

High Point church helps community with Big Give Event

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HIGH POINT – HopeCity, one of the fastest growing churches in the Triad, provided more than 600 boxes filled with food, 6,000 diapers, 1,550 backpacks and 150 haircuts on Saturday, Aug. 22, to local families.

In addition to school supplies and book bags, the annual free giveaway included non-perishable foods, haircuts, hygiene items, clothes and health screenings at Ledford High School and downtown High Point.

"I am always amazed what a difference a group of like-minded people can make when generosity is the heart and motivation behind the group," said Pastor Scott Newton. "I am so thankful that HopeCity can play a small part in giving someone hope for tomorrow. We are all in this together, and we are just trying to do our small part."

The church began planning for this year's Big Give earlier this year, attracting new and repeat supporters and forging partnerships with like-minded organizations in the area. The Big Give is known for its free giveaways – with no questions asked about need.

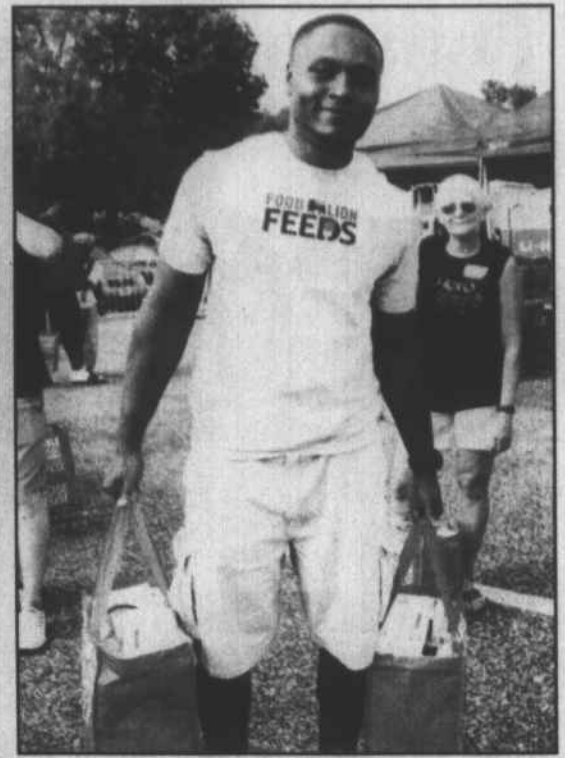
Supporters for Saturday's events included Crescent Ford, Legacy Saddlebreds, TriCounty Real Estate, Win Food Lion, YMCA of High Point, YMCA of Thomasville and Chopstix Fusion & Fun.

"While providing for local families who may be in need is very important to the church, the Big Give is also about having a positive impact on the community and bringing people together," said Brent McDowell, director of outreach ministries at HopeCity. "It's so awesome this year that we were able to serve two different communities."

HopeCity, founded in September 2011, is a community church affiliated with the Wesleyan faith. Under the direction of Pastor Scott Newton, the church meets in High Point's Ledford High School. It will be moving to its new location at 759 Motsinger Road, Winston-Salem, in 2016.



Submitted Photo
Pablo Torres of High Point was one of the 150 haircut recipients at the Big Give Event.



Joe Bass was one of many volunteers from Food Lion who helped give out meals.



Ryan Osborne and Brooke Shue of Archdale enjoy one of the last days of summer, each receiving a new backpack.



Josh Branson of High Point was one of 300 volunteers who served at Saturday's Big Give Event.

Festival schedules appreciation luncheon for local pastors

Pastor and best-selling author Dr. Gary Chapman to speak

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The Awakening Music Festival, which will take place Sept. 26 and 27 at downtown Winston-Salem's BB&T Ballpark, is holding a special appreciation luncheon for local pastors and their spouses on Thursday, Sept. 3 at 11:30 a.m.

It will be at BB&T Ballpark's Womble Carlyle Club.

The appreciation luncheon is being co-sponsored by the Awakening Music Festival, Love Out Loud, Truth Broadcasting and WBFJ radio. There is no charge for pastors and their spouses to attend.

Parking is also free. Pastors who want to attend the luncheon are asked to reply by email at rsvp@awaketomusic.com or by calling 336-331-3740.

The pastors' luncheon will serve as a preview to the upcoming Awakening Music Festival and will feature pastor and noted inspirational speaker Dr. Gary Chapman.

