. | Annual City-Wide Christmas Pageant | 3:30 p.m. |
| 15th, Sun. | Christmas Candlelighting Service | 7:30 p.m. |
| 22nd, Sun. | Christmas Sunday Service | |
| 22nd, Sun. | Christmas Program — Children's Division | 9:00 a.m. |
| 22nd, Sun. | Christmas Program — Youth Division | 5:00 p.m. |
| 31st, Tues. | Watchnight Communion Service | 11:00 a.m. |

THE FUTURE? THE FUTURE!!

We are well aware of the fact that we have not arrived! The Apostle Paul said, "My brothers, I do not consider myself to have fully grasped it even now. But I do concentrate on this: I leave the past behind and with hands outstretched to whatever lies ahead, I go straight for the goal — my reward, the honor of being called by God in Christ." (Philippians 3:13-14, J. B. Phillips Translation) Like many Christian churches, we maintain interest in physical improvements. There is need for more space for the Christian Education Program and there is need for parking space for members at worship hours. This year, all facilities are redecorated. Moreover, there is desperate need for increase in staff to give adequate direction and guidance to a church with 1,000 members. But God expects us to take care of buildings and personnel as initial objectives. All of a congregation's energy cannot be spent on local buildings and property. We must do the Mission of the Church!! More and more the church must carry the gospel outside its walls into the community, the nation, and the world. We are the Body of Christ. The world is the field. Our efforts must affect the "uttermost part of the earth." Thus to that end, we steadfastly set our faces. Our congregation is proud to approve the sending of Dr. and Mrs. Massey on the World Mission Tour which takes in the Burma Sesquicentennial, December 3, 1963 — January 18, 1964. We want our pastor's first-hand report on the Christian work in Copenhagen, Moscow, South India, Burma, Thailand, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Japan, and Honolulu. We have resolved to assume our share of responsibilities of the Christian church in a troubled world. We feel that we are a "grown-up" church. Our ambition is the true goal of the spiritually adult. The Apostle Paul put it, "All of us who are spiritually adult should set ourselves this sort of ambition, and if at present you cannot see this, yet you will find that this is the attitude which God is leading you to adopt. It is important that we go forward in the light of such truth as we have ourselves attained to." (Philippians 3:15, 16, J. B. Phillips Translation.)

"God be merciful unto us, and bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us; that Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations. Amen." (Psalms 67:1, 2.)

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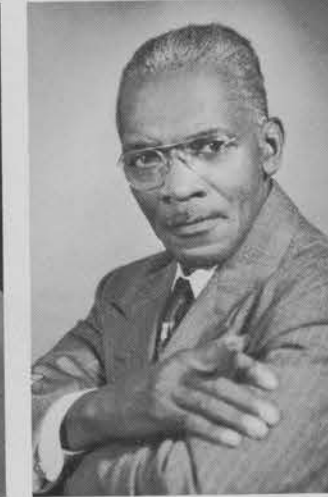
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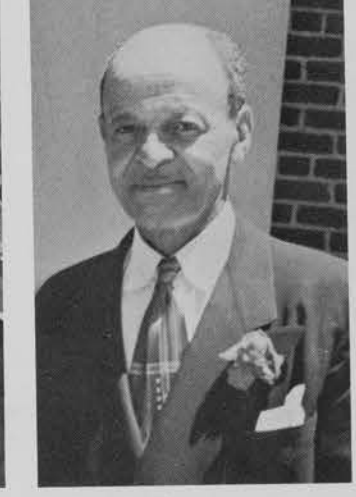
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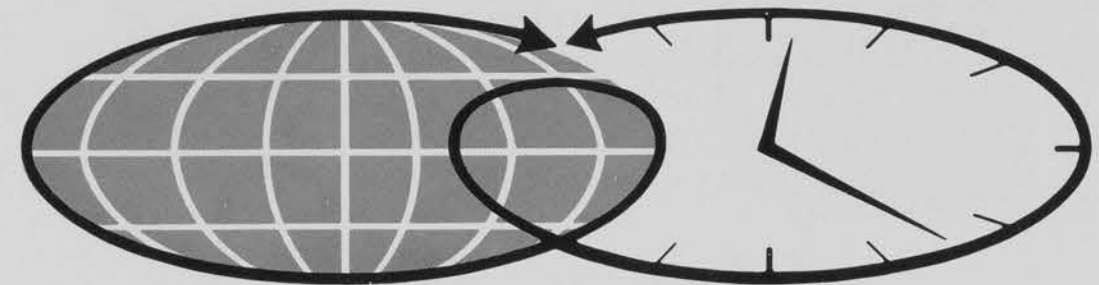
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We rejoice with you for the many years of great achievements. We salute each member who has worked on the program of the church through the years to make Pilgrim one among our greatest churches in the Baptist denomination.

May God's blessing be upon the good works you have done. May you keep the untiring faith for many more successful years.

Your brethern in Christ, New Hope Baptist Church.



Rev. Kneely Williams, Pastor.



Marjorie Tendle, President

Greetings;

May God continue to bless you.
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Our sincere congratulations to Reverend Floyd Massey, Jr., and to each and every member of the Congregation of the Pilgrim Baptist Church as they commemorate a centennial of service to the religious and civic life of the community.



Greetings to Pilgrim Baptist Church on her 100th Anniversary. The Knott Family.

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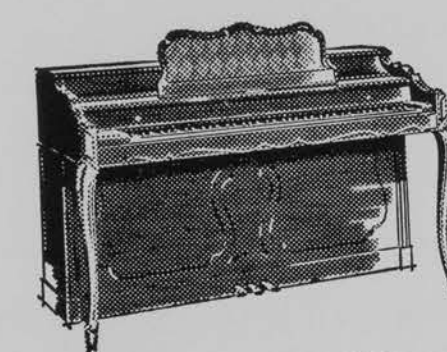
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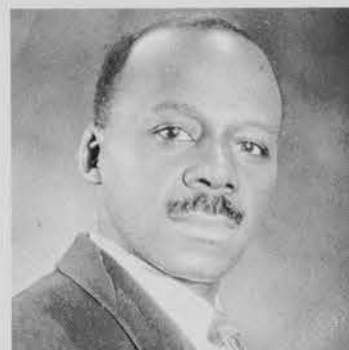
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