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# Installation Dinner

Historic Pilgrim Baptist Church  
St. Paul, Minnesota



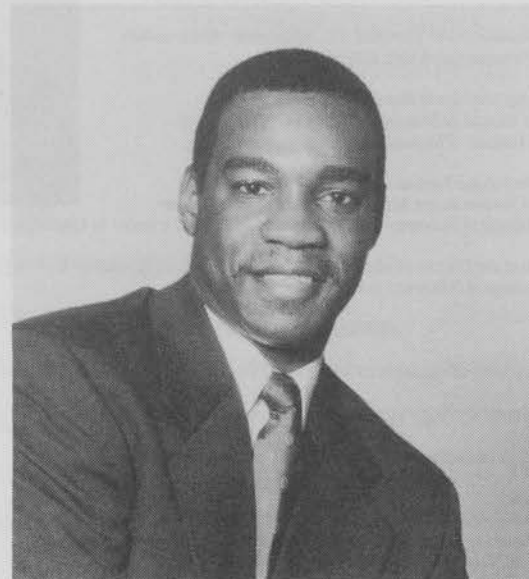
Friday, December 10, 1993  
7:00 p.m.

Park Inn International  
1313 Nicollet Mall  
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55403

MINISTER, PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

BANQUET/GUEST SPEAKER

DINNER MENU



*Rev. Thomas E. Fantroy*

*Rev. Fantroy graduated with honors from the University of Mississippi with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy with a minor in History. He earned a Master's of Divinity with honors and distinction from the Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC) in Atlanta, Georgia. He has completed one year of post-Master's of Divinity studies in Theology from Princeton Theological Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey. Rev. Fantroy is currently a Ph.D. candidate in Religion with an emphasis in Biblical Studies (Old Testament) at Claremont Graduate School, Claremont, California.*

*Affiliations include Second Baptist Church, Oxford, Mississippi; West Hill Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, Georgia; Friendship Baptist Church, Trenton, New Jersey and Second Mt. Nebo Baptist Church, Inglewood, California. Rev. Fantroy is a native of Moss Point, Mississippi. He and his wife Celanese, have one daughter, Avanti.*

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Born in Marshall TX. Married to Camellia L. Shaw, the father of one child, one daughter-in-law and two granddaughters.



## BANQUET

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1993

6:30 P.M.

MASTER OF CEREMONY

DEACON KENNETH SAFFOLD

### PROCESSIONAL

"LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING" ..... AUDIENCE

INVOCATION ..... DEACON STEVEN BELTON

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION OF HEAD TABLE ..... DEACON KENNETH SAFFOLD

THE OCCASION ..... MRS. VICKIE DAVIS

SOLO ..... MR. THORTON POWELL, III

DINNER PRAYER ..... DEACONESS JANET MORGAN

### DINNER

DINNER MUSIC .....

### PROGRAM

INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS .....

POEM ..... ANTHEM: I'M A BLACK MAN; WHO ARE YOU? ..... MR. DAVID P. SHARP

INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY

MUSICAL SELECTION .....

SPEAKER ..... REV. DR. WILLIAM J. SHAW

HYMN ..... "WE ARE CLIMBING JACOB'S LADDER" ..... AUDIENCE

CLOSING REMARKS ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY

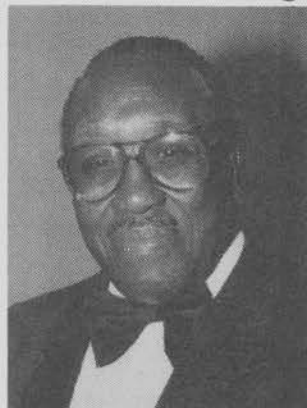
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## DINNER SERVED

7:00 P.M.

*Garden Salad with French and Ranch Dressing  
Baguettes and Butter*

Chicken Tarragon  
Boneless Breast of Chicken  
With Tarragon Cream Sauce

Baked Walleye  
With Fresh Lemon and Dill  
Butter Sauce

Veal Forestiere  
Sauteed Cutlets Served With  
Mushroom Sherry Sauce

### Dinners include:

Wild Rice Pilaf  
Seasonal Vegetable  
Coffee, Decaffeinated, Tea or Milk  
Raspberry Sherbet

## Lift Every Voice and Sing

James W. Johnson

J. Rosamond Johnson

Lift every voice and sing  
Till earth and heaven ring,  
Ring with the harmonies of liberty.  
Let our rejoicing rise  
High as the list'ning skies;  
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.  
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;  
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;  
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,  
Let us march on, till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,  
Bitter the chast'ning rod,  
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;  
Yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet  
Come to the place for which our parents sighed?  
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;  
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the  
slaughtered,  
Out from the gloomy past,  
Till now we stand at last  
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,  
God of our silent tears,  
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;  
Thou who hast by thy might  
Led us into the light:  
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.  
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;  
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;  
Shadowed beneath thy hand  
May we forever stand,  
True to our God, true to our native land.

# PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH

THE CHURCH OF LOFTY FRIENDSHIP – SERVING THE COMMUNITY WITH CHRIST SINCE 1863

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DECEMBER 12, 1993  
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**The History of Pilgrim  
Baptist Church from 1863-1993**

The history of Pilgrim begins in 1863 with a group of courageous men, women and children from Missouri who traveled north in search of work and a new way of life. Accounts on how the group came to Minnesota are mixed, but what we do know is that this group called themselves "Pilgrims". The group was led by Reverend Robert Thomas Hickman - who was a rail splitter, among other things. His master taught him to read and gave him permission to preach to other slaves. The group arrived by raft on the Mississippi. The raft was collected and towed upstream by a steamboat.

This new influx to Saint Paul increased the "Negro" population which forced city authorities to divide local blacks into three groups. One group was sent to southern Minnesota, Duluth and one group remained in Saint Paul.

Shortly after the decision was made to divide the Black population Reverend Hickman and his followers began to seek a place of worship. In November 1863 a room at the "Good Temples" on 3rd Street was rented on Sundays for worship. After several months of planning for a formal congregation, Reverend Hickman and his followers were unable to incorporate without an ordained minister. Reverend Hickman received mission status from First Baptist Church in 1864. Between 1864-1866 the black parishioners continued to worship separately under the direction of Reverend Hickman. On November 15, 1866 Pilgrim Baptist Church was formally organized. This was celebrated by a baptismal service on the shores of the Mississippi.

The first two ministers were white. William Norris, 1866-1868 and Andrew Torbet 1868-1877. Robert Hickman was not ordained until 1875. He became the congregation's official minister in 1878. The first Pilgrim Church was built on a lot on Sibley near Morris Street at a cost of \$2,400. Succeeding Reverend Hickman was Reverend Bird J. Wickins. He served from 1886-87. Under his pastorate the first lot and church was exchanged for a second church which was built at Cedar Street and Summit Avenue.

There were five pastors during the years 1887-1897. They were: Reverend William Gray, 1887-1889; Reverend Lewis C. Cheafe, 1889-1893; Reverend Robinson Quarles 1893-1895; Reverend J. D. Underwood, 1895-1896 and Reverend B. B. Hill, 1897.



Under the pastorate of Dr. W. D. Carter Pilgrim received its' first pipe organ. Dr. Carter served from 1900-1909.

The 10th pastor of Pilgrim was Dr. E. H. McDonald. Dr. McDonald improved the decorum of the worship services by having the Deacons and Trustees dress in Prince Albert's formal dress. During his pastorate a controversy arose which divided the church. Reverend McDonald and one half of the membership left Pilgrim and purchased Memorial Baptist Church, located on Rice Street. The present Mt. Olivet Baptist Church is a descendant of that church.

During the pastorate of Reverend B. N. Murrell the present church site was purchased. On this site was a tiny wooden structure in which the N.A.A.C.P. and Urban League were organized. It was later moved to the alley when the construction on the present sanctuary began.

Reverend B. H. Hodge pastored the church for one-year (1918-1919). During his tenure Pilgrim made steps toward purchasing 719 St. Anthony.

Pilgrim entered a new era of religious awareness under the leadership of Dr. L. W. Harris. Reverend Harris received his Divinity Degree from Emporia State College and accepted the call to Pilgrim in 1922 and served until 1938. During his pastorate he organized the Daily Vacation Bible School Program, directed the planning and building of the present sanctuary and Fellowship Hall. He was Editor and Publisher of our first church bulletin called "The Informer". He was actively involved in civic affairs.

Dr. S.E. Ware succeeded Dr. Harris as pastor in 1941 and served until 1944. He had a warm personality and during his pastorate the sanctuary and parsonage were remodeled.

