

Good news

MANESSEH AND JOSIAH II Kings 21:1-2

Manesseh was the son of a godly father, Hezekiah, and presumable of a godly mother, Hephzibah, whose name means "God's delight." Although he had the advantages of a good home, his head was turned by the wonder of being king at the age of twelve.

During his reign of 55 years, in a deliberate attempt to undo the good work of his father, Manesseh introduced various types of idolatry and released upon the people a multitude of evils, bringing his country to the depths of sensuality and corruption. He defied God, pleased Satan, and persecuted God's people.

II Kings 22:1-2

Ascending the throne at the age of eight, Josiah's handicaps included his extreme youth, the degeneracy of the people, and the fact that his father was one of the worst men who ever reigned over Judah.

Fortunately, Josiah did not follow in the steps of his father, but "did that which was right in the sight of the Lord," who gave him the necessary strength to serve Him and crowned his efforts with success.

II Kings 22:9-13

Anxious for his people to worship God, Josiah, at the age of 26, gave orders to Hilkiah, the high priest for the house of the Lord to be repaired. In the process of clearing the rubbish from the temple, a work which was long overdue, workmen found an old scroll which had been lost

and buried in the debris for a long time.

This scroll was the Book of the Law, the Holy Scriptures, which had been lost for so long that its message was largely forgotten, a loss which had been disastrous.

When Shaphan, Josiah's servant, inquired as to the progress of the work of cleaning and repairing the house of the Lord, Hilkiah replied: "I have found the book of the law in the house of the Lord."

Apparently Shaphan did not think this discovery was anything to get excited about. When he read it to Josiah, it caused the king to search his heart.

The book convinced Josiah that his people had not only been doing things which they should not have done, but that they had also failed to do many things which they should have done.

He sought information from the Lord as to how the seemingly inevitable punishment for their sinfulness might be averted, whereupon he learned that it could be accomplished through genuine repentance, earnest prayer, sincere and strong efforts at reformation, and hearkening unto the words of the Book.

He promptly resolved to do his very best to enlist the people in seeking to discover and to do the will of God, which is the wisest procedure for any and all people.

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Religious events

AME Zion

The Saint Paul AME Zion Church, Hertford, will observe Men's Day, Sunday, June 8, at 11 a.m.

The Rev. Clarence Owens, Associate Minister from Mt. Olive Baptist Church, Virginia

Beach, Va., will be the guest speaker.

The Rev. Jesse Franklin Smith of Virginia Beach, Va., pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, will render the afternoon service at 3 p.m.

Newland Methodist

The Newland United Methodist Church families will have a special sale on Saturday, June 7, beginning at 9 a.m., at the Newland Ruritan building on Morgan's Corner.

Items for sale will include

baked goods, crafts, handmade children's clothes, and original oil paintings. There will also be a yard sale.

A plate dinner of pork barbecue or chicken salad will be served from 11 a.m. until 6:30 p.m. The cost of each plate will be \$2.50.



Bay Branch AME Zion

Rev. R. F. Elliott is pastor of Church, located on state road 1214. Sunday school is at 10 a.m. and worship service is at 11:30 a.m. (Photo by PAT MANSFIELD)

Cook named to Hertford Meth.

Bishop Robert M. Blackburn adjourned the North Carolina United Methodist Conference with the announcement of the appointments of the more than 750 ministers related to the conference.

Among the 750 appointments is Rev. Irving E. Cook, former pastor of Hookerton Church, Hookerton, who will serve as pastor of

Hertford United Methodist Church.

The conference encompasses the eastern 56 counties of the state. This delegated body, including lay and clergy representatives of the 850 churches in the conference, met June 2-5, to review church ministries in 1979, make plans and approve a budget for 1981, worship, ordain ministers and vote

positions on social issues.

Each year a minister is assigned to one or more churches or to a "special appointment" such as college or seminary faculty, campus ministry, or mission work.

Appointments are effective June 12, which is the day the ministers move to their new appointments. Those changing appointments will preach at their new assignment on June 15.

Hospital notes

Mrs. Joe Meads and Mrs. Cora Stafford are patients in Albemarle Hospital.

Mrs. Ned Matthews and Mrs. C. A. Davenport are patients in Leigh Memorial Hospital in Norfolk, Va.

Mrs. Jack Kanoy, Mrs. Catherine Owens Baker, and Mr. Bill Reed are patients in Chowan Hospital.

Mr. Noah Gregory is a patient in Memorial Hospital

in Chapel Hill, N.C.

