

# RELIGION

## CALENDAR

Beginning May 8

### Spring Revival

The Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church invites one and all to their annual Spring Revival, which will be held on May 8 and May 9 at 7 p.m. nightly. On May 8 the special guest speaker will be Pastor Shannon L. Jessup from Second New Bethel Baptist Church. On May 9 the speaker will be Pastor Stacy Frazier from the Friendship Baptist Church. The church is at 1905 N. Jackson Ave. The Rev. Paul W. Hart is the pastor and Sandra D. Hart, first lady.

May 9

### Guest speaker

On Friday, May 9 at 7 p.m., Evangelist Gwendolyn Holly of Union Baptist Church will be the guest speaker at Life Changing Transformation Church Ministries. The church is located at 690 Brookstown Ave. Call 336-725-4755. Pastor Alice Mitchell is the host pastor. See the website for more information: <http://www.piedmontcommunities.us/go/1ctcmws>.

May 10

### Dance concert

The Adult Dance Ministry of Mount Olive Baptist Church will celebrate their sixth concert on May 10 at 5 p.m. The public is invited to attend. The church is located at 1301 C. E. Gray Dr. Dr. Charles E. Gray is the host pastor.

### A Tribute to Mothers

The 2008 Women's Day Committee of Shiloh Baptist Church is hosting "A Tribute to Mothers" on Saturday, May 10 at 4 p.m. at the church. Annie Hamlin Johnson will give a tribute in memory of her son, Leon Hamlin. The program will include several choirs from the surrounding area and much more. Dr. Paul A. Lowe, Jr., is pastor.

### Health and Heritage

The New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church Health Ministry will present their Health and Heritage Mini Conference along with a Youth Fun Day, Saturday, May 10, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Registration starts at 8:45 a.m. The church is located at 1212 North Dunleith Ave. For more information call 336-723-9743. This event is free and open to the public.

May 11

### Mother's Day tribute

St. Peter's Church & World Outreach Center celebrates "A Tribute to Mothers" on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 11, at the 10 a.m. worship service. Mothers will be honored with a grand display of "100 Women in White" representing mothers from all walks of life.

St. Peter's Church & World Outreach Center is located at 3683 Old Lexington Rd. Dr. James C. and Lady Joyce Hash, are senior pastors. For more details call 336-650-0200.

### Older mothers honored

Emmanuel Baptist Church Missionary Department will celebrate Mother's Day on May 11 at 10 a.m. The guest speaker will be Yvonne Booker of McKinney, Texas. The theme is "Mother's Fully Committed In Faith." The church will honor two of their special older mothers for their dedication and service. The public is invited to attend. The church is located at 1075 Shalimar Dr. Dr. John Mendez is host pastor.

### Mother's Day

Solid Rock Missionary Baptist Church will observe Mother's Day on May 11 during their 11 a.m. worship service. The guest speaker will be associate minister Barbara Hester from Gethsemane Hope Missionary Baptist Church. The church is at 3010 Carver School Rd. The public is invited to attend. The Rev. Waymon L. Monroe, Jr., Senior Pastor is host pastor.

