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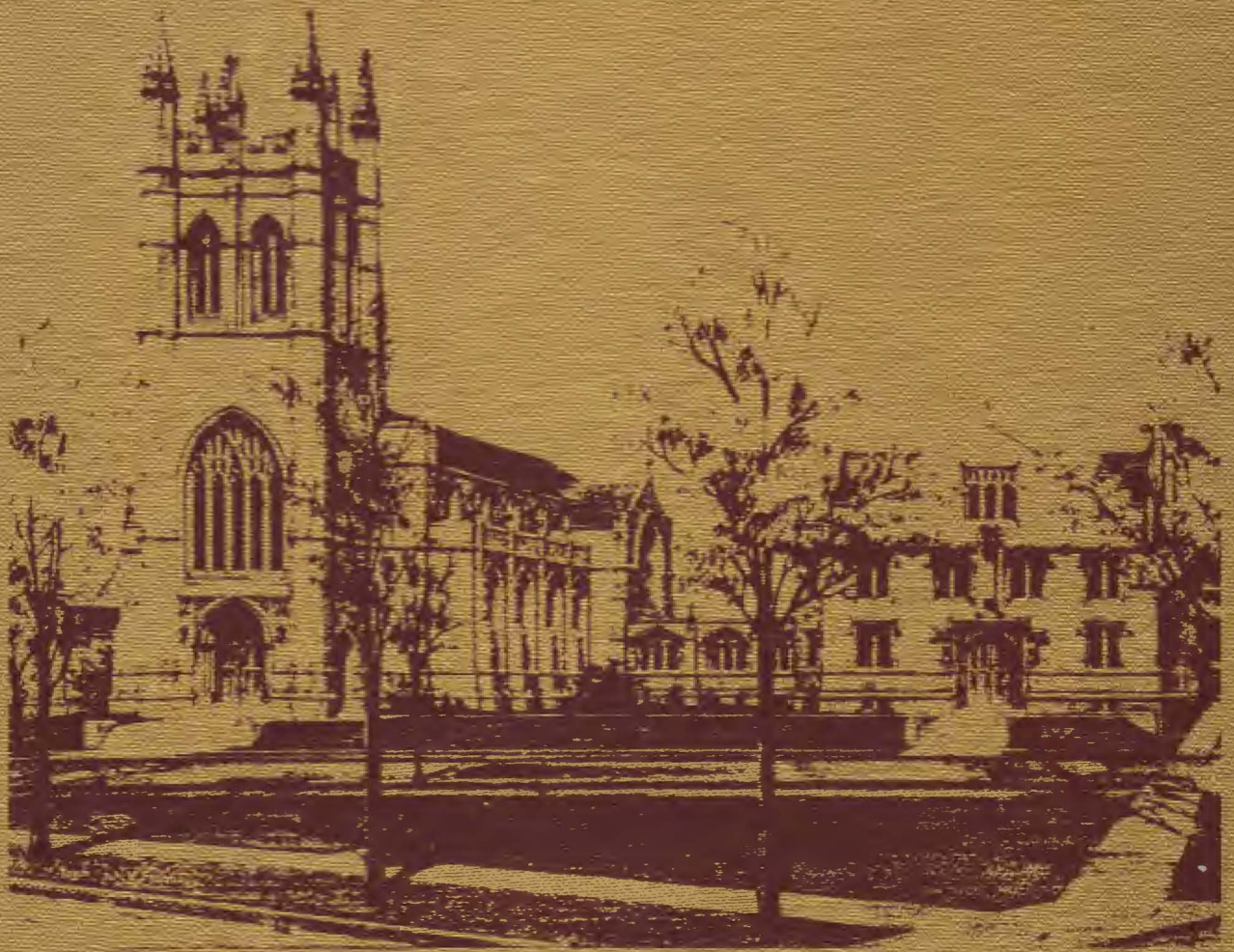
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LINCOLN MEMORIAL
METHODIST CHURCH



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*"Now Thank We All Our
God With Heart And Hands,
And Voices."*

*Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church
641 Masten Ave. Buffalo, N.Y. 14209
Rev. Edmund J. Millet, Minister*

A Message from Our Jubilee Chairman



Gerald H. Hesson, Jubilee Chairman

This Jubilee Journal attempts to feature the events and endeavors which have shaped and guided the first fifty years of Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church. Of course, words and pictures can only partially describe the life of our church because much of its history is written indelibly in the hearts of its past and present members. Emphasis in this Journal is given to those events, organizations and achievements which have given vitality and expression to the Christian mission of our Church.

The members of Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church can be justifiably proud as they reflect and remember the past fifty years; particularly, the growth and development of Lincoln Church from a small mission church to its present existence. However, Christians cannot afford the luxury of complacency or satisfaction — there is always that extra mile to go; there is always a little more to give of oneself.

Let us then enjoy the golden moment of our Jubilee as presented in this Journal, while simultaneously recognizing and confronting the Christian mission of Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church during the ensuing years.

Dedication

The worth of the present is measured in terms of the past.

Destiny has always seemed busy with gathering and handing over from one generation to another, the richest gifts of highest achievements.

William H. Horner, man and minister, served the congregation of Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church for over thirty-six years. During this period, he guided the church from mission status to a debt free church of over five hundred members. The lasting monument to these years of service can be found in the basic things: encouragement here, counselling there, the Christening of a child, marrying the young, a funeral service for the dead.

Each officer and member of this church joins with Reverend Edmund Millet in a fervent and sincere prayer to Almighty God in thanks for the gift of the talents of this man to us and to the community.

