

# RELIGION

## CALENDAR

### Ongoing

#### Free lunches

Christ Rescue Temple Church, where Bishop Willie Davis Jr. is pastor, will serve free lunches every Thursday, starting at noon, to the first 100 people who arrive at the church, 1500 Dunleith Ave. For more information, call 336-722-9841.

#### Apex School Of Theology registration

The Apex School of Theology at Union Baptist Church is accepting enrollment for the Spring Semester that begins in January. This accredited School of Theology confers the Associate's Degree in Christian Education (A.C.E.); Bachelor's of Theology (B.T.H.); Master's of Christian (M.C.E.); and the Master of Divinity Degree (M.Div.). Students will take part in academic classes, training sessions and field experience. Call the church office for more information at 336-724-9305, ext. 230 or visit [www.unionbaptistwsnc.org](http://www.unionbaptistwsnc.org).

#### NYC trip

Alpha & Omega Church is sponsoring a trip to New York City on Sept. 24, 2010. The trip will include tours of Chinatown, Historic Harlem, dinner at Sylvia's Soul Food Restaurant and shopping. The cost is \$300 per person, and a \$50 deposit is due by Jan. 25. The cost includes the bus ride, breakfast en route and double occupancy at the Hampton Inn, with complimentary breakfast. For more information, contact Belva via e-mail at [belva2004@aol.com](mailto:belva2004@aol.com) or by phone at 336-529-3170.

#### Jan. 21

#### Bible study program for young people

Holy Trinity FGBC, 651 Akron Drive, will have Y-BO - The Young Breaking Out Bible Study, which is designed to ignite the spiritual flame in young adults (middle, high school and college-age students), on Thursday, Jan. 21 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. For more information, call the church at 336-744-9293.

#### Jan. 23

#### S.I.S.T.A.'s Program

Holy Trinity FGBC's Rich CDC will hold its S.I.S.T.A.'s Program, a ladies fellowship, on Saturday, Jan. 23 at 6 p.m. It will be held at the church at 651 Akron Drive.

The program is designed to provide mentoring and activities that strengthen the roles of wives, mothers, grandmothers, aunts and ladies.

#### Jan. 24

#### Youth Day

New Hope Praise and Deliverance Center will host a youth day celebration on Sunday, Jan. 24 at 10 a.m. with guest speaker Jayson Sloan, the youth pastor at St. Peter's World Outreach Center. The service will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, 1325 Creekside



Rev. and Mrs. Sloan

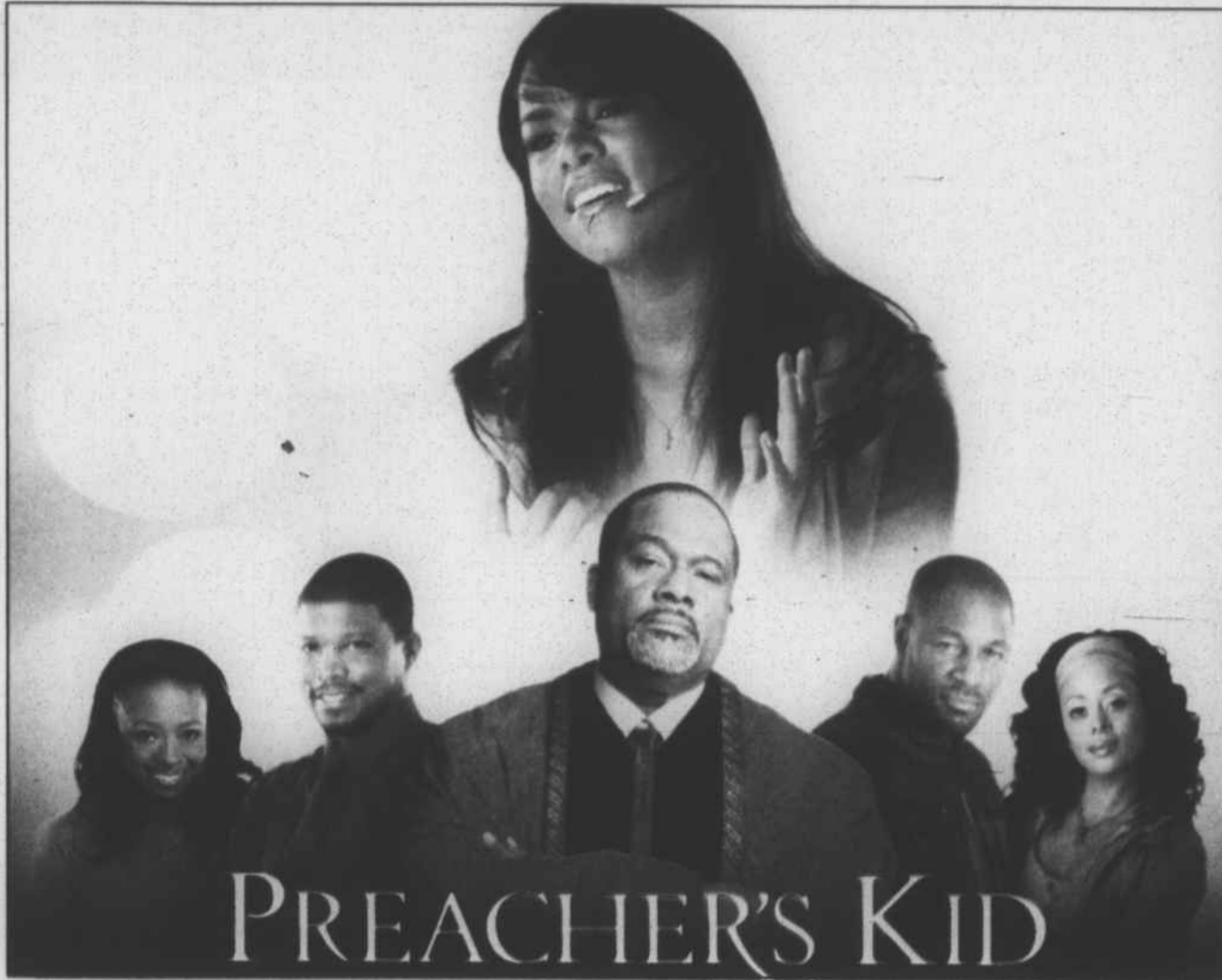
Way. For more information, call 336-997-2359. The host pastor is the Rev. Jennifer Calloway.

