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St. Peter's Church Of God

By Beverly McCarthy
Staff Writer

"...And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me," John 12:32.

A church obeying these words of Jesus is the best way to describe Saint Peter's Church of God Apostolic, located on the corner of Highland Avenue, for indeed, Saint Peter's lifts up Jesus. The Chronicle salutes Saint Peter's as this week's Church of the Week.

St. Peter's Church of God Apostolic was first organized in 1928 by Evangelist Elijah N. Neal. Soon the church members began to grow and grew in such large numbers that the congregation had to move to a larger building, which later became too small to accommodate its members. After moving several other times, Bishop W.R. Pannell was assigned Pastor of St. Peter's and under his leadership, the present church site was chosen and paid for.

In 1967, under the pastorage of Bishop Johnnie Draft, the basement of the church structure was built. It was under the direction of Bishop R.K. Hash, who came to St. Peter's in 1968, that the church sanctuary was completed.

The church members were able to pay off a large mortgage under Bishop Hash's guidance. The membership has now reached more than 400 and has outgrown its seating space.

Bishop Hash is married to Mildred Hash, and together, they provide a dynamic ministry.

spreading the word of God throughout Winston-Salem and surrounding areas.

The members of Saint Peter's have accomplished many goals and carried out several programs and projects throughout the years. One of its major programs was the 77th Annual General Assembly of The Church of God Apostolic, Incorporated, which convened on August 17-23, at the church. Bishop Hash served as General Overseer

and host. The theme of the assembly was "Where is your place." A special highlight of the convention was a visit by delegates from Liberia, who were guests at the convention.

Saint Peter's is known as, "the church of success that's on the grow." Services are held every Sunday morning, beginning with Church Bible School at 9:45 a.m. Visitors are welcome to attend.

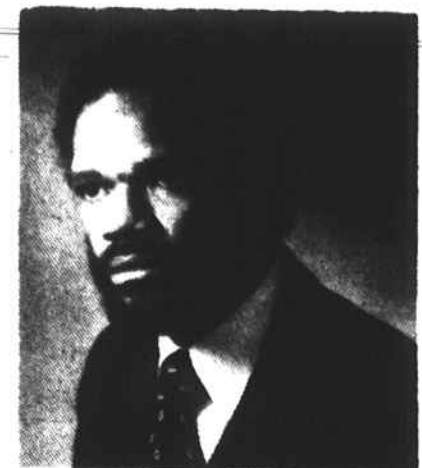
St. John Welcomes Rev. John I. Adams, Sr.

Rev. John L. Adams, Sr., recently joined St. John C.M.E. Church, located at N.W. Crawford Place, as the new Pastor.

Rev. Adams, age 30, is a native of Alabama. He is the husband of Mrs. Mary T. Adams and father of two sons, Johnny L. Adams, Jr. and Tenkamenin Micah Adams.

Rev. Adams brings to St. John C.M.E. Church and Winston-Salem a wealth of experience and talent. He received the Bachelor of Arts Degree from Miles College in Birmingham, Alabama, in 1973 where his major was Sociology and his minor was Religion and Philosophy. He later received the Master of Divinity Degree from Duke University in Durham, North Carolina, where he concentrated on Biblical Studies and Homiletics.

His professional experiences as a Minister began in September, 1969.



Rev. John L. Adams

Since that time, he has served as Pastor of seven churches in three different states - Alabama, Connecticut and North Carolina. Prior to coming to St. John C.M.E. Church, Rev. Adams served as Pastor of Logan's Chapel C.M.E. Church in Charlotte, N.C.

Rev. Adams' dedication to the ministry has opened

doors to his many other professional experiences. Among them are his work with the Department of Corrections in Durham, N.C. and Hillsboro, N.C.; his experience as Instructor of Marriage and Family Interaction at Lafayette College in Fayetteville, N.C.; and his active duty as a Chaplain in the U.S. Army.

Please join the members of St. John C.M.E. Church in welcoming Rev. John L. Adams, Sr. and his family to our city. An open invitation is extended to all to come and hear this Man of God.

An Abstract of the Sunday School Lesson

By Clara Lawrence



Subject: God Is Faithful

Lesson

Scripture

Calling The Witnesses..... Deuteronomy 32:1-3
Stating The Case..... Deuteronomy 32:4-9
Remembering God's Faithfulness..... Deuteronomy 32:7-9

Background Scripture
Deuteronomy 31:19-30; 32:14; 33:29; 34:1-12

Lesson Background

With the covenant re-established, Moses, the leader and communicator of God's will to the Israelites had finished his duty. God then gave him a song to testify as a witness against them.

