

# RELIGION

## CALENDAR

May 5

### Yard sale

Antioch Baptist Church Mother's Committee is sponsoring a yard sale on Saturday, May 5, from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 338 Rhyne Ave., Winston-Salem, off Clemmonsville Road. There will be antiques, clothing, general housewares, etc. Rain date: May 12.

### Community Outreach Family Day

The Men's Ministry of Goler Memorial AME Zion Church will present a Community Outreach Family Day on Saturday, May 5, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the church parking lot. There will be a yard sale, fish and chicken plates sale, baked goods sale, games for the children, car inspections, dental care and various entertainment. They will also auction a car and a computer. The church is at 630 N. Patterson Ave. For additional information, contact Fred Philfer at 724-9411.

May 6

### Seasonal Tea

St. James AME Church will sponsor its annual Seasonal Tea on Sunday, May 6, at 6 p.m., featuring vocalists Ronald Hughes, Carlotta Samuels Fleming and others.

Carmen Russell Bonham will be mistress of ceremonies. Shirley W. Carter is chairperson, and the Rev. Mary F. Peterson is pastor. The public is invited. The church is at 1501 Patterson Ave.

### Rev. Bernard Adams to speak

Rev. Bernard Adams from Salem Baptist Church will be the guest speaker Sunday, May 6, at 3 p.m. The program is for the Antioch Christian Church Christian Men Fellowship (CMF). Rev. James A. Gilliam is the pastor.

### Anniversary celebrations

Mount Calvary Holiness Church is celebrating the 12th anniversary of Ruling Elder Wardlow Frazier Sr. and the 56th anniversary of the church. On Sunday, May 6, the celebration will begin at 11:15 a.m. with Overseer Benjamin Brogdon, pastor of Mount Harman of Galax, Va., and at 4 p.m. with Pastor Ray Brooks, pastor of New Light Church of God, High Point.

Mount Calvary is at 1615 E. 22nd Street, Winston-Salem. Wardlow Frazier Sr. is host pastor.

May 9-13

### Women's conference

Miracle Temple Deliverance Church, 3317 Old Lexington Road, Winston-Salem, will hold a women's conference May 9-13. The theme will be "Women of Excellence 2001: Maximizing the Moment."

Prophetess Kaye Specks Winston will be the speaker. Services will be held nightly at 7:30 and Sunday at 11 a.m. Transportation is available. For more information or to schedule van service, call (336) 784-7938, the church office.

Charlie Jenkins Jr. is pastor of Miracle Temple Deliverance Church and Susanna Jenkins is first lady.

May 11

An evening of gospel music, dance, testimonies

Word of Truth Ministry will host an evening of gospel music, expressions of dance and testimonies of deliverance, by the youths of this community. The service will be Friday, May 11, beginning at 7:30 p.m. There will be featured performances by Glenn High School Gospel Choir, East Forsyth Gospel Choir, Grace Assembly Holiness Church Youth Choir and Dance Ensemble, and other area youth groups will attend. We invite other youth groups that would like to participate in this service to call the church with your information. Word of Truth Ministry is at 3806 Community Road. Rev. Pamela Phillips is the host pastor. For more information, call (336) 788-0448.

May 25-27

### Guest Minister

Prophet Tom Morrison with Christian International, Santa Rosa Beach, Fla., will minister at A New Beginning Ministries, 2900 Lomond Street, Winston-Salem, May 25-27: Friday, May 25, at 7:30 p.m. at our School of the Holy Spirit; Saturday, May 26, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at our School for Equipping the Saints; Saturday, May 26, at 7:30 p.m. service; Sunday, May 27, worship service at 10 a.m. at our Winston-Salem location and evening worship service at ANBM Salisbury at 5 o'clock.

Prophet Tom and Diane Morrison minister with an apostolic anointing for helping local churches. They are an anointed team ministry that can preach the Word and prophesy with accuracy. They both are musical and can activate people into worship, warfare praise or prophetic song.

For more information, call (336) 785-2722.

### Other

### Sign language interpreter

Emmanuel Baptist Church serves the hearing impaired and deaf community by offering a sign language interpreter. Eldora Acker Williams, church interpreter, has been signing for Emmanuel for more than 25 years and is available to sign for 11 a.m. service on Sundays. If you are or you know of someone who is deaf or hearing impaired, Emmanuel wishes to include you in its workshop service. For more information, call the church office at (336) 788-7023.

