

# "THIRTY YEARS OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE"

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## P R O G R A M

Of The

THIRD ANNIVERSARY AS PASTOR OF  
FIRST AFRICAN BAPTIST CHURCH

And

THIRTY YEARS SERVICE IN THE GOSPEL MINISTRY  
OF



DR. RALPH MARK GILBERT

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FROM SUNDAY, JULY 11, 1943, NIGHTLY, THROUGH  
SUNDAY, JULY 18th, 1943

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Principal Speaker for Sunday, July 18th, morning and night, the  
Reverend Jefferson King, D. D., Pastor of the great Ebenezer  
Baptist Church, of Pittsburgh, Pa.



## PROGRAM

(Note:—Every social, fraternal, and civic organization in the city that we know of, has been invited to appear on our program on some night during this celebration, and to have someone to bring greetings from their groups. We did this because of the outstanding work of Dr. Gilbert in the city and community. Some of those organizations have replied to our invitations, signifying their intention of appearing. On each night's program, we are listing those organizations which we invited for that particular night. Then we are listing separately those which have responded. Should any organization accept the invitation too late for us to list them and their speaker on this program, they will have a place made for them to appear on the night assigned.)

### SUNDAY MORNING, JULY 11

11:30 O'Clock

"A YEAR'S STEWARDSHIP" will be the subject of the morning message by the Pastor. This service otherwise will proceed as usual.

### SUNDAY EVENING, JULY 11

8:30 O'Clock

MUSICALE BY THE GOSPEL CHORUS

### MONDAY, JULY 12

8:00 P. M.

Program in charge of Men's Brotherhood, Brother St. Louis Ponder, President, and the Junior League, Mrs. Edith Webb, President.

Church Guests:—The Central Baptist Church, Choir, Officials, and Congregation. Rev. W. M. Daniels, Pastor.

Civic Guests:—Afro-American Life Insurance Co., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Atlanta Life Insurance Co., Beach-Cuyler P. T. A., Beautician's Club, Beautiful Zion S. S., Carnation Club, Carpenter's Union, Catholic Laymen's Assn., Catholic Women's Club, City B. T. U., Colored Junior League, Contra-Lit Club, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, East Broad Street P. T. A., Electa Chapter, O. E. S., Elite Temple No. 7, Daughter Elks, Entre Nous.

Greetings from Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, by Prof. M. G. Haynes.

Music will be furnished by the Central Baptist Church Choir.

Sermon by Rev. W. M. Daniels, Pastor Central Baptist Church.

### TUESDAY, JULY 13

8:00 P. M.

Program in charge of the Missionary Society, Sister Julia Brownlee, President, and the Pastor's Aid, Sister Algermon Payne, President.

Church Guests:—Bay Street Baptist Church of Savannah, and Zion Hill Baptist Church of Clifton, with their Choirs, Officials, and Congregations. Rev. M. C. Garvin, Pastor.

Civic Guests:—Eureka Lodge No. 1, Masons, Eureka Ladies' Branch Masonic Temple, Ezra Consistory No. 27, Five Brothers, Florence Street School P. T. A., Forest City Branch N. A. L. C., Frog's Social Club, Funeral Directors' Assn., Garden and Lawn Club of Fellwood Homes, Georgia Infirmary Alumni, Golden Dream Club, Graduate Nurse's Assn. (City), Graduate Nurses' Assn. (Dist.), Guaranty Life Insurance Co., Harlem Club, Hilton Lodge No. 2 Masons, Local No. 435-A International Brotherhood of Paper Mill Workers, International Brotherhood of Plasterers and Cement Finishers, International Longshoremen's Association, Invincible Lodge K. of P., Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Isaiah Lodge No. 41 Good Samaritans, Israelite Lodge No. 180 Good Samaritans, J. B. Phillips Lodge No. 383 Good Samaritans, J. T. Green Lodge No. 362 Good Samaritans, Jacobs Society

Greetings from the Invincible Lodge, K. of P., by Brother Sir Knight J. H. Blount.

Music will be furnished by the Choirs of Bay Street Baptist Church and the Zion Hill Baptist Church.

Sermon by Rev. M. C. Garvin, Pastor of the above-two churches.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

8:00 P. M.

Program in charge of the Senior and Junior Usher Boards, Brother Mack Josie, President, and the Boy Scouts, Dea. James Washington, Committeeman.

Church Guests:—Evergreen Baptist Church, Choir, Officials, and Congregation, Rev. E. A. Capers, Pastor.

Civic Guests:—Jericho Mutual No. 1, Good Samaritans, Jonathan Council No. 16 Good Samaritans, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Knights of Moses, Ladies' Mutual Aid, Ladies B. U. B. Hood, Lone Star B. Society, Lucky Girls Social Club, Married Men's Club, Men's Progressive Club of Yamacraw Village, The Merry Boys, Miriam Art Circle, Mothers' Auxiliary of Troop 47, Mothers' Club of Yamacraw Village, Mt. Moriah Chapter O. E. S., Mt. Moriah Degree Lodge No. 4 Good Samaritans, Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 15 Masons, Mt. Olive B. Society, Musolit Club, Mutuels, Inc., Mutuels Benevolent Society, M. A. P. E. (Savannah Branch), North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Co., Omar Temple No. 21, Paulsen Street School P. T. A., Pilgrim Life and Health Insurance Co., Postal Alliance, Prince Hall Chapter O. E. S.