This Jubilee Journal printed in commemoration of fifty years of service to God and to man, is herewith dedicated to Reverend William H. Horner, a true servant of our God.

Carey Rector

A Message from Our Minister



Dear Members:

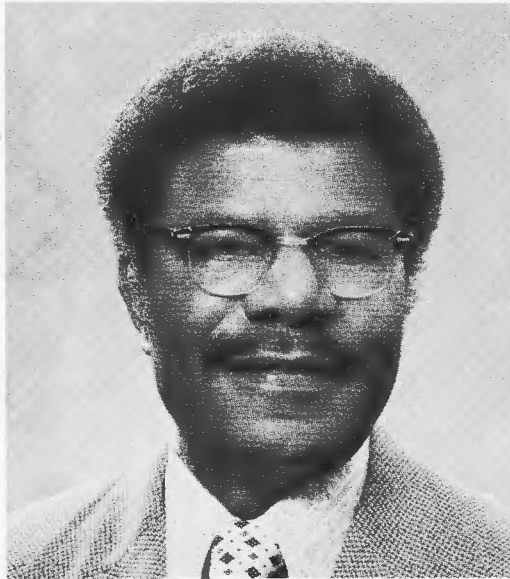
It is a pleasure to greet you as together we celebrate our 50th Jubilee, and I am very grateful to all those whose efforts have helped to make this event possible.

Our church has stood the test of time, and we have ministered not only to our own fellowship, but to the larger community. There were times when we thought of curtailing our programs because of trying circumstances, but we chose to stay in mission and be faithful to God's calling.

It is with full awareness of this kind of dedication that I look to the future with hope and salute you with the words of our Jubilee theme song:

'Now thank we all our God
With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done,
In whom his world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms,
Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love,
And still is ours today.'

Truly,
Edmund Millet



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October 5, 1973

The Reverend Edmund Millet
Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church
641 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14209

Dear Ed:

It is with a deep sense of pleasure that I send greetings to you and the very fine members of Lincoln Memorial on this Jubilee Celebration. It does us all good to look back occasionally to see from whence we have come. Such a pause opens the way for new perspectives in charting the future.

The history of Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church has been one of progressive growth. The reaching of such a height at this period in time can only be attributed to the outstanding leadership and the magnanimous spirit of the members.

My family and I consider the ministry in Buffalo was one of the very high points in our lives. The warm support we received and the making of life-time friendships can never be erased from our memory.

Annie L., Laura, Wesley join me in wishing success in all your efforts for a joyful event.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Willard".

Willard A. Williams
Assistant General Secretary

WAW/dgt



North Ridge Methodist Church

3892 NORTH RIDGE ROAD
LOCKPORT, NEW YORK 14094

William H. Horner - Minister

September 21, 1973

Lincoln Memorial U. M. Church
641 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14208



I am happy to greet and congratulate the Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church upon this celebration of your Fiftieth Anniversary as a viable church organization in the city of Buffalo, New York. It is with deep, personal feelings that I remember that it was my rich and blessed privilege to serve as the pastor for all but thirteen and a-half of those fifty years.

Those early years in the life of Lincoln Memorial Church had their rough periods. Outstanding among them were the depression years which had their beginnings in the fall of 1929 and, to all practical purposes, continued for our group until the winter of 1941 and the involvement of this country in World War II. Added to all the other problems were the "growing pains" typical of all newly developing organizations.

Lincoln Memorial Church grew, overcame many obstacles, successfully purchased and paid for two churches and two parsonages. These achievements were indicative of existing strength and suggestive of even a greater potential.

Today, the church serves in a larger and more varied way than ever before in her history. It is quite likely that in the days to come she will give a greatly expanded service to the community to which she is related.

May this church remain true to God in all the coming years. May she appreciate the blessings already received and know sufficiently well the high privilege now accorded her to serve, always, to the glory of God.

Most Sincerely yours,

William H. Horner

(Rev.) William H. Horner



The United Methodist Church

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BISHOP
SYRACUSE AREA

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SYRACUSE, NEW YORK 13224

September 24, 1973

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The Reverend Edmund Millet
641 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14209

Dear Ed:

Please extend my greetings and congratulations to the members and friends of Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church upon the celebration of the 50th Jubilee.

You and your congregation are setting an inspiring example for many other churches as you continue to be open to the ministry of Jesus Christ under trying, as well as challenging, circumstances.

I count it a personal privilege to be a part of your efforts and think of each and all of you as fellow pilgrims in Christian service.

Again, congratulations. Be assured of my prayers and best wishes.

Grace and peace,

Joseph H. Yeakel
Joseph H. Yeakel



The Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church has brought life and light to men for a half century. It is a great church, not only for what it has been, but even more so with its promising future.

There are two ways in which we face the future. We may, like Hamlet, lament that, "the times are out of joint". It is possible to fasten our minds on all that is wrong and lose our courage and hope. We may, like Rupert Brooke say, "Now God be thanked who has matched with this hour".

Lincoln is justifiably proud of its heritage. Let us face the future resolutely and with courage, for we face it with the light of the past as our guide.

Franklin M. Zentz, Superintendent
Buffalo District
United Methodist Church



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ALBANY 12224

NELSON A. ROCKEFELLER
GOVERNOR

October 5, 1973

Dear Mr. Millet:

The 50th anniversary of the Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church certainly calls for joyful observance.

Your many activities, including as they do worship, day care and recreation on behalf of the Black community, merit warm and wide appreciation.

My best wishes for a happy Golden Jubilee celebration.

