Rev. J. Matthew Benton
LAST RITES

For

Rev. J. Matthew Benton

TREMONT TEMPLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Savannah, Georgia

Saturday, September 22, 1973

11:00 A.M.

Interment—Benton's Cemetery
ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Deacons of Tremont Temple Baptist Church

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

Baptist Ministers

FLOWER LADIES

Baptist Ministers Wives
PROGRAM

Pulpit Host—Rev. R. L. Byrd
Rev. Carl Faison—Presiding

Processional
Selection ................................................................. Tremont Temple Choirs
Old Testament ......................................................... Rev. J. Q. Adams
New Testament ......................................................... Rev. Samuel Williams
Prayer ........................................................................ Rev. Pete Broxton
Selection ................................................................. Tremont Temple Choirs
Remarks ................................................................. (2 Minutes): Tremont Temple Choirs
Tremont Temple Church .............................................. Dea. Leroy Eason
—Chairman Deacon Board
Baptist Ministers Union ............................................. Rev. A. E. Hagins
Interdenominational Alliance President
Calvary Baptist Church ............................................... Mrs. Carrie Williams
Second Rehoboth Association ..................................... Rev. D. E. Kelly
Women Department of
Second Rehoboth Association .................................. Mrs. Blanche Dixon
As A Friend ............................................................... Mr. Sidney A. Jones
Selection ................................................................. Sidney A. Jones Choir
Baptist Theological Seminary ..................................... Rev. Marshall Stevenson
Promotional Sect. General Missionary
Baptist Convention ................................................... Mrs. C. M. Pearson
S. S. & B.T.U. Congress of
General Missionary Baptist Convention ..................... Rev. C. M. Alexander
General Missionary Baptist Convention ..................... Dr. E. James, Grant, President
Solo—“I've Done My Work” ......................................... Mrs. Ann Gary
Acknowledgements .................................................. Mrs. Betty Ellington
Selection ................................................................. Tremont Temple Choirs
Eulogy ........................................................................ Rev. W. H. Byrd
Recessional
OBITUARY

Jeremiah Matthew Benton was born in Appling County, Ga. to the late Mr. and Mrs. Tate Benton.

At an early age he accepted Christ as his Saviour and was baptised and became a member of the Mizpah Baptist Church, Appling County, Ga. Before he was called to the ministry he served as Sunday School Supt. and prayer meeting leader.

He was married to the late Mrs. Ludenia Benton who preceeded him some years ago in death. After which he was married to Mrs. Mildred Shaw Benton.

As a very young man the Lord called him to carry the message of Salvation. His first pastorage was his home church, Mizpah Baptist Church. He has served for more than 40 years as pastor of churches, all over South Georgia, Eastman, Hazlehurst, Douglas, Fitzgerald and Waycross. For 27 years he has led the Congregation at Tremont Temple as a teacher, Counsellor, father and preacher.

At the time of his passing, he was the moderator of the Second Reha­bath Association, chairman of the Bryant Theological Seminary and a Board Chairman of the National Baptist Convention, Inc.

He leaves to mourn his home going, a devoted wife, Mrs. Mildred Benton, Savannah, Ga. two brothers, Mr. J. H. Benton, New York, N.Y., Mr. Willie Benton, Baxley, Ga.; 4 Sisters-in-law, 4 Brothers-in-law, a number of Neices, Nephews, other relatives and a host of friends.

POEM

Why would he want to live always, away from his God,  
Away from your heaven, that blissful abode,  
Where rivers of pleasure flow bright o'er the plains,  
And the noon-tide of glory eternally reigns?

Where saints of all ages in harmony meet,  
Their Saviour, and brethren transported to greet;  
While anthems of rapture unceasingly roll,  
And the smile of the Lord is a feast of the soul.