### Morning speaker

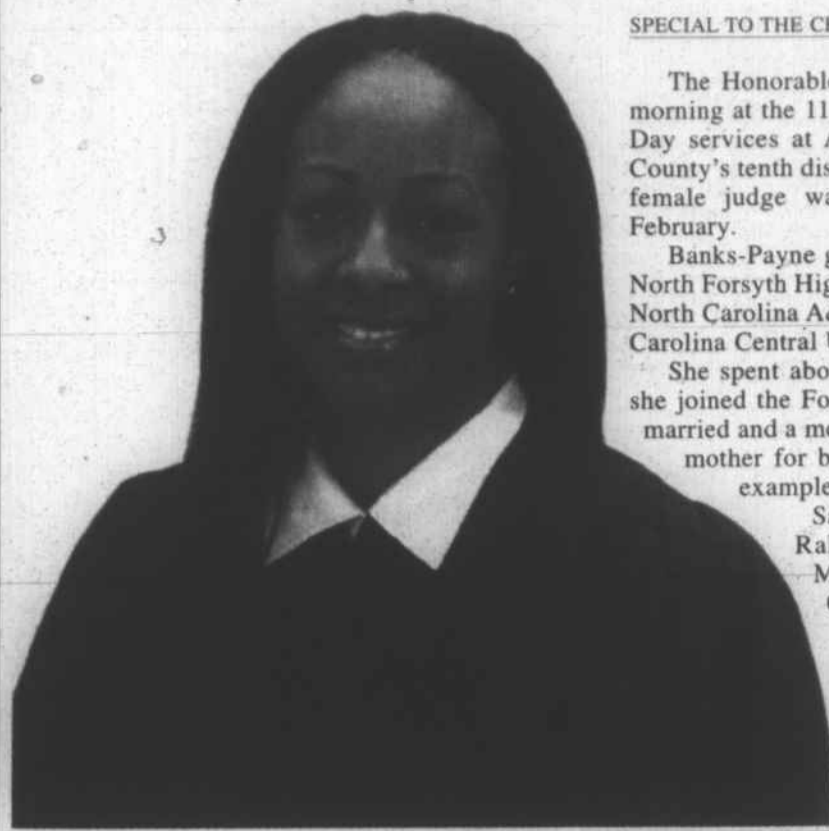
Asonja King of Steadfast Life Changing will be the guest speaker on Sunday, May 11 at the 11 a.m. morning worship service at Life Changing Transformation Church Ministries. The church is located at 690 Brookstown Ave. Call 336-725-4755 for more information. Pastor Alice Mitchell is the host pastor.

### Mother's Day

The Pilgrim Rest Missionary Baptist Church family invites one and all to their annual Mothers Day Program on May 11 at the 11 a.m. worship hour. The guest speaker will be Minister Laquanda Brannon of Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, Gaffney S.C. The church is located at 1905 N. Jackson Ave. Paul W. Hart is the pastor and Sandra D. Hart is first

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## Judge Banks-Payne to speak at church's Mother's Day Service



SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Honorable Camille Banks-Payne will speak on Sunday morning at the 11 a.m. worship experience and annual Mother's Day services at Ambassador Cathedral. Banks-Payne, Forsyth County's tenth district court judge, and second African American female judge was appointed by Governor Mike Easley in February.

Banks-Payne grew up in Winston-Salem and graduated from North Forsyth High School. She furthered her academic career at North Carolina A&T State University, and graduated from North Carolina Central University School of Law in 2001.

She spent about two years in private practice, and in 2003, she joined the Forsyth County Public Defender's office. She is married and a mother of one, and praises her mother and grandmother for being encouraging role models and leading by example.

Saturday evening, May 10, at 7 p.m., Bishop Ralph Donnie Graves and the Greater Metropolitan Church will be the guests during Commemoration service to celebrate 61 years in the ministry and 43 years as pastor for Bishop Frederick D. Patterson. The church is located at 1500 Harriet Tubman Dr.

For more information, contact the church at [www.ambassadorcathedral.net](http://www.ambassadorcathedral.net).



The Rev. Barbara L. Wardlow

## Pleasant Union to welcome Wardlow

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Rev. Barbara L. Wardlow from Second Calvary Missionary Baptist Church will be the guest speaker at Pleasant Union Primitive Baptist Church's 11 a.m. Mother's Day program on May 11.

Wardlow, whose motto is, "To God Be The Glory," is the chaplain of NC State Beauticians, and assistant chaplain of National Beauty Culture. She is a member of Theta Nu Sigma Sorority; Sisters of Bivouac #530; and the Queenettes Gospel Singers. She is very active in the community. Her pastor at Second Calvary is the Rev. Donald Stow, Sr.

She is married to Albert Wardlow. They are proud parents of two children; six grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Pleasant Union is located at 1250 E. 10th St. Host pastor is the Rev. Reginald Lampkins. The public is invited to attend.

## Rev. Vicki Johnson to speak at Beulah Baptist Church

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Beulah Baptist Church will celebrate Mother's Day and Women's Day on May 11. The guest minister for the 11 a.m. worship service will be the Rev. Vicki Johnson of New Jerusalem Missionary Baptist Church, where her pastor is Dr. S. J. Cornelius.

