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Burial followed at Oak Grove Baptist Church Cemetery, Walkertown. Russell Funeral Home Directors were in charge of the arrangements.

**MYERS**

Mr. Roosevelt Junior Myers, 775-L Carl Russell Avenue, Winston-Salem, died Feb. 2 at his residence.

He was a native of Chester County, SC, the son of the late Steve and Mammie Myers and had resided in the since early childhood. He was a veteran of the United States Army and was a member of the Ionic Lodge #72. He was a member of the Emmanuel Baptist Church where he was a member of the Wednesday Morning Bible Study and also started the AA at the Church until his health failed.

He is survived by his loving wife, Roberta Stevenson Myers of the home; one daughter, Gwendolyn Stewart Hairston of Winston-Salem; two step-daughters, Cynthia Denise Helig and Barbara Jean Shell both of the city; five step-sons, Rossie David Shell, Jr., Michael Leroy Shell, Crawford Dean Shell, Keith Antonio Shell and Reginald Wayne Shell all of Winston-Salem; five grandchildren, Tamicko Macon, LaTrisha Stewart, Latasha Hillian, Alvinia Montrease Shell and Damien C. Shell all of Winston-Salem; five great grandchildren, Nichole Stewart, LaVonne Stewart, Ra'Kim Galloway, JaNice Siens and Ricco Thomas, Jr. all of Winston-Salem; sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Vivian (William) Walters, Blondean (Charles) Foster, Mary Ann Stevenson King, Spurgeon O. (Jesse) Stevenson, II, Bendetta Stevenson Davis, Wanda Stevenson Cager all of Winston-Salem, Gladys (Ezekial) Patten of Los Angeles, Diane Stephens; his very close friends, Nathaniel McIlwain and Donald Reynolds both of the city, Kethy Little and Mrs. and Mrs. Eddie Hopkins all of Greensboro; a host of cousins, relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Feb. 6 at 2 p.m. at Emmanuel Baptist Church with the Rev. John Mendez officiating.

Burial followed at Piedmont Memorial Gardens. Russell Funeral Home Directors were in charge of the arrangements.

**COCKERHAM**

Mr. Therman Phillip, Cockerham, 1206 Peachtree Street, Winston-Salem, died Feb. 3 at Forsyth Medical Center.

He was born July 31, 1910, in Elkin, to Byrd and Levora Cockerham. He was a member of Pleasant Union Primitive Baptist Church where he served as a deacon and a member of the usher board for more than 50 years. He was an avid checker player and a member of the Piedmont Checker Club. He was a quiet, patient and loving husband and father. Mr. Cockerham was retired employee of R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company.

He is survived by his wife, Pauline Cockerham of 63 years of the home; two sons, Vernon Cockerham of Detroit, and Curtis Cockerham of the city; two daughters, Connie Martin of Columbus, Ohio and Verleria (David) Butler of Cleveland; two brothers, Ernest and Lonnie Cockerham of the city; seven grandchildren, Tommie Martin and Gregory Martin, of Columbus, Armand L. Martin of Midcity, Okla.; Cora and Sean Cockerham of Nashville, Tenn., Darrell and Damon Butler of Cleveland; one great grandson, one great granddaughter and a host of other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held Feb. 9 at Pleasant Union Primitive Baptist Church with Elder Victor Clark officiating. Burial followed at Oaklawn Memorial Gardens.

Hooper Funeral Home Directors were in charge of the arrangements.

**MILES**

Mr. Joseph William Miles, 2924 Teresa Avenue, Winston-Salem, died Feb. 1 at Wake Forest University/Baptist Medical Center.

He was born on February 14, 1927, in Winston-Salem to the late Mr. Lindsay Bethel Miles and Mrs. Zura Miles McFarlin.

