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## CALENDAR

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### SUNDAY, JUNE 5

•The Senior Usher Board of Zion Memorial Baptist Church will have an Anniversary Tea from 4-6 p.m. at the church at 101 N. Dunleith Ave. The public is invited.

•Registration will be held from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m., from 12:15 to 12:45 p.m. and from 5:30-5:50 p.m. at Dellabrook Presbyterian Church at 115 Dellabrook Road for the church's Christian Education Day, to be held June 6-10 from 6-8 p.m. A closing program and cook-out will be held on June 11. For information and to arrange transportation to the affair, call Raleigh Johnson at 725-6241.

### MONDAY, JUNE 6

•A Vacation Bible School Workshop will be held at 7 p.m. at Shiloh Baptist Church under the auspices of the church's Sunday School Department. The director is Mrs. Pincelcolor Clyburn. The public is invited.

### PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

•The Senior Ushers of Goler Metropolitan A.M.E. Zion Church will celebrate its 42nd anniversary on Sunday, June 12, at 5 p.m. Music will be furnished by the church's Gospel Choir. The public is invited.

•Resurrection Summer Day Camp will be held June 13-July 15 for youth ages 6-11 at Dellabrook Presbyterian Church at 115 Dellabrook Road. The camp is sponsored by St. Stephens Episcopal Church, St. Benedict the Moor Catholic Church and Dellabrook Presbyterian Church. For information, call 725-1564.

•Zion Memorial Baptist Church will be having its Vacation Bible School on June 6-10 and June 13-17. The sessions will be held each night from 6-8 p.m. The closing program will be held on Sunday, June 19, during the Sunday school hour from 9:30-10:30 a.m. The public is invited.

•The V.K. Studio will present voice and piano students in recital at Wentz Memorial United Church of Christ at 3435 Carver Road on June 5 at 5 p.m. The program is sponsored by the Sunday School Department of the church.

•Union Chapel Baptist Church will have a public forum on corporal punishment Saturday, June 4, at the church at 300 W. 25th St. The forum will begin at 7 p.m. and will include several speakers. The Rev. Rhodford Anderson and congregation invite parents, students and friends to attend.

•St. Stephen's Episcopal Church is sponsoring a trip to Lancaster Amish Country July 23-27. A deposit is due now. For further information, call Mrs. Olivette Bynum at 748-0374 or Mrs. Hazel Scott at 724-0981 or 727-8239.

The Chronicle welcomes church calendar notices. Announcements should be concise and typed or neatly printed. They should also include the day, time, place and sponsors of the event, plus a number to call for additional information. Announcements should be addressed to the Winston-Salem Chronicle Church Calendar, P.O. Box 3154, Winston-Salem, N.C. 27102. The deadline for announcements is Mondays at 5:30.

## Focus On Religion

# She's 78 years young and still spreading love

By ROBIN ADAMS  
Staff Writer

"I lost my mother when I was 13-years-old," Mary Phillips says, "and everybody who reached out to me and helped me made a great impact on my life."

Mrs. Phillips, 78, did not forget the good things people did for her. Instead, she sort of bottled that good will and has delivered it to others who have needed it throughout her life.

*"Everything I do is for Him. He has no hands but ours and He has no feet but ours. And we have to do the work He wants done."*

-- Mrs. Mary Phillips

"Sometimes people are just not thoughtful," Mrs. Phillips says. "Some people are thankful if you just speak to them. And with others, they are happy if you smile at them."

"From the smallest child to the person in the highest position, we all need somebody to love us. Sometimes a person might not show it on the outside, but they are one of the loneliest people in their hearts."

Although Mrs. Phillips makes a special point of making sure she's nice to everybody, she really comes into her own at her church, First Baptist on Highland Avenue.

"Her life revolves around her church work," says her daughter-in-law, Dr. Barbara K. Phillips. "For over 20 years she has prepared the communion bread for the church."

"There is one quote about Mrs. Phillips that I like to use," Dr. Phillips says. "None know thee but to love thee."

The Rev. William S. Epps, pastor at First Baptist, where Mrs. Phillips has been a member for 55 years, says she is "a very diligent worker and has a deep love and concern for people."

