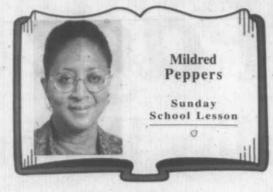
The reason why we praise

Scripture: Lesson Revelation 19: 5-10

Lesson Aims: to explain why believers praise Him daily, to encourage others during dark days, and to recognize that our praise is a lifestyle.

Background: After the sixth seal was opened God provided John with an interlude (last week's lesson). The pause revealed that all of God's people received a mark that guaranteed protection of their souls. Chapter eight opened with the seventh seal being broken. A half hour of silence occurred before John saw the seven angels with seven The cosmic trumpets.

upheaval continued when those trumpets were sounded.(chapters eight and nine). A second interlude happened next in chapters 10 and 11. During this pause the apostle was instructed to eat a little scroll that would be sweet in his mouth but will sour his stomach. Two witnesses (Moses and Elijah) were slain by the east and brought back to life after three days. The seventh trumpet (11:15) sounded "announcing the beginning of Christ's reign on earth" (Scofield Study Bible). Praises went up! Chapters 12 and 13 recorded a woman giving birth to a man child that God snatched up to the Throne. The evil beasts were revealed. In



chapter 14 the third interlude was followed by seven bowls of wrath (15:1-16:21). The "great whore/prostitute" was rid-"great ing the scarlet beast. She was defeated (Armageddon)

never to rise again in chap ters 17 thru 18. The world agonized over her destruction while God's people rejoiced!

Lesson: The praises of

the multitude go up as they Babylon's rejoice in (Rome's) demise. They sing Hallelujah (Alleluia) - the highest praise to God! The 24 elders and the four living creatures join in. There are actually four Hallelujahs (verses 1,3,4, and 6). God is victorious over evil; His kingship isn't questioned. It is now time for the wedding of the Lamb with His faithful followers - the church. This is the final banquet! The "fine linen" worn by the bride represents rightcousness and the salvation from Christ. The bride arrayed in best (because 'her" Jesus) is reunited with God!

Application: Great received the

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Invitation centuries ago (Matthew 11:28). Followed by Matthew 22:37-40, we were given the right attitude in the Great Commandment. Those that accepted the invitation must love, note the order. Finally the Great Commission is bestowed upon us in Matthew 29:19, 20 setting forth the standard of service. Initially we can't see the end but today's lesson makes the reward plain. At the banquet with the Bridegroom, the devil has been defeated and the bride (church) is together once again with God. Did you RSVP? Did you accept the invitation? Did you keep the faith? The banquet will be splendid!!

e streets with a mission

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Pastor Barry Washington, Co-Pastor Camilla Washington and the mem-Whole bers of Man Ministries have spent nights feeding, clothing and serving food at the Samaritan Kitchen and in the mission. Now they are really on a mission. Pastor Washington will lead his people on a mission with a passion. They will canvass the areas of Clemmonsville Road and Old Lexington Road getting information, praying, and witnessing. This will be a one day,

two nights process. Washington said "evangelism is not an event but it is a process." Pastor Washington a regular on 'Ask the

Pastor.' He has the heart for souls. He has just moved into his beautiful facility at 3916 Old Lexington Rd. He has opened his doors to the community. May 11 at 7 p.m. will be Mission With a Passion Power Night. Praise teams and choirs from New World Cappadocia and Whole Man Ministries will render the music. An out-reach skit will be performed and the Word will be given by five evangelists who will each have 15 minutes to speak. The speakers will be Minister Reginald Sims. Evangelist Australia Smith. Evangelist Thomasine Boyd, Evangelist Valeria Northington and Minister

Derrick Thorpe. On May 12 a free outreach seminar will be given from 9 a.m. - 10 a.m. by Pastor Melvin 'Rip' Wikins, Sr., Pastor of New World Cappadocia Oñtreach Center. From 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. street canvassing will be done and from 1:30 p.m. until 4 p.m. outside on the church's parking lot the Extravaganza will be held. There will be free food, clothing give-a-way, singing, testimonies and the Word. May 13 at 4 p.m. will be Celebration Day with Pastor Barry Washington speaking. Praise teams, guest choirs and one minute testimonies will be given.

The church is at 3916 Old Lexington Rd. For information, please contact Pastor Washington at 336-788-4302 or 336-918-1087.



