Morning Devotions

Next week Morning Devotions will be under the direction of the Rev. L. E. Mabry, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Canton. These programs are heard each

week-day morning from 8:00 to 8:15 Haywood County Ministers Asso- partments for all ages, ciation are sponsors for the seg vices. You are invited to tune in guidance.

Rocky Branch Baptist Church

The Rev. W. C. Weaver, Pastor SUNDAY-10 a.m.--Sunday School. Carl

Dills, superintendent, 11:00 a.m.-Worship. 7:00 p. m.-BTU. Mrs. W. C Weaver, Director.

8:00 p. m.-Worship. MONDAY-

4.00 p. m.-Junior G. A's, meet 7:30—Teachers' meeting, TUESDAY-7:30-WMS and Sunbeams meet

WEDNESDAY-7:30 p.m.-Prayer meeting.

West Canton Baptist Church

CANTON, ROUTE 3 The Rev. Otto Parham, Pastor SUNDAY-

Sunday School 10:00 a.m .- Malcolm Crisp, Supt

Morning Worship - 11:00 a.m. Training Union - 6:45 p. m. Vaughn Hall, Director.

Evening Worship-7:45 p.m. WEDNESDAY-

6:45 p. m. Teacher's meeting. 7:30 p. m.-Prayer meeting. THURSDAY-

7:00 p. m.-Choir rehearsal. 7.30 -WMS meets at church.

Crabtree Baptist Church CLYDE, Rt. 1 The Rev. M. H. Raby, Pastor

SUNDAY-10:00 a.m.-Sunday School, M M. Yarbrough, Superintendent. 7:30 p.m.-Singing by choir and sermon by pastor. WEDNESDAY-

7:30 p.m.-Prayer meeting at the church



The Beginning of the Kingdom

SAMUEL ANOINTED SAUL TO BE FIRST KING OF ISRAEL

Scripture-I Samuel 9-13.

By NEWMAN CAMPBELL Some are born great; some achieve greatness; and some have greatness thrust upon them."

cause the Lord hath anointed thee to be captain over His inheriwrote William Shakespeare. tance. Then Samuel told Saul what to As we look about us, se realize expect on his homeward journey. how true that saying of the great dramatist is. We recall the men of the men he would meet, what who have achieved greatness after

First Methodist Church

Corner Haywood and Academy The Rev. J. E. Yountz, Minister SUNDAY-

o'clock. Francis Massie, General o'clock over station WHCC. The Superintendent. Classes and De-

Sermon by the Rev. A. P. Brantley, each morning for inspiration and pastor at St. Paul's Methodist Church, Goldsboro. Sermon topis: "Born Again."

the direction of Mrs. Fred Martin. The MYF meets each Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock for a Fellowship supper and worship. Special programs have been arranged

Evening Service at 8:00 p. m. Sermon Topic: "God's Invasion of the World."

Bethel Methodist

The Rev. Clyde L. Collins, Pastor SUNDAY, AUGUST 10-10:00-Sunday School, M. C. Nix. Superintendent. Mrs. Johnnie Teague and the In-

termediate Class will have charge of the Opening Devotions,

gation will attend the Bethel Pres-

ate Depts. MONDAY, AUGUST 11-

termediate M. Y. F. Subdistrict will have a picnic at Bethel. The program begins at the Bethel Athletic Field with a recreation program. Followed by a picnic supper at the Bethel church. Then a very interesting program is planned. TUESDAY 6:30-Bethel Troop 12 meets at the church. WEDNESDAY-

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Morning Worship 11:00 o'clock.

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Church

11:00-Bethel Methodist Congre-

byterian Church Service as they commemorate their 117th anniversary. We congratulate the Presbyterian Church for the fine work they are doing in the community. We pledge them our prayers and our cooperation as we endeavor to minister for Christ and His Church in the Bethel Community. 7:00-Methodist Youth Fellow-

ship meets. Senior and Intermedi-5:00-The Haywood County In-

7:30-Choir Practice.

You never mistake the meaning of a Church spire.

Even to those who are cold to the ideals for which the Church stands, that finger of faith always points to something that is comforting, reassuring, safe.

The very presence of a Church, whether in a crowded city street or on a quiet country road, is a benediction to all, including those who are not conscious of worship.

