

RELIGION

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

Jan. 14

Health fair

Red Bank Baptist Church will hold its second annual health fair on Jan. 14 from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. There will be lectures for teens and adults on health-related topics. This event is sponsored by the Nurses Board of the church. The church is at 6405 Red Bank Road, Germantown.

Jan. 15

Anniversary

Pastor Stephone Samuels and First Lady Sandra Samuels and the members of Transformation Ministries invite you to attend their first pastoral and church anniversary on Jan. 15 at 5 p.m. at New Generation Praise and Worship Christian Church. Bishop Melvin Wilkins will be the speaker. The church is at 1850 Gyro Road, off Old Salisbury Road. For more information, call (336) 771-2710.



Stephone and Sandra Samuels

Gospel program

The Winston-Salem Spiritualities will sponsor a gospel program on Jan. 15 at 4 p.m. at New Gospel Tabernacle Holy Church. For more information, call 1-800-936-8105 or the church at 723-6798.

Consecration and installation service

Galilee Missionary Baptist Church will hold its consecration and installation of church and ministry officers Jan. 15 at 4 p.m. The guest pastor will be Dr. Donald Ballard.

Candidates for the office of deaconess, to be consecrated, are Leola Monroe and Debra Monroe. Three candidates for the office of trustee are Ronnie Hannah, James Woodward and Alfred Crump. All ministry servant leaders and officers for 2006 will be installed. A reception in the church fellowship hall will follow the service.

The public is invited to attend this service. For more information, contact the church office at 724-3857. Galilee is at 575 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive.

Installation service

New Unity Missionary Baptist Church will install its church officers Jan. 15, at 4 p.m. The guest speaker will be Pastor Lewis Devlin, who will be accompanied by the congregation of United Progressive Baptist Church. The public is invited.

Dedication Service

Living Witness Baptist Church, 3758 Ogburn Ave., will have a dedication service Jan. 15 at 3 p.m. The guest church will be the Rev. Bernard Adams and congregation of Salem Baptist Church in Lexington, N.C. Everyone is welcome.

Jan. 16

MLK service

A Dr. Martin L. King Jr. service, featuring community choirs, drama, liturgical dance and an inspiring message, will be held Jan. 16 at noon at Saint James Presbyterian Church, 820 Ross Ave., Greensboro, (336) 273-6658, www.stjamespresby.org. The community is invited to this free event.

Feb. 11

"One Night of Luxury"

The Pastor's Aid Ministry of First Waightown Baptist Church will present "One Night of Luxury." Come enjoy a delightful evening of elegant dining with your sweetheart or family and friends for Valentine's on Feb. 11 at the D.W. Bishop Full Life Center of First Waightown Baptist Church, 838 Moravia Street. The hours will be 6 to 9 p.m. There will dinner buffet, live entertainment, sweetheart bags, and drawings and giveaways. The donation is \$25 per person. For ticket information, contact Tonya McDaniel at 995-9900 or Carolyn Butler at 896-0133 or 817-4747.

Ongoing

"Oaks of Righteousness" Prayers

The O.R.P. will meet at Antioch New Birth Church of Christ each Tuesday and Friday at 6:30 p.m. All women who desire to come together to pray, worship, and seek God diligently are welcome. For more information, contact Barbara Rivers at (336) 722-5558 or Rosemary Gist at (336) 776-9010. The church is at 826 Efirid Street.

Choristers will perform MLK concert

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Twin City Choristers will present their 10th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Concert on Sunday, Jan. 15, at 3:30 p.m. at Grace Presbyterian Church.

The Choristers have been a distinctive musical group of the Triad for nearly 50 years. The group was organized in 1957. Dr. Permilla Flack Dunston was the first director. The group has had the pleasure of gifted leadership throughout the decades. Dr. Fred Tanner is the current director.

The Choristers represent a diversity of vocations and ecumenical affiliations. Their music stretches a wide spectrum of cultural, religious, and ethnic expressions. To be sure, they perform music for all seasons.

It is again the season for the Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Concert. The performance is always stirring as the journey toward freedom is recounted, hope for reconciliation is renewed, and spirits are rallied to stay the course for the Promised Land.

The Choristers have two CDs that capture their essential mission of presenting the best in music, especially music that transmits from generation to generation the heritage and the hope for a new day dawning.