A member of the church's Junior Church Council for 15 years, senior choir member for 35 years, chairman of the deaconess board for 16 years, member of the Addie C. Morris Club for 30 years, reporter for the church's newspaper, *The Herald*, volunteer for the Vacation Bible School and volunteer at Kate B. Reynolds Memorial Hospital, Mrs. Phillips says she gives thanks for all she has been able to accomplish to God.

"I ask Him (God) every day to guide me, and I hope I'm doing it the way He wants me to," Mrs. Phillips says in her softspoken tone.

"Everything I do is for Him. He has no hands but ours and He has no feet but ours. And we have to do the work He wants done. And this gives you joy. And I know that when you listen to Him, he will guide you and make a way possible."

Watching some of the people she worked with as children in the church grow and mature brings joy to Mrs. Phillips.

"It makes me feel good to see the young people I worked with to grow up and continue working in the church," she says. "You know that you can't keep going and going. You have to turn it over to the young people sooner or later."

"Some people think that the young people might not be able to carry on, but not me. That's why I resigned from the deaconess board. I had been there for 18 years, and that was long enough. Times are changing and methods of doing things are changing."

She adds, "I am elated that we have young women who are much better prepared than I was to take over some of the older people's responsibility. I just don't believe in hindering a young person because some old woman doesn't want to step aside."

It's hard enough to believe Mrs. Phillips is 78 by simply looking at her. When one sees her at work, however, it's almost impossible. She and her daughter have a



Despite involving herself in many church activities, Mary Phillips, 78, still finds time to spend with her great grandson, Jamal Phillips (photo by James Parker).

"mini-nursery" where they keep several neighborhood children, among them two of her great grandchildren.

"I'm the policewoman of this group," Mrs. Phillips says. "But they love me and I give them a lot of love and affection."

Age has definitely not slowed Mrs. Phillips down physically, as can be evidenced by the energy she displays as she chases one of the children. "I have to

give God the credit. He has really blessed me and provided me with health and strength. I have to remind my own self sometimes that I am an old lady," Mrs. Phillips says.

She also has another secret that has been instrumental in her long life. "I married the type of man that I have described as being good for whatever ails me," Mrs. Phillips says, smiling broadly.

## Church Notes

# Rowdy honored with service

An appreciation service is being held for Evangelist Sarah C. Rowdy, assistant pastor of J.A. Coleman Memorial Chapel Church at 614 Patterson Ave., on June 7-9.

On Tuesday, June 7, Bishop Jake Johnson, pastor of Mt. Nebo Holiness Church, will be the speaker.

On June 8, the Rev. John L. Bennett, pastor of Center Grove A.M.E. Zion Church, will be the speaker and on June 9, Bishop Theodore R. Rice, pastor of Mercy Seat Holy Church, will be the speaker.

Services will be held nightly at 7:30.

### Church Hosts Quarterly Assembly

The Quarterly Assembly of New Faith Chapel Holiness Church will be held on June 2-5 at the Open Door Apostolic Church on 922 Alder St. The host pastor is the Rev. C.L. Acker.

Services will be held nightly at 7:30. On Thursday, June 2, Elder Victor Carson will be the speaker. On Fri-

day, June 3, Elder Ronald Brown will speak. Evangelist Syrtha Robinson will conduct services on Saturday and Bishop L.S. Tate, pastor and church founder, will be the Sunday evening speaker.

Also on Saturday, June 4, at 3 p.m. a business meeting will be held for all ministers and officials of the church.

### Church Holds First Service

The Burning Flame Christian Church will hold its first service on Sunday, June 5 at 11 a.m. at the Patterson Avenue YMCA.

The speaker will be the Rev. Napoleon L. Crowell, pastor and founder, who has also served as an associate minister at Spencer Memorial Christian Church for nine years. He attended Winston-Salem Bible College. In 1980, he was called to pastor The First Congregation Christian Church in Mt. Pleasant, where he served before resigning.



