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BISHOP JAMES K. MATHEWS - - - - - Presiding
HAROLD B. WRIGHT - - - - - Secretary

EDGAR AMOS LOVE

Edgar Amos Love was born in a Methodist parsonage at Harrisonburg, Virginia, on September 10, 1891. He was the son of Methodist ministers. His father, the Reverend Julius C. Love was an honored member of the Washington Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church until his death in 1927. His mother, a licensed minister in her own right, was the first woman graduate of Morgan College.



Bishop Love graduated from the academy of Morgan College in 1909, and from the college, with the bachelor of arts degree, in 1913; from the Divinity School of Howard University in 1916, with the bachelor of divinity degree and from the Boston University School of Theology, in 1918, with the bachelor of sacred theology degree. He did graduate work at the University of Chicago, and received honorary doctorates from Morgan College in 1936; Gammon Theological Seminary, in 1946, and Boston University in 1956.

After serving as pastor and District Superintendent in the Washington Conference he was appointed to the Board of Missions. On June 22, 1952, at Philadelphia, Pa., he was elected Bishop. Assigned to the Baltimore Area, he served 12 years, retiring on June 21, 1964. Called back to active service to head the Atlantic Coast Area, he served there, with headquarters in Atlanta, from November, 1966 through June, 1967.

While active in the episcopacy, Bishop Love served on the following Boards and Agencies of the Methodist Church: The Board of Missions; Board of Evangelism; Board of Christian Social Concerns; Commission on Chaplains; Coordinating Council, and the Methodist Corporation. He was assigned by his denomination to visit mission stations in Malaysia, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Japan, Burma, India, seven countries in Africa, England, France, Belgium, Switzerland, West Germany, Italy, Lebanon, and the Holy Land.

He was serving as trustee of the Morgan College Corporation, Gammon Theological Seminary, Wesley Theological Seminary (Washington, D. C.), Bennett College, and Morristown (Tenn.) Junior College. He was a 33rd degree Mason, Southern Jurisdiction, and a life member of the NAACP.

In addition to his assignments in his church, he has held also the following positions: Teacher at Morgan College, Baltimore, two years; Chaplain, U.S. Army, two years and three months (14 months overseas); Delegate to the first American Legion Convention, Minneapolis, Minnesota, representing the State of Maryland; one of the founders of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, and its first Grand Basileus for three years; member of the Maryland Interracial Commission; president of the Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Washington, D.C.; president of the Alumni Association of the Howard University School of Religion; president of the Christian Conference Educational Fund (eight years), and president of the Methodist Federation for Social Action (10 years).

On June 16, 1923, he was united in wedlock to Miss Virginia Louise Ross of Staunton, Virginia. They have one son, Jon E. Love, and two grandchildren, Virginia Elizabeth and Jon E. Jr.

Bishop Love lived in retirement with Mrs. Love at their home in Baltimore, 2416 Montebello Terrace (21214).

THE FAMILY