

# Sunday School Lesson

## JESUS OFFERS HIMSELF

Christ's unique ministry and its popularity brought about a confrontation with the religious leaders.

Mark 11:7-10

Among the Orientals it was customary for a monarch to ride upon an animal covered with very expensive cloths. As Christ was about to enter Jerusalem as the One Who would deliver the people from the bondage of sin, His disciples stripped themselves of their outer garments and placed them on the colt or donkey as they did not have the money to purchase the expensive cloths, nor the time to procure them.

The multitudes preceding and following Christ acknowledged His claims to kingship by crying: "Hosanna; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord." Thus they acclaimed Christ as the Messiah. As the procession advanced, many spread their garments and small olive branches in the road.

Mark 14:32-36

Christ and the eleven disciples went to a garden which was approximately a mile from Jerusalem. He had come here frequently for prayer. The name of the place was "Gethsemane," which means "oil press." Probably it was so named because a press was there to extract oil from the

olives in the orchard. It was an emblem of trial, distress, and agony. Our Lord's distress as He was approaching the cross cannot be estimated because we do not have anything with which to compare it.

Arriving at Gethsemane, Christ divided the disciples into two groups, leaving eight near the entrance of the garden to wait and to watch, and taking the other three — Peter, James, and John — into the garden with Him. Because they were the closest to Him, Christ chose them to stand by Him in this solemn hour. Merely to have them near Him was to be a source of comfort to Christ. But even these Christ did not permit to be with Him when He prayed and expressed His complete submission to the Father's will.

Mark 15:33-39

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified our Saviour. At noon there came a three-hour period of supernatural darkness which extended over the whole land. In the midst of that darkness, which was a symbol of God's displeasure with the attitude of the people towards His Son, there was heard the voice of Jesus crying, "My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" The abuse heaped upon Christ uttered the saddest cry that was ever heard. Far beyond all physical suffering was the turning away of the Father, which to the Saviour was agony unspeakable.

## Obituaries

### MRS. MISSOURI BYRUM

Mrs. Missouri Boyce Byrum, 77, of Route 1, died Friday in Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City.

A native of Chowan County, she was the widow of Cecil Byrum.

She was a member of Center Hill Baptist Church. Survivors include four daughters, Mrs. Carrie Rountree of Corapeake, N.C., Mrs. Leona Price of Norfolk, Va., Mrs. Joyce Hobbs of Tyner, N.C. and Mrs. Marjorie Winslow of Hertford; two sons, Cecil G. Byrum of Tyner and M. Weldon Byrum of Hertford; 17 grandchildren, and 11 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Sunday at 4 p.m. in Willford-Barham Funeral Chapel by the Rev. George Broome and the Rev. Daniel Forbes. Burial was in the Byrum Family Cemetery, Tyner.

### REGINA EQUI McDERMOTT

Regina Equi McDermott, native of Roanoke, Va. widow of J. Carter McDermott, died March 26, 1977, in Albemarle Hospital, Elizabeth City, N.C.

She is survived by three brothers, Raymond C. Equi, William D. Equi, Jr., both of Roanoke; Gordon J. Equi, Rockaway, N.J.; four sisters, Mrs. Marie E. O'Keefe, Lisbon Falls, Maine; Mrs. Anna E. Bell, Richmond; Mrs. Edna E. Gardner, Moneta Va.; Mrs. Frank E. Cella, Gulfport, Fla.

Before coming to Hertford, Mr. and Mrs. McDermott lived in Norfolk, Va., for a number of years where he worked for the Social Security Administration.

Lotz Funeral Home, Roanoke, Va., is in charge of the funeral arrangements.

Funeral Mass will be offered at 11:15 a.m. Monday from the St. Andrew's Catholic Church, with burial in Fairview Cemetery.

### MATTHEW R. WINSLOW

VIRGINIA BEACH, Va. — Matthew R. Winslow, 72, of 125 W. Revere Point Road, the husband of Mrs. Edna Rountree Winslow and a native of Belvidere, N.C., died Monday at 6:25 a.m. in a Norfolk hospital.

