

CHURCH

Church news

Bagley Swamp Wesleyan Church
The Reflections, a trio from John Wesley College in High Point, will be in concert Sunday morning at 11:00, at the Bagley Swamp Wesleyan Church.

John Wesley College is an interdenominational Bible School training young people for service in Christian ministries.

The Bagley Swamp Wesleyan Church is located five miles northeast of Hertford between Winfall and Bellvidere, one and one-half miles east on Highway 37.

First Baptist Church
First Baptist Church church school begins at 9:45 a.m. Morning worship

begins at 11:00 a.m. with pastor John H. London Jr. preaching on the subject, "Bringing Joy in Heaven and Earth." The Senior Choir will be singing.

The Pastor's Aid of First Baptist Church will celebrate their anniversary at 2:30 p.m. Rev. London will preach on the subject, "Before you Talk, Listen." The special guest choir will be the spirited, gospel singing choir of Bay Branch A. M. E. Zion Church. Sis. Mattie Burke is President.

The Lord is going to be there. We want you to come too.

Piney Woods Friends Meeting

"You are invited to revival services at Piney Woods Friends Meeting in Belvidere, March 23-25 at 7:30 nightly and at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday.

Norman Carter will be the guest evangelist. Come worship and receive a blessing."

Great Hope Baptist Church

Why did God give spiritual gifts to His children? Why is so little known about these gifts? What is their purpose in the church?

Great Hope Baptist Church invites you to seek the answers to these questions with us as we study "The Gifted Christian," at 11 a.m. We will look at the gift of GIVING and how it can be used to build up the Body of Christ or be destructive.



Minnie B. Taylor

Taylor selected as Woman of the Year by local sorority

The Iota Nu Zeta Chapter members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, honored their Woman of the Year, Soror Minnie Bess Edwards Taylor, on Sunday, March 4, at 2:30 p.m. at St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Church in Hertford.

The service took place at the close of their Finer Womanhood Week observance.

Taylor was selected because of her outstanding accomplishments. She was saluted by representatives from organizations, churches, professional groups, choirs, sororities, fraternities and family members.

The service closed with a Fellowship Dinner for the general public. The program was highlighted with the reading of a proclamation to Taylor by Hertford Mayor Bill Cox.

The proclamation stated that the Town of Hertford proclaimed March 4, 1984, as Minnie B. Taylor Day.

It was brought out that her success is the result of early family training and consulting Christ first for understanding of the job to perform.

The greatest concern of Taylor is to help the people to help themselves, especially the young adults and the elderly.

In other Sorority news, the annual banquet was held Saturday, March 3, at Golden Corral in Elizabeth City.

The presiding officer was Soror Minnie B. Taylor, Basileus. The invocation was given by Soror Iota Mullen. The occasion was given by Soror Alberta Eason, Anti-Basileus and Dean of Pledges.

Special greetings were given by the following Sorors, Minnie B. Taylor, Alberta Eason, Jean Hayes, Thressa Ebron, Marilene Dobie, Mary Williams, Doris Jennings, Rosa Gibbs, Mattie Moore Edna Davis, Iota S. Mullen and Dr. Gerti Wilds.

During the service, Soror Barbara Holley and Soror Katie Lightfoot. Special music was presented by the Iota Nu Zeta Neophytes.

Soror Jean Hayes and Soror Barbara Holley presented gifts to the new Sorors from the Iota Nu members. Prior to closing Soror Barbara Holley gave response on the behalf of the new members.

Friendship Club notes

The Perquimans County Friendship Senior Citizens Club met recently at the Perquimans County Senior Center. An interesting and informative program regarding fire safety and the importance of fire and smoke alarms was given by Billy Owens, a member of the Hertford Volunteer Fire Department.

The club will meet again on Tuesday, April 10, at 2:00 at the Perquimans County Senior Center.

Ministers join alliance

The Tri-County Ministerial Alliance was organized on Saturday, March 10, 1984 at the Senior Center in Hertford.

The following officers were elected: President, Rev. John Trotman; First Vice-President, Rev. J. L. Wills; Second Vice-President, Rev. John London; Secretary, Rev. W. R. Wainwright; Recording

Secretary, Rev. Walter Leigh; Treasurer, Rev. Walter Lee Taylor; Chaplain Rev. Ingram; Parliamentarian, Dr. L. W. Chase, Historian; Dr. J. L. Fenner; Reporter, Rev. Proctor H. Freeman.

The next meeting will be held at St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Church in Hertford on April 7 at 10:00 a.m. Ministers of all denominations are invited to attend.

Sunday School lesson

Jesus Calls On Us To Minister
Mark 8:27-38

"Whoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words, in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him also shall the Son of Man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father." (Mark 8:38)

Through months of preaching, teaching and healing in Galilee, Jesus had demonstrated His divine nature. He had controlled wind and waves, cast out demons and created food for thousands from a few small loaves and fish.

He was the talk of the towns. Not all talk; however, was favorable. That of the discredited Pharisees was bitterly hostile. That of the Nationalistic zealots looking for a military/political kingdom was disappointment.

