

RELIGION

CALENDAR

Jan. 19

Youth drama project

God's Chosen Generation Youth Ministry of Beulah Baptist Church is sponsoring a play entitled "It Is Love Isn't It," directed by Beth Abernathy and presented by Family Services, Inc./Teens 4 Change Initiative. The drama about teen relationships will be held at the church Jan. 19 at 4 p.m. There is no charge for admission and everyone is invited to attend. Beulah Baptist Church is located at 1352 N. Trade St. The Pastor is Rev. L. Bruce Ford. Call for more information at 336-722-2907. •

Clothing closet

Kimberly Park Holiness Church will open its clothing closet to the public Saturday, Jan. 19 from 12 - 1 p.m. All clothes, including coats and shoes are free. For more information, contact the church at 723-8001. Wanda Greene is coordinator for the Clothing Ministry.

Brunch at Goodwill Baptist

Goodwill Baptist Church, Inc. invites you and two friends to come to their Daughters of Deborah Ministry "Sistas on the Move" Brunch on Saturday, Jan. 19, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. The brunch will be held at the church, 548 Goodwill Rd. in Clemmons. The Rev. P.A. Samuels is senior pastor. For more information, call 336-764-3930 or www.goodwillbaptistchurch.org.

Employment issues addressed

Are you unemployed or underemployed? Worried about your future? Facing hiring issues because of age, disability or gender? Those topics and more will be covered by experts in their field on Saturday, Jan. 19, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Winston Salem First Assembly of God located at 3730 University Parkway. For more information call Norma at 759-8014. There is no cost for the seminar, but registration is required.

Jan. 20

Celebration service

The public is invited to attend Celebration 2007 on Jan. 20 at 4:30 p.m. in the Dennis W. Bishop Full Life Center. This is a special celebration service held annually to honor their new members for the year, new converts, and graduates of the new members/new convert classes. The word of God will be delivered by Dennis W. Bishop, Sr., pastor. The center is at 838 Moravia St.

Rev. Bishop

Breakfast at church

On Sunday, Jan. 20, at 8:30 a.m. Holy Trinity Full Gospel Baptist Church, 651 Akron Dr. is inviting the public to join them for breakfast and for their morning worship. The Sunday morning breakfast takes place every first and third Sunday of the Month. Call 744-9293 for more information.

Sunday School Union meeting

The Forsyth County Sunday School Union will be meeting on Sunday, Jan. 20, at 1:30 p.m. at Dreamland Park Baptist Church. Sunday School staff and personnel are invited to attend. For more information contact Rodney E. McCormick, Forsyth County Sunday School Union Corresponding Secretary at 788-0515.

Beginning Jan. 20

Floodgate revival

Unity Cathedral C.O.G.I.C. International will hold a Floodgate Revival on Sunday Jan. 20 and Monday Jan. 21. Services will begin at 7 p.m. nightly at 3780 Carver School Rd. The guest speaker will be Pastor J. Gatlin of Swannanoa, N.C. Host pastor is Bishop K.J. Rogers. For additional information call 473-9976.

Jan. 25

Year of Open Gate

The Gate City Family Worship Center invites the public to come for

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Dancers perform as singers lift their voices.

Jam-packed Watch Night Service held at Holy Trinity

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Holy Trinity Full Gospel Baptist Church hosted its annual Watch Night Service on Monday, Dec. 31.

Beginning at 10 p.m., members and friends gathered in the sanctuary of the church for the worship and praise service.

Min. Joseph Miller gave the call to worship. Then the praise team led the congregation in songs. As they sang, praise dancers performed. After a few songs, the testimonial portion of the service was opened, giving anyone an opportunity to express their thoughts, love, gratitude and appreciation to Jesus Christ.

One after another, hands ascended in the air for the opportunity to tell of God's goodness. The praise team continued to sing songs in between the testimonies.

The program also featured a look back at 2007 with a slide presentation from the Media/Publication Ministry. Min. Shelba Jeter performed a comedy routine. His jokes included topics such as politics and church etiquette, all of which kept the crowd in a laughing uproar.

The Poetic Ministry featured the mother/daughter duo, Teir and Jennica

Autery. After they performed, a dance selection, "Jesus," was ministered by the A.B.C. (Anointed by Christ) and J.A.M. (Jesus and Me) dance ministries.

