

# Local people in the news

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Williams and Mrs. Charles Woodard and son, Drew, spent last Wednesday at the State Fair in Raleigh.

Miss Mary Helene Newby was a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Duke Morgan, in Raleigh.

Lindsay Reed of Raleigh was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. D.F. Reed last weekend.

Mrs. Marion Swindell returned home last week from a trip to England and Poland.

William Chappell of San Diego, Cal. visited relatives in Hertford last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Bunch and daughter, Lisa, of Belvidere were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Bunch in Cary.

Mrs. Claude Brinn was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Bunch in Raleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Haskett and Mrs. C.C. Banks visited relatives in Winston-Salem last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Elliott of Ahoskie were guests of relatives in Hertford last Saturday.

Clark Winslow, student at ACC-Wilson, spent several days last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Winslow.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gregory and family of Raleigh spent last weekend with Mrs. Ellie Vickers.

Mrs. Al Felton and children of Suffolk, Va. were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin White on Sunday at Belvidere.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Haskett of Hertford and Mr. and Mrs. Hoyle Jones of Durants Neck spent last weekend in western North Carolina.

Mrs. Frank McCloskey and sons, Darrin and Todd, of Norfolk, Va. were weekend guests of Mrs. R.B. Thach.

Miss Sue White of Virginia Beach, Va. was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. Julian White.

Clay Wilder has returned to his home at Nashville after spending several days last week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wilder.

Mrs. F.T. Johnson is visiting relatives in Sanford.

Mrs. John Coston visited relatives in Hookerton on Monday.

Miss Ann Winslow, student at UNC-Wilmington, was a weekend guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Winslow.

J.H. Towe is a patient in the Albemarle Hospital.

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

Mrs. S.S. Hollingsworth of Ijamsville, Md. was a guest of Miss Louise Chalk for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woodard and family spent the weekend in Raleigh and attended the Carolina-N.C. State football game in Chapel Hill on Saturday.

Miss Linda Banks of New Bern spent the weekend with her mother, Mrs. C.C. Banks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Ross and son, Jason, of Raleigh spent several days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Divers.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Fleetwood of Charlotte were weekend guests of Mrs. C.R. Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bass and family of Virginia Beach, Va. were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy White on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fenton Britt have returned from a trip to Gatling, Va., the North Carolina mountains, Shelby, and Charlotte.

Mrs. Ida Tatem is a

patient in the Chowan Hospital.

Rev. and Mrs. O.L. Hathaway of Raleigh were guests of Miss Gladys Felton last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Perry of Virginia Beach, Va. visited Jesse Perry and Mrs. Nettie Lee Wilcox on Monday.

Mrs. C.R. Holmes and guests, Mr. and Mrs. Seth Fleetwood, spent several days this week on the Skyline Drive.

Mr. and Mrs. T.P. Byrum, Mr. and Mrs. H.W. Winslow of Hertford, and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Gregory of Woodville spent the weekend at Lancaster, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn White and family of Fayetteville were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin White at Belvidere.

Mrs. Stanley Pollock of Lincolnton and Miss Nancy Pollock of Raleigh visited friends in Hertford during the weekend.

Mrs. Randy Hedrick and son, Scott, of Raleigh spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Estes Copeland at Belvidere.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stallings of Hertford and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Wood of Elizabeth City spent the weekend in the mountains of Virginia.

Mrs. Ellie Vickers spent several days last week at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Forehand were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Dail of Newport News, Va. on Sunday. They were accompanied home by Mrs. Wayland Howell, who had spent last week there.

Miss Virginia Tucker and Miss Elizabeth Winslow spent Wednesday last week in Williamsburg, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Phillips are spending several days this week in Cincinnati, Ohio.

### CARD OF THANKS

The family of Mrs. Mary B. Felton acknowledges with grateful appreciation the many kind things our neighbors and friends did for us during the illness and death of our mother. The cards, flowers, food, and especially the prayers that were offered were very comforting. We will always be grateful for these remembrances.

Mary Alice Floyd  
Emma Smith  
Elizabeth & Noah Felton Jr.

### For Your Information

Dear friends,

The visitation serves the friends of the deceased by providing a proper setting for them to express their feelings of loss and offer sympathy and support to the grieving family. This is important, as it is not just the family that has the need to grieve and to say goodbye.

Respectfully,

*Mason Swindell*

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# Sunday school lesson

### RIGHT RELATIONSHIPS WITH PARENTS

Matthew 15:1-14

As Christ's popularity increased, due largely to the miracles which He wrought, the opposition of His enemies became more intense and satanic.

