

RELIGION

CALENDAR

Ongoing

Financial fitness classes
Recover All Christian Temple is sponsoring a six-session financial fitness course. Sessions will be held every other Monday starting March 12 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Registration is free, however participants will be asked to purchase the book, "Total Money Makeover" by Dave Ramsey. Register by calling 336-993-3812 before classes start. The church is located at 4281 Thomasville Road. The pastor is Rev. Eunice Woods. The instructor is Bonny Cannon.

Happening Now

Violin recital
St. Peter's Church and World Outreach Center Music & Arts Ministry will present a violin concert by Tina Culver, a post-graduate student at the UNC School of Arts. Robert Rocco will accompany her on piano. It will be held today (March 22) in the Administration Building at 7 p.m. St. Peter's Church is located at 3683 Old Lexington Road. For more information, call 336-650-0200.

Seminar for parents
Kimberly Park Elementary School will host a personal development seminar for parents today, March 22, from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.



Dr. Hash

Dr. Francene Hash will host the seminar. "Dr. Fran" has written more than 100 books and has created hundreds of thought provoking charts, graphs, and other tools that span the genres of personal development, entrepreneur success and spiritual leadership.

HOF Women's Conference
House of Faith World Outreach Worship Center, 1384 W. Sedgefield Drive, is holding its annual Women's Conference. First Lady Pamela Jordan of House of Faith will speak this evening (March 22); First Lady Tahita Williams of Miracle Temple Deliverance Church will speak on March 23, followed by Pastor Kellie Campbell of To Live in Christ Ministries on Saturday, March 24 and Evangelist Christine Howard of Damascus Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday, March 25. All programs start at 7 p.m. Apostle Stephan Jordan is the host pastor.

Beginning March 22

Women of the Word
Fresh Fire Worship Center, 4306-A Kernersville Road, will host Women of the Word from March 22-25. Co-Pastor Rita Wilson of Cathedral of Refuge will speak on the first evening at 7:30; Pastor Marilyn Gool of Charlotte's Victory Christian Center will speak on March 23 at 7:30 p.m.; and Pastor Susan Baker of Concord's Tabernacle of Judah will speak at 4 p.m. on March 25. Pastor Cassandra Elliott of Greensboro's World Vision International is the conference worship leader and Fresh Fire First Lady Michelle McCloud is the conference's host.



McCloud

March 23
Concert
Freedom Baptist Church, 1222 East 14th St., will host a musical concert featuring acts like Jeremiah Salter & Nupraize and Anthony Douglas & Zeal. It will be held on Friday, March 23 at 10 p.m. Admission is free. Call 336-517-8084 for more information.

Beginning March 24

Production
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Cantata to honor memory of Smith

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The Sanctuary Choir of Greater First United Baptist Church, along with other area church choirs, will present its annual Easter Cantata, "The Seven Last Words of Christ" by Theodore Dubois, on Sunday, March 25 at 6 p.m.



Smith

This year, the Cantata is presented in fond memory of the Sanctuary Choir's former director James D. Smith, who passed away last

June. The choir is now under the direction of Madeline S. McKoy.

Guest performers will include soloists Kathy W. Anderson, soprano; Albert Palmer, tenor; and Eddie Bines Jr., baritone. Instrumentalists will include organist Marion "Pete" Thomas



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Local musical genius Marion "Pete" Thomas will take part.

and pianist Julie Owens Hunter. Herbert Wiley will serve as the narrator. The public is invited to attend. The church is at 1409 Deep River

Road in High Point. The pastor is Rev. Tacuma S. Johnson.

For more information, contact Stephanie Evans at 336-882-6211.



PR Photo

The musical trio Brother Sun.

Popular gospel group to perform

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The harmony trio Brother Sun will perform at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 4055 Robinhood Road, at 7:30 p.m. on March 24. The concert is open to the public. A donation of \$15 is requested.

The trio, comprised of Joe Jencks, Greg Greenway and Pat Wictor, combines musical skills and the best of male singing traditions on a well-crafted foundation of guitar, slide

guitar and piano. According to Chicago radio personality Rich Warren, the group's sound is irresistible.

"What happens when you unite three of the best male singers in the folk realm who already revel in harmony singing? Brother Sun!" says Warren. "Added to great voices, energy and sincerity are worthy compositions in three distinct styles that bring to mind a modern day gospel."

