

# CHURCH

## Ft. Barnwell Bulletin

by B. H. Mitchell

A revival service will begin on Monday night, September 15th-19th at the Corinth M.B. Church. Rev. Benjamin Thompson will be the minister each night. Service will begin at 7:30 o'clock. The public is invited to attend.

Quarterly meeting services will be observed at Corinth M. B. Church on Sunday, Sept. 21, st. The church choir will render the music and Rev. Benjamin Thompson will deliver the morning message. The public is invited to join in the quarterly meeting service. Rev. Benjamin Thomas is pastor.

Quarterly meeting and homecoming services will be observed at the Sand Hill F.W.B. Church near Kinston on Sunday, Sept. 21 st. The church choir will render the music and Rev. J.O. Dawson, pastor will deliver the 11:00 a.m. message. All friends and members are invited to come.

### Why Are You Idle?

by Reba Mitchell

Along the pathway of life in our busy world, many times we can find people idle. Why are we idle? Many will say there is nothing to do. Maybe to a certain extent that is true. Maybe we have a day off from the job, and we have nothing at the time that appeals or brings us the satisfaction we desire.

If we look around, the fields are white and ready to harvest. (John 4:35) Surely there is a work you can do. Be prayerful, watchful, and listen, surely God will show you something to do. When He does, don't wait for someone else to do the job. Get busy with all your might, mind, heart, and soul. Willing workers are needed, not just willing to watch others work.

What are you waiting for? Remember time waits for no one. Today is the day of salvation. If you don't use the opportunity you have today, tomorrow this opportunity may forever be lost.

Why are you idle? There is work for you. No matter how small your job, you will not lose your reward. Remember the job is worth doing well. Read Matt. 20:6, Mark 9:41.

### COME TO CHURCH

#### Revival

Revival begins September 22 at 7:30 p.m. at Reunion Chapel Free Will Baptist Church near Vanceboro on Maul Swamp Road.

Rev. Harry Bryan will be the evangelist. Rev. Charlie Dixon is pastor of the church.

There will be special singing every night. You are invited to attend. Homecoming services will be September 28 following the revival. Come and enjoy the fellowship.

#### Revival

Tabernacle Holiness Church is planning a Revival October 6-12 with the Rev. Rick Pollock of Savannah Ga. Rev. Larry Small invites everyone to attend.

#### Revival

Revival service will be held at West Vanceboro Church of God Sunday, Sept. 21 through Wednesday.

Rev. James Boyd will be the guest speaker.

The pastor Rev. Robert Worthington invites everyone to attend.

#### Youth Day Planned

Tabernacle Holiness Church on Highway 43 is planning a Youth Day September 27, beginning at 10:00 until 6:00. Morning speaker is Mrs. Derenda Woods from Colbert, Ga. Lunch will be served. Evening speaker is Rev. Robert Roadcap of Norfolk Va. Classes for all ages. Rev. Larry Small, pastor, invites everyone young and old to attend.

#### Butler Graduates

Jackie Butler of Farm Life Avenue, Vanceboro, graduated from Pamlico Technical College on August 27, 1986 as a Medical Assistant. She is trained to do both clinical and office duties for any medical facility. She graduated with an overall average of 3.60. She is the daughter of Mrs. Bessie Williams of Vanceboro.

#### Happy Birthday

Sept. 18 Chad Everett Ipack  
Sept. 18 Jeanie Dawson  
Sept. 19 George Pendergrast  
Sept. 19 Josephine Johnson  
Sept. 20 Sallie G. Wiggins

### Infant Adoptions Increase

The number of babies adopted through The Children's Home Society of North Carolina has increased 74.4% so far in 1986 according to executive director Ruth McCracken.

"August 12 was a red letter day for us," said McCracken. "We placed our 143rd baby, the total number placed in all of 1985. We still have a long list of families waiting to adopt infants, though. That is not going to change."

McCracken cited a year long advertising campaign as the reason for the increase in babies available for adoption. The Children's Home Society, a statewide adoption agency, hired Shotwell & Partners, a Charlotte based advertising firm, to produce radio and television spots and to buy some advertising time promoting the agency's pregnancy counseling services.

