

Church News Briefs

Rev. Robert Leak Will Host Special Activities At New St. John Sunday

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Rev. Robert Leak, pastor of New St. John Baptist, will host special activities at his church this Sunday, December 29, beginning with the youth of the church directing the 11 o'clock worship program and Rev. Paul Anderson, associate pastor of University Park Baptist Church, as guest speaker.

Then at 2:30 p.m., The Mecklenburg General Baptist Association Sunday School BTU (Baptist Training Union) Congress will convene at New St. John. Its program schedule includes instructions on aspects of teaching and all phases of church work.

The MGBA Sunday School BTU will be conducted by Dr. Clifford Jones, pastor of Friendship Baptist Church.

Also on schedule at the Congress will be Rev. Lincoln Lee, associate pastor of Silver Mt. Baptist Church and Shaw University student. He will render an exclusive sermon expressly for this program.

Make sure you are present at the MGBA Convention this Sunday. The public is always welcome at New St. John Baptist Church, located at 2000 St. John Rd. in the Hickory Grove area.

Rev. Leak and the church family wish everyone Happy Holidays!

WEEPING WILLOW

A four-church fellowship service including Antioch Baptist, Grier



Rev. Lincoln Lee
.....Guest speaker

Heights Presbyterian, Ben Salem Presbyterian, and Weeping Willow AME Zion will be held this Sunday, December 29, commencing at 7:30 p.m. at Weeping Willow Church, 305 Billingsley Road.

A choir from each church will furnish music for the service and participating in the worship program will be host pastor, Rev. Wardell Henderson; Rev. Emmanuel E. Washington, moderator of Ben Salem's Church Session; Dr. Preston Pantiergrass, pastor of Antioch Baptist Church; and Dr. Lloyd B. Morris, pastor of Grier Heights Presbyterian.



Dr. Clifford Jones
.....Conducts workshops

The public is cordially invited to attend the fellowship service.

GREATHER BETHEL

A Family Day celebration will take place at Greater Bethel AME Church on Sunday, December 29, during the 11 o'clock service.

It will be a time for all families of the church to join one another for a special day of worship and fellowship.

Greater Bethel's pastor, Rev. D. L. Morrison, will deliver the morning worship sermon. Following the service, refreshments will be served.

Chairpersons of the Family Day



Rev. Robert Leak
.....Hosts Baptist Training Union

celebration are Carrie Barnette and Thomas Chiles.

Everyone is urged to attend. The church is located at 200 Grandin Rd. CORINTHIAN

There will be a Four Gospel program at Corinthian Missionary Baptist Church on Friday, January 3, at 7 p.m.

The public is invited. Rev. T. H. Scott is pastor of Corinthian Baptist. The church is located at 1404 N. Church St.

PLEASANT HILL

On Sunday, December 29, Pleasant Hill Baptist Church will close out the year with a special service, commencing at 7 p.m.

Vocal Competition

The local chapter of the National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women will be sponsoring its annual vocal arts competition on Sunday, December 29, at First Baptist Church-West, beginning at 5 p.m.

This competition is designed for persons from ages 19 to 35 who desire a career as an opera singer. Among the competitors will be Damon Stinson and Kim Harrison. After competing on the local level, the winner of Sunday's competition will compete on the district level in Tennessee in March and on the national level in Ohio in August. A national scholarship will be awarded the winner.

The public is cordially invited to attend this event.

Group Counseling

Arthritis Patient Services will offer Arthritis Group Counseling Sessions each Tuesday evening at 7 at the Community Health Services Building, 1401 E. Seventh St. The sessions are led by Barbara M. Senter, M.A., psychotherapist, with R. Gordon Senter, M.D., as consultant.

The main goal of the Arthritis Counseling Program is to lead the participants to a new understanding of emotional stresses resulting from chronic pain and help them discover coping strengths. This is accomplished in a group setting where confidentiality is of utmost importance.

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-Keep disc batteries, which can be harmful if swallowed, out of the reach of children.

-Be careful with fireplace log colors and artificial logs which contain metallic salts that can cause severe gastrointestinal irritation if swallowed.

-Keep varnish used to spray baked goods for use as decorations out of the reach of children. It is poisonous.

-Handle artificial trees carefully - aluminum and plastic ones can cause cuts.

-Choose a Christmas tree wisely. Do not buy one that is dried out because it burns easily. If many needles fall off when the trunk of the tree is gently bumped against the floor, the tree is too dry. Buy a tree that has been treated with a fire retardant. Be sure to keep the base of the tree well watered and away from heat sources such as fireplaces or wood-burning stoves.

-Do not drink and drive.

-Do not drink after taking medicine.

-Do not leave bottles, glasses and cups containing alcoholic beverages sitting around where children can reach them. The remnants can poison a child.

"If everyone will follow these precautions, we can all enjoy a happier, safer holiday season," Levine said. "Some of these suggestions apply to other times during the year, as well."

PHILADELPHIA DELTA SIGMA THETA PARENTS' Summit II: In Support of Single Heads of Households. The symposium was attended by Mayor W. Wilson Goode and Delta National President, Hortense G. Conandy (2nd left), of Lansing, Michigan. Other program participants were (l. to r.): Ruth McArtis, chapter president; Nora Brown, who won the Delta chapter's Single Black Female Parent Award; Attorney Rose Cardwell, co-chair of the summit; Madeline Y. Lawson, Delta Eastern region-

representative and Summit co-chair Marian B. Tasco, Ms. Brown's daughter. Rhoads, is seen in front of Mayor Goode. Winners Brown and male single parent Arnold McGee were selected for their commitment to their children, the community and the standard of excellence. Their example has set for their children. Each received a plaque from the local Delta chapter and a Liberty Bell from the Mayor's Office. The contest for Single Parents of the Year was co-sponsored by the Delta Chapter and the 100-year-old Philadelphia Tribune.