Brother Sun's self-titled album debuted at No. 2 on the Folk DJ

Charts in July 2011 and has remained on the charts for six of the last seven months. It made the "Best of 2011" list for over a dozen radio stations in the U.S. The trio is currently on a national tour and working on their next album.

For more information about Brother Sun, visit their web site at www.brothersunmusic.com. For more information about the Winston-Salem Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, visit www.uufws.org.

Intellect vs. Faith

Background Reading: Numbers 21: 4-9

Lesson Scripture: John 3:11-21

Lesson Aims: To explain why Jesus came to Earth; to appreciate God's love for humanity; and to deepen our faith in Him.

Background: Jesus, His mother and brothers, along with the five disciples left the wedding in Cana and headed for Capernaum. They were there for only a few days, they then journeyed to Jerusalem for Passover. Jesus saw selling and money exchanging in the outside court of the Temple. How irrev-
erent! He cleared the Temple. This type of activity was to be done before entering. Jews, probably Pharisees, ques-

tioned His authority. His response in 2:19 completely baffled them. It took 46 years to rebuild the current Temple and He would do it in three days? Many people in

Jerusalem saw the miraculous signs that Jesus performed and believed. Nicodemus, a Pharisee, a member of the Sanhedrin (Jewish civil court) and one of Israel's teachers, approached Jesus at night to question Him. Henry Ossawa Tanner's painting Nicodemus Visiting Christ (1899) depicts the solemn encounter. There are several perspectives as to "why" at night. Jesus simply told him that he must be born again. Taking His words literally, Nicodemus didn't understand. Jesus explained that there are two births, one natural and the



Mildred Peppers

Sunday School Lesson

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Your Big Break?

A&T to host music industry workshop, gospel showcase

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

The North Carolina A&T State University School of Business and Economics has partnered with the broadcast voice of N.C. A&T - WNAA-FM - to present a one-day workshop about the music business. The event will take place in the Memorial Union - Stalling Ballroom on Saturday, March 24 from 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Workshop attendees will have the opportunity to learn about starting their own music business, protecting their product, branding and opportunities in the gospel music industry. The workshop is designed for current and aspiring music entrepreneurs such as songwriters, pro-

ducers, musicians, promotion specialists, gospel music artists, DJs and others.

The workshop will also feature the Rejoice Gospel Showcase, where attendees can receive some music training and experience, showcase their talent, develop industry networks, receive feedback from industry professionals and have a chance to win a consultation with industry professionals, studio time, professional imaging package and exposure.

Tickets for the event are available at A&T's ticket office. Tickets are \$30 for the public, \$10 for non-A&T students and free to A&T students.

For more information on the showcase, contact Linda Greenwood at 336-324-8045 or ucontalen@gmail.com.



Hospital hires faith VP

SPECIAL TO THE CHRONICLE

Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center has appointed the Rev. Dr. Gary R. Gunderson vice president of Faith and Health Ministries, effective July 1.

Gunderson, a 1973 graduate of Wake Forest University, is currently senior vice president for faith and health at Methodist Le Bonheur Healthcare in Memphis, Tenn. and director of its Center of Excellence in Faith and Health.

"Gary's work, particularly his ability to understand and meet the needs of patients in the community, has been recognized nationally and internationally," said Dr. John D. McConnell, chief executive officer of Wake Forest Baptist. "His model, which brings together patient need with services within the community, coincides with Wake Forest Baptist's mission to provide a full range of caring and healing to those that we serve."



Gunderson

As head of the Division of Faith and Health Ministries at Wake Forest Baptist, Gunderson will oversee the division's four departments (CareNet Counseling, the Department of Chaplaincy and Pastoral Education, the Center for Congregational Health and the Department of Church and Community Relations) that provide spiritual care services to patients, families and medical center employees as well as manage marketing and public relations services to more than 4,200 Baptist congregations.

Gunderson's care model in Memphis extended broadly into the full range of faith traditions and he believes the opportunity at Wake Forest Baptist is substantial. The academic strengths of the Wake Forest School of Divinity and the Division of Public Health with the leading-edge clinical strengths of the system can be aligned with the rich diversity of faith in the state of North Carolina to make a profound and lasting difference to the health of the whole community.

In addition to his bachelor's degree from Wake Forest, Gunderson holds a Master of Divinity from Emory University in Atlanta, a Doctor of Ministry from the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta and an honorary Doctor of Divinity from the Chicago Theological Seminary.