

# RELIGION

## Holy Party

BET will air its second annual Gospel Celebration next week. The event will feature some of today's hottest gospel music artists as well as some pop and R&B artists with a penchant for the genre. At right is Steve Harvey, who will host the event, with Kirk Franklin. Below are the members of Destiny's Child, who grew up singing gospel. The show will air Feb. 19.



Dr. Seth O. Lartey

## Lartey to address Leadership Observance at New Bethel Baptist

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Dr. Seth O. Lartey, pastor of Goler Memorial AME Zion Church, will return for a second year to address the 28th annual Leadership Observance at New Bethel Baptist Church on Sunday, Feb. 17, at 4 p.m. The observance is sponsored by the deacons, trustees and their spouses. Lartey will be accompanied by his choirs and congregation.

For the past nine years, Lartey, a native of Liberia, has pastored Goler Memorial. He is a graduate of undergraduate schools in West Africa. He received a bachelor of arts degree in education from Livingstone College and a master's degree from Duke University Divinity School. He has completed additional studies and received a doctoral degree from Hood Theological Seminary.

Lartey is very active in the community and the AME Zion Conference. He is a co-chair of the Goler Community Development Corp. and is spearheading

the Goler Renaissance Project. Most recently, Lartey received a message from God: "Your dream is not under attack; it's about to be born."

Lartey is married to Jacqueline Williams Lartey and is the proud father of three children, Solomon, Alicia and Victoria.

Others appearing on the program will be: presiding, Trustee Daniel Piggott Sr.; Scripture, Mrs. Nira Robinson; prayer, Deacon Cleveland Griffin; welcome, Deacon Thomas Thornton; introduction of speaker, Diane Piggott; recognition of visitors, Trustee Joseph Bartley; special honors and recognition, Trustee Wesley Curtis and Cynthia Curtis; and remarks by pastor, Dr. Jerry Drayton.

The deacons and trustees first sponsored the Leadership Observance in 1975. This program and the annual prayer breakfast, sponsored by the deaconess and trustee spouses, are the first programs sponsored by Outreach Auxiliaries each year.

## Emmanuel Baptist Church gives stroke screenings to 75

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The Senior Nurses Board of Emmanuel Baptist Church in conjunction with Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center, sponsored a stroke screening on Saturday, Feb. 2, at the church.

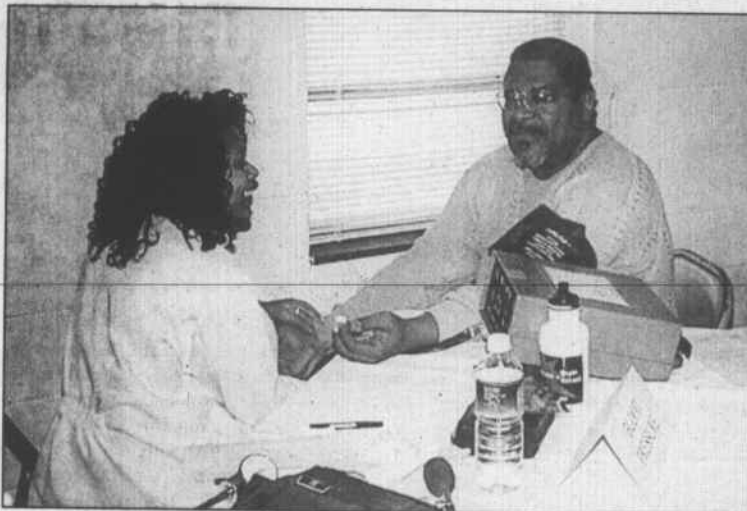
About 75 people were screened for risk factors associated with stroke.

They had their cholesterol, blood pressure and blood glucose checked. Counseling was provided to everyone. Special instructions were given to high-risk individuals.

