

Ministers' Conference awards annual MLK Jr. Memorial Seed Fund Scholarships



2015 MLK, Jr. Scholarship recipients are (L-R): Donald Carter Jr., Twanda Elicia Montgomery, Emerci Jones, Greanna Marshall, Monique Wilkins and Japreis Sydni Evans. Ministers' Conference of Winston-Salem and Vicinity members are (R-L): Elder Jeter, Rev. Humphrey, Bishop Fulton, Rev. Jones, Elder Covington and Dr. Churn.

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Ministers' Conference of Winston-Salem and Vicinity (MCWSV) has, over the years, awarded over \$100,000 in scholarship funds to students pursuing an education beyond high school because it recognizes that Scholarships are among the most desirable ways to finance a college education.

MCWSV is an example of churches pulling their resources together to ensure doing their part in local communities in order to support education.

The MCWSV committee considered a number of applicants. The core of ministers who reviews the applications considered academic achievements and financial need. Last month, six college-bound high school graduates were awarded the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Seed Fund Scholarships of \$1,000 each.

The 2015 scholarship recipients are: Monique Wilkins, Donald Carter Jr., Twanda Elicia Montgomery, Japreis Sydni Evans, Emerci Jones and Greanna Marshall.

The Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Seed Fund Scholarship chair, Rev. Dr. Serenus Churn said: "We are extremely proud of these talented young people. Our conference sees in them, bright promise for a day of true freedom, victory, academic and spiritual success. With our monetary gifts go our prayers, that the eternal God will always be their refuge."

"We are a collaboration of more than 50 churches in Winston-Salem and vicinity. So, in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., the DREAM is ALIVE, because of our local churches making yearly contributions to the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Seed Fund," said Bishop Todd Fulton, president of the Ministers' Conference of Winston-Salem & Vicinity.

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Theology. An Old Testament Survey class will be added in the third semester.

Classes will be held on Monday and Tuesday nights from 7 to 9 at 2712 Bon Air Ave. If you are interested in this type of in-depth Bible study, please call Elder Warren Burrell at 336-924-6001 or 336-682-6782. The final registration day will be on Sept. 11. For more information visit the website at www.sgchapel.org.

Ongoing

Emergency food give-away
Christ Kingdom Building Worship Center, 3894 North Hampton Dr., in partnership with second Harvest Food Bank of NWNC, provides to the community at large an Emergency Food Assistance Program on Tuesdays (2 p.m.); Wednesdays (4:30 p.m.); first and third Saturdays, 10 a.m. to noon; and second and fourth Saturdays, 8 to 10 a.m.

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Bishop

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the spirit of God and in the movement of God's spirit in our world." He will be installed Nov. 1 in a service at the Washington National Cathedral, the day Jefferts Schori completes her nine-year term.

"We've got a society where there are challenges before us. We know that. And there are crises all around us. And the church has challenges before us," Curry told the assembly, when he was introduced as presiding bishop-elect. "We are part of the Jesus movement, and nothing can stop the movement of God's love in this world."

Curry was elected as the nation is grappling with the aftermath of last week's massacre of nine congregants at a historic black church in Charleston, South Carolina, and amid the Black Lives Matter movement over the deaths of black men in police shootings and in police custody.

The Episcopal Church, the faith home of many Founding Fathers and U.S. presidents, has been trying to confront its own history of racism. The church has asked dioceses to research their own links to slavery because many Episcopalians were slaveholders whose donations were used to build churches, cathedrals and schools. In 2008, Jefferts Schori held a national service of repentance to apologize for the church's complicity with slavery, segregation and racism.

"The truth is we are brothers and sisters of each other," Curry said. "The hard work is to figure out how we live as a beloved community, as the human family of God."

At the Salt Lake City assembly, deputies cheered and high-fived when the election results were announced in the convention hall. Norberto "Bert" Jones, 65, of Newark, New Jersey, hugged friends and marveled at being alive to see a black U.S. president and black Episcopal presiding bishop.

"This is beautiful," said Jones, a lay deputy and African American. "God

works awesome wonders man."

