

# A Call to Worship

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College Minister

One of the primary needs of our contemporary society is a deeper sense of the importance of Christian worship. The experience of worship is basic to normal and symmetrical personality development. Unquestionably, many of the frustrations, anxieties, and neuroses with which increasing numbers of people are afflicted, are directly traceable to a neglect of divine worship. What is true, in this connection, with people generally, is equally applicable to those individuals who comprise the population of the college campus.

Worship is as old as man, as important as life, and as necessary as the air we breathe. Devotional life involves many activities, such as preaching, teaching, singing, giving, but worship is the heart of them all. The spiritual spring which waters the other activities dries up when worship is neglected.

The experience of worship has various manifestations. It is meditating and praying to express the soul's sincere desire. It is resting our weary hearts and minds on the everlasting Arms. It is emptying and cleansing our minds of fear and worry, jealousy and envy, that God may fill the vacuum with His goodness. It is being quiet and relaxed that we may experience the inflow of peace that passeth understanding. It is counting our many blessings and giving thanks for the power to grow, to serve, to conquer ourselves and to discover the sublime values of the life of the spirit. It is the inspiring reali-

zation that this is God's world; that all life pulsates with God's eternal purpose, and that we are a part of the divine pattern and plan. It is realigning our lives with the laws and principles of God, that we may move forward, with our fellowmen, on the pathway of the King. It is renewing our noblest dreams and aspirations that we may rise above defeat, failure and discouragement, and have another year making the most out of our lives. It is climbing to the spiritual mountain-top of conscious oneness with God that we may fight again the candles of our spirits and become new creatures.

Worship brings its rewards. Worship of God builds character. Worship generates the power of a passion for helpfulness to others. Out of the sanctuary has come the church's assault on social injustices, its emancipation of womanhood from the low status she suffers in paganism, its service to underprivileged children. Through the inspiration of worship, hospitals have been built; foundations have been established; charities for divers worthy causes, have been perpetuated; educational institutions have been founded and maintained. If war is ever to be abolished, or if race prejudice is ever wiped out, it will be by the power of men and women who worship God.

The conclusion of the whole matter is— whoever neglects the experience of Christian worship is an enemy to his or her own best interest and an alien to the Commonwealth of Righteousness.

# Let's Re-evaluate And Resolve

By OTHA SYDNOR

President of Student Council

The old year has passed, and the first semester is rapidly drawing to a close. The old year, 1964, has indeed been a year of conflicts, upsets, and arresting events: Johnson beat Goldwater convincingly at the polls; the Civil Rights Act was passed, several southern states voted Republican for the first time in a century; and the Cleveland Browns upset the Baltimore Colts for the National Football League Championship. It is now time for us to pause a moment to recount our activities in 1964.

The Student Council has been attempting to plan activities of education and entertainment for all members of the College family. The activities which highlighted the first semester have been: 1. The preparation of a student handbook. Have you read it yet? 2. The annual talent show which was the brightest spot of the Home-

coming activities. It was bigger than ever. 3. The Christmas Dance came off smoothly, and the gym was decorated beautifully by students and some of the faculty members. 4. A tutorial program was proposed and is operating effectively in several departments.

The Student Council is going through a period of transformation. Every major student organization and all interested students have been invited and encouraged to participate in the Student Council. Attempts are being made to make the Student Council truly a body that represents all "Vikings." During the past year, we have been confronted with some of our same old problems—line cutting, low attendance at vespers and assemblies, poor attendance at student body meetings, and insufficient support of campus organizations.

It should be noted that the Stu-

## Renovations

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the great heritage of our nation down to and including our school and various communities.

Let not our heritage become a mere hypocrisy to our salute to the flag, because together, we too hold the posterity of this country in our hands. We are well aware of the fact that history and the achievement of America stand as a monument to the personal responsibility of free men. Building for the generations to come was a prime consideration. The God-given liberty which was established into a form of government, should be a dominating force of our lives. This is why we must say no to complacency and yes to advancement and challenge now. We need a further intensification of those qualities of vision, daring patience, fortitude, and a readiness for hard work.

Therefore, let us also renovate our concepts in order that destiny as a whole might be changed for the better. We would not tilt the balance of progress, then, for as we know, the unbalanced scale usually weakens and eventually topples.

## Alumni! Send Us Your NEWS!

## Freshman View

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ness of the Student Council are dependent upon the cooperation which the students give. Your ideas are the ones that really count, so let those ideas of yours roll in to us; we all will greatly profit from them.

