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Bethune-Cookman University
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Life of Mary McLeod Bethune
Founder, President-Emeritus of Bethune-Cookman College

Sunday, July 10th, 1949
Bethune-Cookman College Auditorium
Birthday Celebration

1:00 P.M.
Birthday Dinner with Old-Time Friends **************************** Faith Hall

4:00 P.M.
The Story of the Life of MARY McLEOD BETHUNE
in drama, song, and interpretations **************************** Auditorium
White Hall
Presentation of Gift

5:15 P.M.
Tour of Mrs. Bethune’s Home **************************** “The Retreat”
Exhibits of Honors and Tributes to her Life—Meritorious
Awards which she has received **************************** Harrison Rhodes
Memorial Library

5:30—7 00 P.M.
Birthday Tea **************************** Faith Hall

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Your Prayers of Thanksgiving for this inspiring life during your evening
worship or meditation wherever you are:

“Through deeds of service and devotion to duty
She has written her name indelibly upon
the pages of history and upon the
fleshy pages of the hearts of men.
She will always be remembered by what she has done.”
**Program**

4:00 P.M.
Auditorium—White Hall

"Her branches spread over the fence."
"You are a fruitful tree. . . .
A tree by a fountain,
And your branches hang over the fence."
—From the Book of Genesis

CALL TO DEVOTION—"Lift Thine Eyes" .......................... Choral Group

The Genesis of a Great Life ........................................ Commentator

How Firm a Foundation . . . .
because she trusted in him

The Life is like a Tree that is planted by the river of waters that bringeth forth fruit in its season.

The Life spreads like a green bay tree transcending the fences of life reaching the depths—yet firmly planted in the black soil.

The Life is like a sheltering tree Able to give shade to those who need courage and inspiration.

The Life is pruned by wisdom and spreads the more The branches spread to make beautiful and rich many areas in life's vineyard. Men are inspired by the verdure, the fertility and fruitfulness.

The Life is strong within—a spiritual fortress A miracle, stalwart tree in the human forest.

"Hymn of the Hour"

(Tune: Faith of our Fathers)

Faith of our Founder, blaze the paths
Through trails that lie untried ahead
And give us sight confirmed in thee
To follow where thy zeal hath led.
Faith of our Founder, Guiding faith
Abide with us, lend us thine aid.

Faith of our Founder, bind us now
To truths that did thy deeds inspire
Teach us the secrets of thy power
Give us thy source of inly fire.
Faith of our Founder, Strengthening Faith
Abide with us, lend us thine aid.

Faith of our Founder, lead us still
As through the years our lives unfold
Make here a thralldom in our hearts,
That in thy love, we shall be bold.
Faith of our Founder, Guardian faith
Abide with us, lend us thine aid.

Lyrics by Florence Dyett Small
Acknowledgement

Commentator’s—Genesis of a Great Life —Olive B. McLin
Script of the Story —Florence Lovell Small
Music and Choral Parts —Alzeda C. Hacker and the Summer Session Choir
Choreographic Interpretations —Mrs Bertha J. Minor
Echoing Voices of People All Over the World

Yvonne Worthen
Leroylyn Hacker
Edith Coleman

Doris Williams
Almarene Cason
Artie Patterson
Mary Farmer
Evangeline Moore

Ozora Wysinger
Anna Kate Carey
Sallie Moore Cason

Ethel Henry Nimmons
Evelyn Bingham
Marcia Mitchell
Lillian Flynn Bryant
Johnnie Ruth Clarke
Maime Williams

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