

RELIGION

Upcoming Church Events

Feb. 14

Valentine pageant

The Junior Usher Board of St. Mark Baptist Church will sponsor a Valentine pageant Feb. 14 at 4 p.m. Different youths in the Usher Board will be running for Little Miss Valentine. Different talents will also be performed at this program. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. The church is 1100 Manley Street.

"One Night of Luxury"

First Wauhtown Baptist Church, 838 Moravia Street, will present "One Night of Luxury" Feb. 14 from 6 to 10 p.m. at D.W.B. Full Life Centre. Enjoy a delightful candlelight evening of elegant dining with your sweetheart on Valentine's Day. Private couple and group seating are available. There will be two selective dinner menus, plus entertainment, drawings, sweet-heart bag giveaways. Donation is \$25 per person. A keepsake photo is \$5 extra. No tickets will be sold at the door. For ticket information contact Carolyn Butler at (336) 817-4747 or Tonya McDaniel at (336) 995-8335.

Feb. 15

Holy Ghost explosion

Come and experience a Holy Ghost explosion on Feb. 15 at 4 p.m. at Judah Praise and Worship Center of Greater Deliverance Inc., 2411 Urban Street, as powerful men of God will have a "tag team" match for Jesus. Pastor/Rev. Dauthridge and Minister Dauthridge of Fire Baptist Holiness Church in High Point, and Pastor/Elder Pouncey and Minister Pouncey of Judah Praise and Worship Center are the men to be used by God.

Black history program

The Sunday school department of St. Mark Baptist Church will sponsor a black history program with Cynthia Wooten and company as special guests. This program will take place Feb. 15 at 5 p.m. The public is invited. The church is at 1100 Manley Street.

Black History Music Concert

On Feb. 15 at 4 p.m., Beulah Baptist Church invites everyone to attend its Black History Music Concert. Various church choirs from around Winston-Salem as well as Beulah's own Judah Praise Choir will perform. Everyone is invited to attend.

Anniversary

The ministerial staff of Ambassador Cathedral will celebrate their anniversary Feb. 15 at 6 p.m. Pastor Eddie L. White of the Mt. Sinai Faith, Hope and Love Church of Thomasville will be the guest speaker. The Ambassadors for Christ Choir will sing. The church is at 1500 Harriet Tubman Drive. The public is invited. For more information, call the church office at 725-0901 or visit the church's Web site at www.ambassador-cathedral.org.

Feb. 20

Premier benefit

The Vintage '04 Committee invites you to its premier benefit Feb. 20 at 11 a.m. at St. Stephen Missionary Baptist Church, 5000 Noble Road. The committee's proceeds will go toward preserving the vertical files of the Forsyth County Public Library and to give an award to the oldest African-American of Winston-Salem. Donations are requested. Call Bobby Wilson, coordinator, at (336) 406-5138.

Youth Empowerment Service (Y.E.S. Night)

Youth Pastor Elder Phillip G. McCloud Sr. and the Youth Council of Tabernacle of Faith Church invite you to Youth Empowerment Service (Y.E.S. Night) Feb. 20 at 7:30 p.m. Guests for the evening include gospel rap artists such as

G.O.S.S.I.P. of Winston-Salem as well as gospel literature by Leon Marsh of Lexington, N.C., the TOF virtuous steppers and youth choir. Tabernacle of Faith Church is at 1410 Attucks Street. For more information call 777-1113 or 725-2517.

Feb. 20-21

Youth leaders retreat

Greater Cleveland Avenue Christian Church will conduct a "Stepping Into Destiny Youth Leaders' Retreat" on Feb. 20-21. The "Stepping Into Destiny" Youth Leaders' Retreat will explore youth ministries and extend practical solutions. The retreat will empower leaders to lead from a spiritual seat. Most important, it will challenge leaders to hunger and thirst for the God of the work they are committed to while performing that work with a "spirit of excellence." For registration information call (336) 661-0226.