Rev. Dr. John Mendez is the pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church. Wandella Ridgill is the president of the Nurses Board, and Eliza

beth Newton coordinated the stroke screening program. Other members of the Nurses Board are: Agnes Andrews, Esther Boulevard, Annie Fulton, Shirley Green, Betty Hairston, Priscilla Jenkins, Dana Johnson, Rosetta Joyner, Janet Johnson, Delois Latenel, Sulula Presnell, Henrietta Ratley, Sebrina Scott and Cynthia Tart.

Rev. Dr. John Mendez gets his blood pressure checked by Kimberly Alston, R.N.



## UPCOMING CHURCH HAPPENINGS

**Feb. 16**  
*'Multi-affair event' planned at New Birth Worship Center*

New Birth Worship Center's Scholarship Committee and youths will have their first "multi-affair event" Feb. 16 from 4-6 p.m. There will be a black history program honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a fashion and talent show (a mystery model will participate in the fashion show), a love auction to purchase arts and crafts, and baked goods and canned items. Dr. James L.E. Hunt is the pastor. The church is at 9619 Hwy. 67 in East Bend. Everyone is invited to join us for an evening of spiritual excitement and fellowship.

**Feb. 17**  
*New Trinity Baptist will present black history program*

On Feb. 17 at 3 p.m., New Trinity Baptist Church will present its annual black history program. The guest speaker will be Shirley Mosely of radio station 90.5 (WSNC). Church members also will participate. The public is invited to attend this program and all other services at the church. Renee Brown Fulton is the coordinator of the program. The church is at 1240 E. 22nd Street. For more information, call 723-1532.

*New Jerusalem Baptist will celebrate church, pastor's anniversaries*

New Jerusalem Baptist Church will celebrate its 56th church anniversary and the pastor's 23rd anniversary on Sunday, Feb. 17. The 11 a.m. service will begin with Rev. Samuel Cornelius.

The 3 p.m. service will be with the Rev. K.R. Lilly of Mars Hill Baptist Church in Winston-Salem. The 7 p.m. service will be with Bishop T.R. Rice of Mercy Seat Holiness Church.

Everyone is invited. The church is at 1212 N. Dunleith Ave.

*True Temple Holiness Church of God will have an auxiliary kick-off service*

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on Feb. 17 at 4 p.m. The speakers will be Deacon Sam Wilson, Deacon Patrick Hauser and Brother Garland Turner, all of the church. They will speak on unity. All are welcome to come. The church is at 1232 Mint Street. For more information, call 748-0965.

**Feb. 18**

*St. Stephen M.B. will offer series of workshops and lectures*

The Christian education department of St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church will offer "The Objectives of Christian Education in the Church." The four-day series of workshops and lectures will be held Feb. 18-21 at 6:30 p.m. and will be followed by lectures at 7:35 p.m. This dynamic

series is free and open to the public. Presenters for the workshops will be Rev. James Lewis, Rev. Connie Robinson, Rev. Carlton Eversley, Rev. William Fails and Rev. J.D. Ballard. St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church is at 5000 Noble Street. Rev. J.R. Samuels is the pastor.

**Feb. 22**

*Friday Night Special*

On Friday, Feb. 22, the Calvary Hill Church of Greater Deliverance and Judah Praise and Worship Center will hold its Friday Night Special at Judah Praise and Worship Center. The service will begin at 7 p.m. The guest speaker will be Minister Stewart. The Pastor of Judah Praise and Worship Center is Elder

Ricky A. Pouncey. The church is at 2411 Urban Street, Winston-Salem. For more information call 721-3290.

**Feb. 23**

*"The Negro Artist and the Racial Mountain"*

The African American History Committee 2002 and the Board of Christian Education of Emmanuel Baptist Church will host a centennial celebration to honor Langston Hughes' birthday (Feb. 1, 1902) on Saturday, Feb. 23, from 2-4 p.m. at the church. The topic will be based on an essay by Hughes, "The Negro Artist and the Racial Mountain," published in The Nation in 1926.

Appearing on the dis-