

# Benton, Evans exchange vows

Rhonda Gail Evans and Joseph Wendell Benton exchanged wedding vows at 6 p.m. November 28 at Myrtle Head Baptist Church, Ash.

The Rev. Charles Smith and the Rev. Elder Evans, the bride's uncle, officiated at the double-ring candlelight ceremony. The bride's wedding band belonged to her paternal grandmother, the late Thelma Long Evans. Judy Evans of Ash served as scriptural reader. Music was provided by LeAnne Smith of Conway, S. C., Sondra Ganus of Ash and Bobby Gore of Shallotte.

Given in marriage by her parents and escorted by her father, the bride wore a formal gown of white bridal satin. It had a Sabrina neckline of schiffli lace, a basque bodice and fitted sleeves accented with pearls and sequins. The sheath skirt had a detachable satin cathedral train trimmed with schiffli lace. The fingertip veil was attached to a Juliette cap accented with pearls and sequins. The bridal bouquet was a cascade of roses, aestromeria, Queen Anne lace, freesia and ivy.

Joyce Stocks of Shallotte, the bride's cousin, was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Marlene Evans of Little River, S. C., the bride's sister-in-law; Daphne King of Ash; Julie Phillips of Chapel Hill, the groom's cousin; Beth Spain of Goldsboro and Amy Stanley of Smithfield.

They were attired in tea-length dresses of burgundy velvet and carried cascading bouquets of aestromeria, rubrum lilies, freesia and ivy.

Honorary attendants were Veronica Crowl of Little River, Jeanette Harrell of Conway and Delores Inman of Ocean Isle Beach, the groom's cousin.

The groom's father was best man. Ushers were Brandon Benton and Jason Benton of Ash and Webb Cox



MRS. JOSEPH W. BENTON

of Shallotte, cousins of the groom; Brent Evans of Little River, the bride's brother; and Jamie Stanley of Smithfield.

Laura Beth Merritt of Whiteville, the groom's cousin, was the flower girl. Brent Evans, Jr., of Winter Park, Fla., the bride's nephew, was ringbearer.

Laura Johnson, the bride's aunt, was wedding director. Assisting were Marsha Benton, the groom's aunt, and Tom Malory, the bride's uncle.

The newlyweds received their guests in the church fellowship hall.

Both the bride and groom are 1987 graduates of West Brunswick High School. The bride is a 1991 graduate of North Carolina State University. The groom is a 1992 graduate of the University of South Carolina-Coastal Carolina College. Both are seventh grade teachers at South Brunswick Middle School.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rifton Gail Evans of Ash. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph LeRoy Benton of Ash.

Pre-nuptial showers were held at Myrtle Head Baptist Church and Longwood Baptist Church, hosted by family and friends. Others include a lingerie shower hosted by Laura Johnson, the bride's aunt; a birdseed party hosted by Veronica Crowl; and a bridesmaid brunch hosted by Joyce Stocks.

## Baptists present 'The Song'

The Music Ministry of Southport Baptist Church will share its Christmas musical "The Song" on Sunday, December 13, at 7 p.m. in the church sanctuary.

Over 100 voices composed of the church's adult choir, youth choir and children's choir will be singing. Narration for the musical will be spoken by Mike Reaves and Dorothy Essey. Drama participants include Donna Potter as "Mary", Barry Knight as "Joseph", Harry Martin and Bill Montgomery as "Wise Men".

Soloists include Sherry Montgomery, Mike Kirkland, Cheryl Shew, Marsha Huskey, Wyatt Gordon, Tom Huskey, Debbie Evans, Jesse Powell, Jr., and Pam Hicks. The musical will be accompanied by Amaretta Prevatte on the organ and Pam Hicks on the piano. Eddie Hicks, minister of music and youth at Southport Baptist Church, will direct. The public is invited to attend.

## 'Visitation' is sermon topic

"Visitation and Redemption" is the title of the sermon to be delivered by Dr. W. Murray Page at the Southport Presbyterian Church this Sunday, December 13, during the 11 a.m. worship hour.

The message will have as its text Luke 1:68 and will address the following concerns:

Why is it so important to be able to hear God? How do we receive the spiritual power and strength God promises to those who long for change and renewal? How do we speak to the suffering, despair and darkness of our world today? Where and what are the signs of hope about us?

## Lutherans note Sunday topic

St. Peter Lutheran Church will observe the third Sunday in Advent on December 13 at the 11 a.m. service with the sermon topic "For Whom Do You Look?"

Pastor Charles McManus, using the question of John the Baptizer -- "Are you the one to come or do we look for another?" -- will use the thesis to pose the question, "Is this the Christ of my life?"

