

Dr. J. Ray Butler takes over reins of Rowan Association

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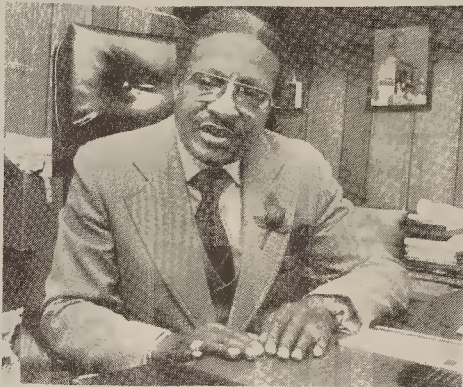


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Dr. J. Ray Butler, recently elected moderator of the Rowan Baptist Association, has mapped out a complete agenda for the organization.

Toward that end, plans are on the drawing boards to begin an eventual merger of Shaw University and Shaw Divinity School. Under the plan, Shaw Divinity School would become a graduate school under the auspices of Shaw University. Butler said that, at this point, the matter has only been unofficially tossed around but that such a merger would strengthen the resources and long-term potential of both institutions.

Butler said that he plans to encourage churches to remain true to their purposes as missionary Baptist organizations. "I'm sure that I will strive to lead pastors and churches in areas that will help bring about the betterment of pastors, churches and congregations," he said. "I hope to lead them in the objectives of which missionary Baptists are all about in the state of North Carolina, and within the General Baptist State Convention family."

But Butler points out that while the association pursues its mission of educational support, it will not neglect its other objectives. "I plan to also lead this organization in the outreach of evangelism," he said. "It's part of our belief. Ultimately, as missionary Baptist churches, we believe in evangelism. Missionary Baptists believe in stewardship. The thing is that we have to place an emphasis on teaching in these areas. There must be a process of growth. We're going to re-emphasize the need for education as a whole, but not just for Shaw University or Shaw Divinity School. I am going to stress studying God's word and studying the Bible. These are the ways to get people spiritually stronger. By doing that we provide

insight which will improve their own spiritual life and the life of the church."

Butler's other community and religious activities include membership in the Baptist Ministers Conference and Associates of Winston-Salem and Vicinity, the Forsyth Clergy Association of Winston-Salem, the local NAACP, the Human Relations Committee, Experiment in Self-Reliance, the United Way and the Mental Health Association.

On the national level, he is affiliated with the National Theological Alumni Association of Shaw Divinity School, the Executive Board of Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention USA Inc., the National Baptist Sunday School Publishing Board and the National Baptist Convention USA Inc.

Before coming to Shiloh Baptist, Butler served as pastor at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Wilmington, New Christian Chapel Baptist Church in Rose Hill and at Mount Olive Baptist Church in Fayetteville.

He has been included in listings of "Who's Who Among Black Americans-Marquis," "Who's Who in the East and Southwest" and "Who's Who Among Black Americans."

Other ministers elected to offices in the Rowan Baptist Association were: Dr. Reuben Gilliam, first vice moderator; the Rev. John Mason, second vice moderator; the Rev. Gregory K. Moss, third vice moderator; the Rev. Darryl Robinson, secretary; the Rev. Connie Robinson, assistant secretary; Dr. H.L. Moore, statistician; the Rev. B.M. Daniels, treasurer; and the Rev. Hill, auditor.

Stephen Baptist Church Young Adult Choir. The Mass Choir is directed by Tommy Jackson.

- Rising Ebenezer Baptist Church will celebrate the fifth anniversary of their pastor, the Rev. B.J. Milton, at 4 p.m. The speaker for the morning service will be the Rev. Moore, associate minister. The guest church for the evening service will be Shady Grove Baptist Church. The Rev. Haywood Gray will be the guest speaker.

- Waightown Baptist Church will hold its Homecoming Jubilee at 11 a.m. at the church, 838 Moravia St. All former and present members are asked to join the fun with pastor Dennis Bishop. For more information call 784-7386 or 788-1575.

- Revelations of Faith Church Inc. will hold its fourth celebration of the church anniversary through Sunday, Aug. 21. A variety of speakers will participate in the celebration.

- The Joint Board of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church will hold its annual observance at 7 p.m. The Rev. E.K. Lilly and the congregation of Mars Hill Baptist Church will be the guests.

- The Forsyth County Missionary Union will observe its 78th anniversary at 3 p.m. at Shiloh Baptist Church, 916 E. 12th St. Dr. J. Ray Butler, first pastor, will deliver the message. Evelyn Clayburn, first vice president, will preside. Roxanna Pitts is the president.

- Hubert H. Caldwell Jr. will be ordained as pastor at a service at 4 p.m. at the Bible Christian Center, 2306 Cragmore Road. The Rev. L.V. Stennis, chief executive office and presiding bishop of the Carolina Juris-

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CHURCH CALENDAR

THURSDAY, AUG. 11

The General Assembly of the Church of God Apostolic continues at the Benton Convention Center through Sunday, Aug. 14. Guest speakers will be Kenneth Hagin of Tulsa, Okla., and John F. Avanzini of Fort Worth, Texas. Sessions will be held at 10 a.m. and at 7 p.m. The youth will be ministered to by guest speaker Pastor Stephen Wiley of Tulsa, Okla., the originator of "Gospel Rap." Children's church services will be held. For more information call St. Peter's Church of God Apostolic at 722-2285.

FRIDAY, AUG. 12

Ambassadors for Christ Revivals Inc. will present "Heart & Soul," the latest album release of the Ambassadors for Christ Choir at 7:30 p.m. at Ambassador Cathedral, 1500 Harriet Tubman Drive. Guests will be Barbara Ward Farmer and the Wagner Alumni Gospel Choir and Chris Gray and the Love Center District Choir from Statesville. Admission is free.

SATURDAY, AUG. 13

The Morning Star Baptist Church Building Fund will sponsor a yard sale and fish fry from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the church, 1332 Diggs Blvd. Hot dogs and baked items will be available for sale.

SUNDAY, AUG. 14

The Mass Choir of St. Stephen Baptist Church will present a Singing Festival at 3 p.m. The program will feature the Kimberly Park Holiness Church Young Adult Choir, the Gospel Supremes, the Realistics Gospel Singers, the Gospel Stylistics and the St.

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