### Join the Friends of S.U.D.S. at the Winston-Salem site

Shaw University is an accredited historical black institution. Worship and grow with experienced and new pastors, elders, Bible class instructors, laymen and women, Christian education leaders and BTU directors, Sunday school superintendents, teachers and leaders, deacons and deaconesses.

Learn from well qualified professors in small class settings. Maintain your full-time job while earning your degree. Flexible scheduling is available to meet individual needs, including Saturdays and week-nights. Financial aid is available for eligible participants.

For additional information and registration, contact Dr. Serenus T. Churn Sr., director, Mt. Zion Baptist Church, (336) 722-2325.

## Grace United Community Church launches official Hispanic Ministry

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

On Sunday, May 6, at 6 p.m., many cultures will come together for the official initiation services of Nueva Armanacena at Grace United Community Church, 406 Northwest Blvd. "Nueva Armanacena," which means Bright Sunrise, is the Hispanic Outreach Mission of Grace and will be under the leadership of Minister Alonzo Andreade and Dr. Darlene Brown.

In keeping with its commitment to be a multicultural center of faith, Pastor Joseph B.



Andreade

Parks and Grace United Church will welcome Nueva Armanacena, Rev. Charles Edwards and the congregation of College Park Baptist Church to its sanctuary for an inspirational time of praise and worship. This service will celebrate this new area of ministry and fellowship between these sisterhoods of faith. Edwards



Perez-Brown

will deliver the message and the music will be provided by College Park Nueva Armanacena and Grace.

Dr. Darlene Brown, a native of Puerto Rico, is an assistant professor of occupational therapy at Winston-Salem State University. She earned her master's degree and Ph.D. from Southwestern Baptist Theologi-

cal and will serve as the coordinator of Hispanic Ministry. Her background in religion and education has well prepared her for her role at Grace. Minister Andreade will serve as the worship leader for the Hispanic services. The services for Nueva Armanacena will be held each Sunday at 5 p.m. at Grace.

Everyone is invited to come and share with Grace United Community Church during this multicultural service. For more information or transportation, call the church office at (336) 721-2500.

## Tracing the spread of Christianity during the early years



Mildred Peppers

### Sunday School Lesson

Lesson Scripture: Acts 13:14-15, 45-52

Lesson Aims: to recognize that spreading the Good News can be painful due to rejection, to appreciate that Jesus is Lord for all, and to commit to share today.

Background: The "Great Commission" found in all four Gospels is stated more in Acts 1:8 and 1 Corinthians 15:6. Before Jesus ascended into heaven all believers were given the task spreading the Good News. This was to begin at home and spread to the ends of the Earth. Jesus came that all humanity (Jews and Gentiles alike) might be saved. The movement began in Jerusalem. Jesus modeled God's plan. First, He preached and taught the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. From there, he shared the message with others.

When the Holy Ghost came to Jerusalem, many people were present and experienced it. However, the Gospel remained primarily in that city for two years under the leadership of Peter. The church grew but it remained a local movement until Philip explained to an Ethiopian Isiah's words. The eunuch was a proselyte (non-Jewish convert) because he had gone to Jerusalem to worship and he was reading Isiah. He and Philip's encounter was in Gaza (Acts 8:26). When God told Philip to go, he was in Samaria. The surrounding area of Jerusalem (Judea and Samaria) was the target area for the next 13 years ("UMI Direction Teacher). Pretty much the new converts went through all of the steps to become Jews (more proselytes).

By the 13th chapter of Acts there was another shift (last week's lesson). The converts in Antioch received Jesus but made no attempt to become Jews. Controversy developed and will last for quite sometime. Barnabas and Paul separated themselves from the believers in Antioch to follow God's command.

The controversy mentioned earlier centered on the thought that the Jews who believed in

Jesus were a bit better than the Gentile believers. They were caught up in "legalism," the law and missed the "spirit of the law." Many arguments developed, but Paul is very successful in the ministry to the Gentiles. Today, we begin to examine Paul's missionary journey.

Lesson: After tasting and praying and hands are laid on Barnabas and Paul, they leave Antioch. Cyprus is the first stop. People their convert, including the Roman governor. In Pisidia, an inland city in Asia Minor, is Paul's next stop. A strong Jewish community exists in this city along with many retired Roman soldiers. On the Sabbath the missionaries attend the synagogue and are invited to share a word of encouragement. Between verses 15 and 42, Paul delivers the powerful message of Jesus.

The people invite them to speak on the very next Sabbath. On the next Sabbath the crowd is larger. The Jews don't like it. Trying to hold onto their way of thinking (they are chosen), the Jews stir up trouble for the missionaries. They attempt to discredit them!

