

Delivered by Mayor W. M. Wyatt probably in the late 1950's. Rachel Prentice was more than likely an African-American resident of Montevallo, AL and one of Mayor Wyatt's constituents.

Eulogy for Rachel Prentice

By W. M. "Mack" Wyatt

I am pleased to have this opportunity to pay tribute to a friend, Rachel Prentice, whose life and character I believe to be worthy of respect and emulation.

She walked humbly with God, reverent and obedient to His will, and with a firm, steady allegiance to all things good, right and proper with her fellow creatures of mortal existence.

Her life was like unto the soft, steady light of a lamp in the window of a humble home, ever beckoning the foot steps of children, family and friends back to its peacefulness.

Also, her life was like unto a powerful and searching beacon light that warned of dangers lurking in treacherous and uncharted ways of human frailty.

Her undying and everlasting spirit of a divinely inspired Chris-

tian mother, laboring to give a better life to her children, her family and friends now shines brightly in heaven with the saints of the earth who have gone beyond this veil.

She accomplished that which is the greatest achievement of human existence – to put together in orderly fashion, the warped, distorted and scattered pieces of human existence, weakness and strength, to make a noble soul of spiritual beauty and value that will live forever in that house, eternal in the heavens, not made with hands.

Rachel now has seen "the coming of that snow-white angel band, that shall bear my weary spirit to the blessed promised land."

Rachel did not waste her time in complaining about what God had given her in life. She was more concerned about making the best of it.
