# Pastor's responsibility is obedience to God

Continued from page 8B

ity of not only your life, but the life of those whom He has called you to be shepherd over.

So how is your life? Are you living a life that is pleasing to the Father? Are you being a replica of Jesus? Do you realize that what's on the head flows down to the body? Are you teaching your congregation to stand on the foundation of the word by being an example and standing on the word for

qualified to stand in the office of pastor?

The Bible tells us that without a vision the people perish. What is the vision of your ministry? Is your vision biblically based? Do you have scripture to back up your vision? When you look at your ministry are you leading the people based on the word? Are you teaching them not to compromise? The Bible says that you are to either be hot or cold.

Are you teaching your flock to go all the way? Or are you looking over the things that God has revealed to you that they are doing and not bringing them to a point of correction? You do know that you are accountable for anything that God reveals to you.

We all want to go before the Father and hear Him say well done my good and faithful servant.

The call of pastor is not an easy call and it does require a lot. It may require some

sleepless nights. It requires you spending time in fellowship with the Father. Just as Moses had to go up on the mount and spend time with the Father to get direction for the people. So it is for modern day pastors. It is a requirement for you to spend time with the Father to get direction for your flock

The office of pastor is not to be taken lightly. It is an office that is highly accountable to God. It is a place that requires you to make distinctions. To draw lines. To live a life without compromise. It is an office that requires you to spend time with God and to know the word of God. It's not a position where you

need to have God with you.

It is a position that requires the ability to discern and a life of no compromise. It is a position that requires intimacy with the Father in order to get direction for leading. To be a pastor you must break the barrier of intimidation.

## Young worshipers are seen more

Continued from page

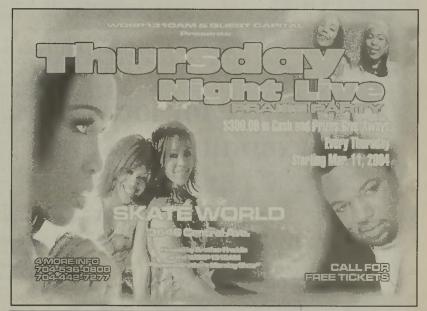
with God.

The driving force is the Holy Spirit," says Matthew Wilson, youth minister at

The Christian Church in Myrtle Beach.

attendance

services there averages 120. The more you give them the Word of God, the more they



#### **ADVERTISEMENT**

THE PROPHET'S COLUMN INC. 9626 FELDBANK DRIVE CHARLOTTE, NC, 28216-2131 "LET THEM ALONE" - PART ONE

J. M. LITTLE - TEACHER The greatest thing in all this world is just to know Christ as your Lord and your Saviour. I'll never cease to thank and praise the Lord for awakening me to my lost condition (John 16:7-11, Luke 19:10) and saving me by His grace. If you are saved you'll tell me the same thing. Are you saved? Is Christ real to you?
There are some whom God will not save. I've been under the TRUTH now since back in the very early sixties. It may have been about 1960 or 1961, somewhere back in the very early sixties. It may have been about 1960 or 1961, somewhere back during those early years. That would put it back more than 40 years. I tuned in to the radio that Sunday and heard my late pastor, L. R. Shelton from New Orleans, preaching on THE VOICE OF TRUTH over the station when it was cailed the NEW WAYS. He said he was going to preach on THE DOOM OF RUSSIA. That was the subject the Lord used to get my attention. But it was much later before the Holy Spirit carried the Word home to my heart, opening my heart as He did Lydia's (Acts 16:14) and letting me see that I had never believed on Christ to the salvation of my soul. And it was much much later before the Holy Spirit revealed Christ to my heart (Matthew 16:17) as my Lord.

before the Holy Spirit revealed Christ to my heart (Matthew 16:17) as my Lord

For more than 40 years I have seen souls go out into eternity under the truth and wake up in hell. They would not have the truth from God's Word about their old wicked and totally depraved hearts. If you will not have the TRUTH, God says of you; "LET THEM ALONE." Many here over the 32 years since God saved me, I have had to leave alone. And you have been reprobated for hell and judgment. Many that came up with me in religion, I have had to leave alone because you have pitted your will against God.

