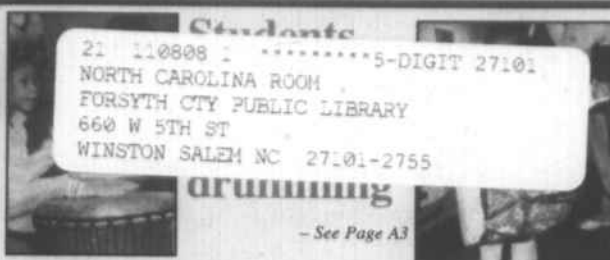




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## Hundreds wait in cold for annual turkey giveaway

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The Rev. Charles Gray doesn't need census figures or a university study to tell him that more and more people are having a harder time making ends meet. He just needs to look out of one of the stained glass windows of his East Winston church to see that there is a problem.

"You have people being laid off. There is all this downsizing happening. People are hurting," said Gray, pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

The church's doors are always open to feed people spiritually, but Gray and his flock don't ignore the physical hunger. Saturday morning, Mt. Olive continued a nearly two decade-old tradition when members handed out hundreds of turkeys and other Thanksgiving staples to a grateful crowd.

Though some church members speculated that close to 800 people showed up for the giveaway, only 500 bags of food were available. The first-come, first-serve distribution method had some people lined up outside of the church at 6:30 a.m., in 30-degree weather, for the 9 a.m. giveaway.

Gray said the church has been blessed over the years to increase the amount of food it gives away. But, he added, there is always disappointment that some have to go home empty-handed.

"We know that what we are doing here today is only making a small dent in the problem," the pastor said.

People of all ages, races and circumstances showed up for the annual event. As is Mt. Olive tradition, senior citizens and the physically-challenged were given their bags first. Most of them accepted the assistance of a church-member to carry their food parcel to their cars.

Glenda Forrest was among the first to receive a bag of food Saturday. For many years, Mt. Olive has made her holiday season brighter while lifting her spirits.

"It feels good to know that they know that people are having hard times, and they are doing something to try to help," said Forrest. "Some people don't know and don't care."

In the section of Martin Luther King Jr. Drive near where the church sits, Rev. Gray and his flock have developed a reputation among community residents. The



Glenda Forrest gets assistance from a Mt. Olive church member on Saturday. Left: The Rev. Charles Gray surveys the massive crowd on hand for his church's annual Thanksgiving give-away.

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## Family recalls Hauser's long life

Longtime community servant died last week

BY LAYLA FARMER  
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The late Dr. Charlie Brady "C.B." Hauser took a seat against injustice a decade before Rosa Parks did.

Hauser, at the time a young professor at a West Virginia college, was arrested in the late 1940s on a Greyhound Bus in rural North Carolina for refusing to give up his seat to a white person.

That was one of many instances from his 90-years of life that friends and family members recalled Monday at his funeral at Mount Zion Baptist Church.

"The community at large was not ready to, en masse, ... protest the Jim Crow laws, but my dad was ready," said Fay Hauser Price, an actress whose credits include "Jo Jo Dancer, Your Life Is Calling" and "Akeelah and the Bee." "He was always ready."

Price, who lives in Southern California, donned a red scarf in honor of her father, who favored the color, she said.

"Red is a vibrant color and my dad was a vibrant man - he was vibrant till the very end," she stated. "He didn't let a moment pass by when he was not active in the world ... We are grateful that he had this time with us."

Hauser, who passed away Nov. 11, was well-known for his political service. He served two terms as a representative in the N.C. General Assembly in the 1980s, but granddaughter Sierra Price, 23, was privy to a different



C.B. Hauser

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Photo by Kevin Walker

U.S. Rep. Elijah Cummings greets a young church-goer.

## Politickin' to Preachin'

Maryland Congressman delivers hopeful message to Galilee congregation

BY T. KEVIN WALKER  
THE CHRONICLE

He's one of Capitol Hill's most outspoken opponents of the war in Iraq and a staunch supporter of Sen. Barack Obama's campaign to become the nation's first black president.

But U.S. Rep. Elijah Cummings, a Maryland Democrat, did not pack his politics for his trip to Winston-Salem Sunday. Standing behind the wooded pulpit at Galilee Missionary Baptist Church, Cummings preached about the power of hope and faith and the poison that is

negativity.

"When you are complaining about everything, you miss the blessings," said the seven-term Congressman. "Sometimes you have to go through some difficult times ... get up, dust yourself off and keep on moving."

Cummings, a former trial lawyer, represents the Baltimore area, from which Galilee's pastor, Dr. Nathan Scovens, hails. Scovens told his flock that he was impressed when Cummings bowed to his knees when he first approached the church's altar.

"That let me know that we

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## FIGHTING A MEDICAL FIRE



Photo by Todd Luck

Firefighter David Mellor was one of 11 firefighters braving traffic at the busy intersection of Hanes Mall Boulevard and Silas Creek Parkway Saturday collecting money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. This was part of the Winston-Salem Fire Department's 6th annual "Fill the Boot" fundraiser, which was renamed "Phil the Boot" this year in honor of the late Captain Phil Reed. Saturday was the last day of the three day fundraiser. Last year the firefighters raised over \$15,000.

## Popular scam compromises e-mail address books

BY LAYLA FARMER  
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You can't trust everything you hear - or read - as thousands of Americans who have fallen victim to Internet scams have learned the hard way.

Americans have lost hundreds of millions of dollars through such scams, which are often perpetrated by online scammers outside of the United States. Africa has become a hotbed for e-mail scams, according to the Web site of the Nigerian -419 Coalition,



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which seeks to educate people about the existence of such schemes.

The latest twist on the age-old tradition of deceit involves high-tech criminals obtaining

e-mail address books. Scammers break into online address books and send an e-mail, in clumsy, awkward English, to everyone listed. Purporting to be the account

holder, stranded in Africa, the email appeals to the reader's compassion with a desperate, urgent plea.

"It has been a very sad news and bad moment for me, the present condition that I found myself is very hard for me to explain. (I) am really stranded in Nigeria because I forgot my little bag in a taxi where my money and passport documents were kept on my way to the Hotel that (I) am staying. I have no more money left with me ..." one e-mail reads in part. "... please I need some help from you urgently to help me back home, and I need you to help me with the hotel bill and I will also need \$1300 to feed and help myself back home so please can you help me with a total sum of

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