

Cora Hubbard Jumps Out Front In Small Category

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Though she is a first time contestant in the Post's annual "Churchworker of the Year" contest, Cora Hubbard is no babe in the woods when it comes to competition. Her first time out in this initial week of the contest, Hubbard has pulled ahead of everyone else to lead the small church category.

A member of Chappell Memorial Baptist Church, Hubbard has sold eight subscriptions so far. That amount was a good enough start to give her a jump on the others in her division but let Hubbard tell it, that's far from the best she can do.

"I'm not pleased with this week," she relates. "I thank God that I did get the eight but I want to do better," Hubbard declares.

"I'm out to win," she admits. "I am a winner," she emphasizes. "I have Christ in my heart and when you have Christ in your heart you are a winner!"

As you can see, Hubbard doesn't need a pep talk to



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get her on her way. That's because, she confesses, her progress comes through "prayer."

Hubbard had previously assisted in past "Churchwoman" contests but this year she thought it would

be nice to be the contestant herself. "I wanted to do something for my church," Hubbard explains. "I see the contest as a good way of helping the church raise money," she mentions, referring to the \$3 commission her church receives for each subscription she sells.

Unselfish in her approach to this competition, Hubbard also affirms, "I really believe I'm going to win because I want my pastor and his wife to have the vacation." Her pastor is Rev. Wilson Mitchell. "And I could use a vacation myself," she adds as an afterthought.

A member of Chappell for eight years, Hubbard gives much of herself to the church. She is president of the senior choir and sings on the choir. She is also on the board of new members and is a missionary. And she proudly mentions that her husband, Rev. Maurice Hubbard, is the associate pastor of Chappell Memorial Baptist.

The Hubbards have three children and two grand-

children. Hubbard is operating with 10 people on her committee and she says, "They've promised that they'll do better next week."

To maintain her lead, Hubbard also assures that for the remaining weeks of the contest she plans to "sell, sell, sell, sell, sell."

In Medium Group

Mattie Caldwell Captures Early Lead

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Mattie Caldwell of Ebenezer Baptist Church—now that's a name you all should know. Because for four years, three consecutive, Caldwell's illuminating progress in the "Churchwoman" contests has brought her front and center to the attention of Post readers.

And this year, her fourth year, is, of course, no different. Few people will be surprised to see that Caldwell is, again, a front-runner in the 1985 "Churchworker of the Year" contest.

With the tally in for the first week of competition, Caldwell is leading the medium-sized churches with 23 subscription sales. She has, in fact, the highest total of all contestants in every category.

How does she do it? Well, Caldwell is repeatedly described as "energetic, enthusiastic, a real go-getter, out-going and extremely concerned for her church and pastor." Positively, these attributes have contributed to her continuous success.

But let us take a look back to gain a little more insight.

In 1980, Caldwell participated in the "Churchwoman" contest for the



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first time. She wasn't involved again until 1983 but in that three-year hiatus she must have picked up on a few winning tips. For as a 1983 contestant, she shot to the lead promptly and pretty much maintained it for the six weeks. At the wrap up of the 1983 con-

test, Caldwell was wrapped in a mink coat she won as a finalist.

Then in 1984, the pattern was repeated. Caldwell gained the lead early in the contest and rode that wave all the way through. Again, she was one of the three finalists and she bagged a

\$500 grocery gift certificate from Harris-Teeter.

Now it is 1985, and it looks like Caldwell is following through on the same formula. She has taken the lead early, as before. It's yet to be seen whether she can sustain that advantage for the following five weeks. There's stiff competition out there. Yet Caldwell does have experience and an impressive track record.

Dr. A. B. Sutton is pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church where Caldwell is a life-time member. She is a trustee, director of the Young Adult Missionary, program director for the Floral Club, a member of the Pastor's Aide and co-leader of Senior Missionary Group No. 3. She also serves on the Budget and Finance Committee.

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