"Increased visibility has resulted in many more requests for counseling and for adoption services by young women with unplanned pregnancies," said McCracken.

The agency first saw the impact of the campaign in July of last year when the number of calls to the agency's toll free counseling line increased dramatically. "We were thrilled with the initial impact of the campaign," said McCracken. "It was apparent to us that there were many young pregnant girls in North Carolina who simply didn't know where to turn for help and counseling. Our toll free

#### Anniversary\*

Sept. 21

Mr. and Mrs. David Dudley

#### Home Health-Hospice

Craven County Home Health-Hospice is offering a Hospice Education and Volunteer Training Program in Vanceboro at Farm Life School from 7:00-9:00 p.m., beginning September 15th. This is an 8 week program and will meet on Mondays. Areas of discussion will include stages of death and dying, care of terminally ill in the home, family dynamics, importance of listening, spiritual needs, loss and grief. For further information, please call Craven County Home Health-Hospice. 633-2605



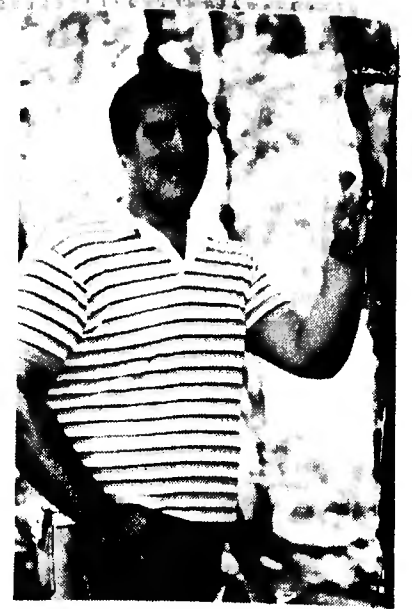
line, our visibility and our statewide network of services make us a good resource for any young woman, even if she lives in a remote or isolated area."

The agency has had an 84% increase in babies coming into temporary care for adoption planning during the first seven months of 1986. Babies remain in foster care at least 30 days until they are legally free for adoption. Then they are placed in their permanent adoptive homes, according to McCracken.

She noted that at a time when adoption agencies across the country are closing their doors or changing direction of their services because a few babies are available for adoption, The Children's Home Society expects to handle more infant adoptions than they have since the sixties.

"We're bucking a nationwide trend here," said McCracken. "In the past 20 years, changes in abortion laws and the trend toward single parenthood for young unmarried mothers have resulted in fewer babies needing adoption. We believe that young women should have some options when they are faced with an unplanned pregnancy, and that one of those options should be adoption."

"We know that adoption can be a good plan for children who can't or shouldn't remain with their biological parents," said McCracken. "It is a worthwhile alternative to dependency, neglect or abuse, which may result when parents have children under less than adequate circumstances or when parents lack the maturity to provide a secure home life for a child. Adoption benefits all of us indirectly, because the adopted child is placed with a family that can provide for his needs and help him become a contributing member of society, rather than becoming dependent upon public financial assistance or becoming a ward of the state."



Anthony Arrington

### Surprise 18th Birthday Party

Anthony "Tank" Arrington was honored with a surprise 18th birthday cookout at the home of his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Morris on Sunday afternoon, September 14, 1986. Approximately 30 family members and friends enjoyed hamburgers with trimmings and cake and ice cream.

### North Carolina State Fair

For the first time in its 119-year history, the North Carolina State Fair will run 10 days, from October 17-26. The fair had run nine days since 1969; prior to 1969, the State Fair was six days or less in length.

In addition to the variety of exhibits found during the fair, the dairy goat show, Folk Festival performances, and outdoor stage entertainment will round out the day. A special Mud Bog Monster Truck Show and Auto Thrill Show will take place in the grandstand during the day, and country superstar Charley Pride will wind up the stellar lineup of evening entertainment in Dorton Arena on the final Sunday, October 26.

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