Sincerely,

The Reverend Edmund Millet
Lincoln Memorial United
Methodist Church
641 Masten Avenue
Buffalo, New York 14209



STANLEY M. MAKOWSKI
MAYOR

CITY OF BUFFALO
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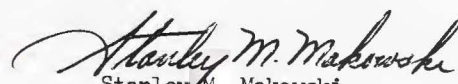
Dear Reverend Millet:

It gives me real pleasure to extend congratulations to you and the members of the Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church on its 50th anniversary.

You and the members of your Church have performed work of untold value and the people of Buffalo are deeply appreciative of your great contribution to the spiritual welfare and civic progress of our community. Such long and ardent service I am sure has brought you and the people of your congregation great personal satisfaction in knowing you have helped so many.

It is my hope and prayer that the Almighty will be bountiful in His blessings to continue your good work.

Sincerely,


Stanley M. Makowski
M a y o r

Rev. Edmund Millet
Lincoln Memorial United
Methodist Church
641 Masten avenue
Buffalo, N. Y. 14209

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Mrs. Lucetta Payne, Financial Secretary
(not shown)

A Look at



Sylvester York



Ladies Aid Picnic



Rev. and Mrs. William R. A. Palmer

They were just a handful of people with but one mutual interest: to study and worship God in an organized fashion. Deprived of proper facilities, those few individuals, under the leadership of Rev. George H. Hollis, received permission to use the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester York for this purpose. The Yorks had moved to 484 Sycamore Street and were the upstairs neighbors of Rev. and Mrs. Hollis. The year was about 1921 or 1922.

Under the guidance of Rev. Hollis, who was a retired member of the Delaware Conference, prayer meetings were held on Sundays and Wednesdays. As more people were attracted to these religious gatherings, the quarters soon became inadequate, and through Rev. Hollis, who met with church officials from the Grace Methodist Episcopal Church, they were given permission to hold services in the basement of Grace's church building. It was located at Michigan and North Division Streets, the present site of the Buffalo Goodwill Industries. By this time, there were a choir, a ladies' aid and a young people's league similar to our present day MYF. The year was 1923.

In failing health, Rev. Hollis contacted the Rev. William R. A. Palmer of the Delaware Conference, who was appointed official pastor of the yet unnamed group in 1924. The first improvement sought by Rev. Palmer was to move his congregation from the basement of Grace Methodist Church to upstairs accommodations. In doing so, it necessitated holding services at 12 o'clock after the services held by Grace were over.

Lincoln's History

During this period, the Episcopal leadership of Buffalo, as a matter of expediency, was closing and consolidating certain churches. One such church that was to be closed at this time was the Sentinel Methodist Episcopal Church located on the corner of Howard and Monroe Streets. In the Fall of 1925, the small congregation was incorporated as part of the Genesee Conference and was moved to this property.

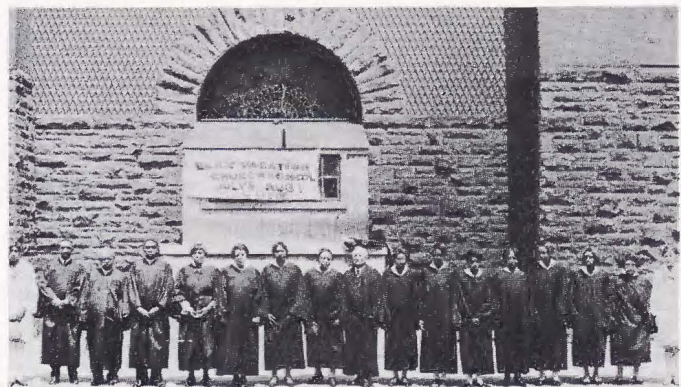
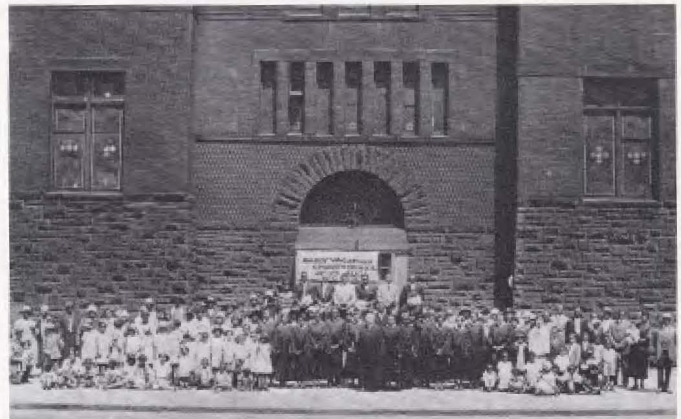
The occasion was marked by an eventful march on a beautiful Sunday to the new church home that was later to be named Lincoln Memorial Methodist Church. Among those founding families were the Yorks, (now known as Mrs. Madeline Anderson, Mrs. Anna Evans and Mrs. Geneva Herndon), the Houses (Mrs. Maude Dorsey and Mrs. Jessie Roberts), Mr. Arthur Williams, the James Robinsons, the Tillman brothers, the Mays, the Blacks, the Clemons, the Shermans, the Currys, the Burns, the Moores, the Channels and the Simmons.

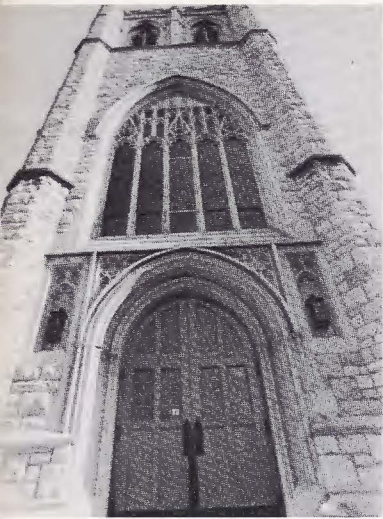
In October 1928, this congregation celebrated its fifth anniversary. It was then and continued to be for a total of 17 years, primarily one of missionary and church extension projects of the Genesee Conference.

