



**BAHA'IS VISIT THE HOLY LAND** - Mrs. Carlotta R. Holmes, left, 804 Price Ave., Durham, and three Raleighites left the Raleigh-Durham Airport Dec. 2 for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. Others in the picture are Mrs. Margaret Quance, second from left, Mrs. Marie Brodie, and Mrs. Frances Falvey. The ladies stopped in Spain, Greece, Jerusalem and Switzerland before arriving in the Holy Land, where they visited the Baha'i World Center in Haifa, Israel and other points of interest. They returned home Jan. 3, 1966.

## TWO MINUTES WITH THE BIBLE

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### PAUL THE PATERN

No conversation in sacred history is given so much attention as that of St. Paul. Besides the many references to it, we find three detailed accounts of it in the book of Acts. As Saul of Tarsus, the learned Pharisee, he had led his nation and the world in rebellion against God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

St. Luke says: "As for Saul, he made havoc of the church" (Acts 8:3). The believers at Damascus feared Saul's presence among them, saying "Is not this he that destroyed them which called on this name at Jerusalem?" (Acts 9:21). Paul himself later testified: "Many of the saints did I shut up in prison...and when they were put to death I gave my voice (vote) against them" (Acts 26:10). "beyond measure I persecuted the church of God and wasted it (I did it waste)" (Gal. 1:13).

There must have been an im-

portant reason why God saved this rebel leader. Clearly it was that He might make Paul, not only the herald, but the living example of "the exceeding riches of His grace" to sinners. Paul himself said:

"And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord...for...putting me into the ministry, who was before A BLASPHEMER, AND A PERSECUTOR, AND INJURIOUS; but I obtained mercy, because I did it ignorantly and in unbelief. AND THE GRACE OF OUR LORD WAS EXCEEDING ABUNDANT...This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that CHRIST JESUS CAME INTO THE WORLD TO SAVE SINNERS, OF WHOM I AM CHIEF. HOWBEIT FOR THIS CAUSE I OBTAINED MERCY, THAT IN ME FIRST JESUS CHRIST MIGHT SHOW FORTH ALL LONGSUFFERING, FOR A PATTERN TO THOSE WHO SHOULD HERE-AFTER BELIEVE ON HIM TO LIFE EVERLASTING" (1 Tim. 1:12, 16).

## MEDITATION

A SERMONETTE  
BY COLIN DOUGLAS

"I can do all things in Him that strengtheneth me." - Phil. 4:13.

Most of us, at some time or another, feel a need for greater order in some phases of our lives. We may need order in the functioning of the organs of our body. We may need order in our diet, balance in the selection of our foods. We may need order in our environment. We may need order in our relationship with our fellowmen. We may need more wisdom and good judgment in the handling of our money, more discretion in our spending and saving. We may need order in our minds. We may need to learn to concentrate to use our powers intelligently, to avoid scattering our forces to worry and fear and anxiety.

Whatever our need for order, the answer surely lies in regular and faithful prayer, and the closeness we can achieve to the enlightening Spirit of God through this prayer. As we keep our minds and our hearts turned toward Him, relaxed in Him, listening to His voice. His wisdom will always instruct us. Through prayer, we can come better to recognize and realize our affinity with God, and thus we can feel the peace and harmony that passeth all understanding. As we feel this inward peace and harmony, it is bound to become manifest in our outer affairs and more and more we shall see order becoming established in our lives.

As our minds and hearts become more attuned to the omnipresence and omnipotence of God, we think more clearly, we act more effectively, we treat others in a more loving, wise, and tolerant manner. And as we reflect this spiritual understanding towards other persons and things, those persons and things will react in the same light toward us. Thus is peace, harmony, and love established in our world.

"Happy is the man that findeth wisdom." - Prov. 3:13.

### Bishop Corson To Speak At Bennett For Jones Service

GREENSBORO--Bishop Fred P. Corson, of Philadelphia, Pa., one of the outstanding scholars and leaders of Methodism, will be the speaker for the annual David D. Jones service of remembrance to be held in Pfeiffer Chapel on the Bennett College campus, Sunday, January 16, at 4 p. m.

Dr. Jones served as president from 1926 until shortly before his death in 1956 and was associated with the guest speaker in many undertakings.

Bishop Corson, holder of nearly a score of honorary degrees from colleges and universities across the nation, has served as a college president and has been a visiting lecturer at many institutions of higher learning.

Representing the alumnae will be Mrs. Sarah Herbin, '36, of Greensboro, field representative of the North Carolina Fund.

Fogge, Pittsburgh, Pa., will keynote the meeting with the address at 3:30 p. m. Dr. E. Franklin Jackson, president, Washington, D. C., will deliver his address on the morning of Jan. 13.

He is expected to deal with anticipated goals and some of the needs of the denomination. The highlight is expected to be reached Thursday afternoon with a panel discussion moderated by E. E. Morgan of Akron, Ohio. The panelists will be Dr. J. S. Salterwhite, Washington, D. C. (Ministerial Leadership and the Theological Seminaries); Rev. G. L. Blackwell ("The Welfare of the A.M.E. Zion Ministry") and Rev. N. W. Stevenson ("Urban and Rural Areas as Sources for the Ministry").

On Friday morning, Jan. 14, 1966 Rev. George Leak, pastor of Little Rock A.M.E. Zion Church, Charlotte, N. C. will preach the Memorial Sermon.

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St. Peter advises, "Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear."

Come to church this week that you might learn of Him and that you might be prepared to give this good news of the gospel to others.



The Church is God's appointed agency in this world for spreading the knowledge of His love for man and of His demand for man to respond to that love by loving his neighbor. Without this grounding in the love of God, no government or society or way of life will long persevere and the freedoms which we hold so dear will inevitably perish. Therefore, even from a selfish point of view, one should support the Church for the sake of the welfare of himself and his family. Beyond that, however, every person should uphold and participate in the Church because it tells the truth about man's life, death and destiny; the truth which alone will set him free to live as a child of God.

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### Progressive National Baptists Plan Mid-Winter Mo. Meeting

ST. LOUIS, Mo. -- Leaders from all sections of the nation will gather in St. Louis, Mo., January 19, 20, (Wednesday and Thursday), at Christ Pilgrim Rest Baptist Church, 1341 N. Kingshighway Boulevard, with Rev. Earl Williams, host pastor. This meeting will have the backing of Dr. Earl Nance, president of the Progressive Baptist State Convention of Missouri as well as all the pastors of St. Louis.

It will mark the first time that leaders of the Progressive National Baptist Convention, Inc. had held a Mid-Winter Meeting since its organization in Cincinnati, Ohio in 1961.

Since the illness of President T. M. Chambers of Los Angeles, Calif., Dr. Gardner C. Taylor of Brooklyn, N. Y., vice-president, has been serving as act-

ing president. He is ably supported by the entire official family of the Convention. Dr. Chambers is recovering nicely and informed sources report that he is both delighted and pleased with Dr. Taylor's leadership. Progressive leaders will meet under the theme: "1966--The Year of Progress."

### Ministers' And Laymen Hold Zion Confab

SALESBURY, Md. - The Ministers' & Laymen's, A.M.E. Zion Church which will meet at St. James A.M.E. Zion Church Jan. 12-14 will have as a theme "The Negro Ministers in a Changing World." Dr. C. H.

### Church Chuckles by CARTWRIGHT



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