

# RELIGION

## Upcoming Church Events

Oct. 6-9

### Youth Explosion

The youth department of Freedom Missionary Baptist Church will host its annual Youth Explosion, starting Oct. 6. The conference will feature Minister Emmanuel Richardson of New Calvary Baptist Church in Greensboro on Thursday night at 7:30 and Minister Brandon Austin of Galilee Baptist Church in Winston-Salem on Friday night at 7:30. There will be a Teen Roundtable discussion on Saturday at 11 a.m. The young people will have a fellowship cookout after this Roundtable discussion, and the day will end with a Phenomenal Step Show at 4 p.m. On Sunday, Oct. 9, the Youthful Praise Choir of Freedom Missionary Baptist Church will host its anniversary. For more information, contact the Rev. Edward Taylor at (336) 995-7593.

Oct. 8

### Yard/bake sale for hurricane relief

Temple Memorial Baptist Church is sponsoring a communitywide yard/bake sale for hurricane relief on Oct. 8 from 7 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the church, 1458 Cedrow Drive, High Point. All proceeds will go to assist hurricane victims. Citizens and businesses of the area are encouraged to donate items to sell and to attend this event to purchase items to help raise funds to assist the hurricane victims. Donations for money are also being accepted. Contact the church at 883-7023 for more information.

### Pastor Appreciation Day

The Winston-Salem community is invited to join the Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Church in celebrating Pastor Appreciation Day on Sabbath (Oct. 8). The church is honoring Pastor Moses Edwards Sr. for five years of leadership.

During his tenure, the church has experienced a significant growth in church membership and completion of the Ephesus Junior Academy cafeteria. Edwards has been exceptionally active in the community sharing the Adventist message and bringing new souls to Christ. He has also demonstrated his ability to bring unity and leadership to Winston-Salem's ministers, and they have honored him as the current president of the Winston-Salem Ministers Association.

Activities for this festive occasion will begin at 9:15 a.m. with Sabbath School, 11 a.m. Divine Worship and dinner following this service. The church is at 1225 N. Cleveland Avenue.

Oct. 9

### Forsyth County United Usher Board

The Forsyth County United Usher Board meeting will be held at First Wauhtown Baptist Church on Oct. 9 at 3 p.m. For more information, contact Richard Smith at 788-0721. The church is at 838 Moravia St.

### Men and Women's Day

First Calvary Baptist Church will celebrate Men and Women's Day on Oct. 9 at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. The Rev. Kathy McFadden, pastor of the Old Ship AME Zion Church, Montgomery, Ala., will be the 11 a.m. guest speaker. The guest minister for the 4 p.m. service will be the Rev. LaMont Johnson, joined by the Phillips Chapel Baptist Church congregation. The

service will culminate with the crowning of the king and queen of First Calvary Baptist Church. The captain for the women is Camaro Ray, and Michael Ray is the captain for the men. The public is invited. For more information, call (336) 724-2611. The church is at 401 N. Woodland Ave.

### Family and Friends Day

Dreamland Park Baptist Church will celebrate Family and Friends Day on Oct. 9 at the 11 a.m. service. Any family and friends of its members are invited. The church is at 2340 Dunbar St.

### Pastor's Aides

The Pastor's Aides of Revelations of Faith, 3710 Maverick St., will be honored on Oct. 9 at 4 p.m. The special honorees are Betty Peoples and Vickie Tillman. Guest speaker will be the Rev. Steven Noble, Vickie Tillman's son, an associate of Steadfast Ministries. The public is invited.

### Musical program

The Women of Mount Calvary Holiness Church of Winston-Salem will sponsor a musical program on Oct. 9 at 4 p.m. The Camp Meeting Choir, The Holman Family and others will be special guests. Come out and enjoy some good old-fashioned foot stomping singing. A reception will follow. The church is at 1615 E. 22nd St.

### Appreciation service

Steven Nobles, an associate minister at Steadfast Life Changing Ministries, will speak at Revelation of Faith Church during an appreciation service for the Pastors Aide on Oct. 9 at 4 p.m. Revelation of Faith Church is at 3710 Maverick St.

Oct. 10-14

### Revival

Pleasant Union Progressive Primitive Baptist Church, 1250 E. 10th St., will sponsor its annual fall revival Oct. 10-14 at 7:30 nightly. The revivalist for the week is Minister T. Tyrone Tyson of Freedom Baptist Church, Winston-Salem.

Oct. 11

### God's October Surprise

Wake Forest Divinity School will continue to participate in God's October Surprise with its chapel service on Tuesday, Oct. 11. The service will be held at 11 a.m. in Davis Chapel, which is in Wingate Hall. Imam Khalid Griggs will lead the service. The public is invited.

Oct. 15

### Community Guest Day

Ephesus Seventh-day Adventist Church 1225 N. Cleveland Ave., invites the community to attend the annual Community Guest Day on Sabbath, Oct. 15. Planned activities include Sabbath School at 9:15 a.m., and Divine Worship at 11 a.m., featuring Pastor Horace Malone from Columbia, S.C. Dinner will be served to church members and community guests after the Divine Worship. The festivities will conclude with a concert, featuring the Continual Praise singers, beginning at 7 p.m.

Oct. 16

### Anniversary

The Spiritual Ensemble Choir of Friendship Baptist Church will celebrate its

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## Union to host TNT dialogues

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Union Baptist Church will introduce "Jazz Dialogues" in its highly popular Bible study, TNT. The purposes of the dialogues are to stimulate provocative thought, to create philosophical debate, and to heighten spiritual awareness on societal concerns.

