

# RELIGION

## CALENDAR

### Happening Now

#### Revival

Steward's Chapel A.M.E. Zion Church, 198 Anderson Road in Rural Hall, will hold its Spring Revival April 19-22 at 7 p.m. each night. Bishop Derek Kelly of New Faith Full Gospel Baptist Church of Lexington will be the guest revivalist for the week. Rev. Eddie L. Fortson is the host pastor. The public is invited to attend.

#### Grace Presbyterian seeks input

Grace Presbyterian Church is inviting community input for "The Foundations of Wealth" seminar series it is hosting along with Prodigy Capital Management. The seminar series will focus on basic financial literacy and wealth building. The seminar series is supported by the Black Philanthropy Initiative of the Winston Salem Foundation, Grace's youth ministry and Prodigy Capital Management. Grace is requesting written suggestions to enhance the community benefits of the seminar. Send suggestions by April 30 to:

Prodigy Capital Management, LLC, ATTN: Foundations of Wealth - Winston Salem, 401 N. Tryon St. 10th Floor, Charlotte, NC 28202.

#### Greater Higher Ground Spring Revival

Greater Higher Ground Ministries Worldwide Inc. and the J.H. Mass Choir will host their Spring Revival April 21-23. The guest speaker for this event is the anointed Apostle Andria Weeks of God's Love and Action Ministries of West-End, N.C. There will be a soul food dinner at 5 p.m. on April 24. Tickets are \$10. On Sunday, April 25 at 4 p.m. the Ushers, Nurses and Greeters will host their annual Anniversary with guest speaker Pastor Lamonte Williams of Diggs Memorial United Holy Church. All services and events will be held at the headquarters' location at 440 Waughtown Street. For more information, call 336-725-1125.

#### Camp Meeting

Mount Sinai Full Gospel Deliverance Center, 2721 Manchester St., will have Camp Meeting 2010 at 7 p.m. this evening (April 22) and tomorrow. The outdoor event will be held at the intersection of 25th and Liberty Streets and will include praise and worship, preaching and personal evangelism. For additional information, contact the church office at 336-722-2624. The Rev. Yvonne Hines is the host pastor.



Rev. Hines

#### Spring Revival services

The pastor and congregation of New Beginnings Christian Church, 2920 Greenway Ave., invite the public to worship with them for their annual Spring Revival services April 21 - 23, beginning at 7 p.m. nightly. The guest evangelist will be the Rev. Dwight Hash, pastor of Bethlehem Baptist Church. Dr. Nelson S. McCall is the host pastor. For more information, call 336-727-4053.

#### Beginning April 23

#### Women's Conference

House of Faith, 1384 West Sedgefield Drive, will have a Women's Conference April 23 - 25. The topic is "Women in Transition 2010." The speaker on Friday, April 23 at 7 p.m. will be Pastor Melinda Gentry. On Saturday, April 24 at 10 a.m., there will be a prayer breakfast featuring Evangelist Donna Dobson of Piney Grove Baptist Church. At 6 p.m., Elder Sharon Pollard,



Rev. Jordan

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Members of the Choir with Director Edryn J. Coleman.

## Lincoln University Choir performing at Grace

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Lincoln University Concert Choir will perform on Sunday, April 25 at 4 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church (USA), 3901 Carver School Road.

The church's Concert Series Committee in conjunction with the Voices of God's Children Chorus and the Presbyterian Inter-racial Dialogue are presenting the concert, which is free and open to the public. The event will also feature the Winston-Salem State University Men's Ensemble, directed by Dr. Roy L. Belfield Jr.; and the Voices of God's Children Chorus, under the direction of James D. Smith.

Lincoln University is the nation's first historically black university. It was chartered in 1854 as Ashmun Institute. It was renamed Lincoln University in 1866 after President Abraham Lincoln. Graduates of Lincoln include Thurgood Marshall and Langston Hughes.

The school's choir is under the

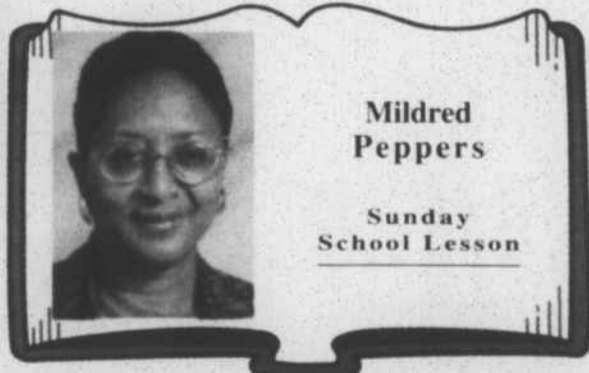


Members of the Winston-Salem State University Men's Ensemble.

leadership of Professor Edryn J. Coleman, a faculty member in the Department of Visual and Performing Arts. The choir is accompanied by Professor Eva Young, instructor of piano.

