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Sunday recognition

Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church celebrated its annual Graduate Sunday, recognizing the following 2016 high school graduates. From left to right are Justin Thomas, James Johnson, Kedrick Jones, Shade Ziglar, Teron Gourdine, Chadia Davis and Jhanna Means. Also pictured are Bishop and Lady S. T. Davis Sr.

*Happy 60th Anniversary
Tommy & Susie Jackson*

We Love you and we pray you have many more blessed years together. Thank you for being a great foundation!

**Love,
Your Kids and Grandkids**



Photo by Timothy Ramsey

Former and current pastors come to show support at the prayer walk at Antioch Christian Church. Shown from left to right are James Gilliam, pastor of Antioch Christian Church; Pastor Lewis Devlin of United Progressive Baptist Church; Dr. Sam Cornelius, pastor emeritus of New Jerusalem Baptist Church; Pastor Emeritus (ret.) C.W. Leak of Solid Rock Baptist Church; and Dr. J.L. Montgomery of Antioch Baptist Church.

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and continued on to the local park, where participants made several trips around and then come back to eat a paid breakfast. While some are walking, other individuals walked the neighborhood, passing out fliers that welcome people to the church.

According to Gilliam, Catherine King and her family are the real reason for the success of the walk and breakfast. She stated that King was the driving force to get individuals to come and participate. Furthermore the entire King family helps with other aspects of the walk such as preparing the meals

and setting up the fellowship hall for dining.

"We wanted to do something as a committee to help the church," said King. "This is a small church and we wanted to come up with anything we could do to support the church. I was raised in this church and I just wanted to help."

Antioch Christian's Pastor James Gilliam was also a willing participant in the walk. He canvassed the neighborhood with other members, passing out fliers. He says as a pastor you have to lead by example, so that's why he walks every year.

"It's really helped our kids and get them motivated and teaches them to reach out to the neighbor-

hood," said Gilliam. "We are just doing the work of the Lord and building a foundation not only here but in the community as well. We wanted to reach out to everyone and by connecting with the kids, maybe we will be able to reach the adults, and that is what it's all about."

The walk has risen in size year after year. Organizers anticipated having over 200 people come through the church on Saturday, even with humid temperatures. The members look forward to this event every year.

"I came out today for fellowship and love of the church and to enjoy myself," said Natasha Matthews of Antioch Christian.

Lesson

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depending on religion. "You can get by with almost everything if you front it with eloquent talk about God and His law" (vs. 2:23). There is a line in Scripture that says, "It's because of you Jews that the outsiders are down on God," (Eugene H. Peterson, The Message Remix: Pause). Sadly this is true of many religious people today. Paul sort of agrees to disagree on the question of circumcision. But in the final analysis, Paul says, it's not the cut of the knife that makes a Jew. You become a Jew by who you are. It's the mark of God on your heart, not the knife on your skin. Recognition comes from God. Bible-day

Jews and church people today are too much alike when it comes to being judgmental.

For Your Consideration: How can believers keep their lives free from hypocrisy? Which are you, an eloquent talker or a real doer?

Life's Application: Regardless of our religion, we are accountable for our own behavior and actions. As Christians we should acknowledge our failures and make every effort not to blame others for our mistakes. As Paul pointed out, often in our efforts to be "religious" we inadvertently sin or cause others to stumble. To avoid inadvertence, let Christ lead.

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reminder to all, not only of what was, but also of what is possible for the church and the community of man.

Sister Lillian Thompson spearheaded the celebration for this year. Thompson stated that after seeking God's guidance, the Lord led her to suggest to the pastor and church conference that the church celebrate the first joint Men's and Women's Day.

Charles and Dr. Jewel Cherry were chosen for the planning and execution of St. John's first combined celebration of Men's and Women's Day.

"It was a church effort and all members of the church got together and put it together," said Charles Cherry.

Dr. Jewel Cherry added, "Our pastor did a great job of bringing out our theme and what it means to work together and what you can do when you work together. I think it was a good point for us to make that it's not just the

men or the women it's all of us working together to do what we need to do.

The day began with a celebration breakfast, followed by separate Sunday schools for the men, women and children. A brief history of the origins of Men's and Women's Day was given. The choir was joined by guest soloist Miranda Meaders from Charlotte. Meaders is a member of Nations Ford Community Church in Charlotte.

The Rev. Omar L. Dykes delivered a sermon that focused on time and why it should not be wasted. He told the congregation not to allow the discussion of others to stop you from completing your work for God.

Dykes continued by saying, "There is no time to give those that power because there will always be someone with something to say."

Dykes later commented, "The service was important for me to just lift up being a man and being a woman, particularly black

men and women. It was a day for us to build ourselves up. It gives the church the opportunity to celebrate life and those who make up the church come from many walks of life. I seek to blend my sermons with the current times. We have experienced a lot here in Winston-Salem with homicides, hunger and poverty. It was kind of parallel to what was happening in Nehemiah, Chapter 4. It was a pastoral sermon to tell the church we need to rebuild but we can't wait for permission."

Dykes was very adamant about uplifting the men and women, not only in the church, but the community as a whole. He feels as though the people should be called together to make change.

Dykes closed with the thought, "It's not good for people to drive into our churches to worship God and leave our churches and go back to a broken city in fear of their life. God has not only called us to build up ourselves, but also build

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Sunday, July 3rd:
Elder Patrick Hauser, 11:00am
Bishop S.T. Green, New Hope Holiness Church, 4:00pm

Friday, July 8th: 7:00pm
Pastor Essie McCullough, New Direction Movement Cathedral

Sunday, July 10th:
Minister Pam Mathis, 11:00am
Pastor Gregory Robertson, St. Matthew Apostolic Temple, 4:00pm

Sunday, July 17th:
Elder Richard Mickens, 11:00am
Pastor Keith Tuttle, Sweet Holy Spirit Church, 4:00pm

Saturday, July 23rd: 6:00pm
Concert, "Quartet Singing at its Best"

Sunday, July 24th:
Minister Cynthia Wilson, 11:00am
Pastor Eugene Kirby, Bethlehem Holiness Church, 4:00pm

Friday, July 29th: 7:00pm First Lady Night!
Pastor Janice Heath, Higher Ground Church

Sunday, July 31st:
Elder Trevia Turner, 11:00am

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