Curry, 62, has been bishop of North Carolina since 2000, leading a diocese of 48,000 church members, 112 congregations and a network of ministries.

A Chicago native who has two daughters with his wife, Sharon, Curry grew up in Buffalo, New York, and graduated from Hobart College and Yale Divinity School. He was ordained as a priest in North Carolina, leading parishes there and in Ohio. He then served for 12 years at St. James Church in Baltimore, Maryland, which was established in 1824 as the third black Episcopal congregation in the U.S.

Curry is known for his emphasis on evangelism, public service and social justice. Author of "Crazy Christians: A Call to Follow Jesus," he has said he prays "for a church passionately committed to making disciples."

Curry supports gay rights, speaking against North Carolina's 2012 constitutional amendment that banned same-sex marriage, which is now invalid, and allowing same-sex church weddings in the North Carolina diocese. Curry said the U.S. Supreme Court "affirmed the authenticity of love" Friday, June 26, by legalizing gay marriage nationwide.

The denomination has emerged from a period of turmoil after the 2003 election of Bishop Gene Robinson, the first openly gay bishop in the Anglican Communion. Many Episcopal conservatives left or distanced themselves from the national church after his election, which strained relations in the Anglican world.

McCombs reported from Salt Lake City. AP Religion Writer Rachel Zoll reported from New York. The Chronicle staff also contributed to this report.

IN MEMORIAM

DAVENPORT

Minnie Patterson, and Vernon Carlton.

Mrs. Alene Saner Davenport, 83, received her crown on June 30, 2015 at the Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Home. She was born December 16, 1931 in Boomer, NC to Hillary & Maude Redmon Saner.

She was a graduate of Lincoln Heights High School, Wilkesboro, NC and was employed by the WS/FCS

System in cafeteria services as well as the Bethlehem Center.

Mrs. Davenport was a gold star member of New Bethel Baptist Church where she served as a deaconess and participated in the Sunday school, bible study, and missionary department.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, John Davenport, Sr.; daughter, Tanya Walters; and her siblings, Rosalee Dula, Charles Saner, James Saner,

Left to cherish her memories are her son, John (Nia) Davenport, Jr.; grandchildren, Xazier, Alexandra, Dareyn, Toria, John, III, David, and Danae; son-

in-law, Bruce Walters; siblings, Thelma Dean Dula and Jewel Maxine "Polly" Carlton; and a host of other relatives and

friends.

Funeral services will be held at 12:30pm Thursday, July 2, 2015 at New Bethel Baptist Church with Rev. Dr. Kendall D. Jones, Sr. officiating. The family visitation will be held from 11:30am until 12:30pm on Thursday at the Church. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission. Online condolences can be made at www.russellfuneralservice.com (RUSSELL)



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Peppers

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tion. Initially, Micah's words are to both nations in terms of their capital cities, Samaria and Jerusalem. Their sins will lead to their destruction. At the present time, both are riding high but when judgment comes they will eat dust, lose everything, and go into exile. This impending judgment comes in response to the plans of the wealthy and powerful. In their minds, "Might makes right" (NIV Study Bible). Micah 2:2 uses the term, "covet" which means not just a passing desire for someone else's possessions but a calculated determination to take it! The cries of the prophet describes how the wealthy and powerful will be teased by their captors who will divide all of the possessions of both the rich and poor. This division of land will not bring joy as it did in Joshua

(who was the son of Nun) 14:1-2. There are false prophets who contradict God's prophets declaring peace and prosperity will remain. Micah confronts them in verses 6-7a by asking three questions: "Can the Lord be angry with His people; does He bring judgment; and can His word lead to repentance?" They all know the answers!! God's mouthpiece declares that the rich and powerful act like conquering soldiers taking whatever they want without regards to their consequences. God has had enough; they will be destroyed!

Life's Application: Micah's words were uttered during the latter part of the eighth century BC. More than 2,500 years later do they still apply? Stop for a moment to examine the sins of this day - idolatry, injustice, greed, corruption, immorality, and empty ritualism. God also want us to repent and thus be restored to Him.

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