C. Tommy Hicks will appear as special



The Twin City Choristers

guest. He is a servant psalmist. He will provide preliminary and offertory music. A reception will follow the concert.

Grace Presbyterian Church is at 3901 Carver School Road. The telephone number is 767-7530. The Rev. Samuel Stevenson is the pastor.

Members of the Missionary Society of Union Bethel AME Church prepare to sing carols at the Winston-Salem Rehabilitation Center.

Below: A member passes out treats at Springwood Care Center.



Missionaries visit care centers

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Members of the Elizan Williams Missionary Society of Union Bethel AME Church brought smiles, songs and a token of love to the residents and family members of Springwood Care Center of Forsyth and Winston-Salem Rehabilitation and Healthcare Center. These missionaries brought along a youth from the young people's department of the church and a friend to help them spread the joyful feeling of the holidays.

Residents laughed, smiled and sang holiday songs. The holiday colors and Santa caps worn by many helped to make the celebration very festive. Jangling of the bells brought by Jannie Funderburk added the special touch to the songs, especially "Jingle Bells," which Justin Crockett and Jannie Williams seemed to have had a knack for.

Five-year old Jalen Bartlett, a



visitor at Springwood Care Center, found a lot of fun in wearing Sharon Epps' Santa's cap as he joined the missionaries in singing songs.

Before leaving each care center, the missionaries distributed to every-

one a candy cane attached to a red or green card with the story of the candy cane printed on it.

The chuckling, hand shaking and hugging were signs that everyone was having fun.

Mt. Zion Senior Center will hold Super Tuesday

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, Pastor Dr. Serenus T. Churn Sr., will have its Senior Center's first Super Tuesday of the year on Jan. 24 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. in the church's File-Goodwin Center. A delicious brunch will be served.

The Ameri-Life Health Services will be one of the guests. It conducts various seminars that concern senior adults. These seminars meet a real need among seniors and people who are currently Medicare recipients as well as their families.

Medicare has started providing prescription drug coverage for people with Medicare Part A or Part B. But, to obtain this valuable coverage, the Medicare recipient must join. There is limited time for enrollment (Nov. 16, 2005, through May 15, 2006), and after that deadline, a penalty may apply.

After the seminar, a representative will be present with information and applications to assist those individuals in identifying a plan that will meet their prescription drug needs. Bring a list or your prescriptions and receive a free analysis of your savings with the New Medicare Part D.

A blood pressure clinic will also be available at this event.

John Pearson will provide entertainment. He has been blessed with a ministry of Christian humor. He has visited hospitals and prisons, and performed at private parties and various nursing facilities within the community.

For more information, contact the director of the Mt. Zion Senior Life Enrichment Center, Clarice A. Rynes, R.N., at (336) 721-1842.



Pastor Dr. Serenus T. Churn Sr.

Tate will sing at First Calvary Baptist at MLK service

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

First Calvary Baptist Church will celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day with Shawn Tate at 11 a.m. worship Jan. 15.

Tate is a man on a mission to fulfill a calling of God on his life. He has inspired church congregations for nearly 30 years, with his smooth and powerful vocals.

A native Chicagoan, he now resides in Nashville, Tenn.

He ministers at various church worship services and Christian conferences across the United States. His passionate delivery of the gospel offers hope and encouragement to diverse audiences of all ages, backgrounds and cultures.

He is noted record executive and entrepreneur with an extensive background in sales, marketing, strategy development and creative promotions. He has worked with some of the brightest names in gospel music, including Kirk Franklin, Smokie Norful, Malcolm Williams, CeCe Winans, Yolanda Adams and Donald Lawrence.

In 2004 he released his debut solo recording, "Hymns and Other Psalms," a special collection of contemporary and traditional gospel music classics. The independent album was released to the good pleasure of audiences who have requested music by Tate for more than 20 years.

From familiar hymns such as "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" and "Because He Lives," to contemporary classics like "Oh Happy Day" and the jazzy rendition of "Just a Closer Walk" featuring Christian music favorite The Katinas, Tate delivers 10 dynamically powerful selections in both vocal prowess and message. Crafted by Grammy-winning producer Lari White, "Hymns and Other Psalms" is wrapped in the musical machine of several of Nashville's finest artists, session vocalists and musicians.

Calvin Rannels is the pastor of First Calvary Baptist, 401 N. Woodland Ave. The public is invited. For more information, call (336) 724-2611.



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