Joshua, the son of Nun, was given the leadership role by Moses. He instructed him by first, calling the elders and officers of the tribes together. He predicted that after his death, evil would befall them because of their turning away from God.

Moses remembered how God had liberated His people from Egypt. He celebrated the event with his final song given him by God. This song set forth the perfection of God. He then climbed Mt. Nebo to view the Promised Land. At sunset he closed his eyes and died (Deut. 34:1-5). There has not arisen a prophet since in Israel (34:10-12).

Lesson Explained

The title of today's lesson proclaims that "God Is Faithful." He can be relied on to keep His promises. The song we're studying was given to Moses for the purpose of teaching the people a method of proclaiming God's faithfulness to all generations. It does not rhyme but it does have rhythm in the Hebrew. The images of rain and dew speaks of refreshing power of God's Word.

Verses 4-6 show Moses rebuking disloyal Israelites. As he paid tribute to God's dependability over and against the idols of Canaan and their fickleness. A stinging indictment is seen against the people in this portion of scripture. "They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of His children: They are a perverse and crooked generation." In essence, they were no longer worthy to be called God's children.

The people were called upon to remember what they had heard about the past and to consult their fathers and elders lest they forget. Moses also reminded them that God had been true to them even though they had been faithful to Him. He compared their sinful state with that of Jacob who had wronged and offended God and his family by his selfish action, yet God remained true to him. So, we see the Lord's choice of His people is noted from a different perspective.

If we look back on our lives like Moses, we can realize that God has been gracious and true. We can see that there were sunshine and shadows, but He was always faithful.

Truths To Live By

1. The Lord is a majestic, reliable, uncorrupted and yet a loving God.
2. God's dependability is shown in the lives of those who trust Him.

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On Sept. 17th, we're going to make headlines just for buying only Black newspapers that day. BOCA is asking all Black men and women to show their support for Black media by buying Black newspapers Sept. 17th.

It will be the first time there's ever been a nationwide show of support for Black media. And millions of people are expected to participate in this historic demonstration of Black unity.

We urge you to be one of them. All you have to do is buy a Black newspaper Sept. 17th. You'll be joining in a massive vote of confidence for your Black media. And you'll be sending a message: that you care about Black newspapers. That you value them as a source of truth in the community.

And that you recognize the historical relationship between Black papers and Black freedom. (One of the very first Black businesses was a Black newspaper - The Freedom Journal - started in 1827 by an ex-slave, John Russworm.)

Just as important, you'll be a part of an opportunity—a chance for a grand scale demonstration of the consumer power that exists when millions of Black people work together. And that's something you can be proud of.

Just as White newspapers across America report news that reflects the interests of Whites, Black newspapers continue to struggle to present the news that reflects Black interests.

Mark your calendar for Sept. 17th. Buy a Black newspaper and only a Black newspaper. Then be prepared to read all about it.

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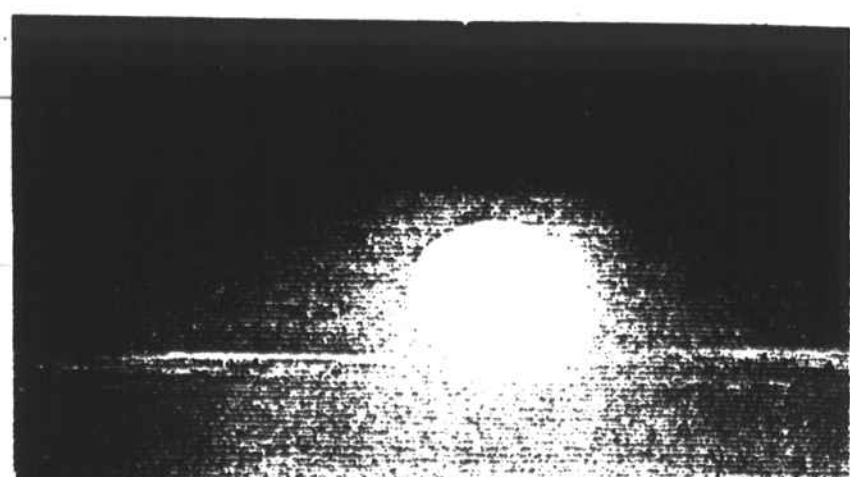
Acts 6:8

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Back To School

September is back to school time. Little children anxiously awaiting their first day at school, will be primed and pretty for the big occasion. Others, older but not much wiser, will, like Shakespeare's schoolboy, be "winding their way unwillingly to school," eagerly clinging to the last few moments of their summer vacation. But regardless of their degree of enthusiasm, they will be out on opening day. So, please, exercise a little extra caution when you're driving.

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