On March 1, 1929, the Rev. William H. Horner was transferred here from the Delaware Conference replacing Rev. Palmer. Throughout the trying times of the depression and post-depression years, the membership grew and a few years after World War II, was able to purchase the church and parsonage for a sum of \$9,250.00



The Yorks





In 1953, the Trinity Methodist Church was offered to us for \$150,000. It was considered well worth \$750,000 and as an inducement, the Genesee Conference, through its Advance Program, arranged to give Lincoln \$50,000 toward the purchase price. The property on Howard Street, through extensive repairs and renovations and increasing property values over the years, had escalated in worth to \$55,000 for which it was sold.

Thus, on another historic occasion on July 4, 1954, the Lincoln congregation moved to its new location as co-tenants with the Trinity congregation for seven months. As a result of this temporary arrangement, the two groups developed a very warm and cordial Christian relationship that resulted in the Lincoln-Trinity Adult group.

The members of Lincoln rallied to their financial obligations which culminated in the burning of the mortgage in an inspiring and moving ceremony held in June of 1961.

After serving at Lincoln for 36½ years, Reverend Horner was transferred to Warren Methodist Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as of November 1, 1965. During those years that spanned nearly four decades, Lincoln had experienced many changes and milestones in its development. In addition to the new church, the parsonage on Donaldson Road had been acquired. Improvements had been made in the church's heating system. The 147th Annual Conference of the Methodist Church was held here in June 1956.

Under the direction of the late Mrs. Emma J. Horner, wife of Rev. Horner, the choir had grown in stature. Mrs. Horner was known throughout the community and state for her choral arrangements and





Slab Town Convention, 1956

musical plays. Some of her arrangements are still being used today. Mrs. Horner also worked very diligently with the Sunday School and the Children's Division.

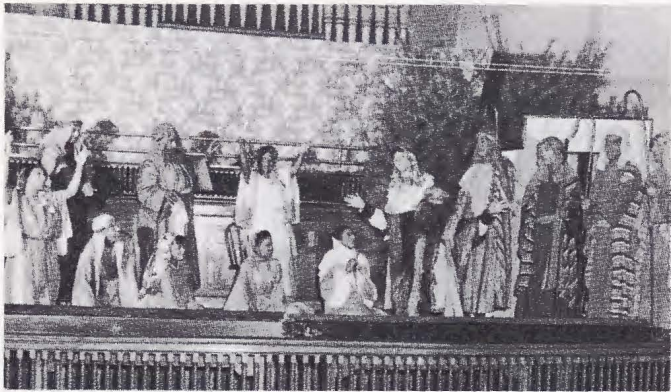
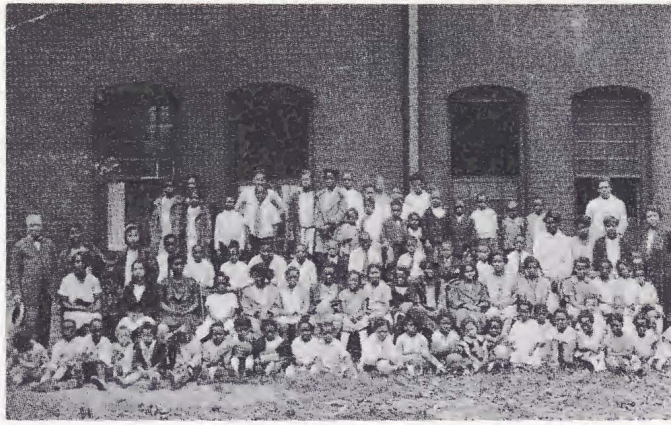
From November 1 to December 31, 1965, the Reverend Willard A. Williams served as interim pastor at Lincoln. He was officially appointed pastor on January 1, 1966. Prior to his appointment, he had served as Director of Center City Church activities here in Buffalo. While serving as minister at Lincoln, Rev. Williams actively encouraged modifications in the church's programs to make it more relevant, not only to the congregation, but also to the community at large. He endeavored to improve the organization of the church commissions and clubs. The new office of Black Community Developer was instituted. A library was set up in the church parlor. Renovation and decoration of the sanctuary was completed, with the installation of a new floor as well. A playground was constructed across the street from the education wing of the church. Under his leadership, an annual reception was held for the preparatory class of prospective new members at Lincoln. Rev. Williams left in September 1970 to join the Board of Discipleship, Division of Education of the United Methodist Church located in Nashville, Tennessee.

In October 1970, the Reverend Edmund Millet became Lincoln's fifth pastor. Since his pastorate began, a new parsonage has been purchased on Woodward Avenue. Restoration of the church at a cost of at least \$57,000 has begun. This includes repairs to the outside of the structure, new windows and restoration of the organ.



All-male wedding





Several women's organizations of the church have been united into one fellowship under the name of United Methodist Women. Annual musical concerts are now being sponsored by the church. A new magazine entitled FOCUS has also been introduced in an attempt to keep the congregation informed about the church.

Lincoln has made great strides during its many years of service. As we celebrate this 50th anniversary of Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church, there are those of us who have witnessed our growth from infancy and must feel inspired. There are also those who must feel a sense of great accomplishment knowing that from these humble beginnings we have gone beyond our religious commitment within the church walls to a most active and responsive civic and social involvement. With God's help and the commitment of all its members and friends, we pray that its effectiveness will continue to grow in the years to come.







