# B6 JUNE 24, 2004

# Jesus is the supreme High Priest

#### Lesson Scripture: Hebrews 4:14 - 5:10

Lesson aims: to explain two qualifications of a high priest, to recognize that Jesus is the supreme High Priest, and to commit to spend more time with Him.

Background: The writer's logical discourse on the reasons for not turning back to Judaism continued. The concept of "bet-ter" kept surfacing in the argu-ments presented. Throughout the first 13 verses of Chapter 4 a better rest was examined. He pointed out that there was no rest for the Israelites when they rejected God and the same fate would occur with Jesus. He further stated that they could hide from one another but not from God

His Jewish audience fully understood the concept of "priests." Just to refresh our-selves, let's review. Scripture mentioned priests as early as Genesis 14. No explanation was given at that point. In Leviticus 8 God told Moses to appoint his brother, Aaron, and his sons as priests. Careful



reading disclosed an ordination for them and an explanation for each garment that they were to wear

The remainder of the chapter focused on consecrations of the offerings and the priests food. The entire service lasted for seven days. The priests, chosen by the people from the tribe of Levi were to offer sac-rifices to God for themselves and the people. Their sacrifices brought to the tabernacle covered only sin; they couldn't redeem. Many of them served for a limited time. Furthermore, they served in a "physical temple under a terminal covenant"

(The NIV Standard Lesson Commentary). As mediators between the people and God some of them at various times lost sight of whom they were serving.

Lesson: Jesus is the High Priest for all who believe. Coming from heaven (verse 14), He is chosen by God for this office. Because He is human and divine at the same time (Incarnate), He understands our temptations, trials, disappointments, and the like. His sacrifice allows all believers to come to Him boldly (grace and mercy). The earthly

priests are quite limited in their duties. Most of the time, little compassion, patience and so forth are exhibited and they certainly couldn't die for the remission of sins.

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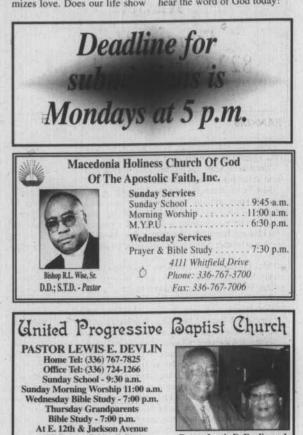
The High Priest comes from the tribe of Judah and is of the order of Melchizedec (mel KIZ uh dek). Refer to Genesis 14:17,18 for further study. This High Priest is the final sacrifice for all of humanity who "serves in a spiritual, eternal tabernacle forevermore" (The NIV Standard Lesson Commentary)! While in the flesh, He suffered extensively but never sinned. Remember His agony in the Garden of Gethsemane and His obedience on Calvary?

Application: If the Jews turned back after this discourse, they certainly had nothing to stand on. He is more than a mere priest or man. His role as High Priest cannot be sur-passed by another. With that said, where do we stand in acknowledging Him? Why do we want to turn back? Turn back to what? Our brother has done for us what no other could. He allows us to call on

Him day and night to be our mediator with God. He knows how we feel because He walked in our moccasins. Invited to come boldly, He will do exactly what He said.

Do we spend quality time with Him? His sacrifice epitomizes love. Does our life show

our love for Him? In the adult packet of Echoes publication, there is this statement: "If Jesus serves as our defense counsel, then Satan takes the role of prosecuting attorney." Does the defense know you? Someone needs to hear the word of God today!

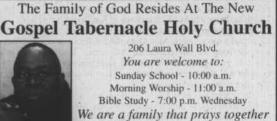


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## 20th pastoral anniversary celebration SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE d inner

The annual pastoral anniversary of Pastor Richard C Miller Sr. took place on May 30 and June 6.

The theme was "Pressing Toward the Mark of the Glory Because the Latter Is Greater Than the Former," and the color scheme was pink and black. The services in honor of Pastor Miller were held at Holy Trinity Full Gospel Baptist Church.

On May 30 Dr. Charles Gray and the Mt. Olive Baptist Church family joined Holy Trinity in the pre-anniversary service for the pastor.

The presence of the Lord filled the place as hearts joined together in true worship unto God. The man of God brought the word and encouraged the church and especially Pastor Miller that God has great things in store for the ministry. He said that one day the ministry will be on the air and he wants to be standing beside pastor as he tells all the critics, "Look what the



**Co-Pastor Ernestine Miller** 

Lord has done.""

The service concluded in the fellowship hall, where refreshments were served.

