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Happening Now

Poetry series

Centenary United Methodist Church's Music and the Arts Ministry will host "Poetry as Prayer, Prayer as Poetry: The struggle for faith in the poems of John Donne and Gerard Manley Hopkins," a discussion by Anthony "Tony" Abbott, at 7 p.m. on March 10, 17 and 24 (with 31 as a bad weather date) in Centenary's Memorial Auditorium, 646 W. Fifth St. Winston-Salem (use the 4 1/2 Street entrance). Abbott, who is a retired Davidson College English professor, former department chair, poet, novelist and Pulitzer Prize nominee, will examine the extraordinary lives of these two poet priests, Donne as an Anglican and Hopkins a Roman Catholic, and then examine how each used poetry, particularly the sonnet, to speak openly and intimately to God out of their deep spiritual needs. Handouts will be available at all lectures. Abbott will recite poems at the beginning of each session. Weekly topics include: March 10-John Donne, The Holy Sonnets; March 17-Gerard Manley Hopkins, The Life of A Jesuit Priest; March 24-Gerard Manley Hopkins, The Welsh Sonnets and the "Terrible" Sonnets. The event is free.

Beginning March 13

Women's Month

Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1075 Shalimar Drive, will celebrate Women's History Month this week. This year's theme is "Emmanuel Meeting the Needs of Women: Embracing, Educating and Empowering." On Friday, March 13, from 6-8 p.m. there's a Women's Clothing Giveaway at Sunrise Towers Apartment, 801 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive. On Saturday, March 14 they'll be workshops from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m. on self-defense and Aerobics and 9 a.m. to noon they'll be workshops on Financial Planning; Stress Relief; Health Screenings, courtesy of the WSSU Mobile Unit; Youth Workshop for Young Women, ages 13-21; "No More Discounts: Life Lessons from A-Z." The workshop will be facilitated by Kendra Davis, Clinical Substance Abuse Trainer and owner of K*METAMORPHOSIS Counseling Services. Worship Service will be held Sunday, March 15, 10 a.m. with Guest speaker, the Rev. Traci Blackmon, pastor of Christ the King United Church of Christ in Florissant, Missouri. Dr. John Mendez is the pastor. For more information, please contact the church office at 336-788-7023.

March 14

African-American Heritage Celebration

On Saturday, March 14 at 4 p.m. Messiah Community Christian Church, 2651 Belews Creek Road, will be having an African-American Heritage Celebration. Pastor Louis Threatt and congregation will celebrate God through the many gifts He has blessed black people with. During this celebration of culture, the public is invited to join the church as they bring gifts of singing, dancing, stepping and poetry/spoken word to lift up the name of Jesus.

March 15

Missionary Ministry program

The Zion Memorial Missionary Baptist Church Missionary Ministry will have its Annual Program on Sunday, March 15 at 4 p.m. The guest will be Eddie Bines and the Big 4 Choir. The members of the choir are the alumni of the historically four black high schools: Anderson, Atkins, Carver and Paisley. The public is invited to attend. The host pastor is Rev. Dr. Joseph Jones. For more information, call 336-725-7390.

Missionary Annual Day

The Sarah Allen Women's Missionary Society (WMS) of St. James A.M.E. Church, 1501 N. Patterson Ave., across from the post office, will celebrate its Annual Day on Sunday, March 15. The Society was named in honor of the second wife of the founder of the A.M.E. Church, Richard Allen. Morning service will begin at 10 a.m. with the local president, Mary E. Brown, presiding. The guest preacher will be the Rev. Gwendolyn W. Blackmon, associate in ministry, Lincolnton A.M.E. Church, Raleigh. The Youth Choir will provide the music under the direction of Towanna VanEaton, minister of music. The WNC Conference Branch WMS President is First Lady Mrs. Nikki W. Lyons. The Reverend Steven L. Lyons is the Pastor.

Guest Speaker

Pastor Essie C. McCullough will be speaking at Genesis Victory Outreach Center, 1882 Old Hollow Road, where Bishop Claude Thomas is pastor, on Sunday, March 15 at 4 p.m. For more information, call 336-771-2111.

"Sunday Night Live"

New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 1201 New Hope Lane, will present "Sunday Night Live" on Sunday, March 15 at 5 p.m. The guest pastor will be Bishop Kenneth Paige of Kingdom Fellowship Church of Love, Rock Hill, S.C. Minister Lora Smith is the program leader. Bishop John C. Parks is the host pastor.

Guest Speaker

The Rev. James A. Gilliam will be the guest speaker at Middle Fork Christian Church on Sunday, March 15, at 4 p.m. Rev. Gilliam is the pastor of Antioch Christian Church.

Men in Ties program

Saint Mark Baptist Church, 1100 Manley St., will have a Men in Ties Program on Sunday, March 15 at 4 p.m. Special guest will be the Male Chorus of the Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church. This program is sponsored by Faye Fulwood and Demetris Fulwood Johnson. All men are asked to come out and take



Vance

Rev. Daryl Young to celebrate fifth pastoral anniversary

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The congregation of Mt. Carmel Missionary Baptist Church, 3230 Heitman Drive, will celebrate the fifth pastoral anniversary of Daryl A. Young and Lady Natasha Young at 10 a.m. on Sunday, March 15.

The guest preacher will be the Rev. Paul Matthews, assistant pastor of First Baptist Church of Lumberton, where the pastor is Dr. T. R. Lowe.