Safety Tips Make Holidays Healthier

Human Resources Secretary Phillip J. Kirk Jr., is urging all North Carolinians to follow home safety tips to make their holidays healthier and more enjoyable.

"Many of the decorations and items that we use in our homes during Christmas are only used once a year, so we sometimes forget the proper precautions to take," Kirk said. "The presence of small children can also make a difference in how we decorate with lights, plants, ornaments and other items."

State Health Director Dr. Ronald H. Levine offered the following holiday safety tips:

-Be careful with Christmas plants. The leaves, stems and especially the berries of mistletoe are poisonous and can cause serious illness or even death. Holly berries are poisonous if swallowed in quantity. Poinsettias have a milky sap that can irritate the mouth, eyes and gastrointestinal tract if swallowed. Berries of all kinds could possibly choke a child.

-Keep candles out of the reach of children and do not use them on a Christmas tree. They can cause a fire.

-Blow out candles and turn off decorative lights when going to bed or leaving the house to reduce the chance of fire.

-Use miniature lights for decorating because they do not get hot.

-Beware of bubbling fluid in some tree lights. It can be poisonous, particularly if a child drinks the contents of several bulbs. Call the nearest poison control center if this occurs.

-Never use lights for indoor use as out-of-doors decorations.

-Be sure to examine all electric light cords and sockets for frayed or bare wires and defective connections.

-Do not use electric lights on an artificial metallic tree.

-Put a Christmas tree in a corner where it is somewhat protected on two sides. Place Christmas tree light wires down the back of the tree and under a tree skirt to the electrical outlet. Heavy packages or even bricks in a box wrapped as a present should be placed on the sides of the tree to prevent young children from reaching the wires.

-Do not use icicles and tinsel on the lower limbs of Christmas trees if

there are small children around. These can cause an intestinal obstruction or choking if swallowed.

-Use larger unbreakable ornaments made of wood, cloth, or soft plastic on the lower tree limbs if small children are present. Small ornaments and those made with thin metal glass or hard plastic could cause intestinal obstructions and choking if swallowed. Hang the ornaments with ribbon or yarn rather than metal hooks.

-Keep beads, bangles, wire, glue, pins and other items used in making Christmas decorations out of the reach of children. They can cause choking and other injuries.

-Be careful when using angel hair or snow spray. Angel hair is spun glass and it can irritate the eyes, skin and gastrointestinal tract. Many snow sprays contain methylene chloride, freon propellants and petroleum distillates which can cause serious eye injury and lung irritation. It is also very toxic if inhaled.

-Choose toys that are safe and appropriate for the age of the child. Before giving toys to a child, check the toys for small parts that may come off and could cause a child to choke if swallowed. If the entire toy can fit into the mouth, then it is too small for a young child to play with.

-Use stick-on or tie-on bows and ribbons rather than those with plastic buttons that pop into a box. The latter could cause choking if swallowed.

-Do not allow small children to chew on Christmas wrapping paper

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The church's 1988 officers will be installed during this program plus Rev. Gilmore, pastor of Temple Chapel Baptist Church, and his choir and congregation will be the honored guests for the evening.

The church family of Pleasant Hill is looking forward to your presence at this concluding service of 1988.

Also, Pleasant Hill requests your support in cheering its men's basketball team on to victory. Unfortunately, the team lost to Calvary recently with a score of 63-81. The next game is scheduled for Thursday, January 9, at 8 p.m. at the Tuckasee Center. Won't you come out and give the team a boost?

Pleasant Hill is located at 517 Baldwin Ave. Rev. J. A. Cuthbertson is pastor. Michelle Crowder is the publicity chairperson.

FAITH

An "One Hundred Women and Men in White-Candlelight March" will be featured at the annual Missionary program given by the Missionaries of Faith CME Church on Sunday, December 29, at 5 p.m.

Celesta McCullough, of Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, will be the guest speaker.

Everyone is cordially invited to come out and take part in the service.

Rev. Willie Sturgess Sr. is pastor of Faith CME. The church is located at 457 Wellingford Rd.

GOOD SAMARITAN

The holiday season is a difficult time for most single people. Good Samaritan Ministries is a ministry of help to the single Christian. You may attend its meetings on Tuesdays, at 7:15 p.m., at New Jerusalem Temple of Faith, located at 3429 Yarbrough St. Or write to the Ministry for more information at P. O. Box 35455, Charlotte, N.C. 28235-5455.

TEMPLE CHAPEL

Temple Chapel Baptist Church will host its annual Watch Night service, Tuesday, December 31, at

10 p.m. During the program, Rev. Alton Bridges will deliver the year-out message for 1988 and Rev. Brenda Caldwell will present the year-in message for 1988.

Music will be provided by the Sunshine and G. E. Gilmore Choir and the Junior Harmonettes.

On Sunday, January 5, the church will have candlelight service, baptism, Lord's supper, installation and ordination of Deacons.

The public is invited to all services at Temple Chapel. The church is located at 900 September Ln. Rev. Gene Gilmore is pastor.

MALLARD CREEK

Career Day takes place at Mallard Creek Baptist Church on Sunday, December 29, at 11 a.m. Captain Robert Reese, superintendent of Camp Green Prison, will be the guest speaker.

Come out and make this program a success.

L. P. Nelson is pastor of Mallard Creek, located at 2024 Breezewood Drive.

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