In September 1944 Reverend Floyd Massey Jr. a graduate of Colgate-Rochester Theological Seminary and a native of North Carolina began a long and illustrious ministry at Pilgrim. Under his leadership the church debt was liquidated in eight months; many improvements were made, i.e., a campaign to erect the Educational Unit began in 1946; the kitchen was equipped to serve 300, new pews were installed; new hymnals purchased; a pipe organ was installed. Like Dr. Harris, Dr. Massey was actively involved in community & religious affairs. Reverend Massey led the community efforts to build Maxfield School at the corner of Victoria and St. Anthony.

Reverend Arthur Luther Whitaker, received the S.T.B. Degree from

Harvard University Divinity School in 1952 and the S.T.M. in 1954. The scholarly, Reverend Whitaker, the author of numerous articles and books assumed the pastorate of Pilgrim on January 22, 1966. He served as pastor until January 5, 1970 and left Pilgrim for a position as Minister-elect of Public Ministries of the American Baptist Churches of Massachusetts. Like his predecessor's Reverend Whitaker was active in civic and religious affairs. During his pastorate, Reverend Whitaker initiated a five-year program for spiritual and physical renewal called, "Operating, Transition and Scope". Pilgrim acquired more property under Reverend Whitaker's leadership. The community Plaza (aka the Bailey Morris Plaza) adjacent to the church was launched. The 47-unit cluster of homes was built through the City of Saint Paul Redevelopment Authority Urban Renewal Program.

Reverend Amos C. Brown, the seventeenth pastor of Pilgrim Baptist Church served as Pastor from 1970 to June 15, 1976. Reverend Brown received the A. B. Degree from Morehouse College in 1964 and in 1968 the Master of Divinity for Crozer Theological Seminary in Chester, Pennsylvania.

Under Reverend Brown's leadership there was a substantial growth in membership and expanded involvement of the Board of Education. Pilgrim's financial growth and physical worth increased under Reverend Brown's leadership. One of the most unique projects to be completed was the stained glass windows. The entire church was renovated under his leadership. Following in what had become a tradition for Pilgrim, Reverend Brown was very active in religious and civic affairs. He served as President of the Saint Paul Branch NAACP, Chairperson, Community Housing Corporation; Founder of the Benjamin E. Mays Learning Center and served as the Chairperson of the Board. Through his influence, Reverend Brown made Pilgrim a haven for community forums and dialogue sessions on issues of concern.

The 18th Pastor of Pilgrim was Dr. Earl F. Miller. Dr. Miller served as Pastor of Pilgrim from 1977 - early 1992. Reverend Miller received his Master of Divinity Degree in May 1972 from the School of Theology at Virginia Union. Prior to coming to Pilgrim, Reverend Miller was the Pastor of Mount Olive Baptist Church in Glen Allen, a suburb of Richmond Virginia.

On this occasion we come together to celebrate and install Reverend Thomas Earl Fantroy as the 19th Pastor of Historic Pilgrim Baptist Church. Reverend Fantroy the oldest of 10 children was born in Moss Point, Mississippi. He received his B.A. in Philosophy and minor in history from the University of Mississippi. He was an honor graduate. Reverend Fantroy received his Master of Divinity from the

Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia and graduated in 1988.

In his leisure Reverend Fantroy enjoys fishing, bowling, cooking, playing the saxophone and enjoys working with computers.

Reverend Fantroy is married to Celanise and has one daughter, Avanti.

The congregation of Pilgrim Baptist Church welcomes our first family. We share your vision for the spiritual growth of our church.

Submitted by:

Ora Lee Patterson

taken from the records  
of Pilgrim Baptist Church



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December 12, 1993

Reverend Earl Fantroy  
Pilgrim Baptist  
732 West Central Avenue  
St. Paul, Minnesota 55104

Dear Reverend Fantroy:

With great pleasure, I add my congratulations as you are installed as Pastor at Pilgrim Baptist Church.

You, Celanise and Avanti have my very best wishes as you embark on a most important mission. May you meet with every success.

This is indeed a special day in the history of Pilgrim Baptist Church. Again, congratulations.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joannell M. Dyrstad".

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GLADYS BREWTON



My family and I count it an honor and a blessing to be asked to serve the Historic Pilgrim Baptist Church. My heart is filled with great joy as we begin our new journey together.

May the good will that God has established among us continue to pervade our new relationship. I look forward with great expectations to a ministry that is directed by God's will and one that is pleasing to God's sight. Let us work together and pray that God will bless our efforts.

