

CHURCH NEWS

DR. EARL E. THORPE WHITE ROCK'S SUN. MORNING SPEAKER

Dr. Earl E. Thorpe, professor in the Department of History, NCCU, and Associate Minister, Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, will preach at the 10:55 a.m. worship, August 15 at White Rock Baptist Church.

Dr. Thorpe is a native of Durham and graduated from Hillside High School, received his B. A. and M. A. degrees from NCCU, and his Ph.D. degree from Ohio State University. He also attended the University of Florence in Italy at the end of World War II after having served in the U. S. Army in the European theater of operation. He taught at Stowe Teachers College, St. Louis, Missouri; Alabama A&M College, Normal, Alabama; Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Duke University; Harvard University; and served for ten years as Chairman of the Department of History and Social Science at NCCU.



DR. THORPE

His publications include approximately twenty-five scholarly articles published in several learned journals, six books and a ten-booklet series for which he is the General Editor, "The Black Experience in America."

A long-time member of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church, he has served as member of the Trustee and Deacon Boards; Director and Class Leader of the Baptist Training Union and for the past two years, as Associate Minister. He was ordained to the Gospel Ministry and is now completing a minor in Religion at Duke University. In the community, he serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the Edgemont-Few Gardens Center and as Chairman of the Citizen's Advisory Committee of the Guest Road Prison Unit. He and his wife, the former Martha Vivian Branch of Durham, have two children.

UNION

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union by hiring anti-union employees and by pressuring others to drop out. Texas and nineteen other states primarily in the South and Southwest, have adopted "right-to-work" laws.

The combination of being excluded from the NLRA and working in a "right-to-work" state constitutes an almost insurmountable barrier to organizing farmworkers in Texas, says the TFW.

The TFW views the stretch through the Carolinas as one of the most important segments of the march, and they hope for a strong show of material and moral support from the labor, civil rights, civic and religious sections of the community.

According to Antonio Orendain, leader of the TFW, the greatest needs of the march are funds, signatures on their petitions, and endorsements from labor and human rights organizations.

Schedule of the march in North Carolina: Gastonia, Aug. 14; Charlotte, Aug. 15; Kannapolis, Aug. 16; Lexington, Aug. 17; High Point, Aug. 18; Greensboro, Aug. 19; Burlington, Aug. 20; Hillsborough, Aug. 21; Durham, Aug. 22; Wake Forest, Aug. 23 and Henderson, Aug. 24.

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ABERNATHY

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leadership is always divided, belittled each other, only concerned about themselves." He also observed, "It would seem as though other people are to take credit for all the social strides taken during the 1960's." He referred specifically to a scene where King is belittling Malcolm X, something he says never happened since the two men, "highly respected each other. In fact they realized that they had America in a scissors action, and that one complemented each other." Commenting on these and other historical distortions presented in the film, Jerry Paul states, "living black leaders... are portrayed as playing no significant role in the story at all. It is an attempt to distort black history and to make

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sure that blacks only have dead leaders to look at."

Paul has pointed out that the film is a "money-making scheme" which lacks "respect... and more, a responsibility to history, the black community and humanity." He further stated, "They are making money off a figure who is central to black history by redefining that figure," making Dr. King "palatable to a white audience which doesn't like him in the first place and hoping to pick up on the black audience just by the name." Paul explained that this tactic would assure them of a high rating for the initial viewing of the proposed serial, "thereby selling advertisers." Paul adds that he will be working with SCLC to prevent the screening of the film because, "it does distort character and it defames Dr. Abernathy and it contains untrue events." It was the refusal of Dr. Abernathy to verify the authenticity of a scene in the film which angered the writer-producer of the film. Mann has, since that time, refused to meet with Dr. Abernathy or representatives of SCLC to hear their objections to the film. In separate interviews with C. T. Vivian and Hosea Williams last week, both expressed concern for the effect that a film which contains such serious distortions would have on Third World relations and on the youth if it is presented in its current form. For this reason, they deem it a moral responsibility to prevent the release of the movie.

