

Good news

RENEWAL UNDER NEHEMIAH

From Nehemiah, one of the truly great characters of the Old Testament and one of the world's most ardent patriots, we can learn some splendid and helpful lessons. He was born in exile, reared in a foreign land, and in his youth was appointed by Artaxerxes, king of Persia, to the responsible position of cup-bearer.

Nehemiah 1:1-3

When Nehemiah's Jewish brethren who had escaped captivity (including Hanani, his brother in the flesh) went to visit him, he inquired of them concerning his people and their beloved city. With sad voices they told him that Jerusalem was in a deplorable condition and that the enemy was making life miserable for the people.

Although Nehemiah was living in a prosperous fashion, he was grieved by the discouraging news that his people were being treated scornfully and contemptibly by those around them.

Nehemiah 1:4-6

Burdened to the point of tears, Nehemiah began in the right way by mourning, fasting, and praying. In his earnest prayer this godly man confessed his own sins and the sins of the people, asked for God's forgiveness, and invoked the divine blessings upon them. And God heard and answered the request of His servant.

He prayed repeatedly and persistently. Like Nehemiah, we need to acknowledge our

sins and the sins of those whom we represent, repent of our sins, and humbly request Him to forgive, cleanse, bless, and use us in His service.

Nehemiah 8:9-12

In that great service, when the reading of God's word was the thing of supreme importance, the people were interested in the message which it contained. It was applicable to their needs, welfare, ideals, and hopes.

There was information — the facts were made known. There was illumination — the people understood clearly. There was inspiration — the teaching led to correct action. Their response was characterized by conviction, repentance, rejoicing, and obedience.

The Law, which revealed to them the extent of their sins, also pointed them to God. Aware of the gulf between the requirements of God and their performances, they mourned over their sinfulness, turned to God in humble penitence and faith, received the forgiveness of their sins, and began to rejoice in the Lord.

The joy of the Lord always abounds in the hearts of those who truly repent toward God and exercise a genuine faith in Christ.

Moreover, those forgiven and joyful people readily separated themselves from the world, dedicated themselves unto God, and rendered loving and obedient service for Him. How we need to follow their example!

Church notes

Anderson Methodist

Anderson United Methodist Church, located on rural road 1107 off Grubb Street Extended, will hold revival services at 8 nightly, beginning Sunday night, August 17, and continuing through August 21.

First Baptist

The First Baptist Church in Hertford will hold Church School at 9:45 a.m. this Sunday. Morning Worship will follow at 11 a.m. Rev. John London, pastor, will preach the subject "Obey Him Because You Love Him."

The Senior Choir will sing under the direction of Mrs. C. Griffin.

The Senior Ushers will have Chicken and Fish Dinner

Woodland Methodist

Woodland United Methodist Church will be having Revival Services August 17 through 22, beginning at 8 p.m. each evening with Bible Study and Prayer Services each morning at 10.

IN MEMORY OF MY DEAR SON

Donald Barrington

who departed this life August 15, 1978

Memories are all I have left and they will live on in my heart forever.

Your loving mother,
Claudia Barrington
and brothers Melvin, Jr. and Claude Barrington

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to express our sincere thanks for all the kindnesses shown us during the death of our loved one. The cards, food, flowers, visits, gifts of love and your prayers were greatly appreciated. May God bless each of you.

The Family of Harry L. Thatch

CARD OF THANKS

The family of Robert A. White would like to thank everyone who remembered us in any way during the death of our loved one. For the beautiful cards, flowers, food, visits, memorial gifts, prayers and all other acts of kindness shown, we are grateful, your thoughtfulness will always be remembered. May God bless you all.

The Family

Area obituaries

Griffin

Mrs. Margaret Belle Walters Griffin, of 107 N. Granville St., died last Sunday in Norfolk General Hospital.

She was a native of Perquimans County and the wife of Lloyd E. Griffin. She was also a former school teacher, member of the Edenton Tea Party Chapter of the DAR, and a member of the Edenton DTW Club and the Delta Kappa Gamma Sorority.

