

RELIGION

CALENDAR

June 9-10 Revival

Nehemiah Worship Center will be in Revival June 9-10 at 4871 Phelps Drive. Revivalist will be Pastor Connie G. Robinson of Union Chapel Baptist Church. Please come with prayerful expectation to witness a great move of the Holy Spirit. Service will begin at 7 p.m. Please bring your lawn chair as we will be in Revival on the lawn. Pastor Paul Thombs. Please call 336-918-3012 for more information or for transportation.

June 11 GriefShare

St. Paul United Methodist Church, 2400 Dellabrook Rd., will sponsor GriefShare on June 11, 10 a.m., in the church conference room. The session, "Is This Normal?" is open to all persons who are experiencing grief due to the loss of someone close. Sessions are free, nondenominational, with biblical teachings on grief and recovery topics. Grief counselors, ministers and grief experts via video share in these teachings. For further information, please call 336-723-4531 or 336-722-5517.

June 11 Annual District Conference

The annual District IV Group I conference will convene on Saturday, June 11, at Emmanuel Baptist Church, 1075 Shalimar Drive. Registration begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 9 a.m. Sessions begin at 9 a.m. There is a \$10 registration fee. For more information, call: 336-817-8424.

June 12 The Ladies in Hats

The Missionaries of St. Mark Missionary Baptist will be having "The Ladies in Hats" on Sunday, June 12 at 4 p.m. All missionaries are invited to come out and participate in this program. For more information, call First Lady Hattie Fulwood at 336-784-0502. The church is at 1100 Manley Street. the Rev. Dr. James Fulwood is pastor and teacher.

June 12 Annual Musical Celebration

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church Choir, 810 N Highland Ave., will celebrate its annual Musical Celebration on June 12 at 4 p.m. The theme is "Praising God's Goodness." All are welcome to this free celebration; however, an offering will be taken. A reception will follow. The Rev. Dr. Hector K. Sintim is Priest in Charge.

June 12 Chorus anniversary

The Male Chorus of New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church, 1212 N. Dunleith Ave., will celebrate their 23rd anniversary on Sunday, June 12 at 4 p.m. with various guest groups. The host pastor is the Rev. Ronald E. Speas. For more information, call 336-767-7929.

June 12 Youth Day

The youth of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church, 1711 N. Claremont Ave., will be observing Youth Day 2016 during the 11 a.m. worship service on Sunday, June 12. The youth will be in charge of this service. The speaker will be Minister Christopher Hinton. For more information, call the church at 336-723-1297. The Rev. L. Dwight Hash, Sr. is the senior pastor. The public is invited to attend.

June 12 Sermon and discussions

The Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Winston-Salem, 4055 Robinhood Road, will hear the Rev. Lisa Schwartz present a sermon titled "Are You Smarter Than an Obedience School Graduate?" at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, June 12. At the 9 a.m. Forum, Betina Wilkinson, who teaches politics and international affairs at Wake Forest University, will discuss her recent book, "Partners or Rivals: Power and Latino, Black and White Relations in the 21st Century." For more information, visit www.uufws.org.

June 12 Pastor Installation

Gethsemane Hope Missionary Baptist Church, 4363 Carrie Ave., will hold a Pastor Installation Service for Joseph R. Cobbs, pastor, on June 12 at 4 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

June 12 Choir Anniversary

Mt. Olive Baptist Church Youth Choir will celebrate their 37th Anniversary on Sunday, June 1, at 4 p.m. The public is invited to attend. The church is located at 1301 C.E. Gray Drive. Dr. Charles E. Gray is the host pastor.

June 12 Gospel Concert

The Wings of Faith gospel singing group from Wytheville, Va., will be in concert at Antioch Christian Church, located at 1432 Underwood Ave., on Sunday, June 12, at 3 p.m. This concert is free, but donations can be made toward the church's Vacation Bible School.

June 12 Sunday Evening Service

Greater Higher Ground Ministries and Pastor Janice O. Heath invite you to join us for Sunday Evening Service sponsored by the J. H. Heath Mass Choir and GHG Board of Presbyters on Sunday, June 12 at 4 p.m. Special guest speaker is the anointed and gifted Prophet Aaron D. Clyburn, Presiding Platte of the Kingdom International Assemblies. The service will be held at the headquarter church located at 4175

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Church holds domestic violence seminar to heighten awareness

BY TIMOTHY RAMSEY
THE CHRONICLE

Domestic Violence in this country has been swept under the rug for far too long. Victims are afraid to speak out in fear of retribution from their abusers. Abusers, afraid of others in the community becoming aware of their deplorable acts, are refusing to seek help.

