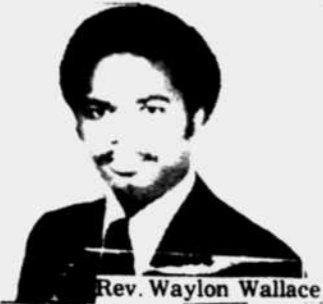


Sunday School Lesson



Rev. Waylon Wallace

Greetings fellow Bible students. Our lesson for this week brings us to the book of Daniel. The text is to be found in the first chapter of Daniel and the subject is "Self-Discipline for God's Glory." The first chapter may be considered an introduction to the rest of the book.

Though our lesson speaks on Nebuchadnezzar as King, he was only serving as ruler in conjunction with his father, the true King, Nebopolassar. He did not ascend to the throne until two or three years later. There were three deportations of Jews from Jerusalem to Babylon during the reign of Nebuchadnezzar; the first of our lesson in 606 B.C., the second in 598 B.C., and the third in 588 B.C.

Among those taken captive were the four young men of our lesson, Daniel and his three friends; bright fellows of noble birth. They were distinguished by the personal handsomeness. Folk of this day and locality had a tendency to associate good looks with intellectual ability. Obviously, this is not always true. They were intelligent and well instructed in the knowledge of their day. The Babylonian King intended to induct them into all the lore of the Chaldeans, and thereby win them from the worship of Jehovah, in order that they might in turn seduce other Israelites from their national faith. But, Nebuchadnezzar had underestimated the faith that had been instilled within these young men. Though they had been well instructed in all the knowledge of their day, they had been better instructed in the faith of their fathers. Which speaks to us concerning our modern day negligence in religiously educating our children.

No wonder so many promising black youths make a shipwreck of life, when they are

handed worn out superstitions instead of intelligent, well-thoughtout faith. They were young. They were exiles. They were cut off from hope of posterity. They were to be taught all the wisdom of the Chaldeans. They were to occupy honorable positions in the King's court. But, most of all they were to be subjected to great temptation. They were tempted to do as the Romans while in Rome. One of the greatest temptations they had to face was the temptation to forget who they were. "Any man who refuses to know himself, refuses to know the God who made him who he is."

There were many things these young men had to leave behind when taken captive and many customs that had to be laid aside. But, there was one thing that always distinguished the Israelite from other folk and that was his diet. So they sought to maintain this. They disciplined themselves in order that they might maintain their individuality and serve the Lord in the manner in which they had been taught. The Lord blessed their efforts.

The message of this lesson is that we must learn to maintain our individuality and cease being conformists, if we would be of value to ourselves, our race, and our God. The Lord does not need coward soldiers. One of the greatest threats to Christianity among black Americans is the temptation to be like white folk instead of being like ourselves. If we cannot control our own appetites, lusts, desires and urges we will be an oppressed people until we can. He has already blessed our efforts and still is doing so. But, as we learn to discipline ourselves, he will do so much more. For, God helps those who help themselves. Let us discipline ourselves.

Church News Briefs

Mount Carmel Church Begins Seven Month Celebration

By Jeri Harvey
Post Staff Writer

The Mount Carmel Baptist Church will commence a seven months celebration of 100 years as a congregation of Christian People in the city of Charlotte Sunday, January 15, 1978. Services will be held at 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.

The Rev. Henry C. Gregory, III, eminent minister of the Shiloh Baptist Church, Washington, D.C., will preach at 11 a.m.; and The Rev. W.C. Hay, minister of the Galilee Baptist Church of Winston-Salem will preach at 4 p.m. He will be accompanied by his choirs and congregation.

The genesis of the congregation was in the year 1878, when six persons, Mr. and Mrs. K. Etheridge, Mr. and Mrs. Parks Rachel Ross, and Winnie Phifer, met in the home of Mrs. Amanda McClure to establish a Missionary Baptist Church.

The first minister, Rev. A. Lewis, a young man who was attending Biddle University, now Johnson C. Smith University, served for 20 years at a salary of \$20 per year. Others who served brief periods were the Rev. A. Jones, P.F. Maloy, W.A. Roberts, J.O. Russell, a Rev. Watson, C.F. Gingles, and O.M. Millings.

In November of 1914, the late William Henry Davidson was called to the pastorate of the church and served for 50 years, until his retirement in 1964. It was under his leadership that the church grew in numbers and spirituality. The edifice that now stands at 412 Campus Street was built and later enlarged to expand the sanctuary and an education unit was built.

In February 1965, Dr. Leon C. Riddick was called to the pastorate of the congregation. He had served as pastor of the Fountain Baptist Church in Summit, New Jersey, for 17 years and had returned to Shaw University of Raleigh in 1964 as vice president for Development & Alumni Affairs. During his 12 years of leadership, the congregation has experienced a new birth of growth and expansion. The mission income in 1977 was more than the total income of the church in 1964. One hundred thirty-eight members were added to the membership in 1977.

On April 3, 1977 the congregation moved from 412 Campus Street in the Biddleville Community, where it had been located for 99 years, to the Enderly Park community. The present edifice was formerly occupied by the Enderly Park Baptist congregation. The church is involved locally in a vibrant jail ministry, hospital, and nursing home



Rev. W.H. Caswell

Pastor of Faith Memorial
visitation, ministry to the poor in the Charlotte community, and financial assistance to college students.

The church operates a full accredited Child Development Center and has a program for youth including Cub Scouts, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and other programs for children, youths and young adults.

