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Sunday School lesson

THE ANNOUNCEMENT. (Luke 1:26-38)

"He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of His father David." (Luke 1:22)

With today's lesson we begin a four part unit of studies under the theme "To You A Savior." These lessons take us through the Christmas season, and the end of December. First, a few words about the author Luke. Luke was a Greek, a physician and a missionary. He authored the only two books of the Bible written by a non-Hebrew; Luke and Acts of

the Apostles

He was a very thorough, meticulous historian, and an orderly writer. Can we possibly imagine the miles of hard travel, and the hours of interviewing eyewitnesses of events to compile the records required to write these two books of the Bible.We must not suppose, however, that his work was solely humanistic.

He was God's man, inspired and empowered by God's spirit to write an historical record that would be included in the Bible, God's word, and His truth. Putting the events surrounding Christ's birth in a historical con-

text, W. Carl Ketcherside, writing for the International Sunday School Lessons, had this to say, and I quote, "The birth of Jesus occurred at what Scripture calls "The fullness of time.

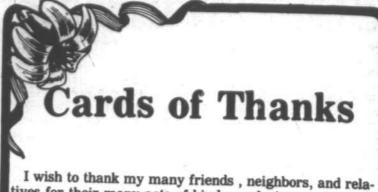
Rome was at the height of her power. The Greek language was universal. The Jewish people, who were intensely awaiting the Messiah, had been scattered all over the known world. There has never been another event for which such adequate preparation had been made.

The world realized it's hope-

lessness. Man was enslaved physically, mentally and spiritu-

ally. He could not free himself. He had to be delivered." (Unquote) About fifteen hundred years prior to this time God had delivered His people from Egyptian slavery. He was now setting in motion His plan to deliver people from the bondage of sin. The time was right, and He had selected a young maid from the town of Nazareth to be the mother of His Son, Jesus.

(Lesson based on the International Sunday Shool Lessons)



tives for their many acts of kindness during my hospital stay and since my return home. May God bless each of you.

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The Junior Usher Board of New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church in Hertford, recently held a Little Miss Calendar Program. The funds netted wll be used in making further improvements to the church.

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By being a participant in this program, the youth had an opportunity to take an active role in church activities. The age of participants ranged from 4 years to 13 years.

The Calendar Girl participants were: Felicia Downing-top winner; Natasha Downing-1st place winner; and Phillis Wrighton and Diana Harney tied for 2nd place. Other Calendar Girl participants were: Tonya Brothers, Ebony Brothers, Ebony Copeland, Salina Honeyblue, Angela Manley, Doretha Phelps, Tamra White, Jerri Zachary and Kim Zachary. The escorts were: Robert Copeland, II, Calvin Coston, Jr., Bryan Downing, Kevin Downing, Tony Downing, Wayne Downing, Jamie Honeyblue, Donald Manlley, Joseph Phelps, and Claly Rouson. Participants and escorts were introduced by Mrs. Mary J. Copeland.

Poems and solos were among the special performances and were provided by the young participants. Music for the program was rendered by the New Spiritual Singers under the direction of Mr. Jerry Zachary. Mrs. Joyce Wrighton and Mrs. Shirley Manley presented flowers, certificates, and gifts to overall calendar winners, participants, and

Jeroline Coston, Mrs. Sarah Downing-Chairladies; Mrs. Vanora Brothers, Mrs. Johnetta Downing, Mrs. Evangeline Downing, Mrs. Shirley Manley, and Mrs. Joyce Wrighton-members

Mrs. Johnetta Downing also served as the Mistress of Ceremonies for this program.

SAUNDERS GROVE **BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday School begans at 9:45 a.m. with the Superintendent Mc-Carthy Mitchell in charge. Morning worship service starts with the Rev. Larry Moore, the pastor, bring the message. Music will be rendered by the junior choir; the young adult ushers will also serve.

Saunders Gove Baptish Church Sunday School is planning an appreciation service for Deacon McCarthy Mitchell. The special guest will be Steve & New Birth Harmonies in concert, for the benefit of the church, and the honoree Deacon Mitchell. This event will be Sunday, Dec. 1, 1985 at 1:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend. FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The morning worship youth day begins at 11:00 a.m. The young adult choir will render the music. The Rev. F.H. London, pastor will be preaching from the subject "God For Us", Luke 4:18-19.

The beginning of the Advent



Season Worship service at First Baptist Church, the Rev. J.H. London will preach from the subject: "Is God On Your Christmas List", Mathew 2:11, at 7:00 p.m. The First Family Candle of the Family Circle will Light folling this worship. There will be a musical concert. The guest will be the "Peerless Four Quartet", of Suffolk, Virginia. The service begins at 8:00 p.m. WARWICK BAPTIST CHURCH

On December 3, 1985 at 7:30 p.m., Eternity will be coming to Warwick Baptist Church in Hobbsville, N.C. Eternity is a body of Young Musicians serving the Lord with their talents to Chowan-Gates County line.

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The 16 member group consists of 6 vocalists, accompanied by keyboards, rhythm bass and woodwind sections. Eternity has traveled throughout the USA, Canada, Central America, the middle East and Europe. They represent musical excellence and an endless source of vitality. For this concert they will be doing a variety of religious music as well as a selection of Christmas music.

There is no admission charge and the public is invited to attend. Warwick is located on Highway 22 north right at the

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Remember the story of Adam and Eve, out of the Garden, how they looked for a place for shade, a place to plant seeds, how they found the ground hard and full of thistles and thorns with little rain to grow

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ADAM: Yes, Eve. I'm sure God loves those who respond to His love. Those who, like us, see that all God ever wanted or ever wants