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### Youth Fellowships

Young participants in the annual General Assembly of the Church of God Apostolic Inc. have found a variety of activities to capture their imaginations during the convention going on this week at the convention center.

## Ambassador Choir sets program

The album debut of David L. Allen and the Ambassadors for Christ Choir will be held Friday, Aug. 12, at 7:30 p.m. at Ambassador Cathedral, 1500 Harriet Tubman Drive.

Special guests for the occasion will be Barbara Ward Farmer and the Wagner Alumni Gospel Choir of Philadelphia.

Also featured on the musical program will be Chris Gray and the Love Center Choir of Statesville. Other guest choirs from the area also will participate.

The title of the Ambassadors' latest release is "Heart and Soul."

Ms. Farmer began singing at the age of four and began singing publicly a short time later. She was discovered by Jimmy Washington and Bernard Channler became her first organist. At the age of 11, she was known as "Little Barbara Ann Ward." She recorded two songs written by Evangelist Rosie Wallace Brown titled, "What Do You Think About Jesus?" and "I Am What I Am By the Grace of God."

After those recordings, Ms. Farmer performed at the Apollo Theater in New York with Madame Gertrude Ward.

She is the junior pastor of Faith

Tabernacle Church of the Living God.

The Wagner Alumni Band originally consisted of a piano player, trumpet player and guitar player in 1978. Now, the band has grown and developed into a 13-piece unit.

The choir has performed on television and at churches throughout the Philadelphia and surrounding areas. They have performed with national gospel artists including the Hawkins Family, Andre Crouch, the Winans and Shirley Caesar.

Bishop F.D. Patterson is the host pastor for the free program.

## Islamic Institute to sponsor 'What is Islam?' series

The Institute for Islamic Involvement Inc. is sponsoring a "What is Islam?" series beginning Monday, Aug. 14, at 2 p.m.

The discussions will be held at the Community Mosque of Winston-Salem, 1326 E. Third St.

The purpose of the series is to answer questions and to acquaint the public with the beliefs and customs of Islam.

The Institute and the organizers of the series will show a film presentation Aug. 14. The sessions will

be followed by a question and answer period.

Refreshments will be served at the program. Admission is free.

For more information and transportation call 724-5554.

## Habitat group bridges gap

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Habitat has reached out to the black community. It just happens that so far all of the recipients have been black. It's not by design but that's the way it's been.

The Habitat for Humanity House-Raising Walk '88 began June 26 in Portland, Maine, and will culminate in Atlanta Sept. 15. Hundreds of Habitat supporters will walk the 1,200-mile journey down the Atlantic Seaboard and will raise 120 homes along the way, including three in Winston-Salem, four in Greensboro and one in High Point. The pilgrimage will be in Winston-Salem Saturday, Aug. 20, and Sunday, Aug. 21. A rally will be held in Winston Square Aug. 20 at 7:30 p.m. and will feature Habitat founder Millard Fuller as the keynote speaker.

The goals of the 12th anniversary walk are to make decent housing for everyone a matter of conscience, to mobilize new volunteers and supporters for Habitat for Humanity International and to raise \$1.2 million toward building homes.

A work crew will precede the walkers at each major site to build homes in time for the walkers to join in a major dedication and celebration each Saturday of the walk. Walkers will average 20 miles each day with Sundays reserved for worship, fellowship with Habitat affiliates and interaction with local people. In Atlanta on Sept. 15, walkers and builders will begin a three-day celebration with a "Walk in Love" victory party.

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