Surviving other than her husband are two daughters, Mrs. Margaret Evans of Rocky Mount, and Mrs. Mary Douglass of Raleigh; one son, Dr. Lloyd E. Griffin, Jr. of Elizabeth City; and 10 grandchildren.

A funeral was conducted at 11 a.m. last Tuesday at the Edenton United Methodist Church by Rev. Richard Blankenhorn and Dr. John Allen. Burial followed in Beaver Hill Cemetery with arrangements made by Williford-Barham Funeral Home.

Layton

EDENTON — Raymond Harrell Layton, 51, of Route 3,

People briefs

Mrs. Bill Nixon and son, Trot, of Wilmington spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Hudson and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Nixon.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Williams spent several days this week in Chicago, Ill. attending a meeting of the Soybean Executive Board.

Mr. and Mrs. Hank Chrisgau and family of Brooklyn, N.Y. are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Divers and other relatives in the area.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Brewer spent last weekend at Nags Head.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Haskett have returned from a Canadian tour.

Dr. and Mrs. Joe Haskett, Jr. and family of Hampton, Va. were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Haskett, Sr. and Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Taylor, during the weekend.

Mrs. Haywood Divers and Mrs. Helen Woodard spent last weekend in Raleigh with Mrs. Monnie Ross.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Woodard and family of Princeton spent several days last week with Mrs. Helen Woodard.

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hudson and family spent the weekend

died Friday as the result of an accidental drowning near Winton, N.C.

A native of Chowan County, he was the husband of Mrs. Sally Overton Layton and the son of Mrs. Bertha Harrell Layton and the late John Thomas Layton.

He was a farmer and commercial fisherman, and was an Army veteran of the Korean War. He was a member of Rocky Hock Baptist Church.

Other survivors include five sons, R. H. Layton Jr., Dennis Earl Layton, J. Elbert Layton, Brent Layton, and Wade Layton, all of Edenton; four brothers, Sherlon Layton of Edenton, Fred Layton of Germany, J. T. Layton Jr. of Jacksonville, and Gilbert Layton of Merry Hill; five sisters, Mrs. Ima Jean Waff and Mrs. Edna Dail of Edenton, Mrs. Emma Byrum of Tyner, Mrs. Carolyn Chappell of Hertford, and Mrs. Gladys Ward of Merry Hill; and a grandchild.

A funeral was held Sunday at Rocky Hock Baptist Church by Rev. Donald Wagner. Burial was in the Layton Family Cemetery.

at Williamsburg, Va. and Busch Gardens.

Mr. Vic Huggins from Chapel Hill and Mr. Vic Huggins, Jr. from Blacksburg, Va. were weekend guests of Mrs. H. C. Stokes and Mrs. Huggins. They were accompanied to Blacksburg by Tripp Huggins, who spent last week here with his grandmother.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Brown and children, Tracy and Jonathan, from Detroit, Mich. are guests of Miss Butler and other relatives in the area.

Miss Joy Britt of Newport News, Va. spent a few days last week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Penton Britt.

Mrs. Eldon Winslow and Miss Thelma Elliott were guests of Mrs. Dennis Holliday in Scotland Neck on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Sullivan and children, Kelly and Michael, from St. Louis, Mo. were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ward and other relatives in the area last week.

Mrs. W. E. Shawn, Sr. from Alexandria, Va. is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Max Campbell.

W. E. Schaaf, Jr. has returned to his home at Gloucester after a visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Biggers.

Speight

MIMAMI, FLA. — Mrs. Bessie Copeland Speight, 64, died Monday, August 4, as the result of being struck by an automobile. A native of Perquimans County, she was the daughter of the late Hugh and Lucy Evans Copeland and was a member of the Seventh Day Adventists.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Rachaelle Torano of Miami, Fla. and Mrs. Harriett Johnson of Wartrace, Tenn.; two sons, Duke Authur Speight of Augusta, Ga. and Richard T. Speight of Silver Spring, Md.; two sisters, Mrs. Lula Perry and Mrs. Flossie Goodwin, both of Edenton; two brothers, James "Buster" Copeland of Edenton, formerly of Hertford, and Maurice Copeland of Richmond, Va.; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Sunday afternoon at 4 p.m. in the Chapel of Swindell Funeral Home by Rev. John C. Huskins.