Pastor Barry Washington and Co-Pastor Camilla Washington

ity to host Women's Day

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Unity Cathedral Church of God in Christ International will host "Women's Day 07" on May 6 during the 12 noon service with guest Elder H. Rodwell of To Them that Believe Outreach Ministries, Charlotte. Special guests for p.m. service will be Evangelist Dr. Joyce Turner and psalmist Anjie Carpenter. Evangelist Dr. Joyce Turner, founder and president

of Radiant SonRise Ministry, has been called by God to take His Word and love to a hurting world. She has a pas sion to reach people of all ages, nationalities and cultures, telling them about a God who is approachable, personable, compassionate, and full of love. She has been called to minister to a field of "Broken Pieces", to tell them God loves them, also to lead believers into a deeper expe-rience and relationship with

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with Rev George Ervin Sr. speaking. The guest for the 4 p.m. afternoon service will be Rev Michael Christ. Praver and spending time in God's presence are important parts of her life.

She has conducted services, evangelized, and taught in conferences, not only in her local church, but throughout • the United States, Nigeria, and South Africa. She is a non-

denominational ordained The album features ten origiminister and was

awarded her Doctor of Divinity from The Williams-Clemon-Bible Davis Institute. Joyce is a pub-

lished writer who uses her gifts to draw others into a closer relationship with the Heavenly Father. Her desire is

that people would leave the meetings feeling refreshed by Pastoral anniversary

New Jerusalem Apostolic Faith Church invites the public to come and celebrate their Pastoral Tenth Anniversary from May 6 - 11 at 7:30 p.m.

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Festival and Blood Drive will be held May 12 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Music by Parkland Drums and Orchestra, Brad Bennett and Bobby Rominger, Sara Pardo and Brian Shumaker, Blarney Pilgrim, and Case Renaissance, Studies. Children's activities include Jump-n-fun, hay rides, and face painting and a Red Cross Blood Drive. All profits from bot dog sales benefit Konroak and Philo Schools. Konnoak Hills Moravian Church is located at 3401 Konnoak Dr. Free. For

since 2000 with four self penned gospel and pop country albums. Anjie is the win-ner of WMIT 106.9's Solo Artist of the Year 2002, and recently garnered over 15,000 votes in the Light's Star Search Contest with her song, "Glory." Singing in churches since the age of seven, she is an accomplished musician, vocalist and recording artist who plays both piano and guitar. She and her family are members of Morning Star Fellowship in Fort Mill, S.C. Stony Point Christian Publications provides additional spiritual covering and support for the Carpenter family. The public is invited to

worship experiences. The church is at 3780 Carver School Rd. Bishop K. J. Rogers is Sr. Pastor, For more information call 336-473-9976

more information, call 788-9321.

May 16-18

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Frencher and congregation from Trinity A:M.E. Zion Church, Greensboro. For more information call 336 983 2737.

Mars Hill celebrates 70th - anniversary The Mars Hill Baptist

Church family will cele-brate its 70th Anniversary on Sunday, May 6. All their friends and former members are invited to attend the 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. services.

Come out and help them celebrate this joyous occa-sion. Rev. Larry L. Smith is pastor. The church is located at 1331 E. 4th St.

Prayer and Deliverance On Sunday afternoon at

3 p.m., Pastor Katherine P. Tapp will be preaching at the House of Prayer of Deliverance, Inc., located at the Hewitt Business Center, 1001 S. Marshall St. - Ste. B2. Doors open from 2:30 - 3 p.m. Call 336-708-1417 for information.

Send prayer request to Kptappministries3@yahoo. com.

May 6-11

nightly except Sunday. The Sunday service will be at 4 p.m. Speakers for the week are as follows: Sunday, Bishop Karen Sterling, St. Paul Holiness Church of Apostolic; Monday night, Pastor Milligan from House of Deliverance; Tuesday night, Pastor Viola Sterling Amazing Faith lic Church; from Apostolic @ Wednesday night, Pastor Lowery from the Glory of God Church; Thursday night Bishop Speaks from Speak Chapel, Yadkinville. Closing out Friday night will be Pastor Tyson from House of Glory Ministry,

May 12

Lexington.

Annual yard sale

The Lady's Usher Board of Ambassador Cathedral will host its annual yard sale on Saturday, May 12, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the churrch, 1500 Harriet Tubman Dr. For further information or to participate, please contact Carolyn Hail at 995-5798.

Music festival/blood drive Hills Konnoak Neighborhood Music

Church will sponsor their Spring Revival May 16, 17 and 18 at 7:30 p.m. nightly. Evangelist will be the Dr. Charles E. Gray of Mount Olive Baptist Church. The public is cordially invited to attend. The church is at 3758 Ogburn Ave. Host pastor is Rev. Harry L. Reynolds. Call 336-661-3002 for more information.

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Services at Grace Sunday Morning Prayer...9:30 a.m. Sunday School.....10:00 p.m.

Morning Worship......11:15 a.m. Evening Service......4:00 p.m.

Scriptures

Acts 2:4 Acts 2:37-40 Acts 10:44-48 Acts 19:1-6

Elder Ricky B, Wilson

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