

RELIGION/OBITUARY

RELIGION CALENDAR

Ongoing Events

'Woman Thou Art Loosed'

The Lambs for Christ of Spencer Memorial Christian Church will sponsor a bus trip to the "Woman Thou Art Loosed Conference," in Atlanta July 29-31. The first deposit of \$60 is due Feb. 28. Deposits and registration forms will be accepted at the church on Feb. 27 from 4-6 p.m. The church is located 1410 Douglas St. For more information call 722-2611.

Feb. 27

Flea Market

St. Stephen Episcopal Church, 1012 Leonard Ave., High Point, will hold an outdoor flea market in the church parking lot from 7 a.m.-until. For more information call 883-0414.

Healing Conference

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

will hold a two-day healing conference "God Wants Us Well." The conference features the Rev. James and Mrs. Jane A. Ross. The couple is part of the International Order of St. Luke the Physician. The Order is a group of lay persons, health care professionals and clergy dedicated to exploring the link between spiritual and physical health.

Services begin at 8:30 a.m. and continue Sunday morning.

The registration fee is \$10 and includes a box lunch. For more information call 722-2763 or 765-6889.

Black History Month Event

The Youth Department Grace United Community Church, 406 Northwest Blvd. will celebrate Black History Month at 3 p.m. The event will include a play written by Sister Brenda White, a member of the church. The celebration continues Sunday at 4 p.m. with a special service featuring

the Rev. Seth O. Lartey and the congregation of Goler Memorial AME Zion Church.

Feb. 28

Youth Service

St. Stephen Episcopal Church, 1012 Leonard Ave., High Point, will hold a special youth service at 11 a.m. The guest speaker is Calvin Manning of Calvary Baptist Church. A spaghetti dinner will be served immediately after the service. Donation \$3.

Black History Service

Clara Goode, youth minister from Morning Star Baptist Church, will be the guest speaker for a special worship service at Antioch Baptist Church, 5061 Lansing Dr., at 11 a.m.

Singles Sunday

Emanuel Baptist Church, 1075 Shalimar Dr., will celebrate National Singles Sun-

day during 11 a.m. worship service. The guest speaker will be Jawara K. Lumumba. Lumumba is an attorney and senior trainer with the Training Resource Group.

March 2

Quarterly Meeting

The quarterly meeting of the North Carolina Area of the Northwestern District will convene at the Bethlehem Holiness Church, 701 Barbara Jane Ave., March 2-7. The weekday services will begin each evening at 7:30 p.m. Nightly speakers are as follows: Tuesday, Elder Floyd Jackson of Beulah Tabernacle Church; Elder Robert R. Edmond of Kimberly Park Church; Overseer Eugene Kirby of Bethlehem Holiness Church and Bishop James Ijames of Mount Zion Holiness Church.

March 6, the service will include a Bible discussion at 4 p.m. followed by the quarterly

business meeting. March 7, the service begins at 4 p.m. Ruling Elder Wardlow Frazier of Mount Calvary Holiness Church will be the guest speaker.

March 6

Musical Production

Knollwood Baptist Church, 330 Knollwood St., will present the musical "Godspell" at 8 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. A second performance will be held March 7 at 5 p.m. Admission is free.

Reading Classes

St. Andrews United Methodist Church, 1840 Butler St., will hold reading classes the first and second Saturday of each month. The classes are open to children ages five to 10 and focus on improving reading skills. For more information call 788-3421.

March 13

Fashion show

St. Stephen AME Zion Church, 1012 Leonard Ave. High Point, will hold a fashion show, dinner and talent show at 6 p.m. Donation is \$10.

March 21

Special Worship Service

St. Stephen AME Zion Church, 1012 Leonard Ave. High Point, will hold a special Women's and Men's Day worship service at 11 a.m. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Stellie Jackson.

March 27

Passion Play

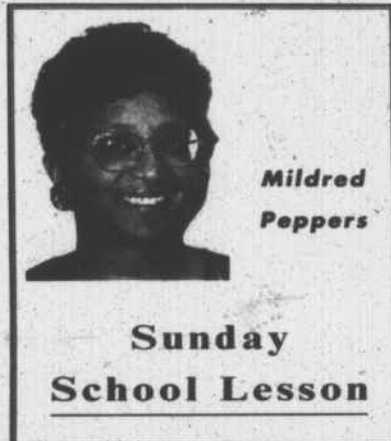
Snoot Productions will present The Upper Room to Calvary at 6 p.m. at Carver High School, 3545 Carver Road. The performance will also feature a mini-concert by The St. Stephen's Combination Corale of St. Stephen's Baptist Church.

Appreciating comprehensive and complete hope in Christ

Lesson: Scripture Titus 2:11-14; Hebrews 12:26-29; Revelation 1:17-20; 11:15

Lesson Aims: To understand the various aspects of hope, to appreciate comprehensive and complete hope in Christ, and to live with confidence for the future.

