

Church News Briefs

Special Homecoming Service Highlights Grace AME Zion Celebration

By Teresa Simmons
Post Managing Editor

A special Homecoming service was held at Grace AME Zion Church in celebration of the church's 81st birthday recently. Rev. Marion B. Jones, minister of the church, delivered the Homecoming message.

Nellie Oxner, chairman of the Homecoming Steering Committee, presented two special awards to Rika Blondene Dixon and Prestina Shazon Haygood, the church's two youngest members. They were celebrating their first Homecoming. Awards were also presented to the following honorees for their outstanding service to the church: C. Arthur Anderson, Minnie Barron, Bleaker Cathey, Edward Cathey, Isabella Crawford, Zelma R. Draine, John A. Davis, Doreatha Green, Eva Houston, Henry Jackson, N. P. Jamison, Marie G. Johnson, Gladys Moreland, Annie Roberts, Jessie Westbrook, Titus Haygood and Robert "Bobby" Tyson.

Grace AME Zion Church was dedicated to the glory of God July 13, 1902. It is one of the oldest black churches in Charlotte and the only religious edifice which survives in what was once the largest black residential section in Charlotte known as Brooklyn.

The City Council of Charlotte and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Historic Properties Commission on October 27, 1980, designated the property known as Grace AME Zion Church as Historic Property. The building is architecturally significant as one of the finer local examples of the late Gothic Revival styles. The church is located at 219 S. Brevard St.

ST. PAUL
St. Paul Presbyterian Church will hold its Twelve Tribes Rally sponsored by the minister and elders of the church Sunday, December 11, 6 p.m.

A Christmas social, sponsored by the ushers, the church board and Sunday School will be held December 18 after the morning worship. This social will be held in the basement of the church.

EAST STONEWALL
The District Pageant of the Charlotte District will be held December 2 at Gethsemane AME Zion Church. Participants from East Stonewall will represent their church.

Recently East Stonewall held a successful members rally. "Thank-you" goes to all who helped bring souls to the Lord.

Kimberly Renee Nash, a member of East Stonewall, was inducted into the Golden Chain Honorary Society at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro recently.

She was one of 22 students selected and the only black. She was chosen on the basis of leadership, scholarship, magnanimity, judgement and character.

Ms. Nash is majoring in Speech Pathology and Communications at the university.

Rev. Bernard Sullivan is pastor of East Stonewall AME Zion Church, 1729 Griers Grove Road.

SHILOH INSTITUTIONAL
Rev. Dr. C. Don Steger, Assistant City Manager, City of Charlotte, will be the speaker for this year's annual Men's Day Observance at Shiloh Institutional Baptist Church Sunday, December 4, during the 11 a.m. worship service.

A native of Chattanooga, TN, Dr. Steger received his B.A. degree from Bethune-Cookman College, Daytona Beach, FL, his B.D. degree from Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, GA, and the Ph.D. degree from the University of South Florida, Tampa, FL.

He holds membership in the Charlotte Rotary Club, the International City's Manager's Association, the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. He is married and has one daughter, Lisa.

Shiloh Institutional is located at 2400 Greenland Ave. Rev. Tommy G. Davis is the pastor.



Rev. J.C. Robinson
.....To be honored

edifice, Johnson C. Smith University Church Chapel. Holy Communion will be served this Sunday. You are invited to attend. Rev. M. L. Rich, pastor.

AGLOW FELLOWSHIP
The Women's Aglow Fellowship will meet Tuesday, December 6, at the Holiday Inn-Woodlawn. Dinner will be served at 6:30. (\$6.50). The meeting begins at 7:30.

For dinner reservations, call Maria Pleva, 598-6066. There will also be a daytime Aglow chapter meeting Tuesday, December 13, 9 a.m., at Idlewild Country Club. (\$1 for coffee and doughnuts.) For directions, call Connie Milligan, 364-3344.

Some of the purposes of Women's Aglow Fellowship include worshipping, praising, glorifying God in all areas and winning souls for Jesus Christ. The president is Barbara Matheson.

MT. MORIAH BAPTIST
Officers, members and pastor's Appreciation Committee of Mt. Moriah Baptist, 381 Crestdale Rd., Matthews, will celebrate their pastor's, Rev. J.C. Robinson's, 38th Appreciation Service beginning Saturday, December 3, 6:30 p.m. with a Fellowship Dinner.

Rev. Anthony Jinwright, pastor of Salem Baptist Church, will be principal speaker. He will be accompanied by his congregation.

On Sunday, December



Rev. Anthony Jinwright
.....Mt. Moriah speaker

4, 3 p.m., Rev. W. Robinson, pastor of First Baptist Church, Kershaw, SC, will be the special guest speaker. Sunday afternoon service will climax the celebration of this special occasion.

Rev. Robinson has served well as pastor of Mt. Moriah for the past 38 years. Not only has pastor Robinson served diligently at Mt. Moriah he has also served as pastor of Olive Branch Baptist Church, Olive Branch, NC for the past 27 years and at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Albemarle for the past 17.