WHITAKERS

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thirties, said she believes that blacks in the town will "in time pull together," but has sharp words for blacks trading with Judge, saying, "Blacks trading at Joe Judge's are a bunch of dummies." Mike Pittman, a college student home during summer vacation, explained the lack of solidarity among blacks in this way: Older blacks and younger blacks in the town are not together. "Older blacks count as being black but they don't count when you go up against the whites." Pittman's candid remarks got nods from several other young blacks who were with Pittman at the time.

In this black belt community, where blacks easily outnumber whites, to a visitor the problems of racism seem pervasive, almost as though the civil rights movement of the 1960's never happened. For example, one of the town's stores is in obvious violation of the public accommodations act which was won only after several years of sit-ins and freedom rides through the south. Another store on Highway 301, is the stop for Trailways buses. Blacks attempting to use the restroom facilities are told the restroom is out of order, while reportedly whites are allowed to use the restroom.

A black reporter went into the store to gain access

HOMECOMING AND REVIVAL AT HICKORY GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH

The annual Homecoming and Revival meeting will be held at the Hickory Grove Baptist Church, Sunday, August 14 at 1 p.m. Dr. L. M. Whelchel of the Russell Memorial C. M. E. Church of Durham will be the guest speaker for the Homecoming and Revival.

Dr. Whelchel will be accompanying him, his choir, ushers and members of the congregation. Dinner will be served following the 1 o'clock worship service to all members and friends. The revival will be held each evening at 7:30 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Hickory Grove Baptist Church is located on Bethel-Hickory Grove Church Road in Chapel Hill.

GUEST SPEAKER AT ST. MARK SUNDAY

The Reverend Virgil Lattimore will deliver the morning message at St. Mark AME Zion Church Sunday, August 14 at 10:55.

The Rev. Lattimore is a native of Charlotte and is a graduate of Livingstone College. He is a graduate student in the Divinity School at Duke University. He has done clinical therapy in several hospitals across the country and is now involved in field education at the St. Matthew United Methodist Church, Greensboro. He is also a member of the Western North Carolina Conference of the AME Zion Church. Rev. Lattimore is a former associate pastor of St. Mark.

SHILOH TO INSTALL NEW PASTOR SUNDAY

The Reverend Johnny Leake will be installed as pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church in Morrisville on Sunday, August 14 at 4:30 p.m.

Shiloh Baptist Church is situated just outside of the Research Triangle Park.

Rev. Leake, 25, has had a progressive ministry during his ten years as a minister. He has been active in the East Cedar Grove Ministers-Deacons Union, serving as assistant secretary for several years and a member of the ordaining council. He served as associate minister of Cameron Grove Baptist Church here and in various capacities in the church. He was assistant minister of New Hope Baptist Church in Oxford for several years and was pastor of Cedar Grove Baptist Church in Roxboro.



REV. LEAKE

A native of Durham, Rev. Leake has studied at North Carolina Central University, Duke University and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. His studies in counseling and theology will continue.

Rev. Leake is married to the former Miss Shelia Elaine Holman. They reside in Durham.

DEDICATION CEREMONY

Rainer Maximilian Evans, born April 5, 1977, son of Mr. and Mrs. Levin Wood Evans, III, was dedicated on Sunday, July 31 at White Rock Baptist Church with Rev. S. P. Biggers and Mrs. Mamie Geer officiating. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Wood Evans, Jr., Orange, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Barnes, Durham. Mrs. Marie Speigner is the godmother.

RETURN FROM FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. William Dexter Southerland have returned home after a three week vacation, visiting their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Taylor and their son, Brian, in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

to the restroom last week and was told by attendant Jim Essex, "It is out of order and can't be used." When told by a reporter that a white woman used the same restroom facilities last week, the attendant replied, "It was working then." When asked if he were prejudiced, the attendant quipped, "No, I ain't prejudiced. If I was, I would go out of business." The North Carolina Human Relations Commission in May investigate complaints that discrimination was occurring at the store but did not turn up an violation.