Background: The last lessons for this quarter have centered on "Good News for Changing Times." A close look reveals the lessons that the early church had to learn to represent their newness in Christ. Each lesson dealt with some aspect of this new life as a witness. Every lesson also applies to churches today for our task hasn't changed. The lessons move us from one level of understanding to a higher one. Moving from the simple (lesson 1) to the complex (lesson 5) implies growth. Not only will the applications apply to the interaction



Mildred Peppers

Sunday School Lesson

between believers in the body but also between the body and the non-believers. Charity (love) begins at home. How can we be the light upon a hill to influence and guide others if that light isn't shone at home first? Simply put, the life of the church should represent God's abounding love. His amazing grace and His omnipotence. The church then has to be open to all and it must behave as responsible citizens and stewards of God's

creation. The church also has the unique moral obligation to care for all people, point out wrong doing and yet always be ready for reconciliation. The final lesson emphasizes the highest standard for the body-having hope and confidence in God.

Lesson: Paul writes this letter to Titus in Crete. The early church there had some unruly members and Paul gives instruction to them. This letter is a blend of doctrine and changes in lifestyle. Good works (selflessness) are an indication that one's life has been changed. Paul reiterates that salvation has come to them and therefore a metamorphosis has begun. The person is changing. They begin to control their worldly desires and live by higher standards. This new lifestyle is accomplished through Christ only. Christ then is the hope

that energizes the believers to live better lives while waiting for His return. The believer's hope is based on this awesome respect (fear) for God. Throughout the Old Testament, God spoke to messengers to warn the people of disobedience and impending judgment. At times when He spoke, the mountains shook. This portion of Hebrews reminded them (Jewish believers) of that. When God's voice shakes not only the earth but heaven also, only the true believers will be left standing. Trent C. Butler puts it this way, "He is like a gold miner panning for gold, putting the rocks in a shaker and letting everything fall out but the gold." Jesus' return will be for things of value not those earthly treasures that will pass away. The final reason for hope is based on the fact that Jesus is in control of all des-

tinies. While on the isle of Patmos, Jesus came to John. He fainted and was revived. John was told to "fear not" and was given the ultimate message of hope. No matter the earthly situation, Jesus is in control. John was told to write the past (chapter 1), the present (chapters 2-4) and the future (chapters 5-22). Jesus has the keys to hell death-no power shall prevail.

Jesus revealed to John that and the seven churches (lamp stands) will endure great trouble but, they are to endure great evil for the victory over evil is the Lord's. It will come no matter what. God has given salvation to all, we must accept it.

Application: In the background, I referred to a higher level of living. This higher level denotes those intangibles that we live by. To make it live, let's consider a young child

receiving instructions from parents. As the child matures, they recite or do what was taught without thinking about it. Somewhere in life, it must become personal and therefore takes on a deeper meaning. If memorizing is all that we've done in crisis times we falter, get lost, or sometimes simply walk away. If we went beyond the words, there is confidence, hope for the future, and a peace that passes all understanding. Sickness, disappointments, financial troubles and a whole lot more will come. Don't be despondent, don't panic - we are not alone. God has promised not to forsake us: God's grace will get us through.

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INGRAM

Mrs. Margaret Elizabeth Dunlap Ingram, 1928 Calvert Drive, Winston-Salem, died Feb. 14 at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center. She was born May 6, 1926, in Winston-Salem to the late Robert and Cora Dunlap. She was of the Baptist faith and was a retiree of AMP Incorporated. She leaves to cherish her memory, a daughter, Conester Dunlap, of the home; one son, Thomas Dunlap of the city; eight grandchildren; three great grandchildren; a devoted cousin, Mable Witherspoon, of Winston-Salem and a host of other relatives and friends. Funeral services were held Feb. 19 at 1:00 at Hooper Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Joseph R. Samuels officiating. Burial followed at Evergreen Cemetery. Hooper Funeral Home Directors were in charge of the arrangements.

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JETER

Ms. Gwendolyn Jeter, 110 Somerset Street, Newark, NJ, and former of Winston-Salem died Feb. 12 at Overlook Hospital, Summit, NJ. She is survived by five sons, Forrest Green of Hillside, NJ, Michael Boykins, Shannon Jeter, Schward Jeter all of Newark, NJ, and Shaun Jeter of Boston; four grandchildren, Sulton Vargan of Newark, Allyea Boykins of Florida, Kelly Green of Hillside, NJ, Justin Sims of Summerville, NJ; a brother, Carlton Jeter of Winston-Salem; two sisters, Rovena Jeter of Waldorf, MD and Velma Dunlap of Winston-Salem; other relatives and friends. Graveside services were held Feb. 20 at 11:00 a.m. at Evergreen Cemetery with Rev. L. S. Werts officiating. Russell Funeral Home Directors were in charge of the arrangements.

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