He attended the local public schools, was a graduate of Atkins High School and Smith Business College. After completing Smith Business College, he enlisted in the United States Army, and served in World War II. He received several medals of commendation and an honorable discharge. He was married to Mrs. Sallie Evans Miles and they were the parents of three daughters and two sons. He was preceded in death by his father, Lindsay Bethel Miles; his loving wife, Sallie Evans Miles; brother Lindsay Miles, Jr., and daughter, Betty Jo Miles Williams.

He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Zura Miles McFarlin of Winston-Salem; two

daughters, Brenda J. Rapley and Sharon (Carl) Watts both of Winston-Salem; two sons, Glen (Linda) Miles and Michael Miles both of Winston-Salem; fifteen grandchildren; four great grandchildren; a brother, Walter (Barbara) Miles of Winston-Salem; a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Feb. 6 at noon in the Chapel of the Russell Funeral Home with Reverend Philemon Samuels officiating.

## RELIGION CALENDAR

**Feb. 11**

**Black History Month Celebration**

The Board of Christian Education of Hanes Memorial Christian Methodist Episcopal Church, 819 Highland Ave., will present two programs in celebration of Black History Month.

The selected theme for the programs will be "Revisiting Our Cultural Heritage" at 6 p.m. A video "One Blood" will be presented in a theatrical setting. "One Blood" is a gospel musical drama focusing on the Civil Rights movement of the 1950s and '60s, as well as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and our spiritual oneness.

The second program, held Feb. 14 at 4 p.m., will be a panel discussion of the seven principles of Kwanzaa. An open discussion will follow each session. The event will end with a fellowship hour in the fellowship hall. The Rev. Dr. Lloyd L. Watkins Sr. is the pastor of Hanes.

**Feb. 13**

**Prayer Breakfast**

The Missionary Society of Hanes Memorial CME Church, 819 Highland Ave., will hold its annual Prayer Breakfast at 9 a.m. For more information call 724-7151.

**Oldtimers Meeting**

The Belews Street Vicini-

ty Oldtimers will meet at 1 p.m. at Mars Hill Baptist Church. All persons who resided in the area once bounded by Fogle, Second, Claremont and Shuttle streets are welcome to attend.

**Feb. 14**

**Church to honor First Lady**

New Faith Chapel Holiness Church will hold a special worship service in honor of First Lady Mother Brenda Tate at 4 p.m. The guest speaker will be the Rev. O.T. McCray of Remnant of Faith Christian Church of Kings Mountain, N.C. New Faith is located at 1419 Waughtown St. For more

information call 748-7699.

**Worship Service**

The Rev. Dr. Paul A. Lowe and the congregation of Shiloh Baptist Church will worship with Miracle Temple of Deliverance, 3317 Old Lexington Road, at 6:30 p.m. The host pastor is Elder Charlie Jenkins.

**Feb. 16**

**Pancake Supper**

St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 810 Highland Ave., will hold its annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper at 4 p.m. For more information call 724-2614.

**Feb. 17**

**Catacomb Service**

Trinity Moravian Church, 220 Sprague St., will hold Ash Wednesday service at 7 p.m. The service will be held by the light of a single candle, reminiscent of the First Century Roman Christians who worshipped secretly underground. The service will be lead by the Right Rev. Burton J. Rights and will conclude with Holy Communion.

**Feb. 19**

**Worship Service**

St. John CME Church, 650 NW Crawford Place, will hold special worship services at 7 p.m. The speaker will be Minister Barbara McCollum. For

more information contact Minister James Tillman at 744-9259.

**Feb. 21**

**36th Anniversary Service**

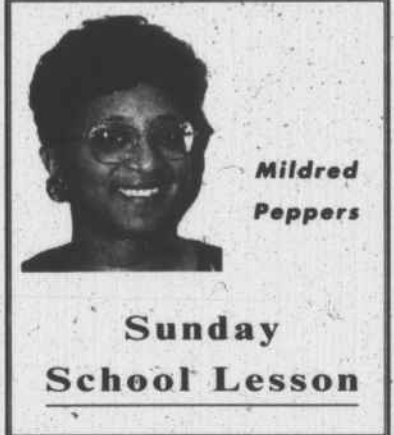
The Lambs for Christ of Spencer Memorial Christian Church will celebrate its anniversary at 4 p.m. Minister Kevin Graves and the New Kingdom of Greensboro will minister special music. The Master of Ceremonies will Bishop O. DeShea Cuthrell, an announcer with Joy 1340. The church is located at 1410 Douglas St. The pastor is the Rev. Sandy Witherspoon. For more information call 722-2611.