Paul and Barnabas respond boldly to the accusations. Since

the Jews reject God's message of eternal life, their energies will be spent on the Gentiles. The Gentiles rejoice while the Jews stir up more trouble to get them kicked out. The two shake the dust of Pisidia off their feet and move on to Iconium still full of the Holy Ghost.

Application: Tracing the spread of Christianity during the early years fascinates and inspires me. First of all, it doesn't happen over night. Approximately 13 years pass between the coming of the Spirit and Antioch. After Antioch, Paul's journeys lasted some 14 more years. A careful study reveals a pattern to share Jesus. In sharing the Good News oftentimes the establishment (Jewish community) rejects inclusiveness. The Spirit sustains the missionaries.

Plots develop as today, and eventually attempts will be made on their lives. Truth has a way of making people angry because it exposes their world. If taken in the right way, it frees the individual to become the best possible person. God is big enough for all to come to Him. Let's not try to limit Him. He saves us. Surely He can save others.

**RAINBOW CHRISTIAN MINISTRY**  
PRESENTS  
**"WHAT ABOUT THE CHILDREN"**  
ANDERSON CENTER ON THE CAMPUS OF WSSU  
SATURDAY, MAY 5, 2001  
PERFORMANCES AT 4:00 P.M.  
ADMISSION: \$10.00 ATTIRE: CASUAL  
FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:  
BERTHA JONES AT (336) 644-9201 OR  
RACHEL ANTHONY AT (336) 595-6425 OR  
BOBBIE JACKSON AT (336) 454-0353  
RAINBOW CHRISTIAN MINISTRY IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION  
THIS IS A CHRISTIAN DAYCARE FUNDRAISER

**Macedonia Holiness Church Of God Of The Apostolic Faith, Inc.**  
Sunday Services  
Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Radio Broadcast (WAAA 980) ..... 2:00 p.m.  
M.Y.P.U. .... 6:30 p.m.  
Wednesday Services  
Prayer & Bible Study ..... 7:30 p.m.  
4111 Whitfield Drive, Winston-Salem 27105  
Phone: 336-767-3700 \* Fax: 336-767-7006

**Mt. Olive Baptist Church**  
1301 E. Belevs Street  
Winston-Salem, NC 27101  
336-724-5842 or 721-1959  
Listing of Services  
Sunday School 9:30 A.M.  
Worship Service 11:00 A.M.  
Wednesday 12:00 Noon &  
Bible Study 7:00 P.M.  
Pastor & Mrs. C. E. Gray  
"Let God Be God"

**Pentecostal Lighthouse Baptist Church of W-S, Inc.**  
4349 Kernersville Road  
Kernersville, NC 27284  
336-650-0033  
Schedule of Worship Services  
Sunday Morning Worship ..... 8:00 a.m.  
Sunday Evening Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.  
Monday Study Class ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday Bible Study ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Wednesday Children's Choir Rehearsal ..... 5:30 p.m.  
Thursday: Bible Study and Preach Night ..... 7:00 p.m.  
Dr. A. Thomas Griffey, III  
Pastor/Teacher  
"To Love, To Know, To Serve and To Grow God's Kingdom!"

With the Name of Allah, The Most Beneficent, The Most Merciful  
**MASJID AL-MU'MINUN**  
Presents  
**12th Annual Family Unity Day Banquet**  
Guest Speaker  
Rev. Anthony Hines  
New Institutional Baptist Church  
Keynote Speaker  
Imam Faheem Shuaibe  
of Oakland, California  
Donations: Adults \$30.00  
Seniors and Children (under 12) \$20.00  
Entertainment By:  
Vocalist - Ralph Meadows / Poet - Dwight Rodgers  
Saturday, May 12, 2001 at 6:00 p.m.  
Assembly Room LJV Memorial Coliseum  
2825 University Pkwy.

**Upcoming Events**  
**New Hope Missionary Baptist Church**  
1201 New Hope Lane • Winston-Salem, NC 27105  
Rev. John C. Parks, Pastor  
(336) 724-5401  
**Church Events For May**  
May 13  
Mother's Day— 11:00 a.m.  
May 17  
Finance Workshop—"Money Cometh" at 7:00 p.m.  
May 20  
Gospel Explosion at 5:00 p.m.— Rev. Linville  
Piney Grove Baptist Church  
May 27  
New Hope's 50th Church Anniversary at 3:00 p.m.  
Dr. Paul Lowe Jr.— Shiloh Baptist Church  
**"Striving To Make A Difference"**