

From left: WSSU's Kimberly Reese with Class of '55 members Dr. James Wright, Ruth S. Bowen, Alice D. McNeil, Mae Ellen Starks, Thomas Jeffries, Marion H. Gibson and Ora W. Staples.

Class of 1955 gives scholarship to WSSU student



Charles Hicks

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Winston-Salem State University Class of 1955 returned for Homecoming 2010 with a scholarship for a deserving student.

The Class organized, set goals and put into action a plan to raise \$5,555 for a current WSSU student. The amount was decided upon because \$5,555 reflects the

The Class identified the lucky student through consultation with officials from WSSU, including Kimberly Reese, the school's director of Annual Funds. Charles Hicks was eventually selected to receive the scholrship.

The WSSU Class of 1955 truly believes that few things

55th anniversary of the Class in life bring greater personal rewards than helping others. Members of the Class say that when one thinks unselfishly and becomes a giver, then it becomes easier to develop many other virtues, such as gratitude, love, respect, patience and discipline. The Class of 1955 also believes that there is no life as empty as the self-centered life.

him. He rejoices instead! Without a shadow of doubt. he trusts God completely. He is confident that God will give him victory. As the ulti-

doesn't gloat but recognizes that when others see the hand of God moving, they

Application: So, how can we do what David did? First, we must recognize that we are never out of God's sight. The inescapable God only wants our sincere devotion. It is paramount that we have a personal relationship with Him. This isn't a day of the week reverence (Sunday morning or Saturday afternoon). This is not like punching a time clock. God wants our total devotion. David had his triumphs and troubles. We will have them too. The real issue is, do we

our lives. We must nurture our relationship for it to grow. We shouldn't wait for trouble to praise Him. Praise is continual no matter what predicament we're currently in. Love is an action verb (calm down teachers) as we study and observe God's behavior. As we mature in our faith; we trust Him more, depend on self less. and remain humble as God works it out. As believers, we have to nurture our relationship with Him by talking to Him (praying) . listening to Him (study and meditation) and by praising Him at all times. Maturity comes that way. As life hands us its ups and downs, believers can praise Him verbally, physically and musically. Whatever you are facing remember that God loves

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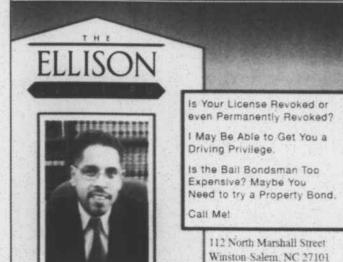
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ney? The superscription of this psalm stated that he was in the Desert of Judah. This arid, mountainous place was often used by those in hiding because of its caves and deep ravines. It was in this desert that the Dead Sea Scrolls were found between 1947 and 1960. Synonymous and synthetic parallelism (explanation a few weeks ago) are in this psalm.

Lesson: David is forced to flee from his enemies. Now in a safe place (the desert), he longs for God's presence. He knows that God brings comfort and protection in all situations. Having witnessed His glory in the sanctuary (the Tabernacle because the Temple had not been built). David praises God for His role in good times and in

God's faithfulness. Time and time again, he sees the hand of God working. In this time of trouble, he concentrates valuable that anything that at this point yet? God gives exactly what is needed for are a dangerous place espe-

on what he has instead of what he doesn't have. He mate source of help, David goes on to state that what God gives is much more the world can offer. Are we too will rejoice. that situation. In his depleted state (the world view), the king's response is to praise God verbally, physically and musically (vs. 3-5). Deserts cially at night, because the darkness makes it very difficult to see. Any animal or enemy may attack at this point. In David's case, he had guards (rotating) on watch to protect him and his followers. He acknowledges that this isn't iron clad protection; anything could happen. Was he anxious? To some degree, but he doesn't allow that to overwhelm

have a relationship with God? This is ongoing and it penetrates every aspect of bad. David is confident in Winston-Salem Symphony Robert Moody, Music Director I Hear A Symphony: MOTOWN'S GREATEST HITS Saturday, November 6 | 7:30 pm | Reynolds Auditorium tickets: \$15 - \$55 | Student Rush \$5 at the door 336.464.0145 | www.wssymphony.org