

Church News Briefs

Local Church Community To Honor Rev. And Mrs. Preston Pendergrass

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This weekend Antioch Baptist Church will celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Rev. and Mrs. Preston Pendergrass as spiritual leaders of the congregation. The celebration begins with a fellowship gathering on Saturday, June 8. The Rev. Leon Riddick and the choir of Mt. Carmel Baptist Church will be guests at an afternoon service on Sunday, June 9, at 3:30.

The Rev. and Mrs. Pendergrass and their four children came to Antioch from Mt. Moriah Baptist Church in Belmont, N.C. In the 15 years Rev. Pendergrass has pastored Antioch, the church has moved to its present sanctuary at 232 Skyland Avenue, and the membership has grown from 300 to 600. He is a preacher, teacher, lecturer and leader, well learned and truly a man of God.

Rev. Pendergrass holds the position of secretary of the Long Creek Association. He has ministered five churches, taught at two institutions of higher education, and served in the Army during World War II.

He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from Johnson C. Smith University in 1948, with honors. The same year, he was ordained to preach the Gospel, and, in 1951, he earned his Master of Divinity degree, also from Smith.

The Antioch church family cordially invites the public to join in thanking God for people like the Pendergrasses.

ST. LUKE BAPTIST
The L. D. Parker Mass Choir cordially invites you to come and worship at its "Twelve Tribe Rally" on June 8, 6:30 p.m., at St. Luke Baptist Church, 1109 Rodney Avenue, Charlotte. The Rev. L. D. Parker is pastor.

FAITH MEMORIAL BAPTIST
The youth of Faith Memorial Baptist will present a Fun and Fashion Show on June 8 at 6 p.m. at the Boys Club on West Trade Street. A program will follow on June 9 at 3 p.m. at the church, 211 Lakewood Ave. The pastor is the Rev. W. H. Caldwell Sr.

ST. TIMOTHY'S ANGLICAN
The parish family of St. Timothy's recently broke ground for its new sanctuary on Margaret Wallace Road. The sanctuary will be a traditional wooden Gothic structure, cross-shaped, with the altar facing East. Ten stained glass windows will depict scenes from the life of Christ. Although the foundation, framing, and outside will be done by a contractor, parishioners will do the



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interior and finishing work.

WOMEN'S AGLOW
Charlotte Evening Women's Aglow Fellowship's meeting on Tuesday, June 11, will feature Kay Smith, popular full gospel convention and conference speaker. Smith, the vice president of a Houston bank, wife, and mother, also finds time to carry on a prison ministry. Her topic will be "The Unfailing Love Affair." The Fellowship will meet at 7 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, 212 Woodlawn Rd. (off Moore's Chapel Rd., Paw Creek area). No reservations are necessary, as no dinner will be served. For more information, call Amber Hollander, 372-3982.

WOODLAND UNITED
The Board of Directors of the Woodland United Presbyterian Church Day Care Center will sponsor an Auction on Saturday, June 8, 10 a.m. until. The location is 900 Rhyne Rd. (off Moore's Chapel Rd., Paw Creek area).

GENERAL BAPTIST ASSOC.
The Mecklenburg General Baptist Association Ushers Auxiliary will hold its annual training and workshop session at the Second Calvary Baptist Church, 114 Nelson Ave., on Saturday, June 8, from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Dr. D. L. Dunkin is host pastor. Registration fee is \$2 for adults and \$1 per person under 18. Dinner will be served.

CHINA GROVE AME ZION
The China Grove Mixed Choir will present its annual concert on Sunday, June 9, at 5 p.m. The choir is

under the direction of Byron Sanders, minister of music at the church. China Grove AME Zion, pastored by the Rev. Maxie Lee Houston, is located at 9401 Old Pineville Rd. The public is cordially invited.

LITTLE ROCK AME ZION
The Junior Ushers of Little Rock AME Zion Church will present their annual "Tom Thumb Wedding" on Sunday, June 9, at 5 p.m. at the church, which is located at 401 N. McDowell St. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to witness this double-ring ceremony and be a guest at the reception to follow in the fellowship hall. The Rev. William M. White Sr. is pastor.