#### Forsyth County Missionary Union meeting

The Forsyth County Missionary Union will meet on Sunday, Jan. 24 at New Bethel Baptist Church, 1016 North Trade St. Youth and Young Adults will meet at 1:30 p.m. Seniors will meet at 3 p.m.

Mrs. Susie B. Nance is the Union president. The Rev. Dr. Kendall D. Jones Sr. is the host pastor. For more information, call Gloria Morgan at 336-767-9068.

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The promotional poster for the new film.

## FILM PUTS TWIST ON STORY OF THE PRODIGAL SON

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

"The Preacher's Kid," a new Warner Bros. Studio film, is being billed as a modern retelling of the ageless parable of the Prodigal Son. The movie will open in selected cities on Jan. 29 and possibly expand to other markets soon after that.

Written and directed by Stan Foster, the film stars singer LeToya Luckett as Angie King, a 20-something daughter of a minister who, longing to experience more of life and with dreams of fame and fortune, strikes out on her own for the very first time, joining a



Stan Foster

traveling gospel show. She soon discovers, though, that life on the road is tough, and she fears going home with nothing to show for herself.

The film marks the movie debut for Luckett, a co-founder of Destiny's Child who scored a #1 solo CD with "Lady Love." Preacher's Kid also stars singers Trey Songz, Tank Babbs and Kierra Kiki Sheard.

Foster's credits include helming Bishop T.D. Jakes' "Woman, Thou Art Loosed."

For more info on the movie, visit [www.preacherskidmovie.com](http://www.preacherskidmovie.com).

## JESUS SHOWS HIMSELF THROUGH PRAYER

Lesson Scripture: Matthew 11:25-30

**Lesson Aims:** To explain the major parts of Jesus' prayer; to accept that God's Ways are not like ours; and to seek the power to model after Jesus.

**Background:** As evidence of Jesus' identity mounts, the people still didn't believe. He had shown His power over nature, demons, and disease, nothing satisfied them! Yet, they continued to bring their sick to be healed. The people were expecting the Messiah to deliver them from Roman control. For most, this was



Mildred Peppers

Sunday School Lesson

the basis for their rejection. Jesus was using His power to heal humanity's hurts, sicknesses, and disappointments. Even John the Baptist was

confused! Jesus answered John's disciples by pointing out His actions and reminding them of the things prophesied by Isaiah (29:18-21; 35:5-6; and 61:1). Turning to the people as John's disciples left, He referred to him (John) as the greatest of the prophets. Jesus continued to speak to the crowd about their unbelief. They were compared to children who couldn't make up their minds what to believe. You see, the people felt that John was too harsh and Jesus too gentle. Then He issued a series of woes on three cities where He ministered - Korazin, Bethsaida, and Capernaum. He went

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## EPHESUS INSTALLS ITS NEWEST 'LIL DISCIPLES'

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The installation service for Ephesus Seventh Day Adventist Church's 'LiL Disciples' was held on Jan. 9. Youths from 8 to 15 took part in the Biblical training, which places emphasis on learning how to respect God's house; respect one's self; and how to accept responsibility from parents.

The young people were also taught the importance of controlling what they say; praying daily, eliminating self-pity, overcoming fear, and learning basic social graces.

The new 'LiL Disciples' are Nicole Taylor and Kai Jeffries. They join established members: Darion Damon, Jalaya Massey, Keith Watson, Davon Damon, Tony Wright Jr. and Davon Bullock. Elder Barbara Brown is the Bible coordinator.

