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On behalf of the First Family of Bethel A.M.E. Church, we congratulate the Women's Day Committee on its 53rd Annual Women's Day Celebration.

We take this opportunity to congratulate and to wish for a successful day, Mrs. Dorothy Trueheart, Chairperson; Co-Chairpersons: Mary MComb, Charlene McKinnon, Advisor: Mrs. Willie Bouie and all the women of this great church.

We strongly believe in keeping with your theme, "Returning to Basic Heritage, God and Church, Home and Family." We can do all things through Christ, which strengthen us.

Let us seek to take God with us, as we move toward the 21st Century as Christians with greater enthusiasm bonding in Faith and Unity.

*Because of Him,
The First Family
Rev. & Mrs. Simon P. Bouie*



From the Chairlady,

We are in observance of our Annual Women's Day. I first would like to thank our Almighty God for bringing us thus far to celebrate another Women's Day. Secondly, I would like to thank all of the ladies for their support, and I must also thank the men of Bethel for their support and cooperation.

The spirit of the women at Bethel has been renewed and revitalized. The evidence of this can be seen by the smiles on your face, your willingness to serve and the love you show towards each other. That's what God is all about ... LOVE!

**HERE IS YOUR PART;
TELL THE TRUTH. BE FAIR. LIVE AT PEACE WITH
EVERYONE.
DON'T PLOT HARM ON OTHERS
ZECHARIAH 8:16-17**

Dorothy Trueheart

Women's Day Speaker
Yvonne S. Minor-Ragan, Ph.D.



Yvonne S. Minor-Ragan, Ph.D.

Yvonne S. Minor-Ragan is a new citizen to Buffalo. She was recruited from Chicago last August, 1994, by M&T Bank, after a lengthy nationwide search, to become principal and instructional leader of Westminster Community School #68, a Buffalo Public School. M&T Bank has formed a unique partnership with the Buffalo Board of Education by adopting and financially resourcing Westminster Community School #68 in the amount of \$800,000, each year for a total of ten years.

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Dr. Minor-Ragan received her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Roosevelt University; Master of Science in Reading, Guidance, Counseling, Administration and Supervision from Chicago State University; and, a Doctor of Philosophy Degree in Public Policy Analysis, Emphasis in Curriculum, Instruction, and Evaluation from University of Illinois at Chicago.

She belongs to many civic and service organizations, including several University advisory boards, National Association of Curriculum and Development, National Urban League, and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Service Sorority. Dr. Minor-Ragan and her husband, Philip, belong to Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church.



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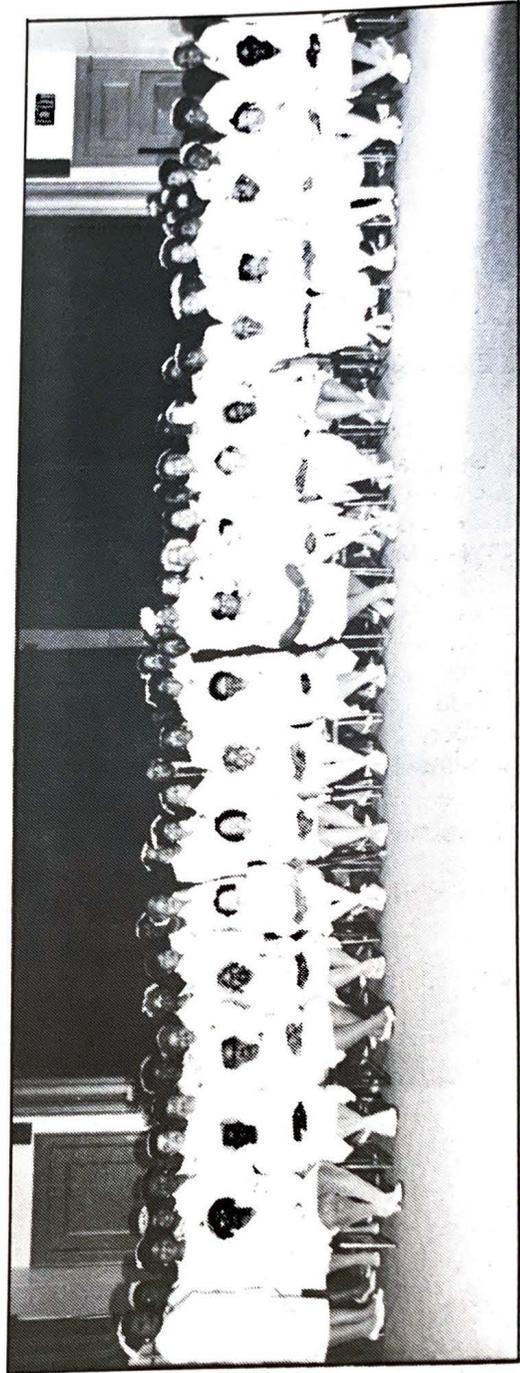
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let all the earth keep silent before Him.*