Feb. 21

Spaghetti dinner

The couples ministry group of Grace Presbyterian Church, 3901 Carver School Road, will sponsor a centennial celebration fund-raiser spaghetti dinner (eat-in or take-out, cafe style) on Feb. 21 from noon until 6 p.m. The cost of one meal is \$6.50, or \$12 for two meals. Children under 5 years of age will be free. Periodic entertainment will be provided. Tickets may be purchased from members of the couples ministry, or meals ordered by calling the church at 767-7530.

Feb. 21 and 22

Concert

Tennessee State University Choir will be in concert Feb. 21 at Piney Grove Baptist Church at 6 p.m. Also, on Feb. 22, the Tennessee State University Choir will be the church's guest at the 11 a.m. service. For more information call the church at 767-7113.

Feb. 22

Pastoral recognition

Union Baptist Church, 1200 N. Trade Street, will recognize pastors who have pastored churches for 20 years or more. These pastors will be honored for their service at the "Holding on to Our Heritage" program Feb. 22 at 5 p.m. If you are a pastor or know of pastors in the Winston-Salem area and vicinity who meet the criteria, call the church office at 724-9305.

You may visit the Web site www.unionbaptistwsc.org for more information or call 336/724-9305.

Black history program

Tabernacle of Faith Church, 1410 Attucks Street, will celebrate black history on Feb. 22 at 5 p.m., with a program of drama, dance, music and fashion. Call the church at 777-1113 for more information.

Feb. 28

Anniversary

The Women's Progressive Club of Piney Grove Baptist Church will observe the club's anniversary on Feb. 28 during the 11 a.m. service. For more information call the church at 767-7113.

March 1

Teen Support Group

Monday, March 1, 6 p.m. "Speak Out: Teen Support Group." Free support group for teens aged 13 to 17. Bring a friend and join others to learn more about the successes and challenges of coping with anxiety, depression, ADD and ADHD. Refreshments provided. Sponsored by the Mental Health Association in Forsyth County.

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Women of Dedication will

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Salem to sponsor history program

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Salem Academy and College will sponsor a Black History Month Worship Service on Feb. 19 at 4 p.m. in the historic St. Philips Church building in



Joines

Old Salem. This event is free and open to the public.

Presenters and speakers include

students and administrators from Salem Academy and College, Winston-Salem State University, N.C. School of the Arts, and Wake Forest University. Mayor Allen Joines will speak about local African-American history, and Rev. Cedric Rodney, pastor emeritus, St. Philips Moravian Church, will introduce the keynote speaker, Dr. Brad Braxton, Wake Forest University, School of Divinity.

The Wake College Gospel Choir will sing throughout the service. Dr. Wayne Burkette, head of Salem Academy, will give the invocation, and Rev. Tim Auman, chaplain, Wake Forest University, will give the benediction.



St. Philips Church

Dr. Brad Braxton is the Jessie Ball duPont assistant professor of homiletics and biblical studies at the Divinity School at Wake Forest. He is the author of two books, "The Tyranny of Resolution: I Corinthians 7:17-24" and "No Longer Slaves: Galatians and African American Experience." Braxton has also published sermons and a recent essay on the role of the black church in the

new millennium.

In addition to his teaching and scholarly activities, he is a frequent guest preacher and lecturer in local churches.

The service will be held in the restored historic St. Philips Church building, which was erected in 1861. The building sat empty from 1952 to 1989, when Old Salem Inc. restored it and created an exhibit on the lives of African-Americans in

Salem. The brick church and graveyard were reconsecrated by the Moravian Church on May 4, 2003, and opened as part of the Old Salem tour on May 14, 2003.

The Salem Black History Month Worship Service is registered as an official event of the yearlong celebration of the 250th anniversary of the founding of Winston-Salem/Forsyth County at Bethabara.

New Bethel deacons, trustees and spouses to sponsor 30th Leadership Program

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The deacons, trustees and spouses of New Bethel Baptist Church will sponsor their 30th Annual Leadership Observance on Feb. 15 at 11 a.m. Rev. Sylvester M. Reed Jr., associate minister of Stephen Missionary Baptist Church, will be the guest minister.