PARSONAGE COMMITTEE

Seated: Viola Jackson, Blanche Nelson, Mamie Crawford, *Standing:* Edna Thomas, Elizabeth Dorsey, May Harrell, Co'ra Borden, Carrie Anderson, Robbie Purdie.

This committee determines and provides for the needs of the parsonage through periodic visits and consultations with the minister and his family.



SENIOR USHER BOARD

Seated: May Harrell, Alminta Coleman, Maudelle Davis, Lena Slade, Blanche Nelson, Edna Thomas. *Row 2:* Minnie Edwards, Mahala Drakeford, Elizabeth Kerr, Marie Dickson, Lorna Gaines, Charles Nelson, John Campbell, James Herrell, Audra Davis, James Crawford, George Brinkley, Mamie Crawford, Thelma Lancaster and Arwilla Moorer.



ACOLYTES

Row 1: Keenan Caldwell, Maurice Smith, Holly Johnson. *Row 2:* Timothy Caver, Michael Thomas, Marilyn Watson, Lynn Watson and Martha Caldwell.

The Acolytes are assistants to the Minister during worship service. At Lincoln Memorial United Methodist Church, Acolytes are young boys and girls between the ages of nine and thirteen years. Senior Acolytes are over thirteen. Acolytes, after a period of study and training, are consecrated and formally brought into this Christian service.



FINANCE COMMITTEE

Row 1: l-r John Robinson, Patty Cutter, Lucetta Payne, John Campbell. *Row 2:* Sol Thomas, Jesse Payne, James Siddall, Thomas Edwards.

Compiles annually a complete budget for the local church for submission to the Administrative Board for review and adoption.



ALTAR GUILD

Row 1: l-r Nora Washington, Lena Slade, Maudelle Davis, Vivian Smith, Sylvia Campbell, Hattie Chapman, Addie McDuffy *Row 2:* Helen Cain, Clarisa Pitts, Bobbie Purdy, Alma Goode, Isabelle Byrd

We can thank the group of women known as the Altar Guild for the floral arrangements and general decor that adorns the pulpit area each Sunday and on special occasions.



LINCOLN MEMORIAL CHURCH SCHOOL

Superintendent — George W. Nicholas; Assistant Superintendent — Mrs. Pauline T. Smith.

Lincoln Memorial Church School, a going concern from the Church's beginning, meets each Sunday at 9:30 A.M. Classes cover the age range from nursery through the adult years. From this membership over the years have come the leaders and workers in the Church.



LINCOLN CHORALE

Row 1: Gwendolyn Lyons, Patricia Johnson, Ellen Harrison, Duane Johnson. *Row 2:* Richard Harrison, Debra Givens, Phyllis Eison, Audrey Robinson, Henry Cameron, Director, Tracy Adams, Rosalyn Oliver, Kim Burney, Brent Hesson.

Organizations



FOCUS STAFF

Seated: Elmyra Harrison, Sec'y., Mary Carter, Editor. *Standing:* Robert Butcher, Gen. Manager, Theodore Johnson, Bus. Manager.

One of the instruments of communication is the church newspaper, Focus, which includes information about our church activities, our members and our community. Its intent is to bring about a cohesive relationship. It was established in December 1971.



TRUSTEES

Row 1: L - R, Arthur Caldwell, Ophelia Nicholas. *Row 2:* Thomas Edwards, Ben Robinson, Charlie Fisher, Jr., Frank Derr.

The members of the Board of Trustees are the overseers of the church property. They report on the legal description of the real estate owned as well as provide inventories and reasonable evaluations of all personal property owned by the church.



SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

Row 1: Sarah Lomax, Hattie White, Emma Cameron, Viola Jackson, Maude Dorsey. *Row 2:* Gertrude Ware, Sylvia Campbell, Bessie Purdie, Hattie Chapman, Juanita DeBerry, Vivian Smith, Cora Brinkley, Helen Cain, Marie Hawkes.

The Sunshine Committee is composed of women who administer to the sick and shut-in by sending cards, flowers and donations and contacting families or individuals in time of bereavement.



USHER BOARD #2

Row 1: Janet Robinson, Patricia Parrott, Mildred Badgett, Pauline Smith, Marion Brinkley, Virginia Leigh. *Row 2:* Ernestine Williams, Georgia Worrell, Deborah Shropshire, Shirley Davis. *Row 3:* Robert Butcher, William Leigh, Louis Chapman, Homer Smith, Bernard Johnson, Monroe Williams.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Row 1: L-r Susan Tillman, Valerie Arnett, Mamie Johnson. *Row 2:* Ethel Derr, Marie Dickson, Marie Hawkes, Pauline Smith, Marie Caldwell, Ophelia Nicholas.

In February 1973 the various women's groups of the church united and became known as the United Methodist Women. The purpose is to enable broader participation in the total life of the church and community. Programs and projects include lecture series, movies, and community involvement.



ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD AND COUNCIL ON MINISTRY

Row 1: L-r Blanche Nelson, Elizabeth Dorsey, Maudelle Davis, Viola Jackson, Maude Dorsey, Elmyra Harrison, Betty Pitts, Vivian Smith, Ethel Derr. *Row 2:* Lucetta Payne, Thomas Edwards, Charles Nelson, Solomon Thomas, Gertrude Cunningham, Sylvia Campbell, Gerald Hesson, Cora Borden, Marion Brinkley, Rev. Edmund Millet, George Nicholas, Edward Ware, Rev. Sam Williams, John Brinkley, John Robinson, James Crawford.