At the service there will be an order of installation for the Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

The Christmas Eve candlelight service of word, light and sacrament will be held December 24 at 8:30 p.m.

On Saturday, December 12, at 7 p.m. the parish will have an Advent/Christmas sing with fellowship and dessert.

## 'Holy Joy' Methodist sermon

Sunday, December 13, will be observed as the third Sunday in Advent at Ocean View United Methodist Church in Yaupon Beach.

Pastor Fred Roberts will preach on "Holy Joy" from the prophet Isaiah 35:1-10 at both the 8:30 and 11 a.m. worship services. A nursery will be provided.

## Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International

"His Banner Over Us is Love" • Where People of All Faiths Meet  
Brunswick County Chapter

### BANQUET MEETING

December 11, 7:00 p.m.  
Family House Restaurant  
(Behind Hardee's - Hwy. 17 Bus. Shallotte)  
Please do join us at 7:00 p.m. for a meal & warm Christian Fellowship

### Matt & Margaret Center

have ministered for the Lord through the Word and music over the past 15 years.  
On October 1, 1984, while building a church, a freak accident occurred, causing Matt to become badly injured, and necessitating a long stay in the hospital. The 20 1/2-foot fall broke almost the entire right side of Matt's body. After several hours of surgery, the doctor said that there was a 60% chance Matt would never be able to walk again.  
God's love is evident as the Canters minister under the anointing of the Holy Spirit.  
Come and join us to find out what happened with Matt. How did he handle his situation? He still has a singing voice! Come out and be blessed by both the music and the stirring testimony of faith from this dedicated couple.

# Church Directory

**CAPE FEAR ALLIANCE CHURCH**  
Highway 133 & 87 (across from B&I)  
Gabriel A. Galdo, pastor, 457-5665,  
Sunday school 9:45 a.m. Sunday worship  
11 a.m. and 6 p.m.

**FIRST APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST**  
W. West Street, Southport, Rev. Vernon D. Kelly, 457-5845. Sunday school-worship service 10 a.m. Sunday evening service 6:15 p.m.

**MIDWAY APOSTOLIC CHURCH**  
Highway 211, Pastor Betty McKendrie, 457-6802 or 457-5793. Sunday services 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday service 7:15 p.m.

**JOY ASSEMBLY OF GOD**  
Highway 211, Southport, Pastor John Nocera, 457-5752. Sunday school 10 a.m., Sunday worship 11 a.m. and 6 p.m., Wednesday service 7 p.m.

**BEACH ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Long Beach Road, Rev. Ray Webb, 457-0300. Sunday school 9:45 a.m., Sunday worship 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

**BETHEL BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Southport, William W. Rice, 457-6126 or 457-5020. Sunday school 9:45 a.m., Sunday worship 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

**COMMUNITY INDEPENDENT BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Highway 87, Pastor Leroy Martin, 253-4800. Sunday school 10 a.m., worship services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Thursday prayer meeting 7:30 p.m.

**FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH**  
520 N. Clarendon Avenue, Southport, Rev. Charles Jacobs, 457-6535 or 655-4545. Sunday school 10 a.m. Second and fourth Sunday worship 11 a.m. Wednesday prayer meeting 7 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF BOILING SPRING LAKES**  
45 Boiling Spring Road, Boiling Spring Lakes, Avery Lumsden, 845-2169 or 845-2313. Sunday worship 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., Wednesday service 7 p.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
619 Lord Street, Southport, Rev. Luther J. Smalls, (803) 650-6480. Sunday school 10 a.m., Sunday worship 11 a.m.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF OAK ISLAND**  
4608 Oak Island Drive, Rev. Doug Huff, 278-9511. Sunday school 9:45 a.m., worship service 11 a.m., 7 p.m. Wednesday service 7 p.m.

**MILL CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH**  
Route 2 Box 47, Bolivia, 253-5275. Rev. Rocky L. Gregory, Sunday school 9:45 a.m., worship services 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday prayer service 7 p.m. Acteens, GA's, RA's, Mission Friends.

**SOUTHPORT BAPTIST CHURCH**  
200 N. Howe Street, Wayne Trexler, 457-6816 or 457-6352. Sunday school 9:45 a.m., worship 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday service 7 p.m.

**SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
Highway 211/133, Southport. Rev. Joseph Vetter, 457-6173. Mass daily 9 a.m. Saturday 5 p.m. Sunday 8:30 and 11 a.m. Confessions Saturday 4 p.m.

**ST. PHILIP'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Moore and Dry streets, Southport. The Rev. Robert Beasley, 457-5643. Worship services Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Christian education at 9:45 a.m. Nursery provided at 9:45 and 11 a.m.

