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Photos by Layla Garms
Pastor Richard Miller and Co-Pastor Ernestine Miller stand outside the new Holy Trinity.

Cross-town move for well-known church

BY LAYLA GARMS
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Holy Trinity Full Gospel Fellowship Center (HTFGFC) has left its Akron Drive building after more than a decade for a location across town.

The church, which was founded on the corner of 11th Street and Cleveland Avenue in 1936, celebrated its third worship service at its new location - 5307 Peters Creek - on Sunday. After 12 years in their previous location, leaving the Akron Drive community behind was not an easy decision,



said Pastor Richard Miller, but the building was in need of repairs the congregation couldn't afford, leaving them little choice but to relocate.

"I hate we had to move," Miller confessed. "The people that live in the that area, I know some of them; they are going to miss it."

Still, the move was in many ways a blessing in disguise as it will afford the church new opportunities to expand its ministry, Miller said.

"The travel is longer, but to me, I think the worship is better," he said. "We're in a community

where we can grow. I've been told that we're the only black church in a two-mile radius."

The building itself, which was previously occupied by Traco Drafting, Inc., had a past life as a church and required minimal upfitting to prepare it for worship, Miller added.

"God has really worked a miracle in allowing us to occupy this building. He fixed it where we could get it without a big struggle," he declared. "It was almost like God dropped it in our laps. We knew we had to move, but we didn't think nothing about coming all the way out here."

The church celebrated its Grand Opening on the 28th pastoral anniversaries of Miller and his wife, Co-Pastor Ernestine Miller, on June 3. The Millers were treated to performances by their grandchildren and words of encouragement from their flock before adjourning outside to the church's front lawn for a celebratory repast.

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Running for Their Lives

Black Girls Run! inspires local women to shed pounds, focus on wellness

BY LAYLA GARMS
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Lindsay

Three months ago, city native Tee Lindsay's favorite kind of exercise was "No exercise at all."

"If you would've said, 'Get out there and run,' you wouldn't have been talking to me," quipped Lindsay, a longtime Hanesbrands employee.

That all changed in April, when Lindsay's younger sister Stefanie Barradas lured her into the world of physical activity.

"She didn't tell me too much about it," Lindsay recalled. "What she did was ask me what I was doing on Sunday. I thought we were going out to eat."

But instead of a good meal, Lindsay got a good workout, as the newest member of Black Girls Run! (BGR). A national initiative



Photos by Layla Garms

See BGR on A8 **BGR members sweat it out on Tuesday.**

Memorable Photo Opp



Submitted Photo

Students enrolled in SciTech and GEMS (Girls Empowered by Math and Science), two summer educational programs for youth offered at Winston-Salem State University, pose with Vice President Joe Biden on June 6 at Wake Forest Biotech Place on Patterson Avenue. The lucky students are (clockwise from center) Rebecca Nieves, Jazmyn Newton, TJ Turner, Alexis Douglas and Harvard-bound Paige Woods. Biden stopped in town last week to tout the importance of innovation for the economy. The new Biotech Place was an excellent backdrop. It was once a tobacco warehouse and now is home to cutting edge research and development. Biden also made an unannounced stop at Wolfies on Fourth Street, where he ate frozen custard and chatted with customers, who were beyond shocked to run into the vice president.

Show takes fresh look at church topics

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Listeners across the nation and beyond are now enjoying the second season of the hit online radio series "Divine Dialogue."

A creation of Winston-Salem's own Candice Benbow, the series features in-depth interviews with some of the nation's most prominent pastors and spiritual leaders. They tackle complex socio-religious issues that affect the black community.

Benbow strives for originality, featuring topics that are seldom discussed in black churches and the African American community in general. Black atheism and how the black church deals with sexuality were among the topics dealt with last season.

"When you're dealing with the church, when you're dealing with religion, those are very sensitive topics," said Benbow, a former Davidson Community College instructor who is now pursuing a doctorate in sociology. "So



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Kimberley Park Elementary celebrates year of great achievements

Photos by Layla Garms

Judge Denise Hartsfield talks with fifth graders prior to the celebration.

Far right: Members of Jonathan Mack's class enjoy the program.



BY LAYLA GARMS
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Kimberley Park Elementary School celebrated the culmination of another successful year last week during its Fifth Grade End of the Year Celebration in the school's gymnasium.

Thirty-four students were feted for their academic and social accomplishments during the program.

"This has been a year full of excitement," said Principal Dr. Amber Baker. "We will be doing a lot of special things today that we've never done before, but they are all good things."

It was a banner year for the predominantly African American and Hispanic elementary school. Baker announced during the celebration that the school's community garden is featured in First Lady Michelle Obama's newly released book, "American Grown: The Story of the White House Kitchen Garden and Gardens Across America." Three current students and one former student are pic-

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