The first dialogue will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 11, at 7 p.m. The subject that will be discussed will be "Inner City Blues." An invitation is extended to college students, sororities, fraternities, and other civic groups to attend the session.

Prompted by the lyrics, music, time period, etc. of the song "Inner City Blues," panelists will present their perspectives from educational, theological, corporate, legal, and layman's viewpoints about the implications of the song. The audience will be given an opportunity to ask questions.

"The intent of the jazz dialogue is to show the relevance of jazz music with spirituality that is rooted in God's word," said Dr. Sir Walter Mack Jr., pastor of Union Baptist Church.

The discussions are designed to provide an opportunity for individuals to connect Christian discipleship to the world that is around them. "By connecting discipleship to the topic 'What does it mean to



be a disciple in the inner city?" it will create a deeper sense of awareness in each of us as what we can do in our personal walks of life to make our world a better place.

TNT is an acronym for Tuesday Night Teaching. In an interview with The Chronicle in 2000,

the Rev. Sir Walter Mack, the church's pastor, credited God for giving him the concept for the family-oriented event. He stated that TNT has been going strong since September of 1999, reaching more and more people week after week.

Additionally, a noonday Bible

study (Tuesday Noon Teaching) is held on Tuesdays and a Bible study for persons from the neighboring shelters in the community is held at 5 p.m. (Tenants in Transition).

TNT is open to the public. Union Baptist Church is located at 1200 N. Trade St.

## FAREWELL, MA MARY



Mary Dobins Roberts, who was known affectionately as Ma Mary to the many who loved her, died Oct. 3. She was a loyal member of St. Phillips Moravian Church. The church honored her in February on her 100th birthday. The viewing for Ma Mary will be Saturday at St. Phillips, 3002 Bon Air Ave., from 12:30 to 1 p.m. Her service will follow at 1 p.m. Pastor Sandra Thigpen will officiate. Interment will be at Evergreen Cemetery. Russell Funeral Home is handling the service.

## Kimball to talk politics, religion

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Charles Kimball, professor of religion at Wake Forest University, will deliver a lecture titled "Politics, Society and Religion under Islam, Christianity and Judaism" at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 6 in Carswell Hall's Annenberg Forum (Room 111). The event is free and open to the public and is sponsored by the Wake Forest Committee on Orientation and Lower Division Advising and the Wake Forest Fund for Ethics and Leadership.

Kimball's lecture is the final event the university will hold to foster continuing discussion of Azar Nafisi's book about life in the Islamic Republic of Iran, "Reading Lolita in Tehran." The book was Wake Forest's freshman orientation reading assignment for 2005.

Kimball, author of the award-winning 2002 book "When Religion Becomes Evil," is known internationally for his expertise on Islam and the intersection of politics and religion.

In his talk, he will address some of the ways politics and religion have been connected throughout history, focusing on contemporary situations in the Middle East and the United States.

"There are many parallels. In the United States, we recently had two different Supreme Court rulings concerning the posting of the Ten Commandments," Kimball said. "The connections may not be as obvious as religious dimensions playing out in the drafting of the constitution in Iraq, but we can see many examples of difficulties in trying to draw the lines that separate religion and politics."

The dynamic relationship between politics and religion can be a volatile one that has the potential to become dangerous, Kimball says.

Kimball, an ordained Baptist minister, was one of seven Americans to travel to Iran and meet with the Ayatollah Khomeini during the hostage crisis in 1979. Since Sept. 11, 2001, he has been one of the most frequently interviewed Islam experts in the country.



Professor Charles Kimball

## Friday gives initial sermon

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On Sept. 21, Curtis Friday preached his initial sermon at Holy Trinity Full Gospel Baptist Church. Curtis is the son of Donald Campbell and Tramonna Friday. He is a resident of Winston-Salem and a faithful member at Holy Trinity Full Gospel Baptist Church.

In the ministry, he is a part of the H.U.G. (Hospitality, Ushers, and Greeters), Tribe of Judah Rappers, and the security ministry.

He accepted the call of God on his life a few months ago.



Friday

The service began at 7 when the Holy Trinity FGBC praise team ministered in songs of worship and praise. Soon after, Pastor Richard C. Miller Sr. introduced the speaker. After another selection from the praise team, Curtis Friday delivered a sermon on the topic "Are You a Soldier or a Punk: Don't Run From Your Trials and Problems." His lesson Scripture was taken from Zephaniah 3:16, 17 along with others such as Romans 5:3, 4 and Matthew 11:28.

The message was meant to encourage believers to make a stand in Christ and not bend and fall when you face hardship. Instead, endure as a good soldier, knowing that God has given you the power to stand against the evil one.

He went on to tell the congregation that God allows trials and problems in our lives to circumcise us. He is cutting away all the things in our lives that don't bring Him glory and that keep us connected to the world. He also encouraged sinners that they need Christ in their lives. Though we all face problems, without Christ, you won't be victorious over them.

He ended his message by saying that the devil stands on the outside of the church waiting to harass each individual, but it's your decision whether you will stand and be a soldier or be a punk and fall for his evil tactics.

After the sermon, while giving his remarks, Pastor Miller extended an invitation to those who did not know Christ. A soul came forth to be saved.