

Come Let's Think

BY EVA L. PERRY
THOUGHTS ON MOTHER'S DAY
 God bless you Mother on this day,
 I have so many things to say,
 You've done just countless deeds
 For me,
 Your goodness for our family.
 But strangers too are not ignored,
 For being selfish is deplored.
 By one who gives herself, as you,
 And teaches in the process, too;
 For you're my Mother and I'm proud
 Enough to shout that fact aloud:
 But you taught me what humble is,
 God's way to be—all blessings
 His.
 And not something we take and keep,
 But share with others as we reap;
 And I have tried to share you too
 For that's the gracious thing to do.
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 I tell my friends how great you are,
 But guess I've never gone so far
 As praising you right to your face,
 Applauding your sweet loving
 Grace.
 How often I have heard you say
 The words I'll finally speak today
 For you are mother-hood divine—
 "I love you—thanks to God you're
 Mine!"

—Selected

"Pal of my cradle days—I'll be loving you always—I don't know any way I could ever repay Pal of my cradle days!" Think about it.
 "Mother's Day" is really a great day. Every living human being came forth from the womb of a woman—yes, all except Adam and Eve. Our Lord Jesus even cared for His own Mother, and did appear to a certain dear one to take care of her at His departure. Motherhood is God's idea for promoting life on this earth. A mother never forgets her child, regardless of the circumstances. I oftentimes say, "Without our mothers, we could not have others." Procreation works this way. Only a female can give birth to a baby. Mammary glands afford milk after a baby has arrived. Being a mother is a long, drawn-out process involving the height and depth of pure unadulterated love forever. Amen.
 I, Eva Perry, do enjoy being a mother for all my children, both naturally and spiritually. I love them.
 Read your Bible prayerfully and think!



PRAISING THE CHOR—Henry Brown, Sr. (left) finance coordinator, Laodicea United Church of Christ gave words of praise to Edwin Coffie, (right) minister of music of the Tubman King Community United Church of Christ Choir from Daytona Beach, Florida. The choir rendered several inspiring hymns during the morning worship and installation service of Laodicea's new pastor Rev. G. Wesley Raney. Pictured center: Candace Jenette. (Photo by James Gilles)

'91 Baptist Training Hosts Jackson, Blake

The Rev. Jesse L. Jackson, national president of the Rainbow Coalition, and Dr. Charles Edward Blake, who was named by Ebony magazine as one of America's greatest black preachers, will both address the 1991 session of the National Baptist Sunday Church School and Baptist Training Union Congress when it commences in Los Angeles, Calif. June 11-16.
 Some 20,000 Baptists from all over America are expected to attend this year's Congress.
 All classes, workshops, seminars and general assemblies will be held in the spacious Los Angeles Convention Center. The theme for this year's congress will be "Confronting the Crisis in the Christian Family."
 Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley, in a welcoming letter to Dr. T.B. Boyd, III, president and chief executive officer the National Baptist Publishing Board, stated, "You may be assured that we will leave no stone unturned to help make your Congress successful."
 The primary goal of the congress is Christian education. All sessions have been designed to assure its attainment. College credit will be given for many of the courses offered through the congress through the American Council on Education which represents some 1,500 colleges and universities.
 In addition to addresses to be delivered by Rev. Jackson and Dr. Blake, the congress will also entertain participants with a Mini-Congress drill team, a mass choir gospel extravaganza and a Fostering sermon by Dr. W.E. Hausey, pastor of St. John's Institutional Missionary Baptist Church in New Orleans.

Graduates Change Oath New Work Access Health

CHAPEL HILL—To address concerns about universal access to health care, graduates at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Medicine have inserted extra lines into the Hippocratic Oath.
 The graduates recited the amended version of the oath during the School of Medicine's commencement ceremony last month.
 Barry Kitch, 1991 co-class president, said the change was an attempt to make the oath more relevant to the issues facing today's medical practitioners.
 "We see the United States as having the most technically sophisticated health-care system in the world and able to deliver health care, but only to those who can afford it," said Kitch of Asheville. "It's a sad statement that so many can't get access."
 Almost all of the 149 class members voted in April to add the following statements:
 "That in the treatment of the sick, I will consider their well-being to be of greater importance than their ability to compensate my services."
 "That I will work for the day when all persons have equal access to basic health care."
 The modified version of the oath preceded the May issue of the Journal of the American Medical Association, which was devoted to universal access to health care.