## Church holds spirit-filled Summit

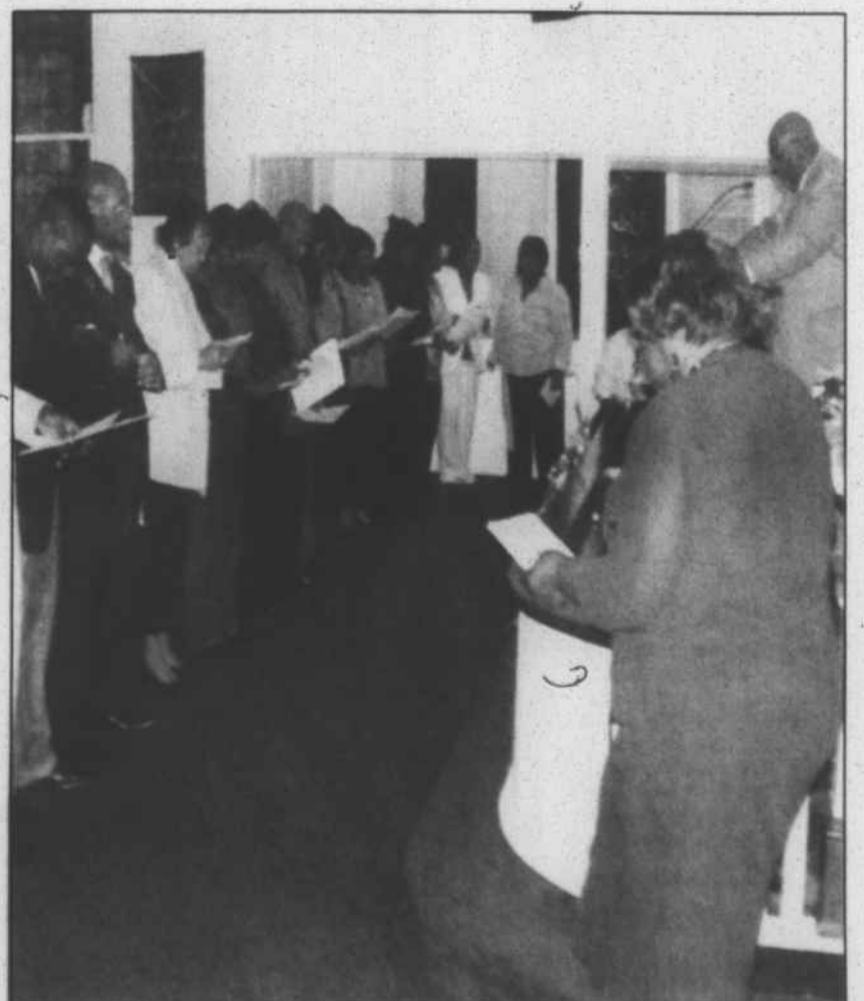
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Holy Trinity Full Gospel Baptist Church recently hosted a three-day Kingdom Building Summit. It revolved around the concept of "Becoming Steadfast in the Lord While His Glory is Being Manifested in our Lives" and featured nightly topics that pondered the idea. Summit topics included "God's Requirement for Fruitful Living" and "Security from Yesterday for Tomorrow and Today."

Holy Trinity Pastor Richard Miller and Co-Pastor Erntine Miller encouraged Summit attendees to make God the top priority in their lives and to earnestly seek Him with a whole hearted passion and to obey His commands.

Each attendee was also encouraged to not fear or be intimidated, and to know that everyone was given the victory by God through Jesus Christ.

The Summit ended on Sunday, Jan. 10 with a powerful Consecration and Dedication Service, featuring Prophet Clifton Sawyer and the Cornerstone Church family of Greensboro. Sawyer spoke of the God side and the fleshly side of man. He referred to the fleshly side as a "monkey-brain," and discussed how Christians have to stop allowing the "monkey" to control them. At the end of the service, Pastor Miller led all the leaders of the ministry through a consecration and dedication pledge. Each leader renewed his or her dedication to the ministry.



The Millers lead the crowd in prayer.

### Fit for Freedom, Not for Friendship



## Author who exposed Quaker racism visiting Triad

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The co-author of a book about racism and the Religious Society of Friends will visit Guilford College as part of Religious Emphasis Week, taking place Jan. 24-30.

Vanessa Julye, who co-wrote "Fit for Freedom, Not for Friendship: Quakers, African-Americans and the Myth of Racial Justice" with Donna McDaniel, will give a lecture on Monday, Jan. 25, at 7:30 p.m. at New Garden Friends Meeting. "Lessons From Fit for Freedom, Not for Friendship" is free and open to the public.



Julye

Julye is the coordinator of the Committee for Ministry on Racism for the Friends General Conference. A member of Central Philadelphia Monthly Meeting and a graduate of Westtown School and Temple University, Julye travels in the ministry with a special concern for helping the Religious Society of Friends become a holistic blessed community.

"Fit for Freedom, Not for Friendship" reveals that racial segregation has been as pervasive among Friends as among others of European descent. About 50 people participated in a six-week-long fall study of the book, sponsored by Guilford's Quaker Renewal Program and the Social Concerns Committee of New Garden Friends Meeting.