

Hertford Baptist plans revival

The Hertford Baptist Church will begin a week of revival services at the 11 a.m. Sunday morning worship service, Aug. 6, and will continue each evening through Friday, Aug. 11 at 7:45 p.m., with Rev. Leslie H. Giles, Pastor of Ephesus Baptist Church, Cary, N.C. as guest Evangelist.

Rev. Giles is a native of Virginia. He is a graduate of the University of Richmond and received his Master of Divinity from the Southeastern Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, N.C.

He has served the Southern Baptist Denomination in the

following positions: Served on Time, Place and Preacher Committee for North Carolina Baptist State Convention, Moderator of the Flat River Baptist Association, Chairman of Town and Country Church Committee for the Baptist General Association of Virginia, Served on Faculty for Bible and Missions Week at Eagle Eyrie, Virginia, served on Mission Survey Committee of the Baptist General Association of Virginia, held various Associational responsibilities in North Carolina and Virginia and served on Faculty for Home Mission week at Ridgecrest; also he was an



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International Farm Youth Exchange delegate to India in 1958 and participated in an Evangelistic preaching in India during the month of March 1974. Featured throughout the week will be special singing by choirs and soloists. A nursery will be provided. All in this area are invited to come and to share in these revival services.

Sunday school lesson

THE CHURCH AND THE STATE

In order that he might be received graciously by the brethren, it was suggested to Paul that, because of the many Jews who still held some parts of the ceremonial law even though they had believed on Christ as their Saviour, it would be wise for the Apostle to take a Jewish vow as proof of the fact that he still honored the law and was not opposed to it. Since this was simply an effort to eliminate prejudice and not to compromise a principle, Paul took upon himself a vow which made necessary his appearance in the temple for seven days.

The Riot — Acts 21:27-31

Paul's presence in the temple in fulfillment of his vow aroused the Jews and led to the riot which occurred. Just before the seven days were completed, some of the Asiatic Jews recognized Paul, and they immediately resolved to persecute him, even unto death. These Jews accused him of teaching against the people of Israel, defaming the law, and defiling the temple. Their reason for the charge of defiling the temple was that they "supposed" Paul had taken Trophimus into the inner court of the temple where a Gentile was not permitted to enter except under the penalty of death. Blinded by prejudice and boiling with hatred against the Apostle, they aroused the crowd against him and seized him with the intention of seeing to it that he was put to death. The crowd was stirred to such a pitch of fanatical frenzy that they came dangerously near to the murder of Paul. Religious fanaticism is exceedingly dangerous both to the guilty and the innocent. As soon as the enraged and unbelieving Jews had seized Paul and dragged him from the inner court of the temple the doors were closed. They fully intended to slay Paul.

The Rescue — Acts 21:32-36

The mob did not dare to stone Paul within the city, lest it be polluted, but its constituents fully intended to put Paul to death by beating him unmercifully. Since Jerusalem was always in danger of a riot, something like this one, the Roman government maintained a military force of a thousand soldiers under a chief captain there. In connection with the temple buildings was "the fortress of Antonio," which was occupied by this chief captain and part of his men. Although the mob had Paul in their hands, and though they could do with him what they pleased, they were mistaken. His life was not in their hands, but in the care of God, Who saw to it that the news of the riot reached the ears of the chief captain, where upon he had a number of his troops rushed down the stairs in order to quell the mob.

When the captain and his soldiers appeared on the scene, the enraged mob ceased beating Paul. When the chief captain inquired as to what was the cause of the uproar, the participants were so confused that they could not give a sensible reason for their fury. Nevertheless, they were eager to take Paul's life. At the same time, these cowardly men were ready to flee as soon as they realized that they might be in danger. Unable to get the desired information from the howling rabble, the captain ordered his men to take Paul into the fortress or castle, in order that he might examine him and ascertain the truth.

The Result — Acts 25:11-12

While Festus, the new procurator, was visiting his subjects in Jerusalem, the Jewish leaders sought to prejudice him against Paul. After presenting their accusations against the Apostle, they requested Festus to

return him to Jerusalem, intending to kill him before he arrived in the city. Festus denied their request but told them that they could send their leaders to Caesarea and charge Paul with whatever crime he had committed. Later, the Jewish delegation appeared before Festus in Caesarea and presented a variety of grave charges against Paul, the most grievous of which was heresy, sacrilege, and treason.

Desirous of winning the favor of the Jews, Festus asked Paul if he would like to be tried before him in Jerusalem whereupon Paul preferred to trust his case to pagan Romans rather than a religious Jew. His appeal prolonged his imprisonment, but it opened to Paul numerous opportunities to witness for his Lord that otherwise he would not have had.

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Evangelist named for revival

A series of revival services will be conducted at Bethlehem Church of Christ on Rt. 1, Hertford beginning Sunday evening, Aug. 6 and continuing through Friday evening, Aug. 11. Bob Moulden will be the evangelist for the week. There will be special music at each service which begins at 8 p.m. Ronnie Woolard is minister of the church and invites the public to attend as often as possible.

