

TRIBUTE PROGRAM

FOR

DEACON & MRS. JAMES FAIRFAX

SATURDAY, JUNE 16, 1984

THEME: The Lord, your God, chose you for his own possession.

For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: The Lord thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself above all people that are upon the face of the earth. Deut. 7:6

Mistress of Ceremony ----- Sis. Dorothy Brandon

DEVOTION ----- DEACONS
PROCESSION OF HONOREES ----- ESCORTED BY SIS. GINETTE WASHINGTON
& BRO. RON BRANDON
OPENING SELECTION ----- GUEST CHOIR
SCRIPTURE
PRAYER
SELECTION ----- GUEST CHOIR
WELCOME TO VISITORS ----- SIS. PATRICIA BLAKEY
RESPONSE ----- SIS. AMELIA JONES
SOLO ----- SIS. CATHY WINSTON
SPEAKERS --- 5 Minutes ----- MR. JAMES O'DONNELL
MR. ELON RHODES
SOLO ----- MR. FRED AWKARD
SPEAKING IN BEHALF OF ----- DR. JOSEPH AWKARD
FAMILY
HISTORY OF FAIRFAXES ----- SIS. ROBBIE CHRISHON, ASST. CLERK
OFFERING ----- DEACONS
SELECTION ----- DIVINE LIFE SINGERS
INTRODUCTION OF GUEST ----- REV. CALVIN BALTIMORE
SPEAKER
SELECTION ----- GUEST CHOIR
SERMON ----- REV. MICHAEL TURNER, MT. PAHRAN BC
INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN --- REV. TURNER
DISCIPLESHIP
SELECTION ----- GUEST CHOIR

PRESENTATION TO ----- SIS. EILEEN MADDEN
REV. TURNER
PRESENTATION TO FAIRFAXES - SIS. LOUISE WILLIAMS
REMARKS ----- MR. & MRS. FAIRFAX
REV. BALTIMORE
RECOGNITION OF FAMILY & FRIENDS
FAMILY PORTRAIT
CLOSING REMARKS ----- REV. TURNER
BENEDICTION

TRIBUTE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

SIS. LOUISE WILLIAMS - CHAIRPERSON
SIS. CATHY WINSTON - VICE CHAIRPERSON

SIS. PATRICIA BLAKEY
SIS. RACHEL LEWIS
SIS. CATHERINE DUNN
SIS. DORIS WASHINGTON
SIS. EILEEN MADDEN
SIS. PAULINE BROWN
SIS. ANN TURNER
SIS. HILDA CARTER
SIS. AMANDA MCCOY
SIS. MATTIE MYERS
SIS. GINETTE WASHINGTON

APPRECIATION TO MY COMMITTEE: It has been an honor and a pleasure to work with you. Each of you have been simply a jewel to me. Without your hard work and support, this joyful event would not have been possible. I say to each of you, keep on the bandwagon for our Lord. God bless all of you. SIS. LOUISE WILLIAMS

RECEPTION IN LOWER AUDITORIUM

HISTORY OF FAIRFAXES

Deacon and Mrs. James Fairfax have given many years of unselfish, dedicated service to our church. They have served wherever they were needed and are still involved in the work of the church. They both have also worked in activities in the community.

James Fairfax is the son of Mrs. Mabel Fairfax of Leesburg, VA and the late Arthur Fairfax, Sr., and was born at Short Hill VA in Loudoun County. He received his education at Powell's Grove School in Loudoun County. He has one sister Mrs. Mae Johnson of Linden, New Jersey and one brother Arthur Fairfax, Jr., of Seat Pleasant, Maryland, two sons James R. Fairfax of Reston, VA and Arthur Henry Fairfax of Leesburg, VA. In March 1944, he became a member of the First Baptist Church on Wolfe Street having come from Mt. Zion Baptist Church at Round Hill, VA. He joined under the pastorate of Rev. J. O. Wright. Although he was quite a young man he soon became a deacon of the church. He has served faithfully on the Deacon Board for 38 years and is now chairman of the Deacon Board.

Deacon Fairfax is not only chairman of the Deacon Board, but Vice President of the Church Day Care Center and is driver of the church bus.

Mary Frances Awkard Fairfax is the daughter of the late Joseph and Nanline Awkard and was born in Harrisonburg, VA. She has one sister, Mrs. Leona Smith of Harrisonburg, VA two brothers, Dr. Joseph C. Awkard of Wilmington, NC and Fred Monroe Awkard of Washington, DC, one Godchild Mrs. Mary Ann Tucker of Petersburg, VA. Mary graduated from Effinger High School, Harrisonburg, VA, received a BS Degree from Virginia State College, Petersburg, VA and a MA Degree in Early Childhood Education from Columbia University, New York City.

Mary joined the church at a very young age. She has been organist and choir director of the church for 45 years. At present she is serving as parttime organist. Mary and James were united in Holy Matrimony, February 1966 by Rev. T.C. Allen.

Mrs. Fairfax retired from teaching in the Harrisonburg Public schools after teaching and director of music at Lucy F. Simms School for 24 years. After Simms School closed, she spent ten years at Waterman School retiring from there.

Mrs. Fairfax, along with helping with church music is Superintendent and adult teacher of the Sunday School. She is President of the Missionary Society and Secretary for the Ladies' Auxiliary and church Historian.

The Fairfaxes are determined to be of christian service to the church as long as they are physically able.