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Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God;
& everyone that loveth is born of God and knoweth
God.

1 John 4:7



Thank you Mrs. Ford for your many years of excel-
lent leadership.



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MORNING WORSHIP
10:30 A.M.
Mrs. Dorothy Trueheart, Presiding

Organ Prelude	"Largo" G.F. Handel
Introit:	The Lord Be With You
Minister:	And With Thy Spirit
Congregation:	O Lord, Show Thy Mercy upon us:
Minister:	And grant us thy salvation
Congregation:	O God, make clean our hearts within us
Minister:	And take not thy Holy Spirit from us
Congregation:	O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world
Minister:	Grant us thy Peace. Amen
Congregation:	"We've Come This Far By Faith", Congregation
Processional Hymn	Page 593
Doxology	"Praise God From Whom All Blessing Flow" - Congregation
Call To Worship	Dorothy Trueheart
Morning Hymn	Charlene McKinnon
	Page 21 - To God Be The Glory
Morning Prayer	Elaine Johnson
Choral Response	Page 632, Choir & Congregation
Lord's Prayer (Caribbean)	
Psalter	Psalm 95-1-8
	Carolyn Hoffman
Scripture	Kathy Carswell
Introit	"From All That Dell Belo The Skies"
Decalogue	Lounell Levy
Gloria Patri	
Anthem	The Bethelaires
Missionary Offering	Annie Cooper
Announcements	Edith Hall Robinson
Acknowledgement of Visitors	Brenda Smith
Fellowship	
Presentation of Tithes and Offerings	
The Offertory	"All Things Come of Thee, O Lord", Congregation
The Altar Flowers	Eleanor Finch
The Memorial	Presenters
	Vera Gladden, Lula Peoples, Gladys Brown
Altar Call	Evangelist Annie Wilson
	Page 327, "I Need Thee Every Hour"
Introduction of Spéaker	Mrs. Willie O. Bouie
The Sermon Selection	The Bethelaires
	Joshua Fought The 'Battle of Jericho
	Guest Soloist, Lula Gayles Herring
The Speaker	Mrs. Yvonne S. Minor-Ragan, PH.D.
Invitation to Christian Discipleship	Pastor Bouie
	Page 258, "Just As I Am"
The Affirmation of Faith	Collie Arrington
The Doxology	
The Benediction	Congregation

EVENING PROGRAMME
Lynette Bell, Presiding

Welcome	Mary Randolph
Prayer	Freddie Fordham
Hymn For Women	Bobbie Warren
Occasion	Louise McCullum
Response	Diane Townnsend
Program	
Song	Brenda Maye, Erika Lindsay, Kyisha Lindsay, Elesha Henderson Seniors, Bflo Academy for Visiual and Performing Arts
Dance	Davina Smith Senior Bflo. Academy For Visual and Performing Arts
Caller	J. Carl Bland
Crowning & Presentation	
Closing Remarks	Carolyn Hoffman, Evening Chairperson Dorothy Trueheart, Chair, Women's Day Willie Bouie, Advisor Women's Day Rev. Simon P. Bouie, Pastor

