

RELIGION

Saints Home UMC to hold annual homecoming, revival

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Saints Home United Methodist Church will hold its annual homecoming Sept. 26 at the 11:30 a.m. service. Revival services will be held Sept. 27-29 starting at 7:30 p.m. at the church, 1390 Thurmond St.

The Rev. George Gray, associate pastor at Mount Olive Baptist Church, will officiate at the homecoming. He is a former member of Saints Home. Gray served as a deacon at Mount Olive before answering the call to the ministry in 1992. He is a Winston-Salem native, attended Winston-Salem public schools and studied business administration and accounting at Forsyth Technical Institute. He served in the military, including a tour in Vietnam.

He is married to the former Gloria Gordon, with two children. He and his entire family are noted for their musical talents, which will be shown at this service. Dinner will be served afterward.

The Rev. Benjamin A. Mack will officiate at the homecoming 3 o'clock service. He is a retired minister and the present pastor of Mount Sinai AME Church in Advance. He preached his first sermon at Saints Home United Methodist Church at the age of 13. He was known for many years as



Rev. Foust

the "energetic boy preacher," who always carried large crowds, including his large family, with him.

He holds a bachelor's degree in theology; doctor of divinity degree; a certificate in pastoral counseling awarded in 1950; certificate in Hebrew history; and erected four new churches in the course of his ministry. He is a licensed practical nurse.

He was awarded the plaque for "Minister of the Year" in 1972 by the N.C. NAACP. He served as historian for the Durham Ministerial



Rev. Gray

Alliance; is a trustee of the Union Christian Bible Institute; and again was elected "Minister of the Year" in 1982 by the Edgemont Community Center and Durham residents.

The guest evangelist for the revival services will be the Rev. Dr. Benjamin S. Foust Sr., who is a presiding elder of the AME Church and is presently the pastor of Bethel AME in Greensboro. He is a native of Graham and attended city schools there.



Rev. Mack

He attended Winston-Salem State University (former Teachers' College), interrupted by four years in the U.S. Air Force. Afterward he received a baccalaureate degree from Shaw University; did graduate studies in history and education at University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill; taught school for five years at Jordan Sellars High School in Burlington; did master's studies at Duke University Divinity School and Southeastern Theological Seminary at Wake Forest, N.C.; and did further studies at Wesley Theological Seminary, Washington, D.C.

He was licensed to preach in 1957 and ordained deacon. He served many pastorates in North Carolina. He was elected bishop during the academic year 1965-66; was elected president of the

Raleigh Citizens Association and led the campaign for a black county commissioner.

Foust was acclaimed as a "street prophet," and Allen University awarded him an honorary doctorate in 1968. In 1998, he was appointed as the presiding elder of the Western District of the AME Church.

He is married to the former Gertrude Rogers of Mebane. They have five children and eight grandchildren.

There will be guest choirs from various churches at each service praising God in song. It is our prayer that the messages and the music will help to revive and bring souls to God. The pastor of Saints Home is the Rev. John F. Epps. The public is invited.

Christian Methodist Episcopal Church annual convocation Sept. 21-24

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The Christian Methodist Episcopal Church is holding its 13th annual CME Convocation at the Holiday Inn Four Seasons/Joseph S. Koury Convention Center in Greensboro Sept. 21-24.

The theme is "A Transformed Church: Living in Hope for the Life of the World." The Carolina Conference, Seventh Episcopal District, is the host conference. The Right Rev. Charles L. Helton is the host prelate and Reed

Memorial Christian Methodist Episcopal Church (the Rev. James Russell, pastor) of Greensboro is the headquarters. The Rev. Dr. N. Charles Thomas is the connectional coordinator and Presiding Elder Willie Sturgess is the local chairperson.

The 1999 convocation reflects an emphasis on the sovereignty of God and the lordship of Christ over the church as it relates to the political and economic concerns of the world, as well as focusing on its

impact on persons of all nationalities, occupations, genders, political and economic orientations. The connectional church is observing what the new millennium means for the CME Church and Christendom. CME members from across the United States, Haiti, Jamaica and Africa are attending.

Highlights of the convocation:

- Sept. 21: 7 p.m., service of Holy Communion. The Right Rev. Nathaniel Linsey, chief celebrant (Second Episcopal District) and the Right Rev. Charles L. Helton delivered the message.