#### Wednesday night worship want it," Wilson said. Friendshiip Baptist Church, Gastonia

15 Years of Ministry Excellence

Join the congregation as we honor our pastor and family with Special Services



Pastor John A. McCullough, Jr. & Family

First Lady's Night

Wednesday April 21 -7pm Guest Speaker

Rev. Rodney Freeman, Pastor Greater Mt. Zion Baptist Church Teen Night Friday April 23 -7pm

Guest Speaker Rev. John Brown **Appreciation Banquet** Saturday

April 24 -6pm Guest Speak Rev. Sheldon McCarter Greater Cleveland Avenue Christian Church

Culmination Services Sunday, April 25th

8am Guest Speaker, Rev. David Williams Pastor, Pleasant Ridge A.M.E. Zion Church

11am Guest Speaker, Rev. Johnny Brown 4pm Guest Speaker, Bishop-elect Anthony Jinuright

Pastor, Greater Salem Church

To For Tickets or Information, please contact the church 221 W. Bradley Avenue Gastonia, • 704-865-9016 • 704-865-9057, FAX

www.Friendshipgastonia.org,

## Macedonia Baptist Church of Charlotte "Moving FROM VISION TO MANIFESTATION" Celebration Programs & Events



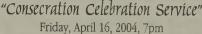
"The Manifestation Continues"

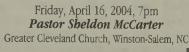
Dr. John H. Walker, Pastor



"Consecration Celebration Service"

Thursday, April 15, 2004, 7pm Bishop Phillip Davis, Pastor Nations Ford Community Church, Charlotte, NC







'Consecration Celebration Concert" Saturday, April 17, 2004, 7pm FREE Gospel Explosion Concert

Featuring Special Gospel Recording group Kenny Curry & Nu Spirit and other guests.



Tickets are FREE and are available at Genesis II, Gospel Music, Dorothy's Music and MBC

For Information, Call: 704-392-8496 1300 Hatteras Ave. Charlotte, NC 28216 "A Church Dedicated to EXCELLENCE"

"Dedication & Culmination Service" Sunday, April 18, 2004, 3pm Bishop Anthony L. Jinwright, Pastor Greater Salem Church, Charlotte, NC



Address Phone

Rejoice 1370 AM, 94.7 FM - Tune in This Sunday, April 18th at 3pm for the Live Radio Broadcast of our Dedication and Culmination Service.

**NEW OUTREACH/WGSP 1310 AM PRODUCTIONS** 



### GOSPEL RECOGNITION AWARDS HELP US LOCATE THE UNSUNG HERO'S

*In the following categories* MUSIC DANCE EDUCATION And PUBLISHING

Submit names of choirs, musicians, pastors, bishops, youth ministers, comedians, ALL that are involved in the work of the GOSPEL.

**Criteria:** Contestants of all ages may enter. Submit an essay of 30 words or less on why the nominee is especially blessed in their chosen field of Gospel. Mail to: New Outreach Christian Center,

Address			
Phone	Fax	E-mail	
ESSAY:		<u> </u>	
			,

Join Us For The Recognition Awards Ceremony

E-Mail

Fax

Sunday, April 11, 2004 • 4pm

New Outreach Christian Center

3900 Gossett Avenue • Charlotte, NC 28208 • 704-398-1777

Sponsors:
Emory Law Firm • New Outreach Christian Center • Gospel Connection
• WGSP 1310 AM • Pizza Hut - Independence • Community Food Rescue • The Charlotte Post Newspaper • Dorothy Music Network • Evangelistic Newspaper

Performing:
Pastor A. Thomas and The Bright Stars • Sweet Singing Harmonettes
• Carl Blair and The Family Circle, and
The House of David, a Gospel Reggae Group