

# Youth Week Observed

The week of April 13-20 is Youth Week at the Hertford Baptist Church. This annual



**YOUTH PASTOR** — Brian Harris, son of Rev. and Mrs. Norman B. Harris will serve as Youth Pastor during the Youth Week activities at the Hertford Baptist Church April 13-20. Brian will deliver the Sunday Evening message on April 20 beginning at 7:30 p.m.

event gives the youth of the church the opportunity and the responsibility of conducting the church's ministry for one full week. The youth with Paul Gregory as advisor have planned to minister to the church's elderly, to carry out the church's visitation, to conduct the Wednesday Evening Mid-Week Service, to teach the Bible to all ages in Sunday School on Sunday Morning and to conduct the Sunday Evening Worship Service. In addition to this church work they have also planned a trip to Williamsburg, Va.

On Sunday morning, April 20th, Tommy Davidson, Minister of Youth, at the Liberty Baptist Church in Hampton, Virginia, will speak to our Youth. The Sunday Morning Service will be followed with a covered dish luncheon for the Youth and their families. After lunch Tommy Davidson will speak to the Youth. Brian Harris, son of Rev.

and Mrs. Norman B. Harris of Hertford will deliver the Sunday Evening message. At the conclusion of the Evening Worship Service the Youth Pastor, on behalf of the youth, will return the church key of Responsibilities (which was received the previous week) to the Hertford Baptist Church which will be represented by the Pastor, Norman Harris.

The Youth and the Pastor extends a welcome to all to attend the Wednesday Evening (7:30 p.m.), Sunday Morning (11 a.m.) and the Sunday Evening (7:30 p.m.) Services.

### HOMEMAKERS MEET

Mrs. Sadie Small was hostess to the Bay Branch Homemakers Club for the March meeting. Club president Mrs. Isetta Hollowell presided. During show and tell, Mrs. M.B. Frierson displayed a crocheted shawl and a patchwork quilt made of



**GRADUATES** — Wilma Gail Chappell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer G. Chappell of Rt. 1, Belvidere will graduate tomorrow, April 18 from Louise Obici School of Nursing in Suffolk, Va. Commencement exercises will be held at the Suffolk Christian Church in Suffolk on that date beginning at 8 p.m.

children's socks. Mrs. Manolia Parker will host the April meeting.

### For Your Information

Dear Friends,

The need to counsel with your doctor or attorney occurs more frequently than with your funeral director. Yet, just as you consult with a doctor and an attorney in advance of need, wouldn't it be equally wise to choose and establish a reassuring relationship with your funeral director?

Respectfully,



### A Special Month

April has been designated as United Cerebral Palsy of N.C. month.

Cerebral palsy is the number onecrippler of children. It occurs in one of every 200 live births. UCP of N.C. provides service through developmental centers, adult social programs and home services through staff nurses.

Its goal is to assist all children and adults with this crippling defect to attain the greatest possible independence.

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# Sunday School Lesson

### GOD AND MAN IN COVENANT (Exodus 19:3-6; 20:2-4, 7-8, 12-17)

Over a hundred years ago Voltaire, the French infidel, declared that there would not be a copy of the Bible on earth in a hundred years. For scores of years, the Geneva Bible Society has used the very printing press on which the infidel printed his prophecy. Today, more than 400,000,000 Bibles are in circulation.

When God spoke His word to holy men of old He purposed that His word would stand for all generations. God's word is eternal. His word never changes. It is more up-to-date than today's newspaper.

God purposed that His will be made known unto man. God further purposed that His will be obeyed. God of His own initiative entered into covenant with man.

Exodus 19:3-6 describe the method God used to reveal His will to man.

### The Method, Exodus 19:3-6

God did not use some magic formula or device to make His will known to man. His word came to men through a man. God called Moses up to the mountain. Moses in all of these experiences never saw God. He heard Him. Man still walks by faith not by sight.

God's method was to speak to Moses and Moses was to convey God's word to all of the people. The people had already experienced God. God has demonstrated his concern and His strength by leading them out of the land of Egypt. God now calls upon them to hear His word and be obedient.

Men are called upon today to be obedient to God. There are laws of God and they are

grounded in His holy nature. Man is not to obey laws and customs simply because it is the thing to do. This can become legalistic and enslave men who were intended to be free. Man is to obey the will of God because of who God is and what God has done for the human race. God has the right to expect obedience to His will.

God's method was to create a people who would be a peculiar treasure unto Him above all people of the earth. But even in this God's method can be seen. This peculiar people would be His witness to the nations of the world. God was and is concerned for all of the earth, "for all of the earth is mine."

His obedient people would be a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. They would be the means whereby God would reveal His love and His grace to the world.

### The Majesty, Exodus 20:2-4, 7-8

God entered into covenant with man. This covenant was different from the usual covenants. As a usual thing covenants were between equals, but this covenant was between the Creator and the created. God must be recognized for who and what He was, God was Lord. He was their Deliverer from bondage. They must put Him first in all of life.

