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CHURCH NEWS

Thought For the Week: "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and might things, which thou knowest not.

• Elder Thomas W. Samuels, pastor of the Greater Mt. Moriah Primitive Baptist Church, was recently elected presi-



dent of the

two million member National Primitive Baptist Convention, USA. Samuels will be installed during a ceremony Tuesday at the Omni Netherland Plaza Hotel in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Approximately 5,000 delegates are expected to attend the convention. Some 3,000 churches are in the national Primitive Baptist organization.

•Reeder Memorial **Baptist**

3725 Beatties Ford Road The church is sponsoring a back-to-school workshop titled "Preparing for Excellence" for parents and students from 3-7:30 p.m. on Aug. 17. For more information, call 398-2914.

•Noah's Ark Outreach Ministries

The church is auditioning voices for its 100 Voice Choir. If you are interested, contact Queen Estelle Thompson at 392-6055 or Christine Johnson at 334-7182.

> St. Luke Baptist 1600 Norris Âve.

The church will celebrate the 43rd anniversary of the Rev. Parker Aug. 22-25 L.D. Services begin nightly at 7:30 p.m. Speakers include: Rev Clinton Caesar, Shiloh Institutional Baptist; Rev. James Hawthorne, First Mt. Calvary; and the Rev. W.W Williams, Ebenezer Baptist Church.

The church will have Men's Day on Sunday at 6:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Nathan J Anderson, of New Meyers Chapel F.B.H.

•First Mount Calvary Baptist

209 West 28th St. The church will host its Men's Day annual Celebration, Sunday, at 3 p.m. The Rev. Lloyd Morris of Grier Heights Presbyterian Church will be the guest speaker.

Chappell Memorial Baptist **110 Bradford Drive**

The Women's Day Committee presents Ronnie Felder and the Voices of Inspiration Community Choir from Brooklyn, N.Y., on Saturday at 6 p.m. The Voices of Morningstar of Charlotte are also scheduled to perform. ...

The church will begin its after school program on Monday. Classes will last from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m. weekdays. Transportation is available from designated schools For more information, call 394-5615

The church will sponsor "Celebrate Life of Marcus Grier FunDay" Aug. 23-24 from 8:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

University Park Baptist 2400 Keller Ave.

The church will host an Annual Young Adult Fellowship Revival Aug. 19-23. The revivalist for the week will the Rev. Carl Solomon, pastor of United Baptist Church, Baltimore, Md Services begin 7 p.m. nightly.

•Cedar Grove AME Zion 8193 Flowes Store Road The church will sponsor the Carson Family Singers and Gospel Traveleers 3 p.m. Aug. 24.

•New Zion Baptist

The church will host an appreciation for senior pastor Rev. Jeremiah Robinson on Aug. 25 at 3 p.m. The Rev. Jerry Friday, of New Providence Baptist Church, Mt. Holly, will be the featured speaker. Dinner will be served at 1:30 p.m.

•First Baptist Church-West

1801 Oaklawn Ave. The church will host its annual revival Aug. 26-29, at 7 p.m. nightly. The revivalist will be Rev. William A. Jones, pastor of Bethany Baptist Church, of Brooklyn, N.Y.

•First Mount Calvary **Baptist**

209 West 28th St. The church will host its annual choir day, Aug. 25 at 4

•Bethel AME Zion 5400 Barnsdale Lane Annual revival services will be Aug. 19-23 at 7:30 pm.

nightly. The evangelist for the week will be the Rev. Retoy Gaston, pastor of Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church.

Trinity Park Baptist

9115 Trinity Road The choir will host a gospel program featuring the adult and youth choirs Sunday at 4 p.m.

•Gethsemane Baptist 2670 Dr. Carver Road The church will celebrate its

annual revival through Friday. The speaker is the Rev. Walter Gwen, pastor of New Pleasant Valley Baptist Church. Services begin at 7:30

•Bethel AME Church 201 Grandin Road The Equipper Club will celebrate its anniversary at 4 p.m. on Sunday. The speaker is the Rev. Brent Edwards of St. Stephen AME Church of Mt. Giliard.

•Simpson-Gillespie **United Methodist** 3545 Beatties Ford Road The church will present its 4th anniversary choir concert Sunday at 3 p.m.

> •Oak Grove Baptist Church

Harrisburg

The church will hold a bone marrow drive to benefit minorities on Sunday. If you are interested in participating, please call 536-6213.

•New St. John Baptist 2000 New St. John Road The scholarship committee will host their annual program Sunday at 3 p.m. The guest speaker will Rev.