The ordinary people thought He was a great and powerful teacher, but His doctrine was odd — not like anything that they had heard before. It was time now to discuss this topic

with His disciples and perhaps to do some teaching while doing so.

Two Important Questions
Mark 8:27-30

Jesus led His disciples north to the area of Caesarea Philippi — away from the hustle and pressure of the crowds. Luke's gospel notes that He was alone with His disciples, praying and then raised the question of His identity.

He asked the question of them, "Who do men say that I am?" A good question to ask then, and a good question to ask now.

Our mind picks up an image of the scene with Jesus and the twelve, as He asks the question and someone perhaps reluctantly volunteers an answer. Some say John the Baptist, or Elijah or one of the other prophets.

John the Baptist had been ordered put to death by King Herod sometime before this. The prophets had all died centuries ago. Did people believe that one of these men had come back to life?

Accordingly, none believed that Jesus was God incarnate in His Son. Jesus now asked the question of the twelve, "But whom say ye that I am?" Characteristically, Peter was the first to speak up, he replied, "Thou art the Christ."

"Christ" is the Greek equivalent of the Hebrew "Messiah, the anointed one." I would that all people could answer that question in like manner.

Jesus Calls To His Way
Life Through Death
Mark 8:31-37

Mr. Edwin V. Hayden, writing for

the Standard Publishing Co., makes this very note worthy statement; "In life and death situations men cling to life at all costs, hoping to postpone the hour when death will have the final word.

"Jesus, though, reversed that order. His mission and ministry became a matter of death and life. He declared values greater than physical life, and He purposefully surrendered His life in advancing those greater values. So death is not the final word, life is. Death becomes the gateway through which life is attained."

The teaching of this "invested life" principle was so important that it was not reserved for the twelve only. He called all His disciples together, as noted in verse 34. In verse 35 He states the case.

"For whoever will save his life shall lose it; but whoever shall lose his life for My sake, and the Gospels, the same shall save it."

What is Jesus saying to us in everyday language? I believe it is this. This life is temporal, it shall come to an end. The soul that lives within us is eternal.

If we invest our lives in the ministry of God's Kingdom, at death our soul shall be saved. On the other hand, if our life is spent in the pursuit of fame, fortune and frivolity, then at death all is lost. Verse 36 gives a picture of such; "For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

A word from . . . Mt. Sinai . . .

Parent-child relations are a growing concern. The role of education, working mothers and a high divorce rate are all influences. We want to convince ourselves, as parents, that your people's problems are not our fault.

We will help our young people and ourselves if we will reflect on our own youthful years. What motivated you to respond in the different situations you were in? Some were loving and some were rebellious responses, why? Children want to be loved and will respond love. Those that are told to work out their own problems will separate themselves from adults. They will hide themselves in T.V., rock music, alcohol, and/or drugs because they cannot work out their stresses.

Close the generation gap, love a child.

"Train up a child in the way he should go and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Prov. 22:6)

Answer last week Gen. 3:20. When did John see a red horse?

Come visit the friendly folks at Mt. Sinai.

George Wilmore, Pastor
Mt. Sinai
So. Baptist Church



Cards of Thanks

We want to thank you for the cards & calls that we received while our daughter, Christy, was in Kings Daughters Hospital. Your concern and prayers were greatly appreciated.

Doug and Geri Layton

Many thanks to each individual, family, Minister, Church S.S. Class, Circle and Group, for your prayers, cards, visits, phone calls and gifts, while I was a patient in Chowan Hospital and Units B and C and since my return home. In sincerely appreciate everything.
May God bless each of you.

Ruth H. Powell

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Dear friends,

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Respectfully,
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FINANCIAL PLANNING HIRING A PROFESSIONAL

Think carefully before you engage the services of a professional such as an accountant, an attorney, a stockbroker, a realtor, or an insurance agent.

The areas of expertise within a given profession are so varied that it is to your benefit to review the experience of the professional you are about to engage.

Although most professionals would not intentionally do you a disservice, the lack of one's experience on a given problem may work to your detriment.

The practice of accounting, for example, has become so complicated that it requires several areas of specialization. There are accountants who spend most of their time in one area of practice, such as audits, tax planning and preparation, computer usage for business applications, or small business consultation. Each of these areas of practice may be even more specialized depending on the size of the accounting firm. Tax planning and preparation, for example, may be further divided into corporation tax problems, partnerships, estate and gift, and personal income tax problems.

It's fine to accept the recommendations of friends and business associates for the selection of a professional, but keep in mind that the individual making the referral may have a significantly different problem from yours.

If you have an on-going need for an accountant, spend some time interviewing one to determine if he or she has the background which best suits your needs. Call for an appointment and request a "no charge" conference to get acquainted. This first meeting should determine the suitability of the accountant for your business affairs.

Most professionals desire a good line of communication with their clients and prefer that all concerns for fees and services provided be fully discussed. Make your feelings known.

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