Although there is no admission fee, an offering will be requested during the intermission of the concert.

## ALL WE NEED IS LOVE



Mildred Peppers

Sunday School Lesson

Lesson Scripture: Matthew 22:34-40

**Lesson Aims:** To recognize the need for love in our witness; to understand that without love the community suffers; and to show love to all in creation.

**Background:** Judah experienced many changes during and after the exile. Synagogues developed during the exile as a means to preserve Judaism. Simply put, they started out as study groups. The Intertestamental Period (433-5 BC), also called the silent years, marked the takeover of Palestine by the Romans. A large body of literature was penned recording the era. The Jews were scattered all over the known world (Diaspora). The community of faith was divided into several sects with the major ones being the Sadducees (the aristocrat who governed the Temple) and the Pharisees (wealthy men who governed the synagogues). They did not get along! When Jesus began His ministry, probably both sects ignored Him. As His popularity grew among the common folk in Galilee, the Pharisees started to watch Him closely. Their efforts to discredit Him failed. Instead of making Jesus look like an imposter, He turned the tables. Even though the Sadducees and Pharisees didn't get along, they united to get rid of Him because their power was threatened. Scribes or experts on the Law were consulted as well. Ever since the Sermon on the Mount (chapters 5-7), the resistance heightened. The final week of Jesus' earthly life was plagued with trap after trap.

**Lesson:** Jesus' enemies believe that they have Him between a rock and a hard place in verse 36. The question here is sure to expose Him as a fraud. Whatever answer is given will allow them to pick

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## Missionary Union prepares to open hearts to the community

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The Forsyth County Missionary Union will participate in Operation Inasmuch on April 24.

Operation Inasmuch mobilizes believers in a hands-on local church missions blitz in their communities. The program empowers congregations worldwide to catalyze community ministry with the Operation Inasmuch model and create a culture of compassion ministry. Operation Inasmuch began in 1995 at the Snyder Memorial Baptist Church in Fayetteville. It has grown to be a popular interdenominational event.

Andrea Bush presented the idea of adopting the Operation Inasmuch to the Forsyth County Missionary Union. Bush, the missionary president at First Baptist Church, has taken part in Operation Inasmuch blitzes for the past three years. Piney Grove Baptist Church, where Lynda Breeden is missionary president, joined the effort last year.

On Saturday, April 24, several member churches of the FCMU, along with the entire Forsyth County Missionary's Young Adult Department, will be involved in missions beyond the walls of the church. They will be feeding - both physically and spiritually - people; providing clothing to those in need; welcoming strangers; visiting the sick; and doing what thus saith the Lord.

The Operation Inasmuch committee is made up of: Lenner Jefferies, Shirley Gore and Co-Chairpersons Lynda Breeden and Andrea Bush. The senior president of the Forsyth County Missionary Union is Susie B. Nance. Danyetta Jackson is the president of the Young Adults.

## REMEMBERING THE PAST



Antioch Christian Church held a Holocaust Commemoration Program on April 14. State Rep. Larry Womble gave the keynote address. Womble talked about his fight to win justice for North Carolinians who were forcibly sterilized by the state. Here Womble, second from right, poses with (from left) Democratic 705 Precinct Organizer and CHANGE Treasurer Barry Boneno; Pastor and Mrs. James Gilliam; Church Public Relations Director April Gilliam and Adrian Gilliam.

## Church puts focus on black history

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

New Bethel Baptist Church, where Dr. Kendal Jones is the pastor, recently held events celebrating black history.

The slate of activities included a display focusing on black history-makers that was set up in the church's multi-purpose room in February.

Several church members took part in a skit put together by Katherine Speas, chairperson of the church's Black History Education programs. The skit's cast included Gerald Pauling, George Horton, John Lucas, Ethel Brooks and Jerry Leach. Brooks, who also performed Negro spirituals for the celebration, won a



Ethel Brooks displays the quilt she won.

drawing during the Black History celebration. She took home a beautiful quilt depicting President Obama and the First Family.