Pastor Richard Miller Sr. then graced the pulpit to encourage the crowd with the words that God had given to him. He stated that "as we walk out of 2007 and into 2008, we have to recognize that it's time to make a radical change."

Quickly elaborating on those words, he stated that there was little that people could do as they watched 2007 end.

"We can't fix anything that happened in 2007. But we can be determined that we are not going to make the same mistakes going forward," he said. "We have to make up in our minds that we are going to make a radical change."

When the clock indicated that it was a new day and a new year, the congregation celebrated. Everyone then participated in

a communion service after receiving a powerful prayer from Co-Pastor Ernestine Miller. Following communion, everyone gathered in the fellowship hall to share in a breakfast served by the H.U.G. Ministry.



Pastor Miller

Min. Ronee Walker will be ordained Sunday

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Min. Ronee Walker will be ordained Sunday, Jan. 20 at Exodus United Baptist Church. The service will be at 4 p.m. A reception with light refreshments will follow.

In 1999, inspired by the call from God, Minister Ronee, as she is known, accepted Christ as her personal savior and began using her gifts and talents to uplift Jesus.

"God has a purpose and plan for each of us. When we live according to His word, we will hear from God!" Walker says. "He wants us to have peace of mind, prosperity, abundant joy and every desire of our heart. He wants us to love each other and be cheerful givers of our time, talent and resources. We must learn to wait on God and be as patient with one another, as He is with us."

Formerly, the chairperson of the Liturgical Dance Ministry at the

Greater Cleveland Avenue Christian Church, where she had also been a member of the Women of Purpose Choir and the Women of Purpose

Ministry. She embarked on a concept of bringing individuals and dance ministries together to form Sister's of the Dance in 2003. The Sister's ensemble's sole purpose was to uplift

God and enlighten His people on the gift of dance as a viable ministry. The group conducted workshops for those interested in learning the basic principles of praising the Lord through dance and movement.



Min. Walker

In addition, in 2004 she founded The First Ten, a not-for-profit ministry that gave away new coats to children in need.

A professionally trained performer, Minister Ronee is an alumnus of The American Academy of Dramatic Arts in Hollywood, Calif., and the Weiss Barron School of Commercials and Soap Opera Acting in New York City. She made her film debut in 1985 in the USA Network's film, "Welcome to the Neighborhood," a controversial film about the lack of "communication" arising from a Black family moving into an all-white neighborhood.

In 1990, she was cast as "Dimpe" in "The Best Christmas Ever," which is now available on home video. In 1991, she performed as a featured dancer on the internationally renowned "Benny Bell's African

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Pastor Jessup

Couples to speak about marriage

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Marriage Enrichment Ministry of Calvary Hill Church of Greater Deliverance Inc. will present "A New Beginning in Him Marriage Conference 2008."

The conference is slated to start tomorrow, Jan. 18, at Calvary Hill, which is located at 4951 Manning St.

Tomorrow, the presenters will be Pastor Shannon and Lady Shannon Jessup of Second New Bethel Baptist Church.

The conference will conclude on Saturday, Jan. 19, with Pastor Tejado and Minister Victoria Hanchell of Mt. Calvary Holy Church.

Services will be held at 7 p.m. nightly. The conference is free, and open to everyone.

The founder, pastor and teacher is Bishop Claude C. Turner and Minister Virginia W. Turner is the church's first lady.

For more information, contact conference coordinators, William L. and Danielle Koger at 336-765-1609 or mrs.dako@yahoo.com.



The legendary Twin City Choristers

Twin City Choristers will perform MLK concert

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Twin City Choristers will present its 12th Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Concert on Sunday, Jan. 20 at 3:30 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church.

The group celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2007. The Choristers were organized in 1957 when Dr. A. L.

Cromwell, a Winston-Salem dentist and musician, encouraged Dr. Permilla Flack Dunston to pursue her dream to organize an all male chorus.

In the beginning, the group was composed primarily of male high school students from Carver High School, where Dr. Dunston taught music.

Through the decades, the Choristers have performed across the state and beyond. The present group spans a wide spectrum of vocations. Their common bond is their love and appreciation for choral music. Dr. Fred D. Tanner is the director.

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Concert will be the Choristers first appear-

ance since the group's extraordinary anniversary performance in October. A reception will follow the concert.

Grace Presbyterian Church is located at 3901 Carver School Road. Call 336-767-7530 for further information.