No idolatrous representations of God were allowed. God is altogether different from anything else in all of creation. Nothing is like God. To try to represent God with any form or image is to sin against His nature.

God's name represents His nature. God's nature is holy. To use His name lightly, empty, without meaning is to sin against the person God is. This means

more than cursing with God's name. Many professing Christians use God's name as a by-word. Many profess to be the children of God, yet fail to be obedient to His will. This also is to take God's name in vain.

God's peculiar people were to observe the sabbath day and keep it holy. To properly observe the Lord's Day would be one sure way of recognizing that every day and all time really belongs to God.

As God's people walked in faith, showing themselves to be rightly related to Him, they would be the means of turning many others to righteousness. Not only were they to recognize their relationship to the Father but they had responsibilities one to another because they had become members of God's family.

### The Members, Exodus 20:12-17

In this covenant relationship parents must receive the honor due them. God had given life through the parents. Children were expected to remember that

There was to be no killing. Life was a gift from God. Man was made in the image of God. No man must be allowed to take the life of another. That prerogative belongs to God alone.

Adultery, including extramarital sexual

relations whether married or single, was prohibited. This was protection for sacredness of the home—and still is.

Stealing, lying, and covetousness could not be allowed in the covenant relationship of God and His people. It needs to be remembered that no one ever really breaks these laws of God. Many people are broken over the laws but they still stand unscarred, unwavering, undiluted!

### BIBLE QUESTION OF THE WEEK

"One hears a lot about preaching or teaching the Gospel. Just what is the Gospel?"

### ANSWER

I Corinthians 15:1-4 is the best definition of the Gospel:...that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; and that he was buried, and that he rose again the third according to the scriptures."

### DIRECTORS MEETING

The Perquimans County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors will hold its monthly meeting Monday at 8 p.m. in the Municipal Building. It will be important, short, and to the point and all board members are urged to attend.

## First Baptist News

The Pastor of First Baptist Church in Hertford, announces his Text for Sunday, April 20: "The Joy That Follows Repentance" from Luke 15:7.

The Senior Choir will sing under the direction of Mr. Verlon Jones.

The Perquimans County Fellowship Union will convene Sunday Night at 7:30 p.m. with Saunders Grove Baptist Church. New Haven Baptist Church and Pastor will be in charge.

## Obituaries

### WILLIAM EDWARD RHODES, SR.

William Edward Rhodes, Sr., 89, of Rt. 6, Lexington, N.C., died recently in Memorial Hospital after a serious one-week illness.

He was born in Davidson County April 22, 1885 to John Henry and Sarah Briggs Rhodes.

Rhodes was a retired farmer and school teacher and for many years was an employee of the U.S. Postal Service. He was a member of Beck's United Church of Christ.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Ella Tysinger Rhodes; seven daughters; Mrs. Lester Smith, Mrs. Eugene Weaver and Mrs. Fred Hunt all of Lexington; Mrs. Roy Mickey of Salisbury, N.C.; Mrs. Moody Chappell of Belvidere; Mrs. Arnil Wilson of Rt. 2, Lexington and Mrs. William Briggs of Rt. 6, Lexington. Also surviving are three sons: Herbert Rhodes of Burlington, Homer Rhodes of Salisbury and W.E. Rhodes Jr. of Rt. 6, Lexington; 32 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren and one brother, Andrew Rhodes of Rt. 11, Lexington.

The body remained at Davidson Funeral Home where the family received friends from 7 to 10 p.m. on Saturday.

The funeral was held Sunday at 3 p.m. at Beck's United Church of Christ by the Rev. Kenneth Yearick and the Rev. Ingle O. Cook. "An Evening Prayer" was

sung by Johnny King accompanied by Randy Hedrick at the organ and the choir sang "Safe In the Arms of Jesus."

Pallbearers were grandsons Herbert Calvin Rhodes of Salisbury, Jerry Chappell of Belvidere, along with Richard Weaver, Douglas Hunt, Tony Wilson and Randal Rhodes all of Lexington.

Burial was in the church cemetery.

### MRS. EVELYN B. WINSLOW

Mrs. Evelyn Basnight Winslow, 54, of Plymouth, died Saturday in a Norfolk hospital. She was a native of Washington County, N.C., and she was the former owner of the Plymouth Oil Co. She was a member of the First Christian Church of Plymouth and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include three sisters, Mrs. Elma Spruill of Chesapeake, Mrs. Annie M. Davenport of Chesapeake and Mrs. Ruby Freeman of Plymouth; five brothers, Milton L. Basnight of Columbia, N.C., Eugene H. Basnight of Roper, N.C. and Paul A. Basnight, J. Calvin Basnight and Ralph Basnight, all of Plymouth.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2:00 in the First Christian Church, Plymouth, by the Revs. Marshall Parvin and Charles P. Brooks. Burial was in the church of the Holy Trinity Cemetery, Hertford.

## ROCK CHURCH

Services held every Sunday afternoon at Angler's Cove Restaurant. Services are at 2:30 p.m. Welcome!

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