

The Prophet's Column

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I know the fear unsaved hearts live in because I lived there for years before God saved me. There is another fearful heart in particular I want to point out. This is the heart that is fearful to believe or side in with the truth and God's despised servants. You are fearful of what your worldly friends will say. Some here are fearful to take a stand with me because your peers will make fun of you. And you try to stay as far away from me as you can. You don't have to be afraid to associate with me, my salvation won't rub off on you. But let me tell you something, my fearful friend. Before you are saved, if you are ever to be

saved, you will not mind at all being associated with Brother Little. The Word testifies that the believers have a special love for one another. Since you don't want to be associated with me, shows that you have no love for me. When I was under conviction for salvation, my late pastor, L.R. Shelton, was being slandered and persecuted from A to Z right here in North Carolina. That didn't bother me and I was not ashamed to be associated with L.R. Shelton. As long as you are ashamed or afraid to be associated with the Lord's servant, you will never be saved. The multitude of my late pastor's enemies are in Hell today.

My late pastor is in Heaven enjoying all of Christ. One day I shall go there, too. It will be grace to see the pastor and thank Him for being true to my soul, but I would not tarry long with him. My chief reason for wanting to go to Heaven is to see the One who died for me. You wouldn't die for me, but Christ did. Friend, if you ever are awakened to your lost condition, you'll come crying to me for me to tell you something about Christ. If the blessed Holy Spirit never brings you under conviction, it can be said of you as it was said of Judas; "it had been better for that man that he had never been born." Will that be said

of you? You have a never-dying soul.

It makes my heart weep to see the multitudes going on as sheep to the slaughter with no concern for your soul. You live in fear from the time you get up in the morning until you go to bed at night. It doesn't have to be that way. If you repent and turn to Christ, He'll save you. But if you harden your stubborn will and heart against Him, He will grind you to powder. Which will it be in your case? I'm glad the Lord saved me. I would not exchange what I have in Christ for ten million worlds. Would you? May the Lord turn you onto Himself.

Church Notes

*Thought for the week:
"Unless my talk about my faith
Is mirrored in my walk,
The faith that glibly I profess
Is merely empty talk."*

•AME Zion Church

The Brotherhood Pensions Health and Wellness Center and Ministerial Relief Department of the AME Zion Church launches a Health and Wellness Center in Charlotte as the AME Zion Church celebrates its 200th birthday. The department provides health services to individuals who need non-critical, non-emergency care. Free workshops and seminars on health will begin this month. For more information, call 599-4630.

•Baha'i communities of Mint Hill and Matthews
The Baha'i community and the William C. Wachob Peace Project are accepting nominations through March for residents who have promoted peace on a local, national or international level. The award will be presented March 30. For more information, call 545-1616.

The Baha'i community will hold its monthly meeting 7:30 p.m. March 2 at Lebanon Road Elementary School, 7300 Lebanon Road. The topic is "What Does the Holy Bible Say About Jesus Christ's Second Return?" For more information, call 552-1212.

•Christian Family Missionary

3030 S. Allen Street
The Mecklenburg General Baptist Association Ushers Auxiliary will meet on Saturday at 5 p.m. at Christian Family Missionary Baptist Church. For additional information, call 372-5338 or 535-1908.

•Clement Memorial AME Zion

2207 Newland Road
On March 17 at 5 p.m. the Annual Twelve Tribe Rally will be held. Rev. Rollins Graham of Mowing Glade AME Zion Church will be the guest speaker. For more information call 393-0916.

•Friendship Baptist Gastonia

African American art exhibits will be on display 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday. Exhibits will include art

prints, artwork, books and clothing. For more information, call 865-9016.

•Greater Bethel AME 201 Grandin Road

Family and Friends Day will be celebrated Sunday. Gilbert Harper Sr. will be the 8 a.m. guest speaker, while the Rev. Y. Benjamin Bruce Sr. of Jacksonville, Fla. will be the guest speaker at 11 a.m. The Rev. Conrad K. Pridgen is pastor.

•Greenville Memorial AME Zion

The fourth annual heritage festival and fish fry will be 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday. Special workshops will be conducted and vendors will be available. For more information, contact Gary Dawkins at 597-8181.

•Mowing Glade AME Zion

8951 Albemarle Road
The Trustees will sponsor Family Day 3 p.m. Sunday. The Rev. Rollins S. Graham is pastor. For more information, call 563-1563.

•International Ministers' Wives Association

The southeast region of the association will host its regional meeting at the Airport Sheraton Plaza Hotel Friday and Saturday. The welcome night program will be at Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 3301 Beatties Ford Road, 7 p.m. Friday. Workshops and a luncheon will be held at the Sheraton 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. Celeste Ashe Johnson, president of the IAMWMW, will be the guest speaker. The luncheon is \$15 per person.

•Mount Zion Baptist McConnells, S.C.

The Rev. John McCoy will celebrate his second Appreciation Day 3 p.m. Sunday. Rev. Norman

Kerry and the Chappell Memorial Baptist congregation will be the guest. Rev. Bobby Featherstone and the St. Paul Baptist congregation and Rev. R. H. Leak and the New St. John congregation will also be guests. For more information and



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directions call 803-684-9302.

•Nations Ford Baptist 7410 Nations Ford Road

William Becton, the newest gospel artist of the year, will be in concert 7:30 p.m. Saturday. Becton is well-known for his single "Be Encouraged" from the album Broken. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call 522-6480.

On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. the church's Half Day Pre-School Program will resume. There will be art, computer, and aerobics classes. For more information call Cynthia Davis at 523-4191.

•New St. John Baptist 2000 New St. John Road

Mission Day will be observed at 8 a.m. Sunday. Rev. Sarah McMillian will be the keynote speaker. At 11 a.m. Georgia Guest from Salem Baptist Church will deliver the message. At 2 p.m., ground breaking services for the new church will be held. For more information, call 536-6490 or 375-2149.

•Noah's Ark Outreach Ministries.

The Healing Stream of the Ark will hold service through March 31, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Renaissance Place, 631 N. Tryon Street. For more information call Bishop Queen at 704-392-6055.

•Reeder Memorial Baptist

3725 Beatties Ford Road
At 3 p.m. Sunday, the Moore Henley Steger Children's Choir of Reeder Memorial Baptist church will celebrate its first anniversary. Pastor Eric Henly of New Jerusalem in East Spencer will be the master of ceremony. The pastor is the Rev. C. Don Steger.

At 4 p.m. on March 17, the Mighty Voices of Reeder presents "The Ole Ship Of Zion" in celebration of their 8th anniversary. The celebration is open to the public.

•Reeves Temple AME Zion

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"African American History in Word and Song" will be presented 2 p.m. Sunday. The Rev. Claire Hurst is pastor. For more informa-

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