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The Church deserves your support-your membership-because it affords real protection for the family whose welfare it is your duty to defend and whose proper upbringing is your solemn obligation.

> THE CHURCH FOR ALL ALL FOR THE CHURCH

The Church is the greatest factor on earth for the building of character and good citizenship. It is a storehouse of spiritual values. Without a strong Church, neither democracy nor civilization can survive. There are four sound reasons why every person should attend services regularly and support the Church. They are: (1) For his own sake. (2) For his children's sake. (3) For the sake of his community and nation. (4) For the sake of the Church itself, which needs his moral and material support. Plan to go to church regu-Jarly and read your Bible daily.

Chapter inday

SYMBOL OF SAFETY

THE WAYNESVILLE MOUNTAINEES

struggle, and those who have had it thrust upon them. How many of these last named have justified their position in the world? We can think of men like the

late Adolf Hitler and Benito Musolini, who achieved great power in their countries only to wreck those who trusted them, and came themselves to a tragic end. There have been many others throughout history. And there was Saul, who truly

had greatness "thrust upon him," but who, through self-will and disobedience to Jehovah's com-mands, also came to a sad end. Our lesson today is the story of his rise.

Saul was the son of Kish of the

MEMORY VERSE

"Jehovah will not forsake His people for His great name's sake, because it hath pleased Jehovah to make you a people unto Himself-I Samuel 12:22.

choice young man, and a goodly; and there was not among the children of Israel a goodlier person than he: from his shoulders and upward he was higher than any of the people." A fine, tall, strong man is al-

ways admired in every age. Kish's asses were lost, so he

sent this fine son with a servant to find them. The two wandered through the land, but did not find that which they sought. Finally, Saul suggested that they go home, or his father would be worrying about them.

The servant, however, said that a seer lived in Ramah, and as they were near that city, it would be a good idea to consult him. Saul said it was customary to take a seer a gift and he had none. However, the servant produced a silver coin, so they went to the city and asked for Samuel.

They were told where to find him, and when Samuel saw Saul, Jehovah told him that here was the man he was to make the first king of Israel. Samuel took the men into the house, had them seated at dinner, and gave Saul the choicest of the food.

Samuel told Saul that the two were to stay there that night, and not to worry about the asses be cause they had been found. In the morning, he would let them go, and tell Saul what "is in thine heart."

Morning came and the three started out, but when they came near the end of the city, Samuel told Saul to send his servant chead. Then Samuel poured a vial

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they would all do and say, and that Saul "shall be turned into another man." It all happened as Samuel had prophesied, and it is too bad that there is not space to relate it all. but it may be read in the Bible When Samuel had first told Saul

of oil upon Saul's head, kissed

him, and told him he did it "be-

of the honor coming to him, he, like Gideon, in a previous lesson, protested that he was of an humble family and a small tribe, so why was he chosen before others? "And Samuel called the people unto the Lord at Mizpeh. He re-

minded them again of how Jehovah had saved them from the harsh but mighty Egyptians, and

had brought them to a land of plenty, and how they had insisted Saul was the son of Kish of the tribe of Benjamin. He was "a Samuel, "See ye him whom the

Lord hath chosen, that there is none like him among all the people? And all the people shouted, and said, God save the king." Samuel told the people the manner of the kingdom and

wrote it in a book, and then he sent all the people home, and Saul also returned to Gibeah. "with a band of men whose hearts God had touched."

There were, of course, some 'children of Belial" who said, 'Mow shall this man save us! And they despised him, and brought him no presents. But he held his peace." Wise Saul.

Samuel, now that he had given the people a king, made a speech in which he reminded them of his years of work for their good, and ended by giving them a word of hope, saying, "Only fear the Lord, and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider how great things He hath done for

> But if ye shall still do wickedly, ye shall be consumed, both ye and your king." After Saul had reigned for one

year, the Philistines again mobiized to launch an attack on the Israelites. Saul gathered his people about him, but they had no smiths in the land because the Philistines were afraid to have them make swords or spears However, every man sharpened his share, and his coulters (a cut-

ter on a plow), and his forks and axes and goads to guide the oxen For the account of the battle we must wait for next week's les-

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