FAITH CME
The Little Angels of the Faith CME Church is sponsoring the Greater Bethel Sunbeam Choir and the Children's Choir of Greenville AME Zion Church, in concert at the Faith CME Church, 457 Wellingford Street, Charlotte, on Sunday, June 9, at 5 p.m. Admission is free. The theme is "Praising Our Savior." Donations and offerings on a free-will basis.

Faith CME will also begin sponsoring women's and men's TOPS classes starting on June 11. The women's class will meet on Tuesdays, from 7-8 p.m., while men will meet on Wednesdays, 6-7 p.m. Classes will stress God's Word, sound eating behavior, and exercise. Participants should bring their Bibles to

class. For more information, call 536-4106 or 597-8249. Faith CME is pastored by the Rev. Willie J. Sturges Sr.

NEW EMMANUEL CONGREGATIONAL
"Good Things That Make A Bad Marriage" shall conclude Pastor McDowell's preaching series entitled "Good Housekeeping." The public is cordially invited to worship with us and participate in the installation of the officers of the church's dynamic gospel choir. The Voices of Praise. Mrs. Tynetta H. White, pianist and outgoing president, shall pass the mantle of leadership to Mrs. Patricia Black. Henry Lynn McDowell is the pastor. New Emmanuel is located at 3546 Beatties Ford Rd.

NATIONAL BAPTIST CONVENES
Pastors and delegates from across the United States will gather in Atlanta during the week of September 2-8, 1985 for the 105th Annual Session of the National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc. to be headquartered at the Atlanta Hilton Hotel.

The Convention, headed by Dr. T. J. Jemison, is one of the nation's largest black organizations with some 6.8 million black baptists making up its membership. It offers



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.....Will preach at Salem revival

programs of mission, Christian education, evangelism, community involvement, and fellowship. This Convention has contributed some \$800,000 to the Ethiopian crisis.

The Convention's attendees will be hosted by the Local Committee (Atlanta '85) chaired by the Rev. Cameron M. Alexander, pastor of the Antioch Baptist Church of Atlanta and president of the General Missionary Baptist Convention of Georgia, Inc. The Committee is co-chaired by the Rev. Jasper Williams Jr., Pastor of Salem Baptist Church of Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. C. M. Pearson, president of the State Convention's women Auxiliary, numerous other pastors, laymen and women are on the Atlanta '85 Committee.

The Committee is planning a variety of activities for conventioners' stay in Atlanta during the week of September 2-8 for the 105th Annual Session of the National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc.

For additional information, please contact the Local Committee Atlanta '85 at 404-688-4212.

SALEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Salem's Annual Youth Spring Revival will begin Sunday evening, June 9, at 7 p.m. Guest minister will be the Rev. G. W. Thompson, pastor of St. Peter's AME Zion Church of Gastonia, and his congregation. Beginning Monday night, June 10-14, Dr. L. D. Parker, the eminent pastor of the St. Luke Baptist Church, will be speaking each evening. Prayer service will begin at 7:30. The sponsors of the revival are the youth and young adults of the church. Come and be spiritually blessed by the preaching of the gospel by this inspired man of God. Salem is pastored by the Rev. A. L. Jinwright. The church is located at 5318 Salem Church Rd.

NEW ZION BAPTIST
The Youth of New Zion Baptist Church announce and invite the Charlotte community to our annual Children's Day celebration on Sunday, June 9. With the theme "Now, While You Are Young," the 11 a.m. guest speaker will be the Honorable City Councilman Ron Leeper. The church is located at 217 W. Todd Street in the Todd Park community. Rev. Jeremiah Robinson, pastor.

GETHSEMANE AME ZION
Sunday, June 9, the Parent Body Missionary Society will sponsor Gethsemane AME Zion Church's annual Pink Tea. This event is the culmination of several months of fund raising activities. A Miss Gethsemane and a Little Miss Gethsemane will be crowned. Afterwards refreshments will be served. Gethsemane is located at 531 Campus St.; Rev. Dr. George Battle Jr., pastor; Sherian Carr, organizer.

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1243 W. Blvd.
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Friendship Baptist Church
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9:45 a.m. - Sunday School
11:00 a.m. - Morning Worship