Rev. Thomas E. Fantroy  
Celanese Fantroy  
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## BANQUET Guest Speaker

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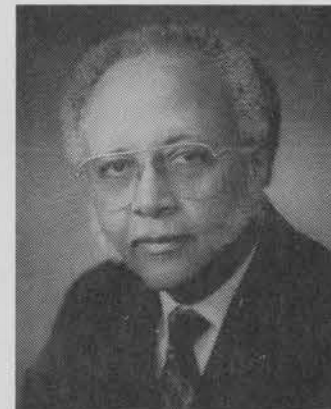
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**WELCOME REVEREND FANTROY AND FAMILY  
IT'S A NEW DAY  
YESTERDAY IS GONE AND TOMORROW IS NOT PROMISED.  
LET US LIVE EACH DAY AS THOUGH IT WERE OUR LAST.**

**MAY THIS UNION BE CONSECRATED IN THE NAME OF THE LORD  
WORKING TOGETHER IN ONE SPIRIT**

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**WE DID IT THE LORD'S WAY:  
"AND I SAY UNTO YOU, ASK, AND IT SHALL BE GIVEN YOU; SEEK, AND YE  
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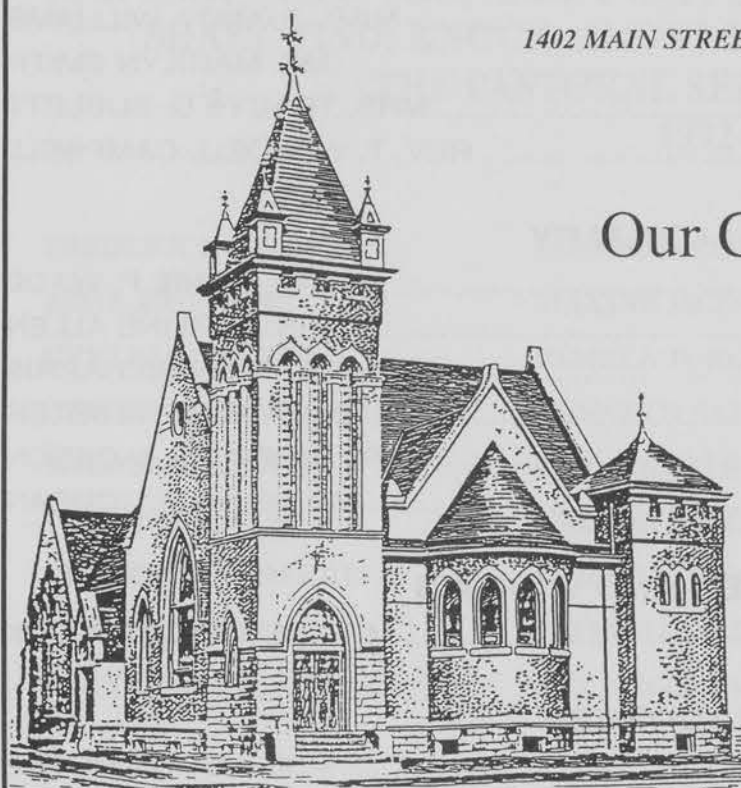


*Best Wishes to Rev. Thomas E. Fantroy and family*

*from  
The Senior Usher Board*

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**Our Congratulations!**

*"Therefore take heed to yourselves  
and to all the flock, among which the  
Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to  
shepherd the church of God which He  
purchased with His own blood."*

*Acts 20:28*

NAACP Saint Paul Branch  
1060 West Central Avenue  
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55104

The Roy Wilkins Memorial Branch  
(Saint Paul N.A.A.C.P.) extends a warm welcome  
to Reverend Thomas E. Fantroy and his family  
to the City of Saint Paul.

Past members of the Pilgrim Baptist Church - now  
deceased have played a vital role in the creation of  
The Saint Paul Branch. Pilgrim members continue  
to be a vital part of our branch as well as the  
greater community of Saint Paul.

We extend our blessings and prayers to Reverend  
Fantroy for the continued spiritual growth of the  
Pilgrim Family.

Nathaniel Davis President  
Saint Paul Branch N.A.A.C.P.





## HALLIE Q. BROWN COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.

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The Board and staff of Hallie Q. Brown Community Center congratulates the Rev. Thomas E. Fantroy on his appointment and acceptance as the senior minister of Pilgrim Baptist Church, we welcome him to our community.



Fred B. Williams  
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Greetings and Congratulations to the members of the Historic Pilgrim Baptist Church on the momentous occasion of accepting Rev. Thomas E. Fantroy as senior minister of the Church.

