

# RELIGION

## CALENDAR

Dec. 1

*Alumni Assoc. meeting*

Ephesus Junior Academy Alumni Association's monthly meetings are held every 4th Sunday at 12 noon. There will be a membership drive and Christmas party Dec. 1 at Sunset at 908 Rich Ave. Bring your favorite Christmas carol and dish for fellowship. Join before Dec. 31 and your name will be placed on plaque as a chapter member. The annual fee is \$12 or \$100 for a lifetime membership. Brenda Lyles is the treasurer. For further information call 724-1598.

Dec. 2

*Chapel Choir's 115th anniversary*

Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, where Rev. Sherwood T. Davis Sr. is the pastor is presenting its Chapel Choir and the Greater First Baptist Church Sanctuary Choir of High Point in concert on Sunday, Dec. 2, 5 p.m. at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church. This concert will observe the Chapel Choir's 115th Anniversary and the Christmas Season. The public is invited to attend this celebration. The church is located at 495 NW Crawford Pl. For directions or transportation requests, call the church office at 725-9623.

*Choir concert*

Holy Trinity FGB Church invites the public to its Choir Concert 2007 on Sunday, Dec. 2 at 5 p.m. The theme is "It's not about us! But about Jesus!" For more information, call 744-9293.

*Dunbar to preach at Faith Unity*

The Rev. James Dunbar, a minister of St. John CME Church, will deliver the 11 a.m. sermon Sunday Dec. 2 at Faith Unity Missionary Church. Pastor Nathaniel P. J. Williams, Jr. is the host pastor with Associate Pastor Wanda H. Williams. The church is located in the chapel of Masonic Lodge Prince Hall at 1025 E. 14 St. Everyone is cordially invited to come and hear Rev. Dunbar as he brings God's Word on this first Sunday of Advent.

*Sunday Morning Breakfast*

The public is invited to join the Holy Trinity Full Gospel Baptist Church family every first and third Sunday at 8:30 a.m. for a good, hot breakfast. You will be fed sufficiently and served eloquently with both physical and spiritual bread. You are also invited to join them in their morning worship service, after which you will receive a goodie bag to take with you. Holy Trinity Full Gospel Baptist Church is located at 651 Akron Dr. Limited transportation is provided at the Bethesda Center at 8 a.m. For more information, call 744-9293.

*Male Chorus anniversary*

The members of the Male Chorus of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church will observe their anniversary on Dec. 2 at 3:30 p.m. The church is at 1711 N. Claremont Ave. For more information call 336-723-1297.

Dec. 4

*Chapel service*

Wake Forest University Divinity School will have a chapel service on Tuesday, Dec. 4 at 11 a.m. in Davis Chapel on the Reynolda Campus. The speaker will be Erin Gordon, a student at Wake Forest University Divinity School. The service is part of the regular Divinity School chapel series and is open to the public. This will be the final chapel service of the year. For more information call 758-5121 or visit [www.wfu.edu/divinity](http://www.wfu.edu/divinity).

Beginning Dec. 6

*Walk the Labyrinth at St. Timothy's*

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church will have a labyrinth available for walking meditation from Thursday, Dec. 6 through Monday, Dec. 10. The labyrinth is provided by the Winston-Salem Labyrinth Project, and will be located in Drake Hall, the church's fellowship hall. The schedule is as follows: weekdays from 5:30 - 8 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; and Sunday from 2 - 5 p.m. For more information contact the church office at 765-0294, or visit St. Timothy's Web site at <http://sttimothy.ws/>.

Dec. 7

*Family musical at First Presbyterian*

The Piedmont Opera is presenting its annual holiday classic, "Amahl and the Night Visitors" on Dec. 7 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 8 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church located on the corner of Second and Cherry streets. The production will be preceded by a festive program of holiday music performed by the Winston-Salem Children's Chorus under the direction of Barbara Beattie. The musical, sung in English, features glorious music, colorful costumes, amusing characters and singing and dancing. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for children. Call 724-3202 for more information.

Dec. 9

*Deitrich Buxtehude concert*

On a Sunday afternoon, as the sun sets, Dr. John Shannon will present a concert of music by Deitrich Buxtehude. The program which takes place on Dec. 9, at 4:30 p.m. will celebrate the 300th anniversary of the composer's death in 1707. The concert includes examples of many of the styles of Buxtehude's compositions. Included on the program will be a short cantata, "In Dulci Jubilo" featuring singers from St. Timothy's choir. St. Timothy's Episcopal Church is located at 2575 Parkway Dr. A reception will follow after the program to honor Dr. Shannon for his untiring support of music. Call 765-0294 for more information or e-mail Kristin Farmer, music director at [kfarmerstim@bellsouth.net](mailto:kfarmerstim@bellsouth.net).

## Church gives \$30,000 to St. Aug

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Trinity Missionary Baptist Church, of Pontiac, Mich., recently contributed \$30,000 to Saint Augustine's College during its annual "Black College Sunday" Celebration. The donation, accepted in person, by Saint Augustine's College President Dr. Dianne Boardley Suber, will support the College's Capital Campaign.

Under the direction of Senior Pastor Dr. Drew E. Marshall, Trinity is entering its 15th year of supporting Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

"It's very refreshing to know that a church hundreds of miles away with no real connection to Saint Augustine's College has shown this type of support. They are true examples of African American Philanthropy," said Dr. Suber.



Dr. Suber

## The Tradition Continues at First Baptist

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

First Baptist Church on Highland Avenue plans to resume its Christmas tradition this year by presenting its Outdoor Live Nativity Pageant.

