

Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln Counties

# Good News

*Area News of Churches and Related Christian Events*

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## Tell us your Good News

The Good News is the latest addition to the five Republic weekly newspapers which include the Kings Mountain Herald, the Cherryville Eagle, the Mount Holly News, the Belmont Banner and the Bessemer City Record.

The design that became a tabloid size newspaper January 21, will feature Christian events and activities of all kinds including rallies, singings, revivals, seminars, outings, outreaches, community programs and anything else that is provided to further the name of Jesus Christ and promote good will (and better communication) among His followers.

For the first time, there

will be a format designed to accommodate everything from the little event to the large ones - all publicized at no charge to the churches involved.

**Good News** is geared specifically toward just that - we want to hear about those persons that are active leaders and teachers within various churches and religious organizations that are actively helping others. We would like to see these special folks given the opportunity to share the programs and outreach activities that they have found to be the most successful with others that are growing and searching for the best activities for their respective congregations.

The **Good News** will feature timely information on what is happening as well as providing a simple means of open communications between churches throughout our tri-county area. We welcome all club meetings and activity information, feature ideas on teens, young adults, business people, seniors and organizations. We encourage you to "pass the word" when a school or civic organization takes an interest in accommodating the Christian community in any area that will aid in providing more Christian services to more people. We are always interested in featuring charities and individuals that are going the

extra mile to help someone else, and to incorporate into our pages of news of those special organizations that provide an outreach to those with special needs - singles, single parents, youth, homebound, disabled - as well as those that are organizing various activities and outreaches that are open to new members.

We welcome any and all information of Christian-oriented activities and events and encourage you to let us know about any news worthy events so that we can better accommodate them and incorporate them into the article and feature portions of **Good News**.

The **Good News** portion of these weekly newspapers

is actually being sponsored by those businesses you find advertising herein. Their interest in this special section is evident by their involvement in it - please let them know you appreciate their participation by helping us to cover the Christian community completely and effectively. Our goal is for **Good News** to become every Christian's means of keeping apprised to what's happening in our world.

We encourage you to share your Good News with us.

For advertising and news in the **Good News** contact Debra Helton at the Kings Mountain Herald office, 739-7496.

## 'Mostly Smiles' to meet

Hospice of Cleveland County announces that the children's bereavement group "Mostly Smiles," will meet every Wednesday afternoon in February in the Hospice conference room in the Marion

### Singles meeting set

Second Baptist Church of Kings Mountain will hold its monthly Single's meeting on February 15 at the fellowship hall located at 120 Linwood Road in Kings Mountain. Rev. Eugene Land of Second Baptist has directed the interdenominational out reach for eight years. For further information call (704) 739-4216.

Mall. The group will meet from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. and will consist of discussions, artwork, storytelling, and various other techniques to help children express and deal with their grief. In remembering a loved one, the sense of loss often generates feelings of pain, loneliness, and sadness, but through bereavement support, the remembrance of a loved one can bring "Mostly Smiles."

The group is open to children from all past Hospice families and also to the general public for grades K through 7. Call the Hospice office 487-4677 for any additional information regarding this service or to request transportation. Patti McMurry, social worker, and Keys Pendleton, chaplain will conduct the group.



DR. CLYDE DUPIN

## "They had Faith in God"

In the month of February, we celebrate the birthdays of two great American leaders who had faith in God. One man, George Washington, was the Father of our country and Abraham Lincoln was the Savior of the union. Both of these men read the Bible and used it in their daily lives.

George Washington said, "It is impossible to govern the world without the Bible. Reason and experience both forbid us to expect that nationally morality can prevail in exclusion of religious principles."

Abraham Lincoln said, "In regard to the great Book, I have only to say it is the best gift which God has given to men."

History tells us that both these great statesmen and American heroes were men who not only read the Bible but they often prayed. It has been encouraging to see our recent presidents speaking about their Christian faith and calling the nation to prayer. America has a great Christian heritage. It has given our people courage in time of great peril. It has been our source of hope when our people have gone to war. One year ago in the midst of Desert Storm, many people prayed and church attendance rose to its highest in twenty five years. Our challenge in 1992 should be to return to the faith of our Fathers.