- Sept. 22: 8 a.m. - General Assembly, the Right Rev. Othal H. Lakey keynote address (Sixth Episcopal District); 6:45 p.m. - a

video presentation titled "The Church in Ministry" by the Right Rev. Thomas L. Hoyt Jr. (Fourth Episcopal District).

- Sept. 23: noon - annual convocation luncheon, Dr. John Hope Franklin, a James B. Duke professor of history emeritus and seven-year professor of legal history at Duke University Law School; 7

p.m. - annual musicale under the direction of Carolyn Shephard (Third Episcopal District).

The convocation will also include focus groups, insight sessions, worship and praise, spiritual gifts, computer classes, CME vendors, General Assembly and a closing challenge on Sept. 24 with Senior Prelate Nathaniel Linsey.

Galilee Missionary Baptist will hold training institute

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Galilee Missionary Baptist Church will hold a three-day educational training institute Nov. 1-3 from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

Areas of training:

- Christian education - clinic - Rev. James Lewis, Deacon Jimmy Diggs, Evangelist Parthenia Galloway; Church school - superintendent staff, orientation officer, discipleship officer, children church officer, nursery officer, vacation Bible school staff; methods of instruction for all teaching ministries - creative life-changing Bible teaching; all church school teachers, all orientation ministry teachers, all discipleship teachers, all children church teachers, all nursery teachers, all vacation Bible school teachers, all Bible institute teachers, all Christian doctrine teachers, and stewardship teachers.

- Ministers wives/deaconesses - Sister Phyllis Linville; roles and

responsibilities to pastor, church and community; roles and responsibilities of a deaconess; ministers wives and deaconess partnership.

- Deacon training - Pastor James Linville; roles and responsibilities to pastor, church and community; roles and responsibilities of a deacon.

- Trustee training - Dr. J.D. Ballard; roles and responsibilities to pastor, church and community; roles and responsibilities of a trustee.

- Ministers class - Dr. A. T. Griffey III; roles and responsibilities of the associate minister; responsibilities to the church and pastor; ministerial ethics and etiquettes.

Churches are welcome to send persons who are working in these ministries or have a desire to gain knowledge in these areas.

Galilee Missionary is at 575 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive in Winston-Salem. Robert E. Lee McGowens Sr. is pastor.

Goodwill to hold annual homecoming and revival

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Goodwill Baptist Church, in the Arcadia community of north Davidson County, the Rev. Philemon A. Samuels pastor, will celebrate its annual homecoming and revival beginning Sept. 26 at 3 p.m. and nightly at 7 Sept. 27-Oct. 1. The theme is "Preparing for the Harvest."

The Rev. Joseph Parks, pastor of Grace United Community Church in Winston-Salem, will be the homecoming guest speaker for the 3 p.m. service. The guest evangelist Sept. 27-Oct. 1 will be the Rev. R.J. Williams, pastor of Williams Memorial CME Church in High Point.

God has truly blessed Goodwill under Rev. Samuels' leadership. Since he became the pastor of Goodwill in February 1990, Goodwill has grown immensely in spirit, making it one of the most "anointed churches in the state." Under his leadership, many new ministries have been started at Goodwill, such as Wednesday Bible studies, youth and young adult ministry, women's and men's ministry, public relations ministry and a drama ministry.



Rev. and Mrs. Samuels

Through his leadership, the church recently acquired the adjacent 25 acres of property, and God's vision is for the church to expand greatly to better serve the needs of the membership and the community. Samuels' lovely wife, Prophetess Gloria Samuels, is a well-known evangelist throughout the state and serves as the director of church ministries at Goodwill.

Everyone is invited to fellowship in this wonderful time of God's blessings in this portion of the vineyard. Transportation is available to all services. For more information, call the church, (336) 764-3930.

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Chuck Roast Jamaica

3 lb. boneless chuck roast
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1/2 cup onion, chopped
1 clove garlic, minced
1/2 tsp. thyme
2 cups canned tomatoes, not drained
1/2 tsp. ginger, ground

Combine flour with salt and pepper. Dredge the chuck roast in the flour. In a Dutch oven, heat oil over medium-high heat. Brown chuck roast on all sides. Pour off the fat. Add the onion, garlic and thyme, stirring constantly. When onion begins to brown add the tomatoes and ginger. Cover tightly and simmer until tender, about 2 1/2 hours. Remove roast. If desired, thicken gravy with 1 tsp. of flour in 1/4 cup cold water. Serves 6.

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