Reed, a native of Winston-Salem, is a graduate of Winston-Salem State University, where he received a bachelor of science degree in sports administration/management in 1998. He earned a master of



Rev. Sylvester M. Reed Jr.

science degree in divinity from Shaw University in Raleigh.

Currently, he is the athletic director of the local Salvation Army Boy's Club, where he develops and implements educational activities and programs for youths. He has been a merchandising associate for the Sports Authority and radiology transportation aide and environmental service technician for Forsyth Medical Center in Winston-Salem.

Reed is married to the former Revonda Propst. They have a 1-year-old son, Sylvester M. Reed III.

Others appearing on the program are: presiding,

Trustee Joe Bartley; Scripture, Diane Piggott; invocation, Deacon Charles Robinson; announcements, Trustee Carolyn Crosby; recognition of returning members and visitors, Trustee Wesley Curtis; special honors and recognitions, Trustee Charles and Susan Hunt; offertory prayer, Deacon John Posey; introduction of speaker, Lynda Brown; altar call, Rev. Louis Werts; and remarks by Pastor, Dr. Jerry Drayton.

The public is invited. The church is at 1016 N. Trade Street.

Pam Horton to preach first sermon

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Pamela Horton will preach her initial sermon at True Temple Holiness Church on Feb. 15 at 5 p.m.

Horton was born in Jamaica, West Indies, on April 19, 1962. She later moved to London, England, where she attended high school and college. She then relocated to New York City, where she met her husband, Ronald L. Horton Sr. In 1988 she moved to Winston-Salem, where she and her husband would start a family. She now has three children, Tameeka Horton, 15; Ronald Horton Jr., 13; and Howard Horton, 13.

The public is invited to attend.

Church selling cookies for Valentine's Day

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The special projects ministry of Mt. Sinai Full Gospel Deliverance Center, 2721 Manchester Street, is sponsoring Heartfelt-Design, 9-inch Valentine cookies made to order in chocolate chip or sugar for Valentine's Day. A 9-inch round cookie is \$6, and a 9-inch heart shaped cookie is \$6.50. All cookies will be decorated with "Happy Valentines Day" or may be decorated with three words of your choice for a nominal fee.

To order cookies or for more information, contact the church



The Grace Presbyterian Youth Choir performs at Carver School Road Branch Library. Photo by Ralph Meadows

Youth choir sings at library

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

African-Americans have had a tremendous influence in arts and entertainment. Our music is so much an expression of our cultural heritage, being a blend of African and European sounds.

Zion Memorial to provide free clothing for the community

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Zion Memorial Baptist Church will sponsor a clothing giveaway for the community Feb. 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lightly used clothing, including name brands, coats, men, women's and children's clothing, and personal hygiene products will be available. These items are being provided on a first-come, first-served basis to the public. Any items remaining will be provided to a local nursing home and the Salvation Army Shelter.

This event is sponsored

On Saturdays during February, various church choirs will be celebrating our rich African-American history through song at the Carver School Road Branch Library, 4915 Lansing Drive.

On Feb. 7, the youth choir of Grace Presbyterian Church was

the first in a series of Saturday programs to be presented at this branch. Under the direction of Alva Bethea, this talented choir wowed the audience with songs such as "This Little Light of Mine," "Take Me Back," "Victory Is Mine," "Lean on Me," "Hold My Hand, Lord," and "Lord, I Lift your Name on High."

The age range of this choir was from 4 years old to high school age. The pastor of Grace Presbyterian Church is Rev. Sam Stevenson. The church is at 3901 Carver School Road.

Our youths are a glimpse into the future. Judging by the stellar performance of this youth choir, the future is bright.

On Feb. 14, the youth choir from Rising Ebenezer Baptist Church will perform. On Feb. 21, "One Voice" from United Metropolitan Baptist Church will perform. On Feb. 28, the Inspirational Choir from Union Chapel Baptist Church will perform.

All programs are free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.