Franklin headlines national Hero Tour

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continued from page 5B were named one of Ebony magazine's 10 hottest couples in the Feburary issue. Since bursting on the gospel music scene in 1993 with his self-titled debut album, "Kirk Franklin & The Family," Franklin has been accepted and embraced almost by the masses. The debut CD went masses. The debut CD went on to spend 100 weeks at the went

top of Billboard magazine's gospel charts, while also crossing over to the R&B side, and becoming in the process the first gospel album ever to sell over a million units

Never defined solely as a gospel artist, Franklin is also responsible for several main-stream crossover successes, highlighted by 1995's multi-format smash "Stomp" (per-

formed by Dallas/Ft. Worth-based youth choir God's Prop-erty) which garnered airplay on MTV as well as a Song Of The Year semination and new The Year nomination and per-formance on the 1998 Gram-my Awards of "Lean On Me," a track from his 1997 release, "The Nu Nation "The Nu Nation Project,"which featured guest appearances by the likes of Mary J Blige, U2's Bono and R Kelly Always celebrated for weaving seemingly disparate musical influences-R&B, modern rock, hip-hop, pop, jazz, gospel-into a seamless fabric, Franklin is known for creating his own singular style and sound that truly transcendes any and all boundaries of genre, race, denomination or social back-ground. R Kelly Always celebrated for

Reaching young, urban audiences is a key component of Pranklin's vision, and the company's mission statement reflects Franklin's commit-ment "We're seeking to cre-atively impact the world through the roster of artists and resources with Christ and resources with Christ centered, innovative products and services," he said on his website.

Want to go? What: Kirk Franklin's Hero

What: Kirk Franklin's Hero Tour When: Friday at 6:30 p.m. Where: Cricket Arena Cost. \$40 and tickets can be purchased through Ticket-master online at Ticketmas-ter.com or call (704) 522-6500.

Chappelle Memorial E.A.G.L.E.S. host women's conference

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334-3913. • Chappelle Memorial Bap-tist Church E.A.G.L.E.S. Women's Ministry will host its 2006 "Women of Worship: Changed from Water to Wine" conference, beginning Friday A pre-conference praise party will start at 7 p.m. with guest speaker Phyllis Frazier. The conference will begin Saturday morning at 8 a.m.

The conference will begin Saturday morning at 8 a.m. and will present several dynamic speakers. The \$15 fee includes breakfast and hunch. Childcare provided for \$5 To pre-register, contact the church office at (704) 394-

The church is located at 110 Bradford Drive.

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March 18 China Grove AME Zion Church will host its annual health fair, which will have physicians conducting med-ical and dental screenings and an aerobics instructor to warm un the participants a.a. and dental screenings and an aerobics instructor to warm up the participants physically. There will be prizes and games. The event begins at 9:30 a.m. and runs until 1 p.m. The church is located at 9401 China Grove Church Road, Pineville. For Church Road, Pineville For more information, call (704)

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March 19 The Trustee Board of Clement Memorial AME Zion Church will host its annual 12 Thoes Rally which will be held at 4 pm. The speaker for the event will be the Rev. Car-nell Thompson, pastor of China Grove AME Zion Church. The church is locat-det 2207 Newland Road. • University Park Baptist Church will host an evening to honor First Lady Kimberly Nash Alexander beginning at 6 pm. The Guest Speaker, will be Rev. Alexis Felder,

New Faith Baptist Church, Matteson, Ill. The church is located at 6029 Beatties Ford Road. For more in call (704) 392-1681 information

March 20 The Temple of Deliverance International Fellowship, located at 5521 Cannon Drive, Suite 104, Monroe, will host its annual spring revival through Wednesday. Services start each night at 7:30 pm The guest pastor is the Rev Franklin L Clark of the First Institute Family Worship Center in Gastonia. March 23

The Serious Times Chu The Serious Times Church & Culture Conference will be held through March 25 at Mecklenburg Community Church. The event will fea-

Church, The event will fea-ture seasoned cultural engagers like Charles Colson, James Emery White, Andy Crouch, James Sne, Crystal Downing, Brian Godawa and Kelly Monroe Kullberg. • Restoration & Deliver-ance Temple will host its first annual Spring Revival at the Remnant Outreach Min-istries, located at 3819 South Tryon St. Services begin nightly at 7:30 p.m. Further details or directions contact

Prophet Nathan McDaniels at(704) 890-7262.

April 8 Friendship Missionary Baptist Church will host its fourth annual Wedding Extravaganza from 9 am-2 p.m. The event is free and designed to help brides, grooms and wedding plan-ners focus on the preparation and the implementation of a perfect Christian wedding and marriage. The registra-tion deadline is March 31. For more information, call (704) 392-0392, ext. 111.

Rescue Mission puts troubled lives on track

By Victoria Elmore

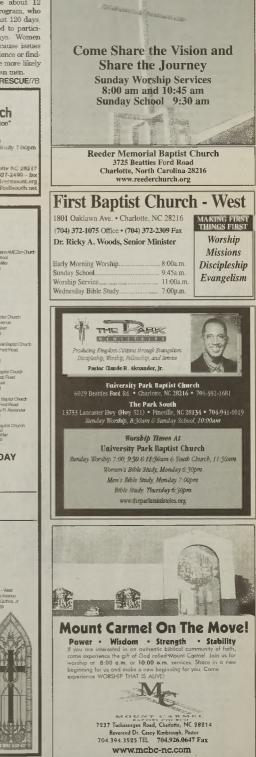
Tific CHARLOTTE POST Gwendolyn Williams found sobriety and a job at the Dove's Nest. The program was created by The Charlotte Rescue Mission to help women overcome drug abuse. Dove's Nest also gives support to homeless women by providing them with shel-ter

by providing drient whet such that ther. Williams, a native of Charleston, S.C., works at the Rescue Mission on second shift as a facility tech "Im like a housemother. I'm responsible for seeing that the ladies follow the guidelines," she said "I take them where they need to go and give them they need to go and give the they need to go an

SION PULS UCU. "Working here keeps me hum-ble. I can give the ladies inspi-ration. My life changed so much with (the Research Mis-sions) help." "Our purpose is to help women who are homeless and in need of recovering," said Charles Sosnik, the mission's marketing and community relations director. Addicts go to the mission for assistance in the most prob-lematic areas of their lives. "We help women recuperate mentally, physically, and emo-charles Sosnik, said." We're christian-based. Therefore, the recovering person is to addict a higher power, Jesus Christ." Because of the special needs of homeless women, Dove's Net is constantly in need of patient people who will help addicts get well, Sosnik said. torship Together"

"The need is out there. We wish the women's program was a lot bigger. Our men's program has 134 people in it This has a lot to do with men's program being in existence since 1938. There are just as many homeless women out there."

Today there are about 12 women in the program, who remain for at least 120 days remain for at least 120 days. Men are required to partici-pate for 90 days. Women remain longer because issues like domestic violence or find-ing child care are more likely to affect them than men. Please see **RESCUE**/7B Please see RESCUE/7B





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