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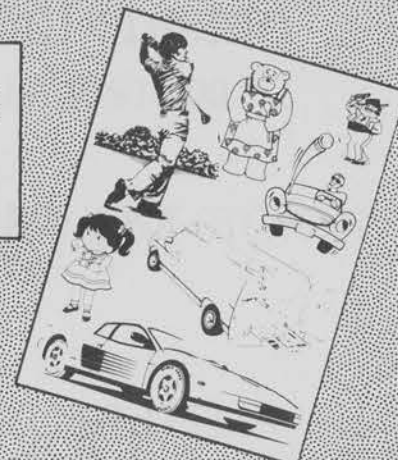
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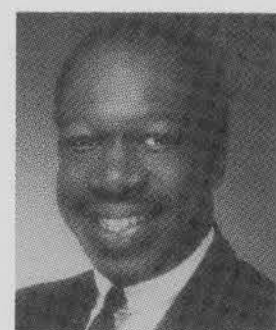
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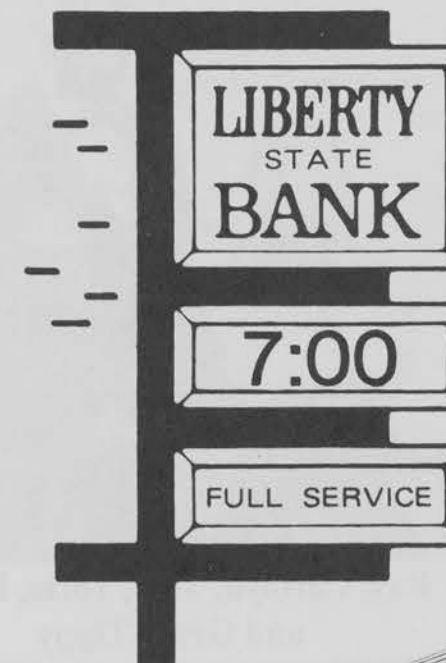
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\*\*CALL TO WORSHIP ..... REV. FRED BACON  
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GREETINGS - VISITING GUESTS ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
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PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS ..... DEACONESS VERONICA FULLER  
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\*\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE ..... "PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW"

\*\*BIDDING PRAYER ..... REV. THOMAS DUKE & REV. M. HOLMON  
SELECTION ..... CHOIR  
SCRIPTURE ..... GENESIS 1:1; REVELATIONS 2:1-9  
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
GUEST SOLOIST .....  
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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1993  
7:00 P.M. WORSHIP LEADER - REV. DALE ANDERSON

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SELECTION ..... CHOIR  
SCRIPTURE ..... ACTS 2: 1-21  
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
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WELCOME & INTRODUCTION OF HEAD TABLE ..... DEACON KENNETH SAFFOLD  
THE OCCASION ..... MRS. VICKIE DAVIS  
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INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
MUSICAL SELECTION .....  
SPEAKER ..... REV. DR. WILLIAM J. SHAW  
HYMN ..... "WE ARE CLIMBING JACOB'S LADDER" ..... AUDIENCE  
CLOSING REMARKS ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
BENEDICTION ..... REV. WILLIAM J. SHAW

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MUSIC ..... PILGRIM BAPTIST CHURCH CHOIR  
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MUSIC ..... GUEST ENSEMBLE  
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BENEDICTION ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1993**  
8:00 A.M. WORSHIP LEADER - REV. WESLEY FOSTER

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\*\*CALL TO WORSHIP ..... REV. WESLEY FOSTER  
\*\*INVOCATION ..... DEACONESS THELMA WILEY  
\*\*DOXOLOGY, NO. 2 "GLORY BE TO THE FATHER"

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SELECTION ..... CHOIR  
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PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS ..... MRS. NANCY WILLIAMS  
OFFERTORY SELECTION ..... CHOIR  
\*\*OFFERTORY PRAYER ..... MR. JONATHAN PRICE  
\*\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE ..... "PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW"

SCRIPTURE ..... LUKE 1:39-56 ..... MS. KATHY PINKETT  
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
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SERMAN ..... "SING YOUR OWN SONG" ..... REV. DR. RANDALL BAILEY  
\*\*INVITATIONAL HYMN .....  
\*\*ALTAR CALL  
REMARKS ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
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\*\*DOXOLOGY, NO. 2 "GLORY BE TO THE FATHER"