The office of the Student Council is always open to those students who may or may not have difficulties. Stop by and see what really goes on. I know you will find it as interesting and helpful as I did.

Student Council is only a representative body. We, the elected members, try to act in the best interests of the students. The success or failure of the Student Council will depend upon the amount of support it receives from the students. We do not want "lip service." We want your ideas, your suggestions, your criticisms, and your opinions.

With the arrival of the new year, let each of us resolve to do much better in 1965. Let us resolve that each of us will make ourselves a committee of one to see to it that the work which needs to be done is accomplished. Remember, all problems become smaller if you don't dodge them, but confront them. Touch a thistle timidly, and it pricks you; grasp it boldly, and its spines crumble. Let's crumble the spines together.

# Who...? Where...? What...?

Each issue of the *Compass* will publish information about graduates in this column. If you are one of the alumni who still has some concern about what will be done and where in the Office of Information, Box 92, Elizabeth City State College 27909.

Melvin Garfield Riddick, class of 1964, Elementary Education Major, is teaching at Eastman High School in Enfield, N. C. Mr. Riddick holds several other positions. He is as follows: Dean of Boys Elementary and Grammar Grades and also coach of the Junior Varsity Basketball team. Mr. Riddick was a member of the Student National Education Association, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, and he was Sports Editor of the *Compass*, 1928.

Mrs. Mayola Murrell, class of 1928, a resident of Brooklyn, New York, founded the Brooklyn chapter of the General Alumni Association. She served for 14 years as its president and is currently business manager. Mrs. Murrell was General Alumni Association president from 1952-1954. Through her efforts, the Brooklyn Chapter has been a leading contributor to the scholarship fund and a loyal supporter of the college Concert Choir during its annual tour in the New York area. This year Mrs. Murrell represented the Brooklyn Chapter at the 1964 Homecoming and was second place winner in the Miss Alumni contest, 1947.

Mrs. Mary W. Jordan, '49 is a first grade teacher at Kings Street Elementary School, Hertford. She is active in civic, social and religious activities in the community. Elected "Miss Perquimans County." Mrs. Jordan represented that Chapter and won first place in the 1964 Miss Alumni contest for the General Alumni Association's Scholarship Fund.

## Student Teachers

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- Southwestern High—(Windsor)
  - J. S. Singleton, Jr., Principal
  - Aune Hager, Social Science
- C. S. Brown—(Winton)
  - H. C. Freeland, Principal
  - James Harrison, Eng. 9 thru 12
  - Ruby Perkins, English 9, 10
- Marian Anderson—(Belross)
  - W. C. Waters-super, Principal
  - Ruth Hazel Dugger, English
- P. W. Moore—(Elizabeth City)
  - Calvin R. Paige, Principal
  - Joyce Walford, English
  - Dorothy Lashley, English
  - Louis Pearce, English
  - Mauide Branche, Health & Physical Ed.
  - Alvin Kelly, Health & Physical Ed.
  - Carolyn J. Moore, Sociology
  - Corine Winstead, Social Science
  - Madison Jr. High—(Norfolk, Va.)
    - John A. Christian, Principal
    - Ruben Buggs, Industrial Arts

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DR. JAMES A. CHEEK  
President, Shaw University

Moore Auditorium

3:30 P.M.

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at 2:15 P.M.

We Look Forward to Seeing Many Alumni and Friends.

## Meet the Juniors

By Patrick H. Tyrance

Meet counselor Marvin J. Spaulding, a graduate of Brasley High School, Scotland Neck. He is a sophomore, majoring in Elementary Education. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Spaulding.

Harry Tillery, a sophomore Industrial Arts major, is a graduate of E. J. Hayes High School (Wilmington). He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ashley Tillery.

Willie N. Lamb, a graduate of C. F. Pope High School (Burgaw) is a sophomore Physical Education major. Lamb is also a member of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. George Lamb.

Willie Hagan, a graduate of Nash Central High School in Nashville, has chosen Physical Education as his major course of study. He is a sophomore and his parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Hagans.

The students of West Lodge Dormitory are also under the guidance of counselor Earl Tyson who graduated from H. B. Suggs High School of Farmville. He is a sophomore majoring in English whose parents are Mr. and Mrs. Willie Tyson.

Curtis Turnage, a sophomore Biology major, is a graduate of Brasley High School (Scotland Neck). He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Horace Turnage.

The Freshmen students of West Lodge Dormitory wish to express their thanks to the counselors for their time, efforts, and guidance.

Ruffner Jr. High—(Norfolk, Va.)  
Earl Braxton, Principal  
Spencer Mayfield, Industrial Arts

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