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#### **Focus On Religion**

# Galilee hosts conference

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Last week, Galilee Baptist Church on Claremont Avenue played host to the 119th convention of the Rowan Baptist Association and attracted over a 1,000 participants from across the Piedmont

The Rowan Association, which convenes four years, carries 113 member churches and is one of the largest associations within the General Baptist State Convention. This year's theme was "Shaping The World Through Christian Influence.'

Made up of various church auxiliaries, including an ushers' union, a women's auxiliary, the Baptist Training Union and a parent body, conventiongoers say the goals of the association remain constant.

"Work in the local church, the association's objectives and my love for the Lord has kept me in it for so long," says the association's board chairman, Helen Falls, who has been with the organization for 35 years.

The convention was opened with a banquet last Monday at the Kennedy Dinning Hall, which was sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary, of which Bronnie Daniels is president for the second consecutive year. She, like Falls, has devoted much of her time and energies to the Rowan Association. Daniels and the Rev. Richard Miller are the only two Winston-Salem members who hold offices as auxiliary presidents in the association.

"Our purpose for convening is to provide an inspiration and a sense of renewal to the delegates," says Daniels, "so that they may carry out the objec-

tives of the association once they go back to their home church."

Some of the projects of the Rowan Association include foreign and home missions, Shaw University's Divinity School, state missions, the Central Orphanage in Oxford and evangelism.

"The church serves all ages of people," says Falls, "and in order to reach all ages, it is necessary to work toward objectives."

In conjunction with promoting the Rowan Association's overall objectives and Christian

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education, says Daniels, a resolution authored by the organization's church leaders will serve as a supplement to the goals.

The Rev. John Mendez, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church in Winston, chaired the Mrs. Bronnie H. Daniels, Mrs. Helen W. association's resolution committee.

"Even though we are a black association," says Mendez, "and there is a white (Baptist) association, there is a cooperative effort between the two."

The cooperative effort will be in the form of pushing the resolutions adopted at this year's convention, says Mendez, and having them assessed by the 1984-85 North Carolina General Assembly.

The resolution involves issues relating to basic living conditions compared with Christian values. They include food, taxes, housing, aging, inflation,

Falls, Dr. J.C. Harris and Dr. Warnie C. Hay attended The Rowan Baptist Associa-

environment, voter education and equal justice under the law.

Also during the convention, the Rev. Warnie C. Hay, pastor of Galilee, was named the Rowan Association moderator. He will replace Dr. E.L. Kirby, who served as moderator for 50 years and missed only one meeting during his tenure, says tion convention last week (photo by James Parker).

"We've seen so much good come out of this convention," says Mendez. "We raised money to support the objectives, new and old, had workshops, seminars and speakers. I guess you could say this is probably one of the strongest Baptist associations in the state."

#### **Church Notes**

#### **Butler headlines revival**

The Rev. J. Ray Butler, pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, will be the guest speaker at the annual revival of Greater United Progressive Baptist Church at 1122 Quincy Caldwell Circle, July 23-27, where Dr. Qunicy Caldwell is the pastor.

Services will begin nightly at 7:30 p.m.

Butler, a native of Sampson County, has been pastor at Shiloh since 1970. He received his undergraduate degree from Shaw University and his bachelor of

divinity degree from Shaw's Divinity School.

Active in numerous church and community organizations, some of Butler's affiliations include the Baptist Ministers Conference and Associates of Winston-Salem, the Black Political Awareness League, Experiment in Self-Reliance Inc., the mayor's Development and Economic Committee, the National Baptist Convention USA and the American Convention of the South.



Harris received his calling to preach at the age of nine and has been ministering ever since. A record 1,000 people assembled to hear the young minister deliver his trial sermon. He has since preached at more than 180 chur-

p.m. nightly.

Dr. J. Ray Butler

No stranger to the Winston-



Rev. Marlin Harris

Salem area, Harris was the featured speaker at Phillip Chapel's annual Youth Day services to a standing room only

A sixth-grader at Johnsonville Middle School, Harris has received numerous awards for academic excellence, including the Certificate of Honor and the Junior Citizens Award.

## 11-year-old minister speaks

Phillips Chapel Baptist Church James Baptist Church in at 2341 N. Patterson Avenue will sponsor a week-long evangelistic crusade for Christ, featuring 11-year-old the Rev. Marlin Harris, associate minister at St.

Johnsonville, S.C.

The crusade takes off at the 11 a.m. worship service this Sunday through Friday, July 27, at 7:30

#### **Funerals**

# Mrs. Flora Eugene Miller Pledger buried

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Funeral services for Mrs. Flora Eugene Miller Pledger of 434 West 27th St., were held on Thursday, July 5th at 2:00 PM in Bethlehem AME Zion Church with Rev. Robert Bailey & Rev. F. Daws. Officiating. The remains did repose in Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home until the Funeral hour. Enterment was in the Bethlehem AME Zion Church Cemetery, Pafftown, N.C.

Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home in charge of services.

Mrs. Rosa Ann Mobley Peoples

Funeral Services for Mrs. Rosa Ann Mobley Peoples of 304 Abattoir St., were held on Wednesday, July 4th at 11:30 AM in Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home with Dr. Jerry Drayton, Officiating, The remains did repose in the Funeral Home until the Funeral hour. Interment was in the Evergreen Cemetery.

Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home in charge of services.