**ST. JAMES THE FISHERMAN EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
Main Street, Shallotte. The Rev. Dr. Richard W. Warner, 1-919-754-9313. Sunday school 9:15 a.m., services Sunday 8:15 and 10:30 a.m. Wednesday 7 p.m., nursery provided.

**SOUTHPORT CHURCH OF GOD**  
Calhoun Drive, Dale Acres Subdivision, Rev. Gordon Fowler, 457-5690. Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday service 7:30 p.m.

**CAPE FEAR CONGREGATIONAL HOLINESS CHURCH**  
T. L. Parris, 278-7188. Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m., Thursday service 7 p.m.

**ST. PETER'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
Highway 211, Pastor Charles R. McManus, 457-5604 or 457-6234. Sunday worship 11 a.m., nursery provided.

**MT. CARMEL AME CHURCH**  
507 N. Lord Street, Southport, Rev. W.T. Ennett, Jr., 457-6582 or 1-919-799-8215. Sunday service 11 a.m. Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m.

**OCEAN VIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
600 Yaupon Drive, Yaupon Beach, Rev. Fred Roberts, 278-5973 or 278-5229. Sunday services 8:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday school 10 a.m. Youth groups, Sunday evenings.

**ST. JAMES AME ZION CHURCH**  
420 E. West Street, Southport, Rev. John H. Brown, 457-5420. Sunday school 9:45 a.m., worship 11 a.m. Community first Sunday, Wednesday prayer meeting 7 p.m.

**TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
Nash Street and Atlantic Avenue, Southport, P. D. Midgett, 457-6633 or 457-6341. Sunday school 9:45 a.m., worship 11 a.m. Youth meeting Sunday 6:30 p.m.

**LOVE OF CHRIST CHURCH**  
Highway 17, Bolivia. Pastor Ronnie Smith, 253-4893. Services 10:30 a.m. Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

**TRINITY TABERNACLE**  
Highway 87, Mill Creek. Pastor Ron Capps, 253-5878 or 392-1156. Sunday School 10 a.m. church service, 11 a.m. and evening service, 6 p.m.

**CHURCH OF THE COMMUNITY**  
Highway 211 and Oakview Drive, Southport. Edmond Wong, 457-5324 or 457-5743. Sunday school 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. Wednesday Bible study 7:30 p.m.

**FULL GOSPEL CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST**  
Highway 87, Boiling Spring Lakes. 845-8818. Services 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Wednesday.

**CHURCH OF CHRIST**  
Highway 87, Boiling Spring Lakes, Mervin Nickels, 845-2005 or 845-2296. Sunday Bible study, 10 a.m., worship 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday service, 7:30 p.m.

**CHRIST BODY MINISTRY CHURCH**  
115 S. Howe St., Southport, Rev. John F. Watkins, 457-6454. A local New Testament Bible believing church. Sunday worship, 11 a.m. Wednesday Bible study 7:30 p.m.

**CHURCH OF GOD PROPHECY**  
Winnabow, N.C., Steve Crews, 253-4706. Sunday school 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Young people Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

**SOUTHPORT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Stuart and Moore Streets, Southport, Dr. W. Murray Page, 457-6811 or 457-4923. Sunday school 9:30 a.m., Sunday worship 11 a.m.

**OAK ISLAND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
1503 E. Oak Island Drive, Long Beach, Rev. Richard L. De Priter, 278-9741 or 278-4484. Sunday school 9:15 a.m., Sunday worship 10:15 a.m.

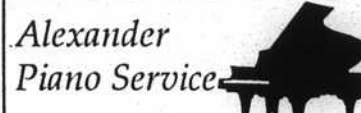
We encourage you to attend your chosen house of worship.



Hwy. 133, Southport  
Hwy. 17, Shallotte



Long Beach Rd., Southport  
(919) 457-0100  
Don Stephenson



Bill Alexander  
Registered Piano Technician  
1-800-892-3914



Sales & Service  
Hwy. 17 & 211 W, Supply  
754-6138

Cape Fear Memorial Park

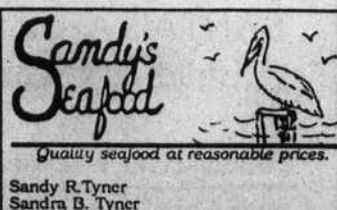
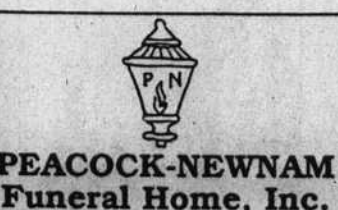


Managed by Ellen Doak

(919) 278-7333  
Hwy. 211 • Southport



Southport's REAL Hardware Store  
1711 N. Howe Street



Sandy R. Tyner  
Sandra B. Tyner  
Long Beach Road at the base of the Oak Island Bridge (919) 457-8574