



The staff of West Lumberton Elementary School recognized Mrs. Ailetha Robinson and Mrs. Evelyn Hardin during "Cafeteria Workers' Appreciation Week." Larry Brooks, principal, looks on as M.s. Jean McCall, teacher assistant, presents gifts to these dedicated workers. We appreciate your hard work, ladies!



Say you read it in Carolina Indian Voice.

The Sunday School Lesson

BY JOHN R. BRAYBOY
SALEM MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

- False Hopes for Peace**
(Jeremiah 28:5-14)
I. Vain Hope (Jeremiah 28:5-9)
II. Popular Prophecy (Jeremiah 28:10-11)
III. True Prophecy (Jeremiah 28:12-14)
I. Vain Hope (Jeremiah 28:12-14)

As election time comes around this is a very appropriate lesson for us all. We live in a time when people like to hear and have false hope because, like Israel, it is news that they want to hear. People no longer want to hear the truth.

Judah was being punished for refusing to repent of its sin. Hanniah came prophesying and telling the people that the leaders and craftsmen in captivity would return in two years and everything would be back to normal.

When leaders do not tell people the truth, they do an injustice to the people. Preachers of the gospel, called of God, have an obligation to tell the

whole truth when they proclaim the word of God. When a preacher or any Christian tells someone that if they just do good, without being born again, that they will be alright, they are spreading false hope to lost people. Hanniah told Judah what they wanted to hear. It was not the truth, but it sounded good to them. Just because something sounds good does not mean that it is good. If it is not backed up by God's word then it is not good. Had the people of Judah thought they would have known that Hanniah was a false prophet, Jesus warned us to be aware of false prophets. In order

to know who is a false prophet we must know what God's word says.

Jeremiah knew that what Hanniah had said was not true. This put him in an uncomfortable situation with the people, but he knew that he must tell them the truth. Even though they would not listen that would not change the truth.

Jeremiah reminded the people that the true prophets in the past had pronounced things that came to pass. What God says will come to pass whether people believe it or not. Today many do not believe in the imminent return of Christ, but that does not change the fact that he will return.

II. Popular Prophecy (Jeremiah 28:10-11)

Hanniah took the wooden yoke that Jeremiah wore around his neck to symbolize the yoke that Judah was under and broke it. False teachers always tell people what they want to hear. The true man of God will proclaim the truth regardless of the cir-

cumstances that surround him. Of course, people want to hear things that soothe their ears, not that they have to repent of their sins and receive forgiveness from God.

III. True Prophecy (Jeremiah 28:12-14)

Jeremiah reminded the people that Hanniah had done them a disservice by telling them that things would get better. Instead of things getting better for them, things would get a lot worse.

God's way is and has always been for people to turn from sin and seek forgiveness. When they refused to do so they only bring harsher judgment upon themselves.

Because Judah did not accept Jeremiah's message instead of

Hanniah's, God pronounced greater judgment than before. Babylon would take over the land of Judah and the nations around them.

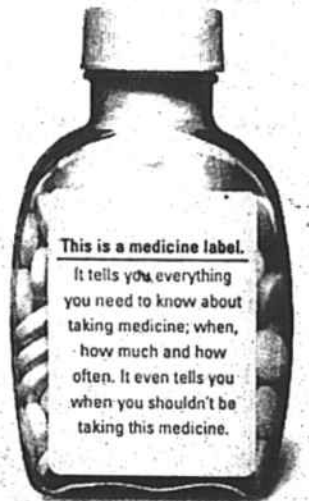
Just as Jeremiah did Christians today need to expose false prophets for what they are. People today do not need false hope. They need the truth of God's word that will improve and correct them. Not only sinners, but Christians also.

Unsaved person, I urge you to seek the truth and not seek after things that soothe the ears. The truth is that you are a sinner separated from God and if you die in that condition, you will spend eternity in hell. God provided a plan for everyone to escape from the torment of hell. Repent of your sins, ask God for forgiveness and accept Jesus Christ as your saviour. God will save you for Christ's sake.

God bless you all until next week.



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MAKING A POLITICAL DECISION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1996 - STATE GENERAL ELECTIONS
NC HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES—ROBESON- HOKE-SCOTLAND COUNTIES - DISTRICT 87?

MEASURE THE CANDIDATES ON

*EXPERIENCES - *ACHIEVEMENTS - *ISSUES



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- o Hilly Branch Baptist Church: (Former Superintendent-BTU; Choir Member)
- o United Methodist Church: President-Black Methodist-Church Renewal-SE Region

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES:

- o Associate Executive Director—NCAE
- o Vocational Director-PSRC
- o President—NCAE and Southeast Region-ACT
- o President—NCACT/NCAE
- o Board of Directors—Nat'l Education Assoc.
- o Founder: NC Council on Educating Black Children
- o Numerous Local, State, & Nat'l Positions

POLITICAL EXPERIENCES: (Democratic Affiliation)

- o Precinct Six Chairperson
- o Robeson County Secretary
- o Congressional Dist. #7 Committee Member
- o NEA Whip-Dem. Nat'l Conv.
- o National Democratic Convention Delegate

LEGISLATION RATIFIED: LEGISLATIVE GAINS

- o 1992 - Farmers Market Idea Born with District 87 "Think-Tank" Legislative Agenda
- o 1993 - Wrote Proposal for Farmers Market
- o 1993-1994 -- 6.3 Million Funding
- o 1993 - RATIFIED BILLS: Hunger Study-\$50,000; Historic Preservation-\$1M; HWY/DMV Office-\$250,000; GRANTS: Rowland Masonic Bldg--\$20,000; H-W-S Plantation; Flora McDonald Academy; Local Bills--Lumberton
- o 1994 - RATIFIED BILLS & GRANTS: Robeson Co. Library; PSU Bond Funds; Scholarships; Universities' Reversion Funds; Local Bills--Lumberton
- o 1995 - Minority Grant Package-2.2M; UNC Public Tower; Restored Teachers/State Employees Retirement Funds; Prayer Bill/Moment of Silence; Saved Teachers Tenure, Payroll Deduction-NCAE Dues; Local Bills--Lumberton & Hoke County
- o 1996 - GRANTS & HOUSE BILLS: Robeson Co. Cancer Institute; UNC-P Name Change; Secured Three Contracts for Maintenance Improvement for Robeson County Roads

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS:

- o Budget Negotiations/Conference Committee (Conferee)
- o Appropriations/Education
- o Education
- o Chair: Preschool, Elementary, Secondary Committee
- o Business & Labor
- o State Government/State Parks, Facilities & Property

PRIORITY ISSUES:

- o Education
- o Environment
- o Family; Women; Child Care, Health Care
- o Crime Prevention
- o Economic Security/Growth
- o Taxes; Smaller Government

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