The pageant will be presented on the church lawn Dec. 7 and 8 from 7-8:30 p.m., by disciples of the congregation, under the direction of the Women's Progressive Club.

The Outdoor Live Nativity Pageant has been a tradition at First Baptist, and members of the Women's Progressive Club decided to resume this tradition in the memory of Louise Smith, the director of the pageant since its inception in 1963. Smith was also a member of the church's Women's Progressive Club.

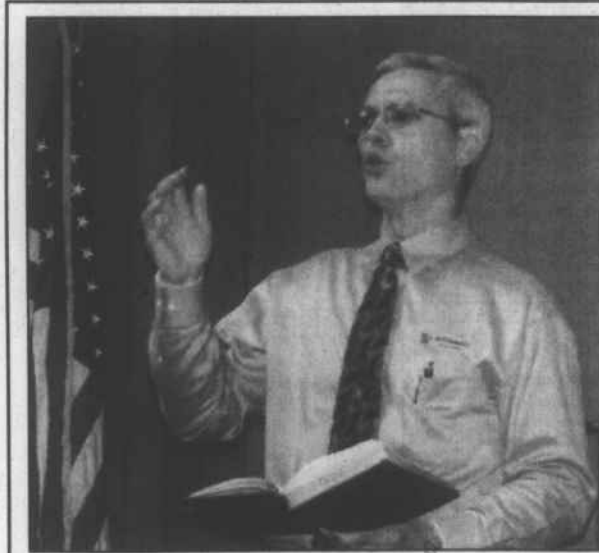
During the 1960's, Highland Avenue and the surrounding area was mostly a residential area, along with some businesses and the Kate B. Reynolds Hospital was across the street. Crowds came to see the pageant and traffic had to be directed by police officers. However, the audience number began decreasing with urban renewal. It is hoped that community interest and support will be revitalized.

The pageant will consist of three scenes, each lasting about 30 minutes. The costumes for the pageant were designed by Rev. Mary Coleman of Emmanuel Baptist Church. Taped Christmas carols will provide the background music, and the Rev. Glen Pettiford, Assistant Pastor, of First Baptist Church, will provide the narration.

The Outdoor Live Nativity Pageant at First Baptist will be free and open to the public. The church is located at 700 North Highland Avenue.



The Outdoor Live Nativity Pageant has been staged at the church for decades.



### SPIRITED SELECTION

File Photo

Chaplain Lou Carrico of the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission leads a crowd of several dozen in the singing of the "Battle Hymn of the Republic" during a recent Veterans Day program.

## N.C. area churches will meet

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The North Carolina Area of The Northwestern District of the Holiness Church of God, Inc.'s quarterly meeting began Nov. 27 and is continuing through Dec. 2 at Kimberly Park Holiness Church located at 1640 S.M. Caesar Dr. Elder Robert R Edmond, Jr is the host pastor, and Overseer Eugene Kirby, Jr is the presiding official.

The theme for this quarter's session is taken from Isaiah 9:6: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a Son is given and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, the Everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace."

During the week, the evening services begin at 7:30 p.m. The Sunday service will be held at 4 p.m.

The speakers and the congregations in charge of the services are as follows: Tuesday night, Elder Robert R Edmond, Jr with Kimberly Park Holiness Church; Wednesday night, Overseer Roy C. Alston with Miracle Temple Holiness Church of High Point; Thursday night, Ruling Elder Wardlow Frazier, Sr. with Mt. Calvary Holiness Church; and Friday night, Bishop James Ijames and Mt. Zion Holiness Church. There will be a business meeting on Saturday at 12 p.m. at Kimberly Park Holiness Church. Overseer Kirby with Bethlehem Holiness Church will end the quarterly meeting on Sunday.

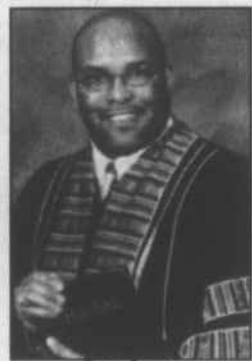
The members of the NCANW District choir are expected to sing nightly in conjunction with the assigned church choir. The services are open to the public and all are invited to attend.

## Revival services to begin Monday

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Mount Zion Baptist Church extends an invitation to the community to join them for Advent Revival Services at the church, Dec. 3-7. Each night guest ministers and their congregations will travel to Mount Zion to take part in joint worship and praise services beginning with devotions at 7 p.m. and preaching at 7:30 p.m.

Dr. Serenus T. Churn Sr., the pastor at Mount Zion, cited the reason for the Advent Revival at Mount Zion. "During this holy time we are to prepare our hearts for the coming of the Christ Child. As we contemplate the blessed birth, the church must take



Rev. Jones

the lead in helping to turn the attention of the world from commercialism to praise, from greed to sincere rejoicing."

The schedule of churches coming to Mount Zion for the worship services is:

Greater First United Church of High Point on Monday, Dec. 3, with Rev. William Fails. Dr. John Mendez and the members of Emmanuel Baptist Church will lead the services on Tuesday, Dec. 4. Services on Wednesday, Dec. 5, will be lead by Dr. Kendall Jones, pastor of New Bethel Baptist Church. On Thursday, Dec. 6, Dr. Nathan Scovens and members of Galilee Missionary Baptist Church will worship at Mount Zion. Rev. Ray Watlington and members of Christian Fountain Church will conduct the concluding services on Friday, December 7.

Mount Zion Baptist Church is located at 950 File St.