

Church News Briefs

Elder E. C. Cannon Conducting Mass Crusade Involving Six Churches

A Mass Crusade involving the six churches which Elder E.C. Cannon pastors, was held at Cannon's Cathedral Sunday, July 31. The mass service was the opening night of the revival which has been going on at the church all this week, with Elder Larry C. Simmons as speaker for the revival.

Besides regular prayer and preaching on Sunday, Elder Cannon baptised approximately 50 candidates. There were visitors present from as far as Asheville and from all the surrounding area. According to a spokesman, "The Lord truly blessed us in a great way - both financially and spiritually - and paved the way for a really great week of services by Elder Simmons."

Reports are that, so far, the revival has been a tremendous success, with "great gospel preaching and singing." Minister David Cannon, son of Elder E.C. Cannon said, "The services brought back memories of past years when the church was at the old Cemetery Street location and Elder Simmons visited us with his late pastor and spiritual mentor, Apostle William Melker, affectionately known as 'Brother Billy.' We have had a wonderful week and surely the blessings will follow us through the year."

SECOND CALVARY Second Calvary observed its regular 5th Sunday Youth Day last Sunday with young people joining the pastor, Rev. Lemar Foster, in the pulpit and conducting the service.

The highlight of the service was the dedication of seven infants to the Lord. They were: Anna Cofield, daughter of Ms. Diane Cofield; Shumon Fant, son of Ms. Tonneta Fant; Broderick Walton, son of Ms. Christine Walton; Gretchen Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lennie Williams; Latonja Carr, daughter of Ms. Johnnie Carr; Jonique Platt, daughter of Ms. Lillie Platt, and Tavis Foster, son of Dr. and Mrs. Lemar Foster.

Sunday morning at the 11 a.m. service, Second Calvary Baptist Church will observe the Ordinances of the Church



Rev. A.B. Sutton presents plaque to Ms. Mary Maxwell. Ms. Queen Estelle Thompson looks on.

with baptism and communion. Afterwards, all new members will receive the right hand of fellowship.

On that same afternoon, at 3 p.m., the combined usher boards of Second Calvary will celebrate their anniversary. The Usher of the Year for the junior and senior departments will be announced at that time. Rev. Lemar Foster will

Report On Community Use Of Schools

The use of school facilities by community groups continued to increase during 1976-77.

The number of times school facilities were used increased from 13,988 during fiscal year 1975-76 to 16,380 in 1976-77, an increase of 17 percent. The number of schools used showed a 3 1/2 percent increase over last year, from 751 to 777. The number of community groups using school facilities also increased from 877 to 1,056, a 19 percent increase over last

year. While each of these areas showed an increase in use of school facilities, the actual number of hours used decreased slightly from about 65,465 to 63,955.

This decrease is probably due to increased school use of gymnasiums this year for girls' basketball, thus reducing the number of hours available for community use, explains Mrs. Mary Jane Kistler, assistant for community use of schools.



James E. McCoy ...East Stonewall pastor

Dinner will be served immediately after the service in the church dining hall.

All members, former members and friends are invited to attend.

ST. PAUL

Revival services will begin at St. Paul United Presbyterian Church Sunday, August 8 and extend through Friday, August 12. Rev. C.C. Revels of New Morning Glade AMEZ Church will preach the "kick off" sermon on Sunday and Rev. Wardell Henderson of Weeping Willow AMEZ will be the speaker for the remainder of the week.

Prayer services will begin at 7:30 each evening, followed by the main service at 8:30.

Rev. Robert Walton, pastor of St. Paul said, "There will be visiting choirs and artists and we expect to hear some good gospel music. We are inviting all who can to join us." St. Paul is located on Robinson Church Road.

SILVER MOUNT

Vacation Bible School was held recently at Silver Mount Baptist Church and according to the pastor, Rev. Raymond Lee Jr., "It proved to be one of the greatest weeks in the history of the church. We had set our attendance goals at 1,000 participants but more than 1,100 attended. We expected 200 to accompany us on our annual church outing which closes out Bible School, and over 300 joined us for a day of fun at Spring's Park in South Carolina. The week clos-



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ed out with our annual Youth Day For Christ and Rev. Derwood Hall preached to a full house."