Mrs. J. R. Futrell, Mrs. Donald Heatherington, and Mr. Carroll Williams have returned home from Albemarle Hospital.

Mrs. Catherine Ward has returned home from Leigh Memorial Hospital and Mrs. Paul Smith, Sr. has returned home from Duke Hospital in Durham.

Cook's corner

EDNA WOLVERTON

For an elegant looking and delectably tasting dessert — try this fresh fruit pie. Make it in the next several weeks, while fresh strawberries are still at their peak.

Place sliced strawberries and bananas alternately into a baked pie crust. Cover with orange sauce.

ORANGE SAUCE
1/2 c sugar
1/4 t. salt
1 T. cornstarch

1/2 c. orange juice
2 T. lemon juice
1/4 c. plus 2 T. water

Mix first three ingredients together.

Stir the remaining ingredients into the sugar mixture. Bring to a boil for one minute until thickened. Pour over fruit.

Top with whipped cream mixed with one small can crushed pineapple. Sprinkle crushed pecans over top. Yummy!

Rev. Brown to lead mission

The Rev. James H. Brown, Director of Church Renewal, Inc., headquartered in Goldsboro, will lead a one-day mission at Christ Episcopal Church in Elizabeth City, Sunday, June 8.

Rev. Brown was educated at Grove City College and Princeton Theological Seminary. He did graduate work at Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Rev. Brown will deliver the sermon during the morning worship service at 10:30 and will speak again at 7 p.m. in the parish hall.

His evening address will be preceded by a supper at 6 p.m. Those planning to attend the supper should bring sandwiches; the church will furnish beverages and desserts. The public is cordially invited to attend all events.

Rev. Brown launched his public ministry as pastor of the Nottingham Presbyterian Church in 1938.

Having served the Upper Octorara Presbyterian Church of Parkersburg, Pa. for 37 years, he retired as pastor emeritus. From 1947 to 1958, he served as assistant professor of systematic theology in the Presbyterian Seminary at Lincoln University.

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Obituary

Wescott

Miss Emily Walton Wescott of 504 Houston Street, Staunton, died Wednesday, May 28, in King's Daughter's Hospital.

A native of Norfolk, Va., she was the daughter of the late

John Howard and Ella Whitehead Wescott and resided there until moving to Staunton in 1952.

Miss Wescott was a member of the Wesleyan United Methodist Church in Norfolk.

THANK YOU

I want to thank every one for the cards, visits, phone calls and prayers while I was in the hospital and since I've returned home. May the Lord bless each of you.

Rufus Proctor

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to express my sincere thanks for the visits, flowers, cards, phone calls, food and especially the prayers while I was a patient in the Chowan Hospital and since my return home.

May God bless each of you.

Eula H. Long

THANK YOU

The family of Clarence L. Dail wishes to express their sincere thanks and appreciation to the many friends and relatives for every deed of kindness shown to us during his illness and death. The prayers, cards, flowers, food and visits were appreciated more than words can say.

Special thanks go to Hazel and Seth Morgan for all their special help while he was in Morgans Rest Home. Also special thanks to Thomas and Elizabeth Dail for the use of their home and all their many acts of kindness.

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Look who's new

Short

the former Val Tucker.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony R. Short, of Hertford, announce the birth of a daughter, Anna Valentine, on May 29, in the Albemarle Hospital in Elizabeth City. Mrs. Short is

Maternal grandparents are Lou T. Tucker and Harry R. Tucker of Swansboro, N.C. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel B. Short of Route 2, Norlina, N.C.

Janie Proctor attends two-day bank meeting

Janie W. Proctor, Assistant Vice President, Peoples Bank & Trust Co., Hertford, attended a two day meeting of the Eastern North Carolina Group of the National Association of Bank Women May 24 and 25, at the Wilmington Hilton in Wilmington, N.C.

Trust Co., presided at the meeting.

Dr. Stephen C. Harper, Assistant Professor, Business Administration, University of North Carolina at Wilmington, was the banquet speaker. His topic was "Time Management."

Donna Wood, District Sales Manager, American Express Travelers Checks, Raleigh, spoke on preventing travelers check fraud.

For Your Information

Dear friends,

Concern is expressed over the increasing suicide rate in this country especially among teenagers. If the young had more communication with grandparents who have greater experience, wisdom, and perspective on life and its problems, perhaps the despondent young could better 'get it together' and be eased thru periods of depression.

Respectfully,

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