

THE BOTTOM LINE....08-06-06

My history teacher in high school, Mr. Johnny Massey, a cousin of Brother James Snowden, said he did not mind being Black, but it was awfully inconvenient. Only a Black person knows what it is like being Black. Those who portray themselves as being Black only get a glimpse and I am not sure it is valid because they are not and are only pretending, and they can change their color. We cannot change, nor do we desire for we are truly "Black and Proud" though experiencing the inconveniences. I believe that is exactly what Judge Carole Squire is experiencing. She is the only Black Democrat in the midst of Republicans and that is not a shot at all Republicans. She is an intelligent and opinionated Black woman. She is Christian and proud of it and lives it in the midst of her job. These are not attributes that often win you favor with others. The meanest word that she was quoted as saying was, "no, no, no" and shaking her finger and raising her voice. Surely we should be using the State's money and time in some other area other than trying to put a competent Black Judge in her place. Please do not believe all you hear or read in our papers about Judge Carole Squire. This hearing should never have taken place and if she were not Black, I seriously doubt we would be in court. I feel like apologizing to Judge Squire myself for her having to endure this ordeal.

We are preparing for our 137th Church Anniversary and the committee is asking that we give one dollar for each year of the church's life. We begin today and we will celebrate the whole month, though the second Sunday will be our major Sunday of celebration. I want to thank Sister Arlinda Perryman in advance for her hard work on behalf of the entire church.