The same reporter found that general business relations between blacks and whites in the town are conducted much like they have been on the region's plantations for generations. A good example is the experience of Ms. Annie Mann, 34, who two years ago paid \$700 down for a double-width mobile home from United Mobile Homes. Expecting a delivery in January, her trailer was actually delivered seven months later, only then to have the driveway blocked by the local inspector who said that the trailer could not be put there. Ms. Mann was told by Mayor Herschell Johnson that the trailer could not be in the city limits because of zoning restrictions. The trailer was finally delivered when zoning laws were changed, but Ms. Mann had to buy and install a septic tank because the city's sewer facilities could not be tapped.

Finally when Ms. Mann was hospitalized a few months ago, she returned to find the trailer had been repossessed by the trailer dealer, without having gone to court and with no notice to Ms. Mann. Her electricity was never connected.

The problem, she says, is "There is no organization or anyone that you can turn to for help." Her problems are not isolated. Many of the town's citizens knew of her problems but no one can forward to help. She's not the only one having problems. One black man, who bought a house across from the town's major's home, was not allowed to tap into the sewer system. Blacks in the town did not protest.

When Charlie Lee was killed that seemed to be 'the straw that broke the camel's back.' Why then have the town's black citizens gone back to Joe Judge's store? One man, who didn't want to be identified, answered the question, saying, "The whites for so long have been on top that most blacks have no idea of the effect that even the short boycott had a few months ago. But this time I think the people will pull together."

There was a quiet transition from protest politics to reconciliation during the month of May when representatives of the N. C. Good Neighbor Council, including Executive Director Ben Ruffin, held meetings in the town to discuss solutions to

I LOOKED AND I SAW

By Rev. C. R. Stone

"THE TRUTH IN HIS WORD IS POWER"

The truth, as found in the Word of God, is power beyond much of our understanding. His words, whether spoken by Him or His ambassadors throughout the world have strength to set men free. The words of God contain eternal truths and cannot return unto Him void in terms of accomplishments. Further, as many as believe within a divine framework can gain their freedom from bondage due to the guilt of sin.

The divine framework of God is a huge category of hope for potential believers throughout the world. Therefore, all men are not required to cast their beliefs within this huge category of divine hope of God in like manner. The various languages throughout the world make it too difficult for all flesh to believe in God according to a few set procedures.

How may men of all nations know the one God of truth with regard to their only hope of salvation? The every-where concept of our God's presence is a lasting truth which cannot be made void by men possessed with power and might. Therefore, the love of God being shed abroad is demonstrated by some believers among all nations of the world. In their various expressions of love among other nations, difficult problems are solved for the true benefit of all. Only through true love, as found in the word of God can the petitions which divide men be removed. Of course, the world around us is not perfect but the fact that the world exists is evidence that the perfect love of God is working.

He who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

R. L. SPEAKS CLUB TO SPONSOR CONCERT

The R. L. Speaks Achievement Club of St. Mark AME Zion Church will sponsor Mrs. Myrtle Fuller Sherrill, soprano, in concert at the church on South Roxboro Street on Sunday evening at six o'clock. She will be accompanied by Henri Sexton of Brooklyn, N. Y., at the console.

Mrs. Sherrill is an accomplished singer and has performed throughout the United States. She is a graduate of Hillside High School and is employed by General Telephone Company. She is married to Alfred Sherrill and they are the parents of four children.

HELPING HAND YARD SALE

The Helping Hand Club is having a yard sale on Saturday, August 13 on the corner of Cornwallis Road and Roxboro Street. They will be selling clothes for young children and teenagers from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. There will be some baked goods for sale also.