Greetings from the West Savannah Community Club, by Mr. Mose J. Jackson, President.

Greetings from The Merry Boys, by Mr. T. Thomas.

Greetings from the Prince Hall Chapter, O. E. S., by Mrs. Marie Woodruff.

Greetings from the Weldon Lodge of Elks, by Mr. J. M. King.

Music will be furnished by the Evergreen Baptist Church Choir.

Sermon by Rev. E. A. Capers, Pastor Evergreen Baptist Church.

### THURSDAY, JULY 15, 1943

Program in charge of the Social Service and Publicity Group, Sister Hattie Jones, President, and the Educational Group, Sister Rozena Causby, President.

Civic Guests:—Prince Hall Lodge No. 28 Masons, Progress Tent, Pythagoras Lodge No. 11 Masons, Queen of the South No. 17 Good Samaritans, Red Cross Chapter, S. C. Society, St. Joseph Lodge No. 31 Good Samaritans, St. Phillips Society, Savannah Business Improvement Association, Savannah Chapter O. E. S., Savannah Colored Underwriters' Assn., Savannah Insurance Manager's Council, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Smiling Syndicate, Social Clubs Union, Solomon Temple O. E. S., South Atlantic Medical Society and Ladies' Auxiliary, Southern Cotton Oil Club, Police Auxiliary, Weldon Lodge of Elks.

Greetings from the Police Auxiliary.

Greetings from the Savannah Business Improvement Association, by Mr. Donald Thomas.

Music will be furnished by the Conner's Temple Baptist Church Choir.

Sermon by Rev. N. C. Conner, Pastor Conner's Temple Baptist Church.

### FRIDAY, JULY 16

8:00 P. M.

Program in charge of the United Chorus, represented thru Sister Emma Allen, and the Sinking Fund Group, Miss Lonnie Butler, President.



Church Guests:—Beth Eden Baptist Church, Choir, Officials, and Congregation. Dr. D. M. Cralke, Pastor.

Civic Guests:—The Twelve Brothers Social Club, The Twelve Sisters, The U. B. C. Club, the U. B. Hood, United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America Local No. 1960, Ushers' Union, Vance Allison Post, Veterans of America, Veterans of Foreign Wars, W. E. Aid Society, W. E. H. P. Branch, West Broad Street P. T. A., West End Society, West Savannah Community Club, West Savannah Club, West Savannah P. T. A., White Rose Tent, Women's Civic Club, Woodville School P. T. A., Young Men's Civic Club, Young Men's Progressive Club, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Tinning and Sheet Metal Workers, Fox Club.

Greetings from the Social Clubs Union, by Prof. M. G. Haynes.

Greetings from the Women's Civic Club, by Mrs. M. L. Horne.

Greetings from the U. B. Hood, by Mr. B. P. White.

Music will be furnished by the Beth Eden Baptist Church Choir.

Sermon by Dr. N. M. Clarke, Pastor Beth Eden Baptist Church.

## SUNDAY, JULY 18—ANNIVERSARY DAY

11:30 A. M.

Program in charge of the Sunday School, Deacon John S. Delaware, Supt., and the B. T. U., Deacon J. P. Brownlee, Director.

SPECIAL SPEAKER—DR. THOMAS JEFFERSON KING, Pastor of the Ebenezer, Baptist Church of Pittsburgh, Pa.

A solo by the Pastor, Dr. Ralph Mark Gilbert.

8:30 P. M.

Program in charge of the Official Board of the Church, Deacon Wm. J. Brownlee, Chairman.

SPECIAL SPEAKER, DR. T. J. KING OF PITTSBURGH.

SPECIAL MUSIC BY THE UNITED CHOIRS OF THE CHURCH.

### OTHER SPECIAL FEATURES:

- a. "Our Pastor as a Dramatist".....By Mrs. Nancy Houston Walker
- b. "Our Pastor as a Preacher".....By Deacon Raleigh A. Bryant
- c. "Our Pastor as a Civic Worker".....By Deacon John S. Delaware
- d. "Our Pastor as a Financier".....By Deacon Joseph W. Marks
- e. "History of the Pastor's Life".....By Miss Reatha Mae Gibbs
- f. A solo by Prof. Henry Payne Markham.....Minister of Music

DR. RALPH MARK GILBERT,  
Pastor.

TRUSTEE EDWIN W. BURKE,  
Chairman Trustee Board, and Chairman  
Anniversary Committee.

PROF. HENRY PAYNE MARKHAM,  
Minister of Music.

DEACON JOSEPH W. MARKS,  
Church Clerk.

DEACON R. A. BRYANT,  
Vice Chairman Anniversary Committee

DEACON JOHN S. DELAWARE,  
Chairman Finance Committee.

MRS. MIRIAM WITHERSPOON,  
Church Organist.

DEACON C. B. BURSON,  
Treasurer.

DEACON W. J. AYERS,  
Chairman Deacon Board.

MRS. RUTH WILLIAMS,  
Pianist United Chorus.