Chapman and his wife have two grown children and live in Winston-Salem,

where he serves as senior associate pastor at Calvary Baptist Church.



Chapman

Chapman's expertise in marriage begins with the success and failures he and his wife, Karolyn, have experienced in their marriage for more than 45 years.

His own life experiences, plus more than 35 years of pastoring and marriage counseling, led Chapman to publish his first book in the Love Language series, "The Five Love Languages: How to Express Heartfelt Commitment to Your Mate."

Many of the millions of readers credit this continual New York Times bestseller with saving their marriages by showing them simple and practical ways to communicate love. Since the success of his first book Chapman has expanded his Five Love Languages series with special editions that reach out specifically to singles, men and parents of teens and young children.

Chapman speaks to thousands of couples nationwide through his weekend marriage conferences. He hosts a nationally syndicated radio program, "A Love Language Minute," and a Saturday morning program, "Building Relationships with Dr. Gary Chapman," both airing on more than 400 stations.

The inaugural "Awakening Music Festival: Sing Your Heart, Loudly" will feature a diverse line-up of Christian music performers co-headed by Kirk Franklin and MercyMe on Saturday, Sept. 26 from 4 to 10 p.m. Jeremy Camp will headline Awakening on Sunday, Sept. 27 from 2 to 8 p.m.

Tickets to the Awakening Music Festival range from \$25 to \$75 per day. Individual tickets are public through Ticketmaster at ticketmaster.com. Group discounts also are available. Those interested in more information about ticket sales, including group sales opportunities, should call the Winston-Salem Dash office at 336-331-3740. For more information about the Awakenings Music Festival, email info@awaketomusic.com.

Historian Davis gains Professor Emeritus status

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Dr. Lenwood G. Davis, a retired professor of history at Winston-Salem State University, recently received Professor Emeritus status. Professor Emeritus is given to retired professors who performed distinguished service to the university.

Emeritus status entitles one to a university ID card, the same access to electronic resources as the active faculty, a university e-mail account, use of the library facilities and library electronic resources under the same conditions as the active faculty, a free parking permit for the shuttle lot, receipt of the university and alumni publications that are sent to active faculty, the same rights to campus facilities as the active faculty, the opportunity to purchase tickets to university athletic, cultural, and entertainment events at faculty rates, invitation to general faculty events, listing in university catalogs and the campus directory, and continuation of eligibility to march in formal convocations, wearing appropriate regalia.

While working at WSSU, Davis was the first African-American male to receive the Wachovia Excellence in Teaching Award. He was chairman of the Faculty Senate and head faculty marshal. He served on several departmental committees, such as Founder's Day, Search Committee for deans and faculty, Athletics, Awards Day, Parking, Promotion and tenure. He also served on the Investiture Committee for Chancellors: Alvin J. Schexneider, Harold L. Martin, Jr. and Donald J. Reaves.

Dr. Davis was on the Editorial Board of "Winston-Salem State University Faculty Journal" and associate editor of "Winston-Salem State University Social Science Journal." He is the author of "Winston-Salem State University (A Pictorial History)" with co-author Carter Cue, and "Simon Green Atkins and The John E. Slater Fund." He has published six articles on Simon Green Atkins, the Founder of Winston-Salem State University.

Davis states, "Over the past several years, few retired faculty members have been awarded Professor Emeritus and I am grateful to have received such status because it is a symbol of WSSU's acknowledgement of my many years of distinguished service to the university. Of all the departments on campus, the Social Science Department was the most liberal in working with the faculty in scheduling their classes and giving the faculty members time to research and write. For that I am grateful."

Davis is the author of 30 books and can be found in 50 states and over 50 foreign countries (China, India, Russia, Ku Wait, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Lebanon, England, Kenya, France, Spain, Egypt, Mexico, etc.) and translated in several foreign languages. He has written more than 150 articles, essays, bibliographies, and book reviews. Davis is currently working on several books, such as, "The World's Orator: Selected Writings and Speeches of Joseph Charles Price, Founder of Livingstone College," and "Four Early Grand Masters of Prince Hall Masons in North Carolina," which is being written with the assistance of Benjamin H. Piggot. Davis is a recipient of *The Chronicle's* Life Time Achievement Award and an award-winning author.



Davis

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