To help give a voice to those who cannot speak out and bring awareness to the warning signs, Praise Assembly Church Ministries Inc. held a domestic violence seminar on Saturday, June 4.

The facilitator, Kenyetta

Richmond of Family Service Inc., delivered information on things to look out for, as well as ways to help those who are dealing with this issue.

Family Services works collaboratively with government, education and other nonprofit organizations and residents to solve our community's complex social problems, according to the website. They also offer a multitude of programs such as childhood development, family violence, sexual assault, counseling and pregnancy/adoption.

Heightened awareness to this problem is seen as a necessity.

"Domestic violence is one of

those issues that's not spoken enough in our community or our churches until something happens and then it comes to the attention of everyone," said Dr. Johnny York, Praise Assembly's pastor. "I think we can be proactive and get the information and the knowledge out and allow resources to be available for individuals who are victims of domestic violence. We felt an obligation to the community to sponsor this initial program."

Last year, two members of Praise Assembly were involved in a domestic dispute that resulted in death for

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Christian comedienne, Small Fire, tells hilarious stories of her childhood growing up in the church.

Gospel celebration benefits W-S Ronald McDonald House

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The 2016 McDonald's Inspiration Celebration tour made its annual stop in the Triad. Thursday, June 2, the Triad community was blessed with the opportunity to hear some of the most well known gospel artists in the industry.

The concert, which took place in Greensboro at Mt. Zion Baptist Church, was held to raise funds for the Ronald McDonald House of Winston-Salem. The show was free to the public and only a small offering for those who could help was asked of those in attendance. Over \$10,500 was collected last Thursday.

Returning acts such as the legendary Donald Lawrence, Lonnie Hunter, and comedienne Small Fire, were joined by Pastor Charles Jenkins, Christian rap sensation Canton Jones, gospel crooner Jonathan McReynolds, Doug Williams of the famed Williams Brothers, and recording artist Jo Jo



Pastor Charles Jenkins gives his all to the crowd during the Inspiration Celebration.

Martin. Event host and performer Lonnie Hunter said hosting this event has been a dream.

"During the tour we have raised over \$350,000 up to this date and to be a

part of that and be able to give God the glory is truly a blessing," said Hunter. "It's a tour with a purpose and there are children out there who could not get here, but feel the results of what we did here tonight."

Williams revealed to the crowd that he had been dealing with tumors on his vocal cords and he was told he wouldn't be able to sing any longer, but said through his faith he was

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The Consequences of Disobedience

Lesson Scripture: Zephaniah 3: 1-8

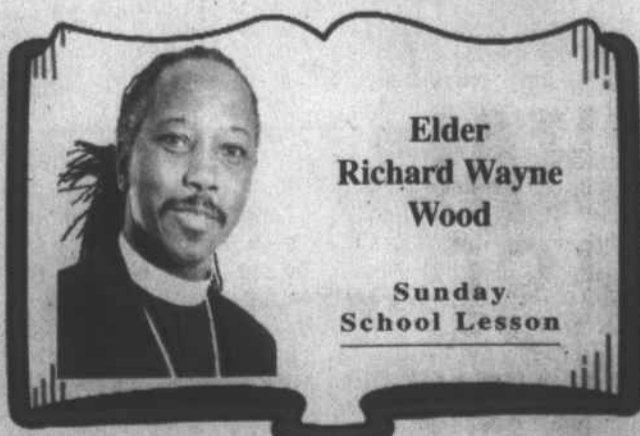
By the end of this lesson, we will

See that Israel remained obstinate in their sinfulness and rebellion against God

Recognize that God's standards of sin and righteousness do not change, and sin must be punished

Acknowledge that we can so order our lives that we are in a place of blessing, not in a place of judgment

Background: Sin must be punished. God is faithful to that fact and demonstrates it for Judah in surrounding nations. In Philistia where He promised that the coastlands inhabited by people would be made a pasture for flocks. He judged the descendants of Lot, Moab and Ammon for mistreating His people and humbled them. Turning to Egypt God punished them with the killing of



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their youth in war. God promised the Ethiopians death by sword and promised the Assyrians that Nineveh would become a wilderness. In all these cases sin was committed and there had to be punishment. Now Zephaniah is prophesying to Jerusalem of their coming fate for their sinful behavior.

Lesson: God starts out with a declaration of what happens to those nations who sin against Him. This was Judah's

chance to repent and escape judgment. As seen already, this judgment was blanketed over entire nations. Judah is warned. If God judges sinful nations, how much more so would He judge His own people who have lost faith and choose not to walk in His ways.

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