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All we know that all things work together for good
to them that love God ... Romans 8:28



God Know Best

Our Father knows what's best for us, So why should we complain –
We always want the sunshine, but He knows there must be rain –
We love the sound of laughter and the merriment of cheer,
But our hearts would lose their tenderness if we never shed a tear ...
Our Father tests us often with suffering and with sorrow,
He tests us, not to punish us, but to help us meet tomorrow ...
For growing trees are strengthened when they withstand the storm
And the sharp cut of the chisel gives the marble grace and form ...
So whenever we are troubled, and when everything goes wrong,
It is just God working in us to make Our Spirit Strong.



Dedicated to Sally Hall

from

Izora Lattimore



WHERE THERE IS LOVE

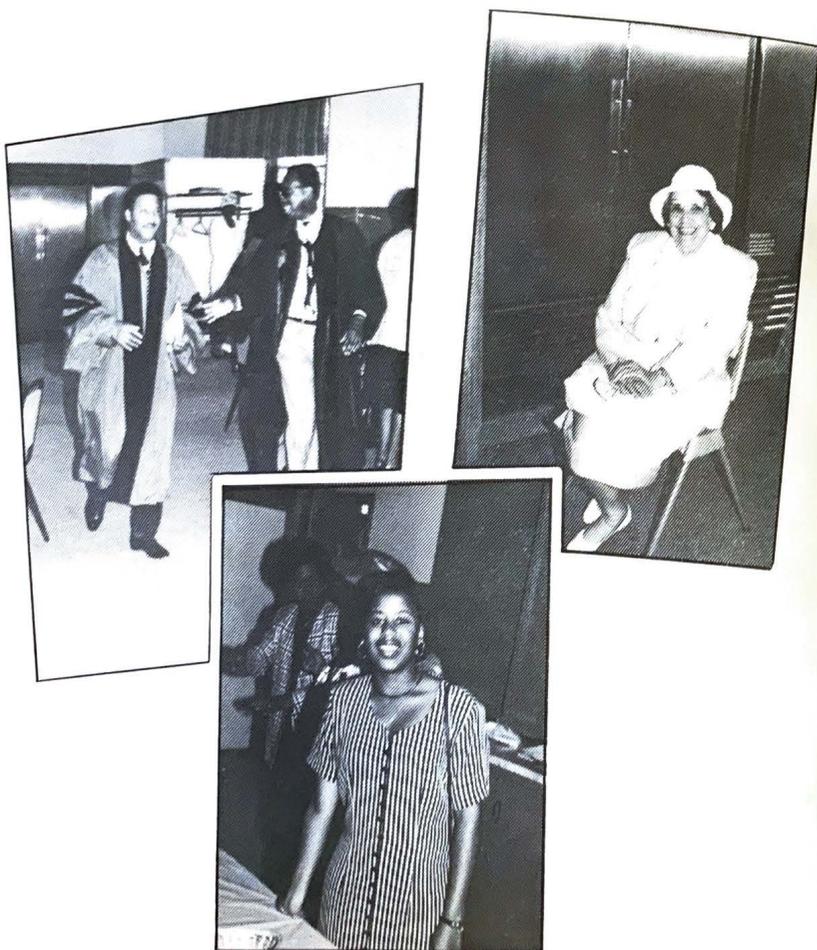
Where there is Love the heart is light,
Where there is Love the day is bright,
Where there is Love there is a song,
To help when things go wrong.
Where there is Love there is a smile
To make all things seem more worthwhile,
Where there is Love there's quiet peace,
A tranquil place where turmoils cease ...
Love changes darkness into light
And makes the heart take "wingless flight"
Oh, blest are they who walk in love ...
They also walk with God above,
And when man walks with God again
There shall be Peace on Earth for men.



Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.
Romans 13:10

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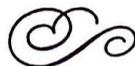
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Elnora Turner & Carrie Alexander

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October 9, 1994
By Alberta Ford

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