He lived in this area for 53 years and was retired from Security Storage Van Co. He was a member of Trinity Baptist Church.

Other survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Jean Jones of Atlanta; four sisters, Mrs. Louis R. Stallings of Belvidere, Mrs. Herman Wiggins of Gates, N.C., Mrs. Van Spivey of Chesapeake, and Mrs. Harold Lassiter of Norfolk; three brothers, L.R. Winslow of Virginia Beach, C.U. Winslow of Winfall, N.C., and J.A. Winslow of Belvidere; two grandchildren; and a great-grandchild.

A funeral will be held Wednesday at 1 p.m. in Trinity Baptist Church by the Rev. Walker N. Stockburger. Burial will be in Whitestone Cemetery, Belvidere, N.C. The body will be taken from Hollomon-Brown Funeral Home, Bayside Chapel, to the church at noon Wednesday.

## Methodist Women To Gather Sat.

The Elizabeth City District United Methodist Women invite the public to share "A Day Apart" for Spiritual Growth and Renewal. The Reverend Nancy Best, Pastor of the Harrellsville Charge will be the speaker. The subject is "The Meaning of Prayer." The meeting will be held Saturday, April 2 from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Kitty Hawk United Methodist Church. Those attending are requested to bring their own sandwich. Beverages will be served by the women of the church.

## Headstart Recruiting Students

Head Start is now recruiting children in Perquimans County for Program Year, 1977-1978.

Children four years old by October 15, 1977 are eligible. Birth certificate is required and verification of income is requested.

Applications are available at Perquimans Union School, Winfall, or by contacting Celestine S. Modlin, Social Service Parent Involvement Worker. The deadline is April 15, 1977.

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## For Your Information

Dear friends,  
A young widow recently said it had been more difficult for her a year after the funeral of her husband than it was immediately after. Friends and relatives were thoughtful and concerned at first, but soon they seemed to forget her. Therein is a lesson for each of us.

Respectfully,

*Margaret Swindell*



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# Michelle Boyce Wins Scholarship



Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Lamb of Woodland Street, Hertford, announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Betena Ann, to William Floyd (Tom) Trueblood, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Trueblood of Route 2, Hertford. The wedding will be April 29 at 7:30 at Burgess Baptist Church. Friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Michelle Denise Boyce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Luther Boyce, Rt. 1, Belvidere, has won the Merit Scholarship to High Point College at High Point, N.C. A senior at Perquimans High, Michelle expects to enter college in September majoring in Medical Technology.

Michelle was nominated to The Society of Distinguished American High School Students and Who's Who Among High School Students for two

years; was treasurer of the Beta Club; won the N.E.D.T. certificate; is a member of the French, Biology, Chemistry and Health Clubs; a former member of the newspaper staff; and a member of the girls basketball team. Michelle is a member of The Up River Friends Church.

The Merit Scholarship is valued at \$2,000 and is awarded on the basis of \$500 annually on the maintenance of a "B" average.

**WINS COUNTY POSTER CONTEST** — Students in Perquimans County were recently invited to enter a "Dental Health Poster Contest" sponsored by the dental health section of the District Health Department. Entries ranged from tooth drawings and children's portraits of the "Tooth Fairy" to pictures of the proper foods and snacks. David Benton, second grade student at Perquimans Central Grammar School, was named the winning artist.

## Winfall Homemakers Meet

The Winfall Homemakers Club met recently at the home of Mrs. Nathan Matthews.

The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Eddie Barber after which Mrs. Matthews gave an impressive devotional closing with prayer.

Announcements were made of upcoming events urging all to attend the Achievement Day Program, District Workshop in Elizabeth City, and other special events.

Mrs. Paige Underwood, Home Economics Extension Agent, held a workshop instructing members on how to make a Bargello pin cushion.

Attending the meeting were eight club members and one visitor. The meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Ralph Harrell on April 18 at 8 p.m.



MICHELLE BOYCE

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