This group initiates planning, receives reports, sets goals, authorizes, and determines policy.



SENIOR CHOIR

Seated: Lauretta Anderson, Director, Joyce Petties, Organist. *Row 1:* L-r Ernestine Hutchinson, Cassie Brinkley, Helen Cain, Gertrude Ware, Isabelle Travis, Genevive Johnson, Mary Johnson, Gail Siddall, Madeline Anderson. *Row 2:* Junius Edwards, Dorothy Bass, Marcia Lister, Eleanor Mason, Juanita DeBerry, Betty Pitts, Elmyra Harrison, Margaret Newton, George Perkins. *Row 3:* Charles McPheeters, R. James Cameron, McDaniel Gault, Edward Ware, Booker Simmons, Carey Rector.

Activities at Lincoln



Day Care Program

One of the community services that Lincoln Memorial performs is through its Day Care Center, a non-profit operation under the direction of Mrs. Lois Alexander. It was formed in 1969 and provides care as well as cultural enrichment to children of working mothers.



BOWLING TEAM

Standing: Jessie Roberts, Edna Thomas, Maude Dorsey, Madeline Anderson, Clarissa Pitts, Cora Borden. *Pinboy:* Randolph Williams.

The Bowling Team was organized in 1953 under the former Women's Society of Christian Service. The team bowls once a week for pleasure in the church's bowling alley.



Gym Program

The Gym Program provides fun and constructive activities for area youths.



SEWING CLASS

The Sewing Class provides instruction and assistance to school-age girls and adults. The classes meet during the week and under the direction of Mrs. Matilda Fuller and Mrs. Lucetta Payne.



CUB SCOUTS

Row 1: Geno Johnson, Eugene Ware, Rodney Smith, Raymond Glover and Anthony Smith. *Standing:* Mrs. Marion Brinkley, and Mr. Roy Bell, Directors.



BOY SCOUTS

Kneeling: L-R Theodore Manual, Reginald Webb, Keith King, William Gary, Darnell Clark. *Standing:* John Murray, Donnell Clark, T. White, David Marshall, Maurice Simmons, Director, Rodney Price, Theodore Carter, and Derrick White.



BLACK COMMUNITY DEVELOPER PROGRAM

The Black Community Developer Program became a reality in September 1971 after a series of meetings and training sessions. It is a community owned communications facility essentially intended to bridge the gap between Blacks and whites through the use of audio and visual media. Plans also call for involvement with the cable television system and the operation of the program's closed circuit system in various areas and projects. This program has been cited as one of the most active in the nation.

Commissions

The Council on Ministries is under the Rev. Sam Williams and is the organization in which ideas are shared, clarified and approved for the vital ministry of our church. In order to perform this ministry, work areas have been organized in the form of six commissions:

The Commission on Ecumenical Affairs has helped to keep the church informed and involved in the work of Metro, Task Force, The Council of Churches, and other inter-church activities.

The Commission on Evangelism – The primary task at the present time is to keep in touch with absent members and to motivate them to become active. The Commission has also pledged to increase the membership to at least 500 and already has moved in this direction. The Sunshine Committee is associated with this group. The committee is charged with the specific duty of bringing fellowship and support to our sick and shut-in members.

The Commission on Missions – The work here has been to establish sewing programs for girls and women and recreation for boys with some support from the Model City Agency. The group has also been supportive of the Robert Childs Mallard Memorial Center which works with farm workers of the East Side. At the present time, the Committee is investigating a ministry with blind persons in our community and with young offenders who can be helped by a program through the Office of Crime Control.

The Commission on Social Concerns has recently decided to study ways in which it can be supportive to young people who are in need of jobs. Plans are being made to confer with agencies such as BUILD and the Urban League in order to discover a course of action.

The Commission on Worship has organized a very efficient order of acolytes and will continue to find ways to improve the worship experience with special reference to the singing.

The Commission on Stewardship – This group has been working closely with the Finance Committee and plans to use some visual methods to inform and stimulate members about the needs of the church and their stewardship responsibilities.

The Commission on Education – The particular function has been the work of the Church School. The special concern is the welfare of the senior high department. It is our hope that by innovative programs and cooperation with the Methodist Youth Fellowship, this phase of education will be strengthened.

Jubilee Celebration — *Now Thank We All Our God*

Our Jubilee celebration was one of prayer and thanksgiving. Never in Lincoln's History has such an event taken place, and we will remember it for years to come.

The week began on October 28, 1973 with the dedication of our new organ during the Sunday morning church service. The strains of "The Lost Chord" rang out over the church, as Joyce Petties, our organist exhibited her skills and the organ's new sounds. Also, an altar was dedicated to the memory of Julius Blazer, and presented by his wife, Bessie.

That evening at 8:00 p.m., our church sanctuary physically swelled with the powerful arrangement of "Now Thank We All Our God" by the combined efforts of the C.Q. Price orchestra and our own Senior Choir, both directed by Mrs. Laurretta Anderson. Then, under the direction of Mr. Price, the band played and the church rocked to such favorites as "When The Saints Go Marching In", "Just A Closer Walk With Thee" and "Roll Jordan Roll". Our Senior Choir alternately sang the late Mrs. Emma J. Horner's arrangements of "My Way Is Cloudy", "On Dere Knees" and "Buked and Scorned", to name a few. The men of the choir gave an excellent rendition of "Don't You Compromise". The program was climaxed with a stirring arrangement of "Lift Every Voice and Sing", with choir and orchestra, and a standing ovation for the performers. Truly, this was a moving program.