On June 6, Overseer Gomillion and the Tabernacle of Faith Church family of Zunni, Va, helped in the celebration service of Pastor Miller. As the two churches filled the fellowship hall, dinner was served. After

ary. The service continued with songs and dances of praise unto God. Overseer Gomillion brought the word, "How to Get Your Inheritance." The message hit home with Holy Trinity and encouraged the audience to

and Co-Pastor Richard C Miller

Sr promenaded into the sanctu-

keep the faith. Pastor Miller was overly excited as the man of God spoke to his heart about the things God has promised him. Everyone in the house received a blessing. Some came up for prayer to be reaffirmed in the promises God had made to them. After an invitation to discipleship, Pastor and Co-Pastor Miller were blessed even more. Ministries of Holy Trinity

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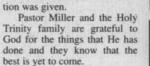
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showered them with gifts. Big bags and small bags were laid at their feet. Envelopes were placed in their hands, even a robe placed on Pastor Miller's back. When the gifts finally stopped coming, it was time for this year's anniversary to come to a close. After physical and spiritual feeding with some extra blessings for Pastor and Co-Pastor Miller, the benedic-

Trinity family are grateful to God for the things that He has done and they know that the



best is yet to come.



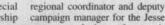
### SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

On June 27, XODUS: Emmanuel Men of Excellence will celebrate its Annual Men's Day. The theme for this year's celebration is "In the Potter's Hand, Renewing, Rebuilding and Remolding the Black Christian Man.\*

This year's observance will be kicked off with a workshop addressing the theme by John Raye, a nationally known motivational speaker and entrepreneur, who is also a member of Emmanuel. The workshop will be on June 26 from 10 until 12 p.m. The workshop will be folwed with lunch.

Pineland, S.C., to be special guests at a morning worship service at Bethel Baptist Church, the home church of Emmanuel Associate Minister Everette Scott.

The annual celebration will be concluded at the Sunday 10 a.m. worship service when nationally known speaker Dr. Ron Daniels of New York, Dr. Ron Daniels N.Y., will be the keynote speaker at both the 7:45 and 11 a.m. worship services. Daniels is noted for his motivational and uplifting messages to



Jackson for president campaign in 1988. He is r e n o w n e d scholar/activist who has taught history, political science, Pan-African and studies at Youngstown University, Hiram Col-lege, Cornell University and Kent

State University. Daniels holds a B.A. in histo-

ry from Youngstown State University, an M.A. in political sci-Rockefelle

in the past four decades. He is a weekly contributing writer that is syndicated in more than 100 African-American newspapers across the country.

He is the executive director of the Center for Constitutional Rights. During his tenure there the organization has emerged as a leading force fighting against police brutality and misconduct, church burning, hate crimes, voter disenfranchisement, environmental racism and the threat to civil liberties posed by the government's response to the Sept. 11 2001, terrorist attacks.

The president of XODUS: Emmanuel Men of Excellence is Body. The Men's Committee members are Hobart Jones Sr., Kenneth Love and Gene Wade. The Emmanuel Men of Excellence invite the public to hear this gifted speaker. The pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church is Rev. John Mendez. The church is at 1075 Shalimar Drive.



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Piney Grove Church of Winston-Salem, Inc. Early Sunday Morning Worship Service 8:00 a.m. Join us for a Blessed Time in the Lord.

To get ready for this year's program the men of Emmanuel went on a three-day retreat to Savannah, Ga., in May, a trip that included being visitors to the First African Baptist Church, which is the first African-American Church built and owned by slaves. The men also traveled to

id old Daniels has held many presti-

gious positions during his many on the battlefield for /ears human rights. He was an independent candidate for president of the United States in 1992. In 1987 he served as the executive director of the National Rainbow Coalition, as well as the Southern

School of Public Affairs in Albany, N.Y., and a doctor of philosophy in African studies from the Union Institute in Cincinnati, Ohio. He is also list-'ed in Who's Who in Black America and has been a leading figure in some of the most significant social and political movements

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The fourth Battle of the ( hampions set for June 26

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The fourth Battle of the Champions will be held June 26 at Union Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, where the pastor is Konnie Robinson. The church is at 300 W. 25th Street. -The service will be from 1 to 3 p.m

The warriors for this event Thomasina Boyd of are Galilee Baptist Church. Kendra Davis of Greater Cleveland Avenue, Minister Raymond Patrick of House of Faith, Jeff Jefferson of New World Cappadocia Outreach Center, Chris Young of New World Cappadocia Outreach Center and Pastor Stephon Jordan of House of Faith.

These young men and women have faced all kinds of and obstacles in their lives and have overcome them. They will share their testimonies. Pastor Melvin Wilkins Sr.

the visionary of this event. says that this will be the fourth Battle of the Champions. It has

been an awesome experience. Pastor Rip says the people who have been in it previously ask

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when will the next one be. People are excited about this event

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