Rev. Robinson has been a great help to his congregation and to other people by his great teaching, preaching and great concern for the salvation and learning of all people. He firmly believes that "in order for a church to grow, the church must know." He studies hard the Word of God and attends various seminars of training for pastors so that he will be well informed and able to help his church families by the help of God. Among many other affiliations, he is President of the Zion Missionary Baptist Sunday School Congress, Wadesboro, NC which comprises 37 Baptist churches, and he teaches Church Ushering throughout North Carolina.

Pastor Robinson is married to the former Annie M. Geiger and they are the parents of six children.

Mt. Moriah hopes that



Rev. Bernard Sullivan
.....E. Stonewall pastor

you will come and help them to celebrate a special Appreciation Service for Rev. and Mrs. Robinson.

MT. PILGRIM
Mount Pilgrim Church of Christ On The Rock has organized a special committee for the month of December which will visit homes spreading the story about the birth of Jesus.

Under the direction of Associate Pastor Rebecca Gordon, the committee was organized primarily to visit people who are ill and unable to leave their homes for church services. "If people can't come to church, it's our duty to take the church to them," the pastor stated. If you would like for the committee to visit your home or the home of a relative or friend, contact Rev. Gordon, 392-9689.

ST. JOHN BAPTIST
"Being Made All Over Again" is Rev. R. H. Leak's subject for Sunday morning, December 4. "Tots On Parade" will be presented at 5 p.m. followed by the Voices of Hope and Angels of Love. The public is invited to attend. St. John Baptist Church is located on Newell Hickory Grove Rd. where Rev. R. H. Leak is pastor.

CEDAR GROVE
Cedar Grove United Presbyterian Church will present the J.T. White Singers of Walls Memorial AME Zion Church in concert on Sunday, December

4, 4 p.m. The group consists of young adult vocalists of Walls Memorial. The concert will be held at Cedar Grove located on Odell Church School Rd., Concord. The J.T. White Singers are under the direction of Mrs. Bobbie Parks. Rev. J. Tyrone White is pastor of Walls Memorial AME Zion Church, and Rev. Robert Meachem is pastor of Cedar Grove United Presbyterian Church.

WOODLAWN U.P.
The Woodlawn United Presbyterian Day Care Center will reopen Monday, November 28, at 6:30 a.m.

The day care is open to all children regardless of race, creed, or national origin. Children must be at least six months of age and toilet training is not required from admittance. No children over kindergarten age will be accepted for the full-time program.

Applications for enrollment may be obtained by visiting the center, 900 Rhyme Rd., at the rear of Woodlawn United Presbyterian Church. You may also telephone Henriette Cathey, Center Director, 496-0185, for further details.

SALEM BAPTIST
Salem Baptist Church, 5318 Salem Church Rd.

The Musical Choir of Salem Baptist will be presented in concert December 4 at 6 p.m.

The president, Mae Frances McCullough along with the minister of music Terry Oates, cordially invite the public to share in this hour of great Gospel music. Rev. Anthony L. Jinwright is pastor.

BELMONT PARK
Belmont Park United Methodist Church is presenting a Christmas drama entitled *The Absolutely, Without-A-Doubt Most Fantastically Perfect Christmas Ever*.

The play will be presented on Saturday, De-

ember 10 and Sunday, December 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the church fellowship hall. The play is a blending of the traditions of Christmas with some new ideas for a Christmas celebration. This is great family entertainment.

There is no charge.

For more information, call the church office, 372-6366, between 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

MYERS TABERNACLE
The Sanctuary Choir of Myers Tabernacle is sponsoring a Baby Contest Sunday, December 4, at 4 p.m. to close its Choir Robe Rally.

Featured on this program will be Stewart

Jones and Ensemble. Jones is the former minister of music of Myers Tabernacle who now resides in Covington, VA.

Choirs from your church are invited to please come

and help uplift the name of God through song.

Ivan A. Davis is the current minister of music of Myers Tabernacle, Susan House is choir president.

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Rev. Williamson

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Schedule of Services

Sunday School	10:00 a.m.
Worship Service	11:00 a.m.

Church Office: 2534 Ablewood Rd.
399-4115
392-8292

Services held each Sunday at Beasley's Funeral Home Chapel, 2701 Newland Rd.

Rev. Robert C. Williamson, Pastor

Greater Mount Moriah

714 W. Trade St.
376-8806

Thomas W. Samuels- Pastor
Church School - 9:45
Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m.
Evening Services-6:00 p.m.

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Greater Mt. Sinai Baptist Church

1243 W. Blvd. 332-2163

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Rev. Norman E. Kerry, Pastor

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Friendship Baptist Church

Dr. Clifford A. Jones, Sr. - Pastor

Early Morning Service - 8:30

Sunday Schedule

9:45 a.m. Sunday School	Graded Day Care Center
11 a.m. Morning Worship	Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Ages 4 Months-5 Years)

3301 Beatties Ford Rd.
392-0391

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH - WEST

1801 Oaklawn Ave.

Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 P.M.

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.

Baptist Training Union 5 p.m.
Each Third Sunday Church Group Meetings
Each Fourth Sunday Afternoon

Rev. Dr. J. B. Humphrey

372-1075 **372-0950**