# The Spirit of Communion-Love and Unity

**Lesson Scripture:** I Corinthians 11:20-34

**Lesson Aims:** To understand the symbolism and the spirit of Communion, to have the courage to examine themselves before partaking, and to realize the seriousness of Communion.

**Background:** An ancient Creek city, Corinth was a center for trade and industry, destroyed by the Romans in 146 B.C. it was refounded by in 46 B.C. Because of its economic activity, the population consisted of a mixture of Corinthians, Romans, Jews and Asians. Morality there was quite open - including temple prostitutes. Paul started this church while on his second missionary journey. A few years later, he got word of problems within the congregation. He wrote this first letter to them. The letter was written to guide church leaders on dealing with the various conflicts that arose. This portion of scripture deals with Communion. To fully understand this celebration, one has to go back to Passover in the Old Testament. It celebrated freedom from Egyptian slavery and deliverance from death (Exodus 12:1-28). This meal



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**Sunday School Lesson**

was eaten on the night that the first born was slain. An unblemished lamb was sacrificed and its blood was placed over the door. After that, it became an annual observance. Jesus and His followers were celebrating His last Passover when He changed the meaning of the bread and the wine. During the last supper, the broken bread is His body and the wine His blood. They represented His sacrifice for the redemption of mankind (Communion). Paul has heard about the behavior of the Corinthian church concerning Communion. This is the issue in today's lesson.

**Lesson:** In the early church,

a "love feast" is held before Communion. This meal represents love and unity. The fellowship emphasizes all believers being on one accord. The Corinthians strayed from this practice. The wealthy came early ate all the food and drank too much before the poor got there. Paul issues a stern rebuke. It appears that he lashes out at them. His words drip with sarcasm. Beginning with verse 17, he tells them that no praise is given for their behavior. Their actions are causing harm instead of good. The apostle then teaches the essence of the Communion Table (v.23-26). Jesus shows what must be done even in the face of danger—even death. There was no division in the Upper Room (Judas was gone). The meal extends salvation and calls partakers to remember each time that it is done. Paul goes further to say that this meal should be approached with all seriousness. Not only are they to be sober and somber, but they should examine themselves. This examination is to focus on the manner that they approach the meal not to decide if they are worthy. None are worthy.

Paul cautions them to be serious for if not judgment may result-sickness or even physical death (UMI Direction Teacher). To prevent that trap, they are to eat at home to fill up so that the fellowship is uplifting. Communion isn't designed to feed your hunger, but to reflect on the sacrifice of Jesus. Paul ends this portion of the letter by stating that he will continue to clear up this problem when the returns.

**Application:** Because we are believers, nothing that we do is to be taken lightly. This includes, the smallest things like greeting people to the larger things like accepting God's call to work in the vineyard. Communion likewise is to be approached in a very serious manner. Our little hangups or divisions are to be forgotten in light of the Lord's table. All hearts and minds are to be centered on Christ and His sacrifice! Nothing else matters. To accomplish this as an individual or corporate body we must have "agape love." This will eliminate any and all divisiveness. It isn't a social function to elevate the few at the expense of the many. Instead it is a spir-

itual celebration to humble every one of us. We don't deserve it, but God's grace and mercy deemed it to be. If our attitude is wrong, God will bring judgment. If Communion isn't taken seriously then we violate its significance. First it is Christ centered—not man centered. Secondly, it is building community not breaking it up. Thirdly, it will condemn if our motives, attitudes, and behaviors aren't right. Finally, eat a meal before you come and let nothing take your focus from the Sacrificial Lamb.



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