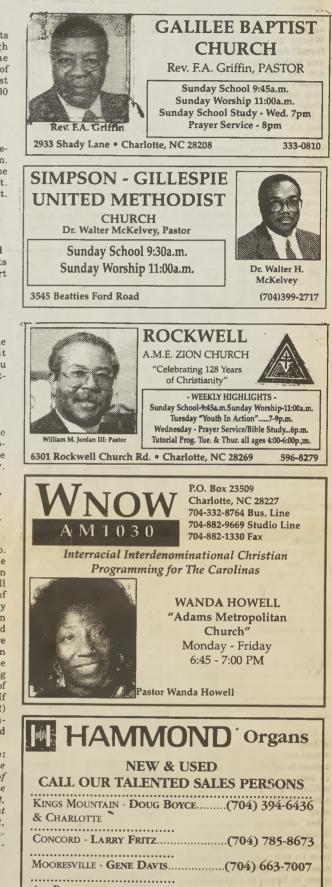
Charles Jacobs, pastor of Yadkin Grove Baptist Church.

New Shiloh Baptist Church

2600 Elmin Street Sunday, Aug. 18 at 7 p.m., the church will begin its annual revival services featuring the Rev. Frank McCullough,

pastor of New Waves of Joy Baptist Church. The speaker for the week will be the Rev. D.K. Martin, pastor of New Life Baptist Church. Services

begin at 7:30 p.m. Church news must be received by 5 p.m on Monday of the week of publication at 1531 Camden Rd. Call for information, 376-0496.



EYE ON GOSPEL time friend Karen Clark (of

the Clark Sisters fame,) those same fans are sure to find the highly touted project was worth the wait.

Savoy Records execs were even more enthused by the response of the crowd which Pace brought to its feet at the annual meeting of the Gospel Music Workshop of America, held last week in Pittsburgh.

"I love this album" reports the divorced mother of two daughters. "I don't want to talk about the divorce so much but I've grown up mentally and spiritually and these songs ministered to me and what I was going through.

"I believe that with this project God called me out and ministered to me awhile before he let me go out and minister to anyone else. Now I can minister to the hurting women, having been married, divorced and now single, and managing the things that a single woman goes through." Of course, having seven sisters doesn't hurt any, particularly when they all sing and as the "Anointed Pace Sisters" have a track record of their own in gospel. While they provided vocal support to Pace on the new release, clearly they mean a great deal more.

"I have a crown but my sisters are the jewel in that crown," Pace explains. "They make me look good whether I'm singing with them or not. They take care of my children when I'm out of town and most importantly, they hold me up spiritually and always remain in my corner.'

As to whether or not Pace is on track with her career goals, a candid 'no' is the reply.

"I'm not near where I wanted to be and I'm glad I'm not," she reveals. "I wouldn't have been ready for it. But now because of what I have gone through, I'm ready for any-

Briefly: The Williams Bro. return to the studio in the coming month for work on their next project, which will include the vocal support of Stevie Wonder and possibly even r&b teen sensation Brandy...Word is Howard Hewitt and the Whispers are among those now interested in gospel deals...And Grapetree Records is currently seeking unsigned talent in the area of rap, hip hop, r&b, and soul. If you're interested, call (512) 443-1684 (ext.380) for additional information on how and what to submit.

This weeks scripture: "Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ; that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel" Phillipians 1:27

thing."

' 'A Wealthy Place' is where I live now having come from the 'He Lives' album to the 'Shekinah Glory' project. Now, in my life 'a healthy place' is taking place naturally. And spiritually, a wealthy place has already taken place.

It is the voice of maturity from an artist who was once criticized for coming late to shows and missing out on a great deal of booking opportunities. But that is the old LaShun Pace.

The new one - who turns 35 next month - is proud of both her inner and outer growth, and even more proud of the album she feels will showcase her vocal depth and maturity more than any other. That album, "A Wealthy Place" is due out Aug. 28. (Not a moment too late for fans who have been waiting since its release was first scheduled for early spring.)

With the lead cut featuring a duet between Pace and long-

Sunday School

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snuff out a human life at the bat of an eye. How did we get in such a tragic situation? Many reasons may be cited, but the fundamental problem is that we have failed to teach our children and our grandchildren the important truths about God. We have allowed ourselves to become so busy making money, or building a career, or seeking pleasure, that we have neglected God's mandate to us as parents. If we thought about it at all, we thought that somehow our children would grow up know ing the Bible just as earlier generations did. How wrong we were!

What can we do about the situation? First of all, like David we need to repent of our sins, whether of omission or commission, and pray that God will extend forgiveness to us. Then, like David, we must teach transgressors God's ways. Some of us need to become involved in formal teaching in Sunday school. Vacation Bible School, or Christian camps. All of us can teach in family situations or in informal one-to-one situations.



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