The following Wednesday, October 31, 1973, our former pastor, Rev. Willard Williams brought to us a Hollywood production of the history of Lincoln Church. With the aid of his staff at the Division of Education, United Methodist Church in Nashville, Tennessee, Rev. Williams put together a slide presentation of our history, using music, narration, and pictures borrowed from members of the church and the church records. Some of those old pictures were hilarious and recalled memorable events in our history. It was good to fellowship with Rev. Williams once again.

On the evening of Saturday, November 3, 1973, Lincoln members and friends turned out at the Statler Hotel to a banquet with our former pastor of over 36 years, Rev. William Horner, as guest speaker. Rev. Horner's informal talk was beautiful and nostalgic, and he was given a standing ovation in recognition of his many years of service.

During the course of the evening, fifteen of our members were awarded plaques recognizing their services and contributions since our church's infancy.

Those in attendance at the banquet were able to participate through the universal language of music as they joined in singing such numbers as "Love's Old Sweet Song" and "May The Good Lord Bless and Keep You".



Seated: Lottie Moore, Viola Byrd, Anna Evans, Maude Dorsey, Carmelita Merriweather, Emma Cameron, Cassie Brinkley. *Standing:* Frank Moore, Madelina Anderson, Geneva Herndon, Blanche Nelson, Charles Nelson, Arthur Williams, Samuel Gantt, George Brinkley, John Brinkley. *Not Shown;* Jessie Roberts.



On Sunday morning, November 4, 1973, Dr. Franklin Zentz, our District Superintendent, preached on "Tools to Build the Future", and, together with Rev. Millet and Rev. Williams, officiated at a Communion service.

On January 6, 1974, our church held its concluding Jubilee events. At the morning worship service, Bishop Joseph Yeakel preached and after the Communion service, our chapel was dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Emma J. Horner and so named in a moving service. The men of the choir sang Mrs. Horner's favorite song, "Nothing Between" written by her father, and the Emma J. Horner Circle of the United Methodist Women presented a plaque.

That evening, Mrs. Joyce Petties, our organist, gave a recital at the church that was very well attended. Among the renditions were, "Finale on Nun Dunket" Jubilee Theme - "Now Thank We All Our God", "Clair DeLune", "Finlandia", "Theme from the Love Story" and "the Baby Elephant Walk." Mrs. Mamie Johnson and Miss Lisa Nicholas played organ and piano duets at the program.



Our eventful celebration was over. It was one never to be forgotten, and we were left with this challenge from Rev. Horner: "Go forth, Lincoln. The world needs it; God deserves it; and your capabilities will not be realized until you do. Go forth, Lincoln!"



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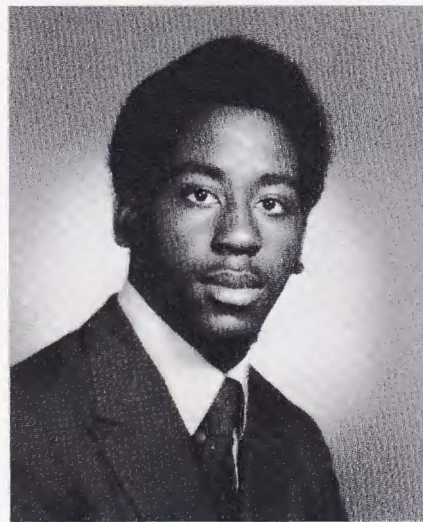
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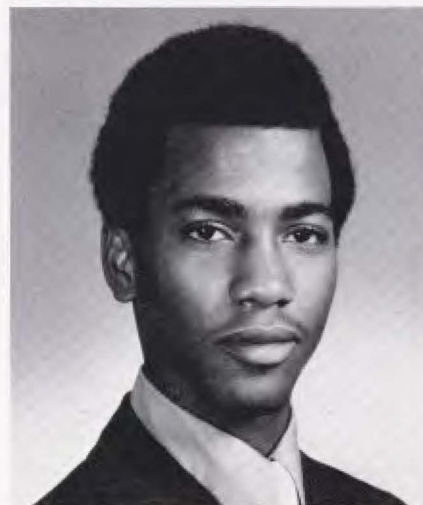
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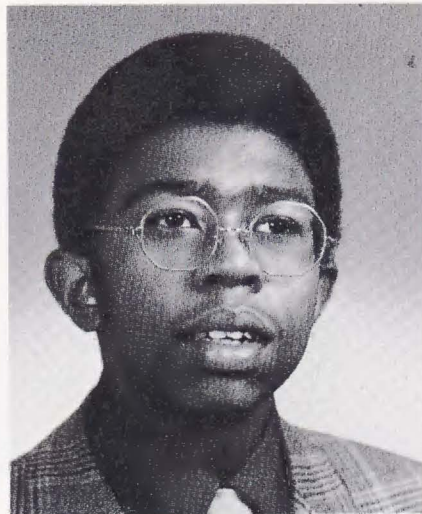
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In Memoriam

“Servant of God well done
By glorious warfares past
The battle is fought, the race is won
And thou art crowned at last.
Redeemed from earth and pain
Ah, when shall we ascend
And all in Jesus’ presence reigns
Through ages without end.”

In loving memory of my parents,
Rachel and Sylvester York

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In loving memory of our beloved husband and father
Guy L. Cameron
and
Our beloved daughter and sister
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My heavenly home is bright and fair
No pain nor death can enter there.
In loving memory of my husband

From the family
Viola Byrd and son, Vanless Byrd, Jr.

Hubert Lancaster

Beloved and devoted Husband

Thelma Lancaster

Mother Ella Peace

Presented for the Glory of God — in honor of
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(My Godfather)

A man and woman who loved Lincoln.