Young was born in Wilson and raised in Winston-Salem. He graduated from Carver High School and received his Bachelor of Science degree in MIS from Winston-Salem State University and Master's Degree in Theology from Vintage



Submitted Photo

Daryl A. Young and Lady Natasha Young

Bible College in Winston-Salem.

Young believes that we must make disciples of men and that we must "live every day for Christ."

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord: and he delighteth in his way." - Psalm 37:23.

This is the scripture that resonates in the mind and heart of Young, understanding that our steps must be ordered by God.

Young, on occasion, is a deejay for various Christian events. He is also the executive secretary for the High Point Educational and Missionary Baptist Association, where the Rev. Ronnie McLaughlin is moderator.

All are invited to the anniversary celebration.

Young is married to the former Natasha Davis, and they reside in Winston-Salem.

'Chopped Kitchen' comes to Goler Memorial



This handsome food critic enjoys the plated meal.



A tasty delicacy of fried yellow pound cake with a dibble of strawberry puree, lightly flaked walnuts and a Cool Whip topping.

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Chef Barry Moody checks on Chef Darron Wilks as he prepares his delicacy.

The Winston-Salem District of the A.M.E. Zion Church Conference Workers presented a "Chopped Kitchen" contest on Saturday, March 7 at Goler Memorial A.M.E. Zion Church, 630 N Patterson Ave. The event was modeled after the television shows that feature chefs. People paid to get tastes of the cooking by the chefs and decided who won the contest. Featured chefs were head chefs Gary Puryear and Bernard Peay, Tyree Mcleod, Nikki Miller-Ka, Barry Moody and Darron Wilks. People also were asked to bring canned goods for the Second Harvest Food Bank.

Worship and Arts Empowerment Conference set for March 19

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

"I Have Been Anointed For This" is the theme for the fourth annual Worship and Arts Empowerment Conference at Galilee Missionary Baptist Church, 4129 Northampton Drive, beginning Thursday, March 19 through Saturday, March 21. The Rev. Dr. Nathan E. Scovens is the host pastor.



Scovens

"The conference is designed for everyone committed to the work of worship in the church --

pastors, musicians, worship leaders, choir members, worship and arts teams (dance, mime, step, flag), children, youth, audio and sound technicians, and lay members," said the conference host and Minister of Worship and Arts at Galilee, Willie Mason. "I am really excited about the facilitators and class offering we will provide on this year!"

The schedule is as follows: **Thursday, 7 p.m.** - The Conference Worship Service with the Rev. Bryan Pierce, senior pastor

of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Greensboro as the guest speaker. Matrimony Mime of Concord will also share in this service. This service is free and open to the public.

Friday, 6:30 p.m. - Registration for classes begins. Registration for the classes and panel discussion is \$10 person and \$5 for children 8 and under. The first class session is 6:45-7:45 p.m., followed by the second session from 7:50-8:50 p.m.

Saturday, starting at 8:30 a.m. - The conference opens with morning glory and breakfast from 8:30 - 9:20 a.m. The first class session is from 9:30-10:30 a.m., second session from 10:45-11:45 a.m. Lunch will be served during "A Safe Place" panel discussion with several Triad pastors and musicians. The session, about building and leveraging relationships between pastors, worships leaders and musicians, will be moderated by Bishop Stephen L. Williams.

For more information, call Willie Mason at 336-451-4756 or the church office at 336-724-3857.

More Aspects of the Spirit

Lesson Scripture: John 16: 4-15

- By the end of this lesson, we should**
- Know the characteristics of the Holy Spirit
 - Be able to give examples of the presence of the Holy Spirit
 - Continuously pray for the guidance of the Spirit

Background: John, the beloved disciple recorded the events of Passion Week (Christian term) in chapters 12-19. The actual celebration was known as Passover. It was the commemoration of Jewish freedom from Egypt. Exodus 12 did two things; first, it stated the specifics for preparation of the 10th plague and secondly, recorded God's ordinance to celebrate this festival annually. Jews still celebrate Passover today. Each year, Jews from the Mediterranean area came to Jerusalem for this most sacred festival. Jesus and His disciples were in that number as well. He was anointed at Bethany six days before the beginning of the Passover and had made His triumphant entry into the city. By this time, the Jewish hierarchy (Pharisees and chief priests) had set in motion a plan to be rid of the Saviour. Jesus told the disciples several times that His death was near. Judas Iscariot had made the deal with the hierarchy to identify Jesus earlier. The disciples heard the words but were confused by them. Don't forget that they thought that Jesus was going to establish an earthly kingdom and He's talking about dying. The week long festivities began with a lot of activity in the Temple. During one of the evening meals, Jesus used this gathering with the disciples for His final lessons on His identity, love, and service. He told them about His betrayal from one of them and the coming of the Holy Spirit who will guide them to do greater works than He did. Iscariot was no longer in the room. Jesus also warned them that the world would reject them. Everything that He taught was designed to prepare them for the future and to encourage them by the aid of the Spirit.



Mildred Peppers

Sunday School Lesson

Lesson: Jesus is speaking openly because His time is at hand. The disciples are more confused than ever! To calm them, Jesus tells them more about the coming of the Spirit and His role in their lives. The Spirit can't come until Jesus leaves. Fully human and divine, "He is limited by the physical body" (David C. Cooks Echoes). The Counselor will dwell in each of them (and all believers) as

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