The church is affiliated locally with the Baptist Metro Ministries, an association of Black and White churches involved in varied inter-city ministries. It is also a member of the Mount Peace Association and a supporter of the Crisis Assistance Ministry.

The church is also a member of the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina and the North Carolina Council of Churches.

It is nationally affiliated with the American Baptist Churches of the South, the American Baptist Churches, USA, the National Baptist Convention USA, Inc., and the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Mission Convention.

The Rev. Henry Gregory, III, who will preach at the 11 a.m. worship, holds degrees from Howard, Drew, and Harvard universities. He has also done post graduate work at Oxford University in England.

In addition to his pastorate of the Shiloh Baptist Church, he serves as chairman of the Theological Commission of National Baptist Convention, chairman of the Human Relations Commission of the Baptist Convention of the District of Columbia, and vicinity. He has also served as lecturer on the faculty of the Richmond Theological Center and as an adjunct professor at McCormick Theological Seminary in Chicago, Illinois.

FAITH MEMORIAL
Installation services for the leadership of Faith Memorial Baptist Church will be held January 15 at 7 p.m. Rev. Robert H. Leak of St. John Baptist Church, Newell, will be the speaker. The public is invited to attend.



Rev. H.S. Duggs

Pastor of St. John
Rev. Wilch H. Caldwell is pastor of Faith Memorial, which is located at 211 Lakewood Ave.

MAYFIELD MEMORIAL
The Mayfield Memorial Baptist Church observed Memorial Sunday recently.

The service is an annual one held in memory of those from among the church fellowship who have died during the previous year, said Rev. H.S. Duggs, pastor of the Sugar Creek Road church.

During the services, he reminded the congregation of the ties that had been broken because of the deaths, but stated that death is one of the inevitables of the living.

The service was dedicated to the Rev. J.A. White, Roosevelt Hunter, Ronald Irby, Patricia Miller, Robert Downs and Jo-Ann Terry.

MAYFIELD MEMORIAL
The Mayfield Memorial Baptist Church will observe its annual Music Appreciation Sunday at the church this weekend.

Beginning Sunday night at 6, the annual service will feature the Music Department of the church in a program depicting and explaining the place of the various types of music in the Corporate Worship Service.

The church has five choirs that make up its singing aggregations and each choir is



Rev. Robert H. Leak

Pastor of St. John
charged with the responsibility of singing different types of music for the program.

The Senior Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Deloris Dial will sing hymns, anthems, and Negro Spirituals.

The Spiritual Choir, under the direction of James Ellison, sings hymns, gospels, and Negro spirituals.

The Young Adult Choir, under the direction of Miss Bar-

bara Alexander, sings hymns, Negro Spirituals, gospels, and anthems.

The Youth Choir, also under the direction of Miss Barbara Alexander, sings Children's hymns, and other church related songs suited for youth.

The Hymn Choir, under the direction of Roosevelt Gooden, sings meter hymns.

The public is invited to participate.

CANNON CATHEDRAL

Evangelist Morris Cerullo will make a special appearance at Cannon's Cathedral Thursday, January 13, at 7:30 p.m. prior to beginning a week-long crusade at the Charlotte Civic Center on January 16.

Rev. Cerullo, internationally known evangelist, author and television personality has conducted crusades which have attracted 200,000 people to a single service. He has been ministering to overflow crowds in the major cities of North America, and he conducts crusades only at the

invitation of local churches. He comes to Charlotte following a busy schedule which included overseas campaigns in India and Korea, and North American crusades in Anaheim, Atlanta, New York, Miami, Regina (Canada), Tampa, and Cincinnati.

Elder E.C. Cannon is pleased to have Rev. Cerullo as a special guest at the Cathedral. He will also appear on the Elder E.C. Cannon Crusade Telecast, seen on WRET-TV at 1 a.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday.

Music for Thursday evening's service will be by the combined choirs of Cannon Cathedral which is located at 200 Tuckaseegee Road.

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By Dannette Gaither
Post Staff Writer

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These buses will serve the Hidden Valley area and apartments along Arrowhead Dr., Elgywood Lane, Canterwood Drive and Tom Hunter Road. There will also be better service to dormitory residents with an evening trip returning to campus at 9:15 p.m.

This new bus route joins the Mean Green Shuttle Machine, the bus service currently operating from South Park to UNCC.

UNCC students, staff and faculty members can purchase a bus pass for \$15 which will enable them to ride all CTS buses on an unlimited basis for an entire semester.

On Monday, Wednesday and Friday there will be a bus leaving the Square at 7:10.

Leeper Reports To

District Representatives

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She said, "Lillian McGrath, the republican he defeated for election, was at the meeting and Leeper had her stand and introduced her to the crowd. Then he said that since District 3 was made up of democrats and republicans, he felt it would take everybody working together to assure good representation. He said he wanted and needed Ms. McGrath's help and that of anyone else who had the good of the community at heart."

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9:10, 12:10, 4:10 and 5:40 and arriving at UNCC at 7:50, 9:50, 12:50, 2:50, 4:50 and 6:15 respectively. On Tuesday and Thursday buses will be leaving the Square at 7:10, 8:35, 10:15, 2:40, 4:05 and 5:45 and arrive at UNCC at 7:50, 9:15, 10:55, 3:20, 4:50, and 6:20.

For other route or schedule information, call the CTS office at 374-3366 or contact Michael D. Kidd at 374-3234.



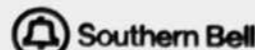
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