Burial followed in Cedarwood Cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray White and family spent several days last week in Richmond, Va. with Miss Jo Davis Towe.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Hurdle, Jr. and sons, Brad and Jason, of Belvidere spent the weekend at Nags Head.

Mrs. Arvin Hudson is a guest of Dr. and Mrs. Bill Nixon at Wilmington.

Jason Ross of Raleigh spent last week with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Haywood Divers.

CARD OF THANKS

To Dr. Powell, his Staff, Nurses and Aides, I wish to thank you for the excellent care that was administered to me while I was a patient in the Albemarle Hospital, also Friends whose concern was shown through phone calls, letters, cards, visits and tokens of good-will, and above all the sincere prayers that helped to sustain me. May love abide with each of you, always.

Henry E. Daughtry

Pallbearers were James O. Perry, Jr., Mennis Copeland, Sidney Copeland, Jimmy Copeland, Merrill Goodwin and Donald Ayscue.

White

GREENSBORO — Mrs. Bertha Vivian Smith White, 90, of the Friends Home in Greensboro, died Monday night. A native of Lexington, N.C. she was the daughter of the late David Lee and Alice Lopp Smith and the widow of Fernando C. White. She was a retired minister; having served many Meetings in N. C. and Ohio and was the former minister at Piney Woods Friends Meeting at Belvidere.

Surviving is one step-son, Vivian R. White of Fayetteville; three sisters, Mrs. Velma Moore of Ashboro, Mrs. Ruth Garner of Lexington, and Mrs. Zada Bean of Greensboro; eleven grandchildren; twenty-seven great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday afternoon at 3 p.m. in Piney Woods Friends Meeting with burial in Up River Cemetery. Swindell Funeral Home was in charge of local arrangements.

Cook's corner

EDNA WOLVERTON

This rice recipe serves ten people generously and is delightful with barbecued chicken or ribs and a tossed salad. It can be prepared in advance and refrigerated until cooking time.

GREEN CHILI CHEESE RICE

1 c. chopped onion
1/4 c. melted butter
1 c. cottage cheese
1/2 t. salt and 1/2 t. pepper
3 4-oz. cans green chilies, seeded & chopped
4 c. cooked rice
2 c. sour cream
2 c. grated Monterey Jack sharp cheddar cheese

Saute onion in butter. Remove from heat and add remaining ingredients except cheese. Spoon half mixture into a 2 qt. casserole. Top with half the cheese; then repeat with remaining rice and cheese. Bake at 375 degrees for 30 minutes.

Look who's new

Mr. and Mrs. Joe A. Harrell of Route 4, Hertford, announce the birth of their first child, a girl, Cristin Jo, born July 28, at the Albemarle Hospital.

Mrs. Harrell is the former Joan Cohoon. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Horace A. Cohoon of Route 4, Hertford. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Harrell, Sr. of Route 3, Hertford.

Calendars on sale

The 1981 Community Birthday Calendars will be sold during the month of August. Those wishing to purchase a calendar or to list a birthday or anniversary should contact any Jaycee, Jaycette, or call August 28.

Ed Nixon at 426-5266 or Diane Stallings at 297-2283. The price of listing each date is 25 cents, the price of the calendar is \$1.25. The deadline for listing is August 28.

Before you grate cheese, brush a little oil on the grater with a pastry brush. You'll find the cheese will wash off the grater easier.

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I want to thank my family and many friends and neighbors for all acts of kindness rendered to me while I was a patient in the Albemarle Hospital and since my return home. For your continued prayers, beautiful cards, and lovely flowers, also visits, phone calls and gifts. For all of these kindnesses I am so grateful. May God bless each one of you.

Pauline Perry

NOTE OF APPRECIATION

We would like to thank those who helped us with food preparation, serving and clean up following the death of our loved one.

Mary Beth Layton
Dolly Perry

For Your Information

Dear friends,

Attending a visitation can do much. Just by being present, the relative, friend, or neighbor acknowledges the death, as well as concern and support for the survivors. When your family is bereaved, you soon realize how much it helps to have relatives and friends you can count on to help in your time of grief.

Respectfully,

Mason Swindell

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