Putnam Receives Doctor Of Laws Degree From Bennett College

NEW YORK, N.Y.—Glendora McIlwain Putnam, immediate past national president of the YWCA of the USA, was awarded a doctor of laws from her alma mater, Bennett College, one of the nation's leading African-American women's institutions located in Greensboro, N.C. Ms. Putnam is the first Bennett College alumna to receive an honorary law degree.

Ms. Putnam was honored for her achievements in the profession of law, the advancement of civil rights and equal opportunity, advocacy of women's rights, support of higher education, and as a role model for aspiring young African-American women.


A resident of Boston and a graduate of Boston University Law School, Ms. Putnam has long been recognized for her work as a civil rights attorney. A former member of the State Advisory Committee to the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, she is a past chairperson of the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, and a former deputy assistant secretary for fair housing and equal opportunity for HUD under former President Ford.

She is a former assistant attorney general and chief of the Division of Civil Rights and Liberties, Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Before retiring in 1980, she served as equal opportunity officer for the Massachusetts Housing Finance



MS. GLENDORA PUTNAM
 Agency in Boston.
 Ms. Putnam served as the president of the YWCA of the USA for

the past six years. In this capacity, she presided over a governing group of 75 national board members from across the nation who plan and oversee the policies and programs of the 133-year-old women's organization. Ms. Putnam continues as a member of the national board.



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USHERS' ANNIVERSARY—Rev. Ann F. Lightner will be guest speaker for the Ushers' Anniversary program at 8 p.m. at Rush Metropolitan A.M.E. Zion Church, 556 E. Cabarrus St., Sunday June 30, 1991. She is the daughter of the late Dexter Farrar and Mrs. Brookie Farrar. Rev. Lightner is a Raleigh native now living in Baltimore, Md., and a graduate of the Eastern District High School in Brooklyn, N. Y. She earned the Bachelor of Science degree at Boston University. Her Masters degree in Theology was awarded at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore. She is pastor of Mt. Calvary A.M.E. Church in Towson, Maryland.

Wake Enterprises To Host Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Wake Enterprises, Inc., a non-profit agency serving developmentally disabled adults, will host a ribbon-cutting ceremony and reception on Sunday, June 9, from 2-4 p.m. to celebrate the purchase of a building to house Wake Enterprises East in Zebulon. The Hon. W. Thurston DeBnam, Jr., mayor of Zebulon, will be on hand to cut the ribbon.

Wake Enterprises East, a satellite facility of Wake Enterprises, Inc., is located at 146 E. Vance St. in the heart of Zebulon. The satellite program currently provides vocational training for 15 adults who experience developmental disabilities and live in eastern Wake County.

Wake Enterprises has been offering services in Zebulon since July 1987, but has been renting the facility. A loan from the Small Business Administration along with fundraising efforts made the purchase possible.


Gunter Presented With Excellence Award For Works

For the fourth time since its establishment, the Richard H. Jenrette Chair of Teaching Excellence, carrying a \$25,000 cash award over five years to a faculty member at Wake County's Broughton High School, was presented to Stephen Gunter on May 21. Jenrette, a 1947 graduate of the school and currently chairman of the Equitable Life Insurance Co., initiated the concept of teaching chairs for public schools in 1985 when he established the \$100,000 endowment at Broughton.

Gunter is a highly regarded math teacher who has dedicated himself to Broughton High School for 14 years. He is a demanding teacher who expects excellence from his students. He coaches the highly competitive math team and heads the Special Projects Committee at the school. In his spare time, Gunter takes photographs of his students and their parents at school events all year—for their pleasure and his own. The Broughton family is Gunter's family.

In addition to the Jenrette Chair, four Broughton faculty members received Richard H. Jewell Teaching Excellence Awards, established in 1988 by the Broughton Community Association as a matching endowment for Jenrette's gift. Regina Kay O. Floyd, Philip S. Ratliff, Elizabeth R. Lineberger and Ava H. Closs were chosen to receive the \$2,000 awards.

The awards were presented by Hannah N. Potat, a director of the Wake County Education Foundation Board and chair of the Awards Selection Committee, and Patricia R. Hackney, executive vice president of the foundation. The selections were made after nominations came from the school's students, parents, faculty and alumni.




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It's just a piece of cloth, they say,
 Who don't appreciate the way
 Our precious banner came to be
 The symbol of our liberty.
 Its colors and unique design
 Were brought together to define
 The sacrifice and high ideals
 That even now our flag reveals.
 The freedom it will signify
 As long as it's allowed to fly
 Enables us to live the way
 Our founding fathers in their day
 Established, using God's own laws,
 Adapting them to freedom's cause;
 So that our flag, the way they planned,
 Will wave forever in our land.

— Gloria Nowak



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 —Robert Louis Stevenson

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