The Rev. Napoleon L. Crowell

## Deaths And Funerals

# Mr. William Dean Shields of Mock Street passes

Mr. William Dean Shields, of 922 Mock St., died Tuesday, May 24, 1983, at Reynolds Health Care Center. A native of Timmonsville, S.C., Shields had lived in this city for the past 45 years. He was a member of Community Baptist Church and a retired employee of the *Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel*. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Annie Mae Shields of the city; three daughters, Mrs. Julie Shields, Mrs. Bettye S. Adams and Mrs. Gloria Rose, all of the city; five sons, William Shields Jr. of Rockville, Md., Dennis Shields of the U.S. Army, Robert Shields of Wilmington, N.C., David and Harry Shields, both of the city; two brothers, Bill and Arthur Shields, both of the city; three sisters, Mrs. Arillia Ardrey, Miss Catherine Shields and Mrs. Dora Holman, all of the city; 21 grandchildren; a devoted friend, Earl Byers, other relatives and friends. Funeral services were conducted at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 28, at Community Baptist. The Rev. W.F. Sheppard officiated and interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Hooper Funeral Directors were in charge of services.

Mrs. Pearline Williamson Lee, of 1519 N. Eighth St., Philadelphia, died in that city Tuesday, May 24, 1983. A native of Rock Hill, S.C., Mrs. Lee was an employee of the AM-Track Railroad Co. Survivors include her sister, Mrs. Bertha Shannon Glenn of 1055 Shrub St.; her brother, Herbert Lee of Tampa, Fla., other relatives and friends. Funeral services were conducted at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 28, at St. Mark Baptist Church. The Rev. James Fullwood officiated and interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Hooper Funeral Directors were in charge of services.

Mr. William E. Barringer, of Charlotte, died Tuesday, May 24, 1983, in that city. Barringer was a former resident of this city for a number of years. Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Clara Bohannon Barringer; four sons, William R., Richard B., Christopher and David Barringer; two daughters, Mrs. Lenda Sturdevant and Mrs. Carol B. Wilkins, all of this city. Funeral services were conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 28, at Greer Funeral

Home in Charlotte. This announcement is a courtesy of Hooper Funeral Directors.

Miss Robin Deniece Abbott, of Detroit, died Thursday, May 26, 1983, in that city. Survivors include her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Marie Johnson) Abbott of Detroit; two brothers, Frederick Abbott of Detroit and Edward Abbott of this city; her aunt, Mrs. Rosa Davis of 3116 Airport Rd., other relatives and friends. Hooper Funeral Directors were in charge of local services.

Mrs. Lillie Williams Hairston, of 409 W. 23rd St., died Friday, May 27, 1983, at Forsyth Memorial Hospital. A native of Gastonia, N.C., Mrs. Hairston was a retired employee of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. She was a member of New Bethel Baptist Church, the Effort Club, Missionary Circle No. 3 and the Senior Citizens Club. Survivors include her sister, Mrs. Margaret W. Dodd of Harrisburg, Pa., her grandson, Kenneth Ray Hairston of the home; several cousins, including Mrs. Maude Mc-

Collum, Mrs. Daisy Brown, Mrs. Annie Mae Lewis and Mrs. Bronnie McCollum, all of the city, and Mrs. Susie Brown of Chester, S.C.; several nieces and nephews, including Mrs. Wanda Wilson and Mrs. Cynthia Harold, both of Virginia Beach, Va., Mrs. Julia Mae Meadows of Baltimore, and Mrs. Helena H. Ford of the city. Ernest and Jerome Gunnings, both of the city, other relatives and friends. Funeral services were conducted at 2:30 p.m. Monday, May 30, at New Bethel Baptist. The Rev. Dr. Jerry A. Drayton officiated and interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery. Hooper Funeral Directors were in charge of services.

Funeral services for Mrs. Helen Coger Boseman, of 111 North Jackson Ave., were held at 4 p.m. Monday, May 23, 1983, in New Bethel Baptist Church. The Rev. Dr. Jerry A. Drayton officiated and interment was in Evergreen Cemetery. The body was placed in state in the church prior to the funeral hour. Clark S. Brown & Sons Funeral Home was in charge of services.