

Parks to be consecrated as bishop

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History is being made in the International True Vine Churches of Deliverance. Apostle Sylvester Davis Johnson, international presiding prelate/chief apostle, and the International True Vine Churches of Deliverance College of Bishops



Rev. Parks

John Cecil Parks to the

invite you to attend the Episcopal Consecration of the Right Rev. office of bishop and jurisdictional presiding prelate of ecumenical affairs.

Parks has been the pastor of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church for the last 10 years. In his new office as a bishop and under the guidance of Apostle Johnson, Bishop Parks will assume responsi-

bility for ecumenical affairs for non-Pentecostal churches under his jurisdiction.

The consecration service will be July 26 at 7:30 p.m. at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 1201 New Hope Lane. The public is invited. For more information, contact the church at (336) 724-5401.

Session will convene at Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church on July 21

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The Eighth General Session and 113th Session of the High Point Educational and Missionary Association Inc. will convene at Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, on Heitman Drive, July 21-26.

Sunday's session will open with a service at 6 p.m. with voices from Youth and Children's Trac 2002 and guest messenger Rev. Dr. Leonzo D. Lynch, General Baptist State Convention.

Also planned:
 • Monday - usher auxiliary, president address, Bro. Clyde E. Scales; guest messenger Dr. James W. Fisher, St. Paul Baptist, Greensboro.

• Tuesday - Sunday school, president address, Rev. Leon Oglesby; guest messenger Rev. Calvin Rannels, First Calvary Baptist, Winston-Salem;

• Wednesday - missionary, president address, Sis. Nancy Wallington-Perry; guest messenger Rev. Reginald Kellam, Sharon Baptist, Stoneville.

• Thursday - greetings, Dr. Archie Logan, General Baptist State Convention; moderator's address, Dr. J.T. Walker, Jones Chapel Baptist Church, Reidsville.

• Friday - Youth and Children Trac 2002.

Each day will be filled with learning, praising and preaching. Come and enjoy these days.

God forgives us; we must forgive others

Lesson Scripture: Psalm 32

Lesson Aims: to cite the elements of God's forgiveness, to recognize that sin puts them in a miserable state, and to always be willing to forgive others.

Background: Our lesson today comes from one of the "penitential" psalms (6, 32, 38, 51, 102, 130, 143). Don't let this term floor you; it simply means to "be truly sorrowful." Often the word contrite (deep, crushing sorrow) is used. To fully appreciate Psalm 32 you must read 51 first. We know the story of David and Bathsheba. It was only after the prophet Nathan confronted him that he acknowledged his sin. Read II Samuel 11 and 12 for the most intriguing story and the hope it offers. David penned Psalms 51 and 32 after this incident.

Psalms 32 and 42 are also considered instructional (maschil) because they teach others how to approach God.

Lesson: David asks for for-



Mildred Peppers

Sunday School Lesson

giveness (51) and experiences great joy when God grants it.

The introduction is very similar to the Beatitudes. Happiness and relief come in knowing that God forgives the penitent. How comforting it is to know that sin will not count against you. Please note that David does not say that the consequences of sin are no more. He describes the guilt and misery that occur because he would not acknowledge his sin.

"Your hand was heavy upon me" usually meant that a serious illness would come (New Jerome Biblical Commentary). Consider

his state of mind after Uriah died. Confession to God gives David a hiding place. He admonishes believers to quickly seek forgiveness of sins before more dangers occur. Isaiah 55:6, written three centuries later, echoes that same idea. David's safe haven is in God alone! He is wiser now than before and offers advice to others. His instructions are to remain humble and follow God because He alone knows the way. Avoid the anguish and learn from him. David shouts with joy and is relieved now that God has forgiven. He promised God that he would instruct others (51) to seek His forgiveness and rejoice in the fellowship.

Application: Joy exists

because of freedom. Sin binds and causes pain, misery, depression and anxiety. When the sin is not acknowledged the aforementioned states are heightened. David experienced all of this before Nathan's visit. He confesses and repents. The Lord is just to forgive. We also have experienced the discomforts of sin. For relief God offers His forgiveness so that we are no longer bound to that sin. We rejoice in the victory over evil.