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GENERAL WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS ..... MRS. DENISE LABRANCH-NJOKU  
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SCRIPTURE READING ..... MR. PAUL WARDER  
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
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PROCESSIONAL HYMN ..... "WE ARE CLIMBING JACOB'S LADDER"  
CALL TO WORSHIP ..... DEACON LEROY CUNNINGHAM  
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MUSICAL SELECTION ..... PILGRIM BAPTIST CHOIR  
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OFFERTORY PRAYER ..... MS. PAMELA ROBINSON  
MUSICAL SELECTION ..... FIRST BAPTIST CHOIR  
INTRODUCTION OF SPEAKER ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
INSPIRATIONAL HYMN .....  
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REMARKS ..... REV. THOMAS E. FANTROY  
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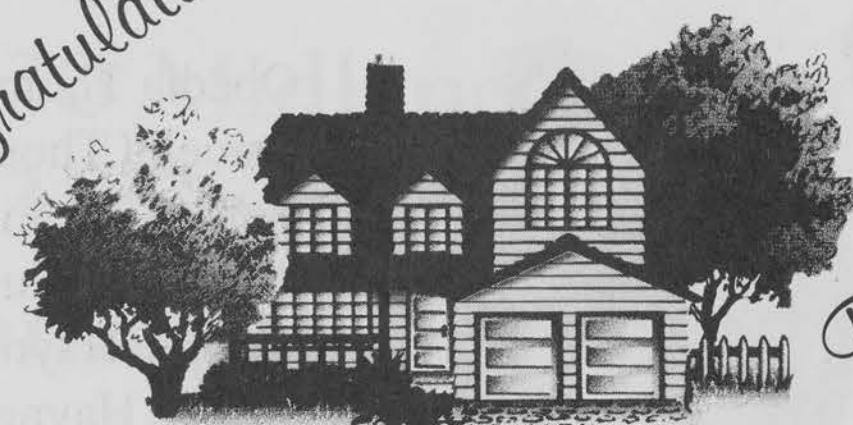


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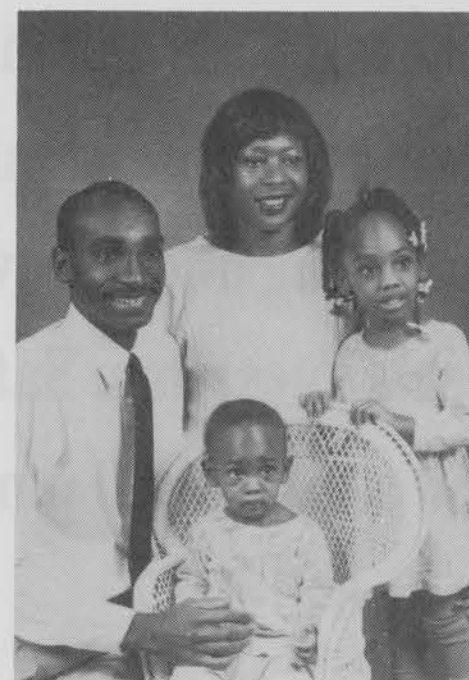
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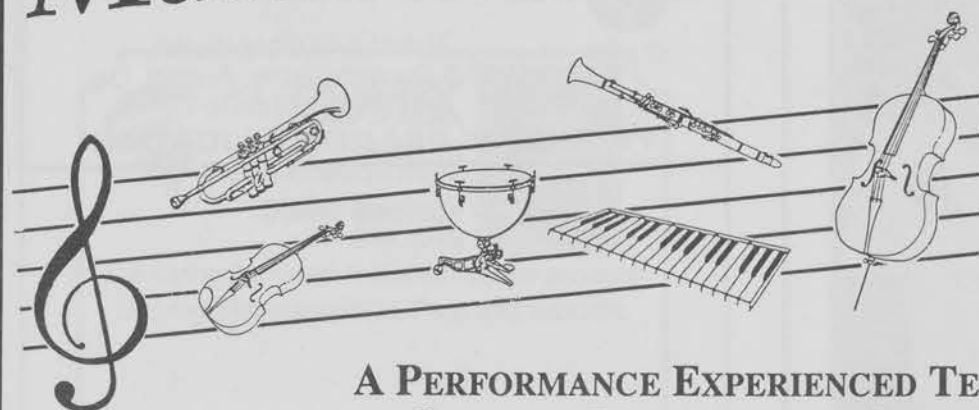
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