Mr. Ronald Lee Smith

Ronald Lee Smith, 641 Mt. Vernon Street was dead on arrival at Forsyth Memorial Hospital Sunday morning July 15, 1984. He was a native and resident of this city, a member of Gethesamen Hope Baptist Church and an employee of the Cox & Evans Construction Co. and a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors include, the mother, Mrs. Mary Lee Smith, the father Mr. Robert Smith, both of this city, 5 sisters, Brenda Harding, Cherly Cooper, Della Smith, Robin Bradshaw and Sandra Wilson, all of this city the grandmother, Mrs. Annie Smith, of the city 3 children, Kisha Shaw, Ada Michael Roberson, Octavia Roland, all of the city, 6 aunts, 5 uncles, 2 neices, 1 nephew, other relatives and friends.

oldest son, Demoria R. Robin- Leigh Thompson, Marion Mar- Arrangements entrusted to and services will be conducted by Your

Mrs. Carrnier Bennett Autrey, 1125 E. 21st Street, passed Tuesday at Pellcare Nursing Home. She was a native of Wadesboro, N.C., a retired employee of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company, and a member

of St. Peter's Church of God Apostolic. She was a member of the Senior Citizens. She is survived by: 1 sister, Mrs. Viola Lowe, of the home, 1 step-sister, Mrs. Lillie Topwnsend a host of neices, nephews, other relatives and friends. Funeral Services are Incomplete at this

Arrangements entrusted to and services will be conducted by Gilmore Funeral Directors.

Mr. Willie Towsend, Jr.

Funeral services for; Mr. Willie Townsend, Jr., 3219 Rosie Street, will be conducted today at 1:00 p.m. from the Gilmore Memorial Chapel where Rev. John Heath will officiate with interment in Piedmont Memorial Garden. The body will repose at Gilmore's until the funeral hour. The family may be contacted and the procession will leave the residence Thursday at 12:40 p.m. enroute to the Chapel. Arrangements entrusted to and services will be conducted by Gilmore Funeral Directors.

Mrs. Garriner E Autrey

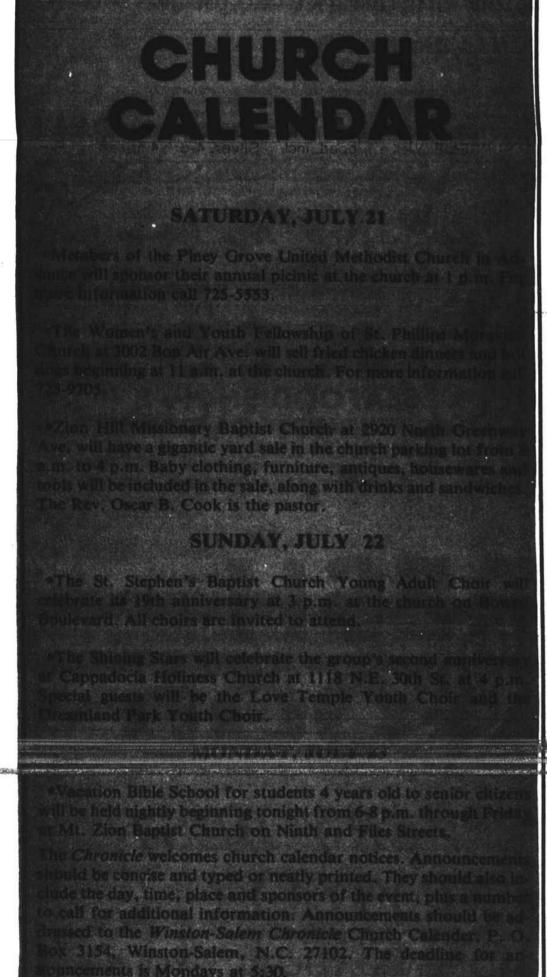
Funeral services for: Mrs. Carriner E. Autrey, 1125 E. 21st Street will be conducted Tuesday at 4 p.m. from St. Peters Church of God Apostolic where Dr. R.K. Hash will officiate with interment in the Evergreen Cemetery. The body will repose at Gilmore's until 2:00 p.m. Tuesday at which time it will be taken to the Church to lie in state until the funeral hour. The family wil receive friends Monday evening at Gilmore's from 7 until 7:30 p.m. The family may be contacted and the procession will leave the home of a sister, Mrs. Viola Lowe, 1125 E. 21st Street.

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Mr. James Alfred Baldwin

In loving memory of Mr. James Alfred Baldwind age 36, known to many as "Coon" who passed on June 9th, 1984 and whose funeral

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### Memorial services held for Bishop Dolly M. Bynum

Sunday, July 15, for Bishop Dolly M. Thompson Bynum, who founded the New Hope Deliverance & Miracle Center Inc. in 1967.

Bynum died in 1976, but her same year and took over.

Speakers for the memorial ser-Faye Mack of the Political Geneva Payne.

Memorial services were held Round Table, the Rev. W.H. Payne of the UAAN of New Hope Deliverance, Donnie Hashim of the Winston-Salem Islamic Nation and Bishop Robinson.

Music was rendered by soloists Funeral plans are incomplete at this time. son, was ordained bishop that tin, Ed Brown and the Tribe & Loving Friends, Gilmore's. The Miracle Wonders.

Other program participants Mrs. Carrnier Bennett Autrey vices included Evangelist Lee were Claudine Robinson and