There are times that we need to forgive others. Don't be arrogant; God forgives us; we must forgive others. We are to take the high road in some instances and go to the person(s) when we aren't the culprits. Humility is the aim but if we aren't careful our arrogance will make us act like animals (verse 9). God wants to forgive and reconcile us back to Him. His willingness to forgive isn't a license to sin. He knows our hearts! When forgiveness comes, our burdens are lifted and we get a new lease on life.

Take someone to Sunday school with you.

Trinity Center receives \$30,000 grant

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Trinity Center Inc. recently received a \$30,000 grant from the Winston-Salem Foundation to support its fund-raising efforts.

"This grant will go a long way toward helping us meet our financial goals," said Ann Dixon Coppage, the executive director.

"It illustrates that kind of community support that keeps programs such as the Trinity Center viable."

The grant will be used to match donations from new and existing donors. The funds are made available from the General Fund (A) and the Emma Jane Skinner Fund

Founded in 1982, Trinity Center Inc. is a full-service counseling and spiritual-formation center based on an ecumenical tradition. It meets the needs of the community by providing counseling, psychiatry and educational programming for individuals, families and businesses. The Winston-Salem Founda-

tion is a community foundation that supports charitable programs in Greater Forsyth County. It was founded in 1919 by Colonel Francis Fries with a \$1,000 gift and now administers more than 850 funds with total custodial assets of more than \$210 million. In 2001, \$18.2 million was awarded.

Winbush

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Christ as his personal savior on Aug. 27, 1995. He said that through the teaching and preaching of Rev. Gray, he's been able to see the errors of his past, battle through current trials and grow as a person and soldier for Christ.

While active on the campus of Winston-Salem State University, Winbush was involved with the student government association, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Beta Theta Sigma National Honor Society, Corporate Partners Program and other extracurricular activities. In 1997 he graduated cum laude from Winston-Salem State University with a degree in management information systems.

In that same year, he married his sweetheart of six years, Erin Williams of Pittsburgh, Pa., at Mount Olive Baptist Church. (Rev. Charles Gray officiated.) Now, the two have been blessed with two handsome and lovely sons, Devon and Jonathan.

Mr. Winbush serves on the Junior Deacon Board of Mount Olive Baptist



Marc Winbush and family

Church. He is the co-adviser to his undergraduate fraternity chapter at Winston-Salem State University and chairperson of educational activities for the graduate chapter, Omicron Gamma Lambda in Kernersville. He serves on the board of directors for the Northwest Child Development

Council, as well as a parent representative for his youngest son's day care center. He is involved in the classroom activities of his older son as well.

Mr. Winbush has been employed with GMAC Insurance since graduation from WSSU and now holds the position of telecommunications analyst.

Winbush enjoys a closer walk with his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and is working hard to become a better person to build a strong and happy future for his wife, sons and extended family. He definitely cherishes the time he has to play with his little sons and he raises them with his lovely

wife every day!

If you asked Mr. Winbush what he thought of his life now, he would tell you his future is bright and he's thankful the Lord has saved him and is continually blessing and sustaining him, that he may be a blessing to others.

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Church Events For July

Worship Services	Joy Night Services
July 7th - 4:00 p.m. Men's Day Bishop John Heath Higher Ground Deliverance	July 11th - 7:30 p.m. Pastor Eugene Kirby Bethlehem Holiness Church
July 14th - 4:00 p.m. Gospel Explosion Pastor Waddell Cochran Pleasant Abyssinia Baptist Church	July 25th - 7:30 p.m. Elder Edmond Kimberly Park Holiness Church
Coming Soon	
July 21st - 4:00 p.m. Hospitality Ministry Day Pastor Dennis Bishop First Waugetown Baptist Church	2002 "Summer Revival" 2002 "Empowered To Win" 2002 "Holy Ghost Jubilee"

The Word & You 9:30 a.m.
 Devotional Service 10:45 a.m.
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