MARZELLA'S BOUTIQUE TO SPONSOR FASHION SHOW

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long-standing grievances. As recently as last Monday night, Lenwood Long, Chief of the Community Assistance Division of the N. C. Department of Natural and Economic Resources, met with town officials to discuss a matching. Environmental Protection Agency grant to develop a plan for development of the town's resources. Long's visit followed several protest meetings in which water and sewer for the town's black citizens were discussed.

Mayor Herschell Johnson said that even if an EPA grant were made available for water, as was done three years ago, the town might not be able to afford to put up matching monies. At that time, EPA made a

grant of \$30,000 to extend the town's water-sewer system, but the \$10,000 matching funds, Johnson said, were not available. The area now unserved is the southeast quadrant of the city, which is inhabited by the town's blacks.

A resumption of the protest activities has imposed another boycott of Judge's store. This time the protests come from the more militant blacks, some of whom proclaimed at a July 28 rally in the town that Charlie Lee's death, poor housing, lack of water and sewer and lack of employment were the results of capitalism, which they announced would be put on trial at an August 22 people's court in Whitaker. (CCNS).

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DEATHS AND FUNERALS

BURROUGHS
Funeral services for James Leslie Burroughs, Sr., formerly of Durham, who died Monday in Greensboro, were held Friday, August 5 at the Mount Zion Baptist Church with Dr. William Fuller and Rev. Otis L. Harston officiating.

Burial was in Glenview Memorial Park.
Courtesy of Scarborough & Hargett Memorial Chapels and Gardens.

BORDEN

Last rites for Mrs. Agnes H. Borden of 305 Dunstan Street, who died Tuesday at her home, were held Friday at the Mount Vernon Baptist Church with the Rev. Percy L. High officiating.

Surviving are her husband, McKinley Borden; her mother, Mrs. Annie Dora Hudson; two sons, William McKinley Borden and Edwin Borden, both of Durham; four grandsons and two granddaughters.

Burial was in Beechwood Cemetery.

Courtesy of Scarborough & Hargett Memorial Chapels and Gardens.

SANDERS

Funeral services for Mrs. Carrie M. Sanders of 1211 Fayetteville St., who died Friday at the Hillhaven Orange Nursing Center were held Wednesday at the Kyles Temple AME Zion Church with the Rev. W. A. Freeman officiating.

Burial was in Beechwood Cemetery.

Surviving are three cousins, Mrs. Pearl Fox Forde of Jamaica, New York; Mrs. Blanny Murphy of Kinston and James Petteway of Durham.

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Last Rites Held For Mrs. Elizabeth R. Staton

TARBORO — Funeral services for Mrs. Elizabeth Rodgers Staton were held Sunday at Union Baptist Church here with the Rev. Raymond Morris, pastor, officiating.

Mrs. Staton, a daughter of the late William and Maggie Archer Rodgers, was born in Tarboro. She died August 1 in New York City. She was married to Lester Staton for many years.

She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Maggie R. Bryant of Tarboro, and a niece, Mrs. Carol Bryant Stith, of Hampton, Va.

Interment was in Dancy Memorial Cemetery, Tarboro.

Card of Thanks

We are grateful to the many friends and acquaintances of the late Mrs. Effie Lee Roberson for the numerous acts of love and kindness rendered during her illness and death.

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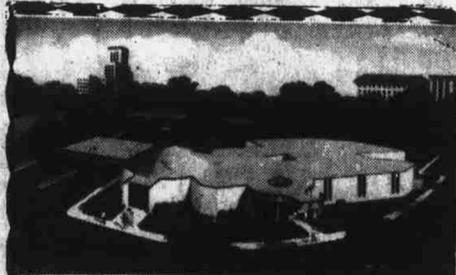
AUGUST 15, 1977

9:30 A. M. — CHURCH SCHOOL

10:55 A. M. — WORSHIP — Sermon - Dr. Earl E. Thorpe
Professor of History, NCCU, and Associate Minister, Mt. Gilead Baptist Church

The Senior Choir leading the singing - Mrs. L. Lavinia Parker, Asst. Organist-Director

The Lady Usher ushering.



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