The Youth Department was in charge of the 11 a.m. Youth Day Services and music was by the Children's Choir, the Junior Musical Choir and the Junior Hymn Choir.

The climax of the day was "Silver Mount Choirs On Parade," with eight participating choirs. The Granny Children and the Four Sisters were special guest artists. Mrs. Birdie Owens, director; Mrs. Gail Feaster, organist; and Mrs. Arleen Dixon were in charge of the program.

The Youth Department raised a total of \$1,209 through their annual celebration.

MAYFIELD MEMORIAL

Dr. Martin Luther King Sr. was the guest speaker at the 11 a.m. service of Mayfield Memorial Baptist Church, Sunday, July 31.

Speaking to an overflow audience, Dr. King kept his remarks brief. He began by

asking the crowd to sit in silent meditation while the choir softly sang "Sweet Hour of Prayer" and then he spoke for a few moments. One of the things he said was that he had once been an evangelist and now the most important thing in his life is "saving souls for Christ."

A special rendition of "I'm Praying For You" by the Young Adult Choir was dedicated to the aging warrior. Those who attended said it was a most moving occasion.

NEW EMMANUEL

A "Tea-Fashion Show-Gospel Sing" sponsored by the Pastor's Aid and The Good News of Miracles Outreach of New Emmanuel Congregational United Church of Christ recently, was called "a success in every way" by Rev. N.C. Calhoun, pastor of New Emmanuel.

He also said, "The credit goes to Queen Estelle Thompson, president of the Pastor's Aid and Good News. With love for each other and for people, the members of the organization are bound together."

During the program a pla-

que was presented to Mrs. Mary Maxwell for the work she has done with Quest, a local TV program. The plaque was presented by Rev. A.B. Sutton, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, where Ms. Maxwell is a member.

Apparel for the fashion show came from B-Line Fashions and Lucille's Vogue. Music was by the Independent Singers.

EAST STONEWALL

An Appreciation Service honoring Rev. James Elvert McCoy, minister of East Stonewall AME Zion Church for the past six years, will be held Sunday, August 7, at 6 p.m. A reception will follow in the church dining hall.

The program will feature musical selections from the combined choirs of East Stonewall, short talks, solos and gift giving.

According to John J. Jackson, preacher-steward of the church, "East Stonewall is growing numerically, spiritually, and financially under Rev. McCoy's dynamic leadership. Still more, his commitment to the christian ministry

has afforded him the opportunity to share the faith of Christ."

Rev. McCoy is a native of Laurinburg and is married to the former Shirley McDuffy, also of Laurinburg. They have two daughters, Courtney, age six, and Christa, age five.

The public is invited to attend and witness this appreciation service. East Stonewall is located at 1729 Griers Grove Road.

Advertisement for M200 AUTO PARTS & WORKS featuring a coupon for a \$109.95 Presidential Paint Service. The coupon includes details about the service, expiration date (August 6, 1977), and contact information at 3125 Monroe Rd, 333-1515.

Advertisement for GERRARD TIRE located at 732 N. Tryon, 377-1643. It offers a coupon for a FREE High Speed Balance good through August 30 with any tire purchase.

CHARLOTTE POST Church Directory

Church Directory listing various churches and their services: Church of Open House of Deliverance Through Jesus Christ, Friendship Baptist Church, Cannon Cathedral, New Emanuel Congregational United Church of Christ, Greater Mount, Moriah Primitive Baptist, and Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church. Each listing includes address, contact info, and service times.

Large advertisement for Spiritual Saving Revival at Pleasant Hill Baptist Church. It features the dates August 8-12, 1977, and lists Rev. Samuel Austin as the evangelist for the week. The church is located at 517 Baldwin Avenue, Charlotte, N.C. The ad also mentions Rev. Andrew Cuthbertson as the pastor.