

Cheryl Ingram has a message for young people – ‘You can make it!’

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To young people who have had hardships or have been told they couldn't make it or thought they couldn't make it – Cheryl Ingram has a message that you can make it, no matter what you've been through.

As a high school dropout, teenage mother and hotel maid, Ingram was the product of a single-parent household. At a very early age, Ingram was often labeled as a "statistic" and told that she would never amount to anything in life. A lot of times people judged her actions without understanding what provoked the actions. We are now finding out that teen-agers are not just "bad" but sometimes the things that they live through and experience cause them to make decisions that sometimes even hurt them. Because teen-agers tend not to share their problems and insecurities with adults, a lot of times there is no one to know how they feel so



Ingram

they lean on their peers. However, we all know that a person who is already dysfunctional cannot help someone else become functional.

Even though the odds were against Ingram, her life changed when she gave her life to the Lord as a teenager. God strategically put people in her life who began to say to her, "You can be anything!" She listened and obeyed those people. Soon, she began to see herself out of the eyes of God and the people who believed in her. And God allowed her to have major accomplishments in her life. Ingram has been married to Pastor Byron Ingram for 21 years. They have three sons, Bryant Gentry, Elmo Gentry and Joshua

Ingram. She gives God all the glory. She is now a pastor, homeowner, day-care business owner and keynote speaker. She has earned A+ computer networking certification, which makes her a personal computer technician.

On May 11 at 7:30 p.m. at Wait Chapel of Wake Forest University, Ingram will graduate with high honors from Forsyth Technical Community College with an associate degree in information systems and a diploma in computer programming. While pursuing her degree, she maintained a 4.0 GPA, was placed on the President's List and was inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society.

Ingram says that she could not have done it all if it had not been for her "El Shaddai" – her God that is more than enough.

She wants all teens to know that if God can do it for her, He can do it for them.

St. Philips Moravian will observe its 179th anniversary

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On Sunday, May 6, 4:30 p.m., St. Philips Moravian Church will observe its 179th anniversary and 34 years at its present location. This observance will feature a love feast and musical selections by a joint choir, under the direction of Evon Reid.

The quest speaker will be the Rev. Dr. Brad Ronnell Braxton, Rhodes Scholar, Oxford University, Jessie Ball DuPont Assistant Professor of Homiletics and Biblical Studies at the Divinity School at Wake Forest University. Braxton is a graduate of the University of Virginia in Charlottesville and received his master of philosophy



Rev. Dr. Braxton

degree from Oxford University in Oxford, England. He holds a Ph.D. degree in New Testament studies from Emory University in Atlanta, Ga.

Before his professorship at Wake Forest University, Braxton served as senior pastor of Douglas Memorial Community Church in Baltimore, Md. The Virginia native was an associate pastor at Greater Piney Grove Baptist Church in Atlanta.

His sermons have been published in numerous publications.

St. Philips is one of the nation's oldest black Moravian churches. It is also believed to be the oldest surviving black congregation still in continuous existence in the South.

The original 1822 brick structure is no longer being used as a church, but the building is now being restored. It is located on South Church Street in Old Salem. St. Philips Church is significant for more than historical reasons. It is still a place of worship and Christian love.

The public is invited. The church is at 3002 Bon Air Ave. Cedric S. Rodney is the pastor.

Minister McCloud to speak at Friendship Baptist Church

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Minister Velma McCloud will deliver the Mother's Day message at the 11 a.m. worship service at Friendship Baptist Church on Sunday, May 13.

McCloud is a native of Reidsville. She is a graduate of Booker T. Washington High School, Winston-Salem State University (B.A. in English) and N.C. A&T University (M.A. in English and Afro-American literature). McCloud recently retired from Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools, where she taught at West

Forsyth High School.

McCloud serves as an associate minister at Piney Grove Baptist Church, where she is superintendent of the Sunday School Ministry, a member of the Missionary Department, Intercessory Prayer Team and Daughters of Hannah women's fellowship group.

During the Mother's Day service at Friendship Baptist, there will be special presentations to mothers. A reception to honor the mothers of Friendship will take place after the morning worship service. The church is at 13th and Cherry streets in Winston-Salem.



Minister McCloud

Zion Memorial Baptist to host the 48th Annual Missionary Mass Meeting

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The Forsyth County Missionary Union comprising 27 Baptist churches in Winston-Salem and Forsyth County will sponsor its 48th Annual Missionary Mass Meeting at 3 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Zion Memorial Baptist Church.

The union's senior, young adult and youth departments, dressed in white attire, will march from Mars Hill Baptist Church beginning at 2:30 p.m. en route to Zion Memorial.

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The service is held each year on the first Sunday in May to collectively worship, fellowship and generate funds for the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention of North Carolina.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Jones, pastor of Zion Memorial, will deliver the message. The Missionary Mass Choir, under the direction of Gail Couthen, will render music.

All churches are welcome to

join in the

service. Mrs. Bronnie Harris Daniels is president of the Union. Ruby Cain directs the young adult department and Priscilla Dixon is youth director.



Rev. Dr. Jones

Group meets at St. Mark Baptist Church

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The Interdenominational Ministers' Wives and Widows of Winston-Salem and Vicinity held the usual meeting at St. Mark Baptist Church, with Susan Jenkins, president, presiding. The Education Committee was the program presenter for the evening.

Present at the meeting were: Hattie Fulwood, Shirley Wright, Susan Jenkins, Delois Griffley, Susie Drayton, Virginia Cockerham, Shirley Damon, Geraldine Moore, Ethel Thomas, Jessie Hodges, Pauline Moore, Cythina Wooten, Mattie Walker, Dora Martin, Andrea Adams, Althea

Jones, Anita Gilliam, Velma Fluit, Annie Lewis, Doris Smith, Venus Heary, Dorothy Patterson, Fannie Bonham, Andrea Rordy, Barbara Allen, and visiting wives were Kay Williams and Wythene Palmer.

Susan Jenkins was hostess for the night.

Group goes to Charleston for annual retreat seminar

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The Interdenominational Ministers' Wives journeyed to Charleston, S.C., for an annual retreat seminar, by motorcoach of Holiday Tours.

The wives toured Boone Hall Plantation and Magnolia Plantation and Gardens. It proved inter-

esting and informative, with much learning about some of the conditions and ways our slave foreparents had to live. The wives saw and heard stories, more than 300 years of American history. Seeing and handling some of the artifacts of the slaves were learning experiences that will remain a long time.

The wives took a boat ride to the island of Fort Sumter. Fort Sumter is known for the first act of war in the Civil War.

The workshops of the wives were held in the evenings, over coffee, tea and snacks, with Althea Taylor Jones, Ph.D., as the facilitator.



The senior members of Goler Memorial AME Zion were recently honored for their years of Christian service at a Senior Gala held at the Benton Convention Center. This was part of the Winston-Salem District of the AME Church's Christian education department. Goler members were honored for two to 50-plus years of service. Betty Bowman is the head of the education department for Goler Memorial. The church is at 630 N. Patterson Ave. and Rev. Seth O. Lartey is the pastor.

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