

# RELIGION

## CALENDAR

**Dec. 26**

**Movie showing**

WISE (Women in Spiritual Excellence) has purchased license rights from Provident Films and will sponsor a free showing of the award winning Christian movie "War Room" on Saturday, Dec. 26, 2 p.m. at Kimberly Park Holiness Church, located at 1640 Caesar Drive. "War Room," a compelling drama with heart and humor, explores the power prayer has on marriage, family, parenting, careers and relationships. For more information, call 336-723-8001.

**Dec. 27**

**Elegant evening fundraiser**

An elegant evening with the Woman of Worship Minister Alecia LaShawn Mitchell will be held on Sunday, Dec. 27 at 5 p.m. at Life Changing Transformation Church Ministries located at 2001 East 25th Street. Guest performance will be by Bro. Dwayne Penn and Minister Carlotta Samuels Flemming.



Mitchell

The attire is semi-formal and ticket price is \$15 in advance and \$20 general admission. Drawing for \$100 will be held and you must be present to win. An evening meal will be served. Proceeds will go to the Justice Marathon Outreach Ministry.

For more information, call Jackie Spease at 336-287-9077.

**Jan. 23**

**Winter Blues**

The Women's Ministry of First Christian Church located at 1130 N. Main St. Kernersville, is excited to welcome best-selling author Angie Smith to Winter Blues 2016. One of the most popular speakers and bloggers in the country, Angie Smith is the author of "Mended," "I Will Carry You," and "What Women Fear." This event will take place on Saturday, Jan. 23 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 each in advance, \$20 at the door. Tickets may be purchased at [fcministries.com](http://fcministries.com).

**Ongoing**

**Food and Pantry clothes closet**

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., Love Community Development Corporation, located at 3980 N. Liberty St., will serve those in need of food and clothes. JobLink is also available Monday through Friday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for those needing assistance with resumes or seeking employment. For more information, call 336-306-8119.

**Clothes closet**

The Ambassador Cathedral Clothes Closet will be open on Sundays from noon to 2 p.m., and Wednesdays from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at 1500 Harriet Tubman Drive. Free to the public. For more information, call 336-725-0901.

**Noonday Express**

New Liberty Baptist Ministries, 5009 Voss St., will host Noon-Day Express services on Wednesdays from noon to 12:45 p.m. Guest speakers from around the city and area will encourage your hearts at mid-week preaching the Gospel of power and commitment. A lunch will be offered. The public is cordially invited to attend. The Rev. Dr. Linda Beal is the host pastor. For more information contact Tracee Spears at 336-429-0512, or Deacon Beal at 336-528-3256.

**Men Helping Men Be Men**

All men young and old are invited to fellowship with Calvary Hill Church of Greater Deliverance Inc., 4951 Manning St., during Men Helping Men Be Men every Tuesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. For more information, contact 336-744-3012.

**Food program**

First Baptist Church Children's Center, 501 West Fifth St., is participating in the U.S. Department of Agriculture funded Child and Adult Care Food Program. Meals will be available at no separate charge to enrolled participants. Children who are TANF recipients or who are members of SNAP or FDPIR households or are Head Start participants are automatically eligible to receive free meal benefits. Adult participants who are members of food stamp or FDPIR households or who are SSI or Medicaid participants are automatically eligible to receive free meal benefits. For more information, call 336-723-7071.

**Emergency food give-away**

Christ Kingdom Building Worship Center, 3894 North Hampton Drive, 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.).

**Food and Pantry Clothes Closet**

Every second Saturday of each month from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Calvary Hill Church of Greater Deliverance Inc. invites anyone who is in need of food and clothes. The food pantry and clothes closet is at 4951 Manning St. Direct all questions to Missionary Tammy Orr at 336-744-3012.

**Providing hope through teaching**

Join Calvary Hill Church of Greater Deliverance Inc., from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Bethesda Center, 930 North



Lifeline Shoebox Ministry leader Wanda Reid directs the volunteers from Phi Beta Sigma fraternity with its Sigma Beta Club as they unpack a truck in preparation for shoebox giveaway on Sunday, Dec. 20.



Oak Forest Health and Rehab center resident Emma Robinson is the great-grandmother of former Wake Forest star Josh Howard. She enjoys her present with neighbor Shirley Jackson-Scott.

## Lifeline Shoebox Ministry delivers necessities

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Volunteers helped Lifeline Shoebox Ministry deliver little boxes filled with necessities to those living at local nursing homes and assisted living facilities on Sunday, Dec. 20.

Last year the non-profit delivered 550 boxes to 12 facilities filled with shampoo, deodorant, socks, lotion and other personal items.

Wanda Reid, who started the Lifeline Shoebox Ministry in 2008, personally delivers the shoeboxes between Dec. 20-24. She said she gives a box to everyone staying at every facility she visits. She said that since Medicaid only gives those in nursing homes \$30 a month for personal expenses, it's a deeply appreciated gesture.