New arrival

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whedbee of Washington, D.C. announce the birth of their third child, second daughter, India Lesley, born Monday July 24, at a Washington hospital. Mrs. Whedbee is the former Miss India Lesley of Tampa, Fla. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John T. Lesley of Tampa, Fla. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Whedbee of Hertford.

In the news

Earlie Goodwin is a surgery patient in the Albemarle Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. H.R. Christensen have returned to their home in Charlotte after spending several weeks in Hertford and Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Oakey, Jr., Mrs. Dorothy Read and daughters, Miss

Miss Mary Helene Newby spent a few days last week at Nags Head with Dr. and Mrs. John Crawford.

Local people in the news

Mrs. Ralph Wallace of Belhaven was a weekend guest of Mrs. W.G. Wright. The Rev. and Mrs. Ben Wolverton and family are spending a few weeks at Camp Leach.

Mrs. Louise Woods returned to her home at Bethesda, Md. on Monday after soending several weeks in Hertford.

Miss Marjorie Hefren of Ijamsville, Md. was a weekend guest of Miss Louise Chalk and other relatives in the area.

Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Taylor and grandson, Drew, of Charlotte were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Sullivan.

Mrs. Carroll Berry Jr. and children of Atlanta, Ga. spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Berry Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. W.G. Edwards are spending a few days this week at their cottage at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Britt were guests of their daughter, Miss Bea Skipsey, last week at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Stephens, Jr. of Garner spent the weekend at their cottage at White Hat.

Mrs. W.F. Tarkenton is a patient in Norfolk General Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Simpson and family and Miss Sera Winslow are spending this week at Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Mrs. Jimmy White and sons, Bobby and Johnny, of Chesapeake, Va. were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bass several days last week.

Mrs. Helen Woodard returned Monday to make her home in Hertford after residing at Mt. Gilead for a few years.

Mr. and Mrs. S.M. Whedbee were weekend guests of Miss Mary Taylor at Stovall.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Symons, Miss Barbara Symons, Mark Symons and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Berry are spending this week at Pennsylvania Dutch Country.

Mrs. Louis Proctor of Harvey Point is a patient at Memorial Hospital at Chapel Hill.

Mrs. H.C. O'Sullivan of Norfolk, Va. was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. V.N. Darden.

George Tucker of Raleigh was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. G.R. Tucker.

Mrs. Maria Boyd and daughter, Austin, spent the weekend in Greensboro.

Mr. and Mrs. John Stallings and family of Greenville were weekend guest of of their parents, Mr. Mrs. Jimmy Stallings and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Sawyer.

Mrs. Herman Ward and daughter, Miss Ann Ward, of Winston-Salem spent several days this week with Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Ward.

Mrs. Edgar White spent the weekend at Nags Head. Dr. and Mrs. Fred Irons and family of Chapel Hill

were weekend guests fo Mrs. Charles Harrell.

Mrs. Paul Bumbarger of Hickory is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. J.W. Ward this week.

Mrs. Don Hogman and sons, Billy and Don, of Virginia Beach, Va. spent a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Hurley Hoffer.

Mrs. Reba Owens spent the weekend in Elizabeth City with her mother, Mrs. Kenyon Bailey.

Miss Mary McBride, Miss Katherine Celibrezze and Anthony Celibrezze returned to their home in Cincinnati, Ohio on Monday after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Winslow and Miss Thelma Elliott.

Royce Vickers of Virginia Beach, Va. was a weekend guest of his mother, Mrs. Ellie Vickers.

Miss Marian Clarke of Petersburg, Va. is a guest of her grandmother Mrs. J.E. Morris.

Mrs. Shirley Edenfield is visiting relatives in Lenior. Mr. and Mrs. Harrell Thach spent a few days this week touring Western North Carolina.

Joe Ward Proctor and son, Swayne, spent last week at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton White and family spent last week at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Earlie Goodwin, Miss Sarah Goodwin, and Mrs. L.D. Myers attended the Dail Family Reunion at Kinston on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Williams Jr., Mrs. Joyce Ross, and Miss Cindy Ross left Monday for a trip to Lawton, Okla.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Hurdle Jr. and sons, Brad and Jason, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Dail at Nags Head on Saturday.

Mrs. Lloyd Horton has returned home after spending the month of July at the Nixon Cottage at Nags Head.

CARD OF THANKS

It is with a sincere and grateful heart that I say thank you to everyone who has been so kind to me during my hospital stay and since I returned home.

You will never know how much all the many flowers, cards, the visits, telephone calls, food, and your prayers have meant to me and my family.

Again, I say, thank you, Linda S. Robertson

I am no longer employed with the Ayscue Cafe.

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For Your Information

Dear friends,

The Rev. Edgar N. Jackson, a grief psychologist, states: The funeral is for the bereaved, not the dead. It is essential to confront fully the reality of death; the body in the casket compels this. The bereaved must be encouraged to express their emotion — their grief. The rituals of grief, maintained by the church, are a 'kind of community social insurance'.

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