Johnson is a graduate of Winston-Salem State University and has taken classes toward obtaining a Masters Degree in Ministry at Vintage Bible College. She is president of the Congress of Christian Education of the High Point Educational & Missionary Association as well as recording

treasurer of the Women's Auxiliary; and secretary of the Freedom Road Prison Ministry.

Rev. Johnson is employed by AT&T as a customer service-assistant.

Her favorite scripture is Proverbs 3:5, 6 "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart and lean not to thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him and He will direct thy paths." Her favorite song is God Is In Control.

The church is at 1352 North Trade St. The Senior Pastor is the Rev. L. Bruce Ford.

For more information call 336-722-2907.



Rev. Johnson

## Mt. Zion honors longtime member Dr. Maya Angelou

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Many are the daughters of Zion who have done exceedingly well.

In that number, count Dr. Maya Angelou, who was honored by her home church, Mount Zion Baptist Church, on Sunday, April 20 on the occasion of her 80th birthday.

The event was an open opportunity for members and friends of Mount Zion to honor Angelou in the context of her Christian experiences and the company of her church family.

All of the desired elements of the day came together in an appropriate form during the salute to Dr. Angelou. The stirring music from the choirs reacquainted her with her grandmother's rendition of "Bread of Heaven." The full infusion of young people throughout the worship experience went to the heart of her considerable love for children. An original poem penned by Naima Henderson revisited moments on and off the world stage in Dr. Angelou's colorful life. A formal church resolution celebrated her membership "in good standing" at Mount Zion. The presentation of a commemorative plaque and a dozen red roses added the crowning touches to a day dedicated to a phenomenal lady.

Following the formal presentations by members and officials of Mount Zion, the lady of the hour was



Dr. Angelou accepts honors from Alvin Atkinson, Board of Deacons chair, Pastor Dr. Serenus T. Churn Sr., standing, right, and young K. J. Sherard.

vintage Angelou. Her grace, grandeur and gratitude resonated with those who listened to her with rapt attention. With pride, she claimed her membership in Mount Zion. With candor, she recounted her ongoing journey of faith. And with hope, she pointed her listeners to the promises of God.

Members of the congregation and

visitors exchanged greetings with Dr. Angelou in a receiving line after the morning worship services. Waiting at the end of the receiving line was a birthday cake in celebration of the occasion.

Dr. Serenus T. Churn Sr., pastor of Mount Zion Baptist Church, smiled approvingly on the entire service, as did Dr. Angelou.

## A.M.E. ZION COTILLION IS A SUCCESS

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE



Maiden of the Cotillion Shatese Monique Gaither and her escort David Wolfe are surrounded by well wishers at the gala affair.

The Western North Carolina Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church Christian Education Department sponsored the 2008 Maiden and Maidenette Cotillion April 17 at the Benton Convention Center. The theme was "Spreading the Message About Finer Womanhood." The winner this year was 18-year-old Shatese Monique Gaither, who was escorted by David Wolfe.

Shatese is the daughter of Thomas and Shelvy Gaither, and attends RJR High School. She is a member of Bethania A.M.E. Zion Church, where the Rev. Johnny L. Ruff is the pastor.

## Bethlehem Holiness will host women's conference

Event will include health fair, food

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Members of the Daughters of the Rock of Bethlehem Holiness Church will sponsor its annual Women's Conference on May 10 and 11. The theme is "The Total Woman in the Lord." Beverly Salley is president.



Min. Kirby

On May 10 at 11:30 a.m. there will be a Health Fair at the church. Individuals will be available to discuss blood pressure, diabetes, strokes, children's health, issues of teenagers, STDs and other health issues. Lots of information and good food will be provided.

The guest preacher for the morning will be Minister Shenelle Thompson, associate minister of Greater Faith Deliverance Center.

Minister Brenda Kirby, associate minister of Bethlehem Holiness Church, will preach on May 11 at 10:30 a.m. Everyone is invited to come and be a part of their special event. The church is at 701 Barbara Jane Ave. The Overseer and host pastor is Eugene Kirby, Jr.