### The Delegation — 15:1-2

Scribes and Pharisees from Jerusalem came where Christ was for the purpose of hearing what He was saying, seeing what He was doing, and asking Him questions. In the hope of ensnaring Him by their clever questions, discrediting Him in the eyes of the people, and increasing their own popularity, these formalist dealt with small matters, primarily 'the tradition of the elders.' They had great reverence for the rules and regulations transmitted orally from the most famous rabbis of the past, and ascribed the most extravagant praise to the oldest ones. In accusing Christ's disciples of neglecting to wash their hands before they ate, they were trying to hold Him responsible for their failure to observe ceremonial washing.

### The Declaration — 15:3-6

Christ asked the critics, 'Why do ye also transgress the commandment of God by your tradition?' Those who accused the disciples of violating a human precept were guilty of violating the command of God, which was far worse. Christ declared that some who used tradition evaded their God-given responsibilities to their parents. He said that there were those who were so selfish, stingy, and greedy that they refused their responsibility to support their aged and needy parents. Far too many of their kind live in our country today.

Under the guise of devotion to God, they evaded their duty to their aged parents, who lacked the bare necessities of life, by declaring that their property had been dedicated to God and, therefore, could not be used for their support. However, these shrewd and greedy legalists were at liberty to use such possessions for themselves, or in any other manner that seemed desirable to them. The placing of the traditions of men above the written Word of God, and such dishonesty and deceit merited the condemnation of Christ and all right-thinking people.

### The Denunciation — 15:7-9

Such selfish and heartless conduct was extremely despicable because it was done in the name of religion, and only for the purpose of an outward show. Such inconsistency and hypocrisy were abominable in the sight of the Lord, who always refuses to accept lip service in the place of the love of the heart and the devotion of the life. Our Lord boldly and bluntly denounced the formal and vain worship of those who pretended to honor Him with their lips, but their hearts were far from Him.

### The Defilement 15:10-14

Realizing the futility of saying more to the obstinate and perverse scribes and Pharisees, Christ turned to the common people standing close by, and told them that the things which defile a person are not from without but within. Defilement is not a matter of the food which has been consumed, but the thoughts, motives, and intentions of the heart which find expression in words and in deeds. The condition of the heart determines the quality of the life. That which is within

a person is what defiles his thinking, speaking, and acting.

Exodus 20:12

Fundamental to a good home and a happy family is the respect and reverence of children for their parents. God said, 'Honor thy father and thy mother,' and that commandment has never been abrogated. 'Honor' includes respect, reverence, submission, gratitude, consideration, love, and obedience. This commandment does not tell us to honor our parents only while we are young, or only if they are all that they are ought to be. We are to hold our parents in high esteem, always show true affection for them, be obedient to them, and provide for them in their old age if they need assistance. Honoring parents contributes to wholesome and happy family relationships and to strength of character.

The Sunday School Lesson is sent in by Clear Creek Baptist School in Pineville, Ky.

## —Obituary—

### MELVIN E. BUNCH

EDENTON — Lt. Col. Melvin Elbert Bunch, retired U.S.A.F., 60, of 101 N. Granville Street here, died Thursday at Duke Medical Center in Durham, N.C.

A native of Chowan County, he was the husband of Mrs. Dorothy Ann Loos Bunch and the son of Mrs. Julia Turner Bunch of Portsmouth, Va. and the late Thomas N. Bunch.

He was the planning director for the Albemarle Law and Order Association, Region R. He had served in that capacity since 1971. He was retired from the U.S. Air Force and was a member of the Order of Daedalians. He was a member of the Edenton Baptist Church, Unamity Masonic Lodge #7, Scottish Rite Bodies, and was a Shriner.

Funeral services were held Monday at 11 a.m. at the Williford-Barham Funeral Chapel by Dr. Robert E. Gray with burial in the National Cemetery at New Bern, N.C. with full military honors.

## Local bridge club gatherings reported

Miss Thelma Elliott was hostess to her bridge club Tuesday night at her home on Riverside Drive. Those playing were Mrs. Charles Whedbee, Mrs. C.E. Johnson, Mrs. John Coston, Mrs. Eldon Winslow, Mrs. T.B. Sumner, Mrs. Katherine Ward, Mrs. Maywood Nowell, and the hostess. Mrs. Coston won the high score prize.

Mrs. John Coston entertained her club Tuesday at a bridge luncheon at her home on Riverside Drive. Those attending were Mrs. J.T. Biggers, Mrs. C.R. Holmes, Mrs. T.L. Jessup, Mrs. Jack Kanoy, Miss Thelma Elliott, Miss Ruby White, and the hostess. Mrs. Kanoy was high score winner.

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