"It's about fulfilling a need, but it's about the love as well," said Reid.

To donate to Lifeline Shoebox Ministry, call 336-546-7015.

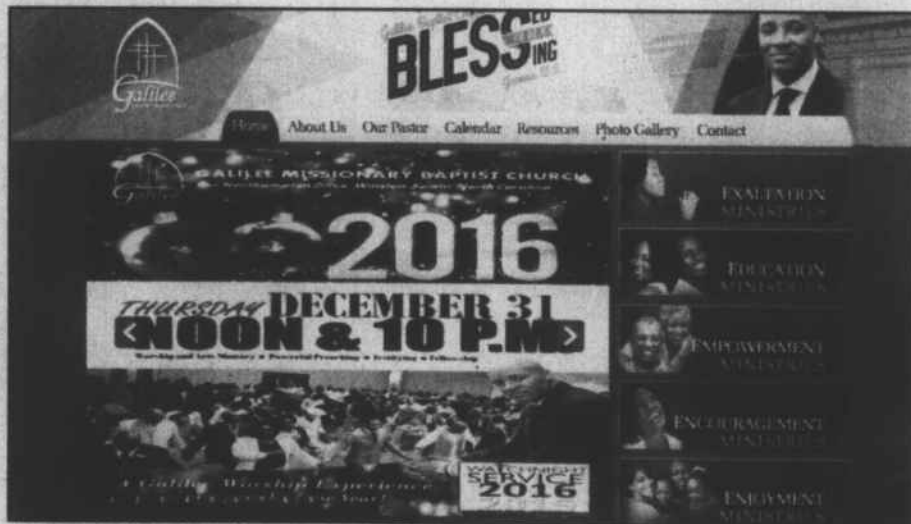
## Watch Night provides special opportunity

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In one week, the world will be on the verge of a new year. While many people will bring in 2016 by partying, many others will bring it in with preaching and praying. They will be in Watch Night services.

A Watch Night service is a late-night Christian church service usually held late on New Year's Eve and ends after midnight so that people are bringing in the New Year in church. Some churches provide meals and fellowship or special programs before the Watch Night service begins.

Some churches in Winston-Salem will do special things on Thursday, Dec. 31. Phillips Chapel Missionary Baptist Church will begin celebrating its 75th anniversary on Watch



Night. Galilee Missionary Baptist Church will celebrate Watch Night at noon and 10 p.m.

For African-American churches in the United States, Watch Night has been a tradition since Dec. 31, 1882, when many

slaves were said to have gathered in churches on that New Year's Eve to await news and confirmation of the enactment of the Emancipation Proclamation by President Abraham Lincoln on Jan. 1, 1863.

Watch Night provides the opportunity for Christians to review the year that has passed, many times with testimony, and prepare for the year ahead by praying, resolving, singing, exhorting and preaching.

## A Generous Gift

**Lesson Scripture:**  
Matthew 23:2-12; Mark 12:38-44

By the end of this lesson we will:

\*Observe how the Lord Jesus valued gifts and giving.

\*Distinguish between wanting recognition and selfless giving that may receive no recognition.

\*Resolve to give daily with godly motivation and attitudes.

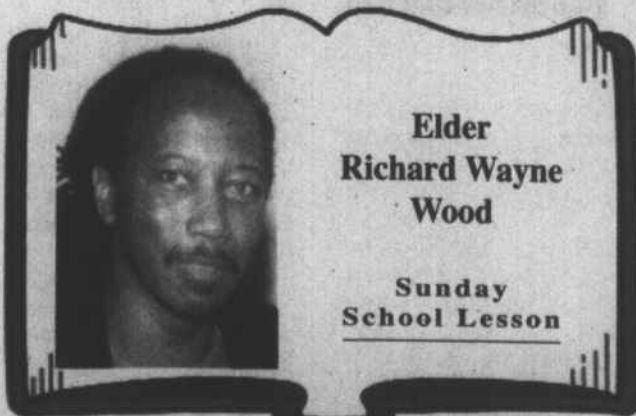
**Background:**

This is Jesus' last week on earth and final trip to Jerusalem. He rides a donkey into the capital city and is greeted by throngs of people who cover the road with their coats and palm branches. This is also when they cried "Hosanna to the son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord;

(Matthew 21:23-23:39).

**Lesson:**

Jesus, speaking to his disciples and the gathered crowd, censures the scribes and Pharisees for their saying



**Elder Richard Wayne Wood**

**Sunday School Lesson**

Hosanna in the highest." (Matthew 21:9b). Jesus cleanses the temple of those who sold and bought, money changers, and he overturned tables. A fig tree is cursed and Jesus is challenged with question after question by the scribes and Pharisees until he turns the table on them by asking them a question. They were unable to answer His question and did not question Him again. Still in the temple court, Jesus now teaches.