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Mrs. Emma J. Horner
The Heavenly angel choir sings more sweetly
since you are there

Fred W. and Laretta M. Anderson

Mrs. Florence C. Hesson

Everyone has someone dear,
Who is remembered throughout
the year.

Lonely is the heart that forgets,
But you dear mother, we will not.
Your gentle face and patient smile;
A memory we shall always keep,
Until the day we are a family
again in eternal sleep.

Husband and children

In memory of our parents, James and Irene Mason.

Loved in life, never forgotten in death.

Dolores Kelly
Eleanor Mason

Our Beloved mother, Lilly Valentine, mother of three.

Willie Ann Swygert
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Johnnie Valentine
Five Generations

In memory of Reverend and Mrs. S. O. B. Johnson, my mother and father.

Horace "Billy" Johnson
Councilman, Masten District

In loving memory of our dear departed loved ones:

Mrs. Solomon L. Mitchel

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Mr. William B. Shellost

Mrs. Laura Carter

"Those whom we love go out of sight

But never out of mind;

They are cherished in the

hearts of those they left behind."

Mr. and Mrs. Homer L. Smith
and family



In loving memory of Mrs. Charlotte Holt Robinson
and Mrs. Mary McClain

Archie and Charlotte Holt along with their son, George and Mrs. Holt's mother, Mary McClain, joined Lincoln Memorial Church under the leadership of Dr. Palmer in the early 1920's. Mr. Holt became a trustee under the leadership of Rev. Horner and Mrs. Holt organized Lincoln's first usher board. Mrs. McClain was a stewardess for many years and George Holt was active in Mrs. Emma J. Horner's recreational and cultural youth programs which established a foundation for his professional career in music.

George A. Holt Family

In memory of Janie A. Moore,
beloved mother and grandmother

Audrey McGarrah
Marcia Lister



In cherished memory of my dear husband, Julius Blazer, who passed away on March 4, 1971.

God Bless Him.

H – is for heart of gold
U – is for united we will always be
S – is for sweetness of his smile and memory
B – is for best in all the world to me
A – is for always patient, kind and loving
N – is for near my heart you will always be
D – is for dearest husband he will always be

Sadly missed,
Wife, Bessie Blazer



Peter S. Borden

In loving memory of our dear husband and father, Peter, who passed away September 11, 1965.

Far away you are at rest.
We loved you but God loved you best.

Sadly missed by wife, Cora
and daughters, Lois, Rita and Jean



Samuel Nathaniel Williams
In loving memory of our husband and father who
passed away October 20, 1970.
Sadly missed by wife and children

Mrs. Henrietta B. Williams,
Debbie and Randy.

In memory of
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Lizzie Carter James (mother and grandmother)
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Cecil James (brother and uncle)
Robert Childs Mallard (husband and father)

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This places a responsibility on each one of us, for the church of tomorrow will be richer or poorer to the extent that all or few of us participate with total dedication.

Let us therefore . . .

"Be strong!

We are not here to play, to dream, to drift:

We have hard work to do and loads to lift;

Shun not the struggle: face it — 'tis God's gift.

Be strong, be strong!"

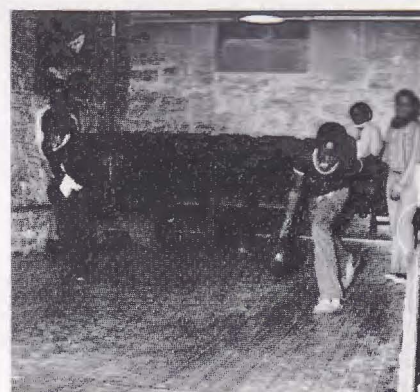
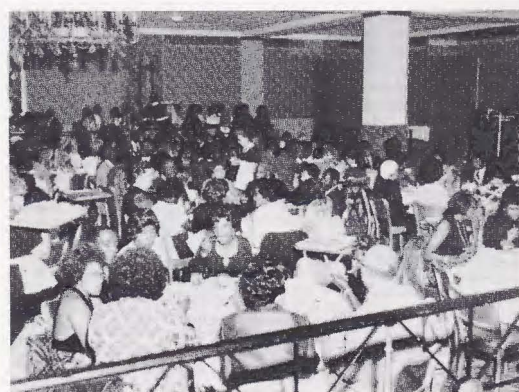
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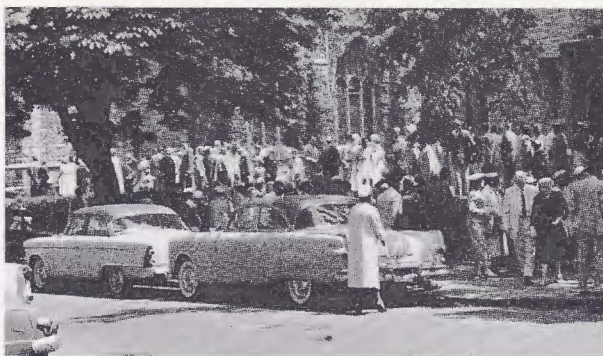
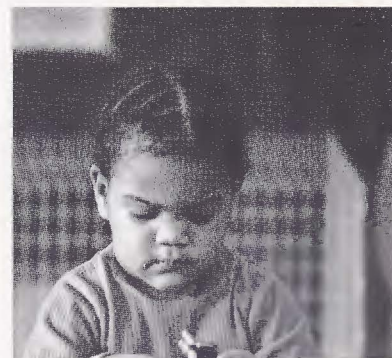


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