

Religion

First Baptist Bible School

First Baptist Church in Kings Mountain will hold its Vacation Bible School July 13 through 17 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The church is located at 605 West King Street. If you need transportation, call 739-3651.

Claffes begin missions work

The Sunday evening service at Boyce Memorial ARP Church will feature a commissioning service for home missionaries Jim and Ann Claffee. The Claffees will work with Providence Mission on Union Road in Gastonia for one year.



TOP AWARD - Heather Barrett, daughter of Dink and Pat Barrett, Amanda Bullock, daughter of Charles and Kim Bullock, and Summer Crisp, daughter of Gary and Cathy Crisp, left to right, received the John Wesley award, the highest award in the CYCI Club in the Wesleyan Church recently after they earned all badges from grades 1-6. They are active in First Wesleyan Church.

Holly Robinson making 27-state gospel tour

By LOIS SMITH

According to her grandfather, Bill Robinson, his granddaughter, Holly Robinson, is "doing good."

The rising eighth-grader at Bessemer City Junior High School, who has been singing gospel songs since she was 8 years old, is making her first tour.

At this time, she is half-way into her seven-week, 27-state tour.

Bill Robinson told how the tour had come about.

"Rev. Steve Wilkins, minister at Ragan Wesleyan Church, helped us to schedule Holly's tour," he said. "He is her booking agent."

Rev. Wilkins stated, "We started working last fall in working on the tour. I have a high interest in religious music. For four years I traveled with a Concert Ministry. In working with it, I sang. We visited churches, church meetings and camp meetings to present musical programs. Those are the places that Holly is also singing."

"I enjoy music. It is a hobby for me. I get an enjoyment out of assisting Holly in her gospel singing career."

Rev. Wilkins added, "I just returned tonight from Des Moines where my wife and I attended the General Convention of the Wesleyan Church. Holly was booked to sing at it. She was very well received."

Holly is also the granddaughter of Nell Falls of Kings Mountain.

Holly's grandfather, in telling about Holly's reception at the General Wesleyan Convention, commented with pride, "After Holly sang, she was asked to sing again and again."



HOLLY ROBINSON

Holly's 10-year-old brother, Ritchie, are accompanying Holly. They call each day to my wife and me to let us know how they are getting along."

Ritchie is thoroughly enjoying the tour. In addition to seeing buffaloes and the Old West, the Robinsons drove four hours off their route to Kansas City so that Ritchie could see his favorite team, the Yankees, play Kansas.

Rev. Wilkins said the Robinsons, who are staying both at motels and, at times, in homes of church members, left Iowa for Sioux Falls, S.D. They will be in Montana, Oregon and California.

Her grandmother Robinson said, "The first state Holly performed in was the state of Indiana and then

on into Michigan before she sang in Des Moines. My family will return through the southern states en route home. They will be in Colorado at Colorado Springs and Greeley."

Holly's grandmother pointed out, "Holly has cut her tenth album. At each place she sings, a table is set up for her to display and sell her albums."

The last tape Holly made has solo parts in it by the Revs. Whitener and Wilkins, Scott Whitener, Teresa Carpenter and Judy Whitener. First Wesleyan choir is in the background.

She made her first two recordings through a recording company on Ozark Ave. in Gastonia that was owned and operated by Gary Rushing. In 1988, her grandfather Robinson bought into the recording company and eventually bought it out. It now operates as Son Sound Recording Co. It is located at 104 Bright Ave.

Her grandfather commented, "Holly's making her albums was responsible for getting me interested in recording gospel music."

As a 13-year-old gospel singer, Holly has made the grade to professional status.

Local people have had the pleasure of hearing Holly sing in public. She has sung at all three of Bessemer City's Down Home Day events where she has been very well received.

Rev. Sellers serving KM churches

The Galilee-St. Paul charge announces the appointment of Rev. Liston Sellers Jr. by the Western N.C. Conference of the United Methodist Church to serve them as pastor.

Rev. Sellers is a native of Dillon, S.C. He is a graduate of Carver High School, Winston-Salem. His higher education includes a B.S. from Winston-Salem State University, Masters of Divinity from Hood Theological Seminary (Livingstone College), Salisbury, certificate in clinical pastoral counseling from Wesley Long Hospital, Greensboro, and other awards and certificates of recognition.

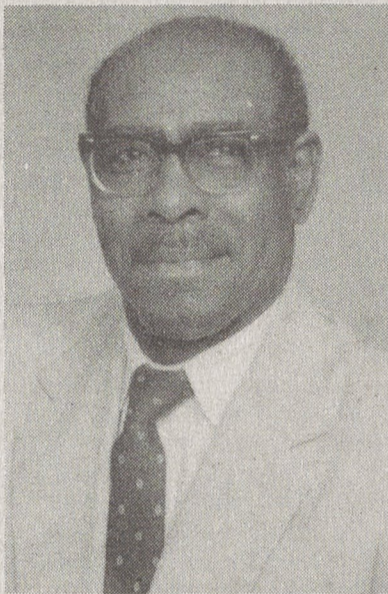
Rev. Sellers has served several

United Methodist Church pastorates and has actively participated on several boards and agencies of the Western N.C. Conference.

He is married to Mrs. Rosa Hooker Sellers and they have one son, Curtis L. Sellers.

He will begin his pastorate at Galilee-St. Paul on the first Sunday in July. The charge will welcome Rev. and Mrs. Sellers with a reception at the Galilee United Methodist Church fellowship hall on that Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

The public is invited to share in the worship services at St. Paul and/or Galilee to hear the new pastor and meet and greet his family at the reception.



REV. LISTON SELLERS, JR.

Obituaries

A.V. KENNEDY SR.

SHELBY - Austin Victor Kennedy Sr., 82, of 1667 N. Lafayette St., died June 28, 1992 at home.

A native of Casar, he was son of the late Plato and Jenny Fortenberry Kennedy and husband of the late Cornene Wallace Kennedy. He was a self employed construction worker and former textile employee and was a member of East Shelby Church of God.

Surviving are three sons, Austin Earl Kennedy and Austin V. Kennedy, both of Belwood, and John W. Kennedy of Shelby; four daughters, Thelma Sealey of Shelby, Sue Powell of Port Richey, Jean Dover of Grover and Linda Kennedy of Dalton, GA; two brothers, Arlen Kennedy and James Kennedy, both of Shelby; three sisters, Elora Kennedy, Sharon Brooks and Nettie West; and 16 grandchildren, including Joyce Callahan of the home.

The funeral was conducted Tuesday at 2 p.m. at East Shelby Church of God. Rev. Herman Toney and Rev. Richard King officiated. Burial was in Rose Hill Memorial Park Inc.

BOBBIE HARMON

Barbara "Bobbie" Harmon, 62, of 409 Phifer Rd., died June 26, 1992 at Kings Mountain Hospital.

A native of Atlanta, GA, she was the widow of Walter D. Harmon and the daughter of Mrs. Bernice Wright Simmons and the late John D. Simmons Sr. She was a homemaker and a member of Central United Methodist Church.

Surviving, in addition to her mother, are one son, Walter D. Harmon Jr. of Shelby; two daughters, Lynn Dewitt of Concord and Terri Wright of Mooresville; and three grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at Central United Methodist Church. Rev. Robert Little officiated. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

EVALEE PINKLETON

Evalee Edison Pinkleton, 80, of Prince George Village, Georgetown, SC, formerly of Grover, died June 27, 1992 at Prince George Village.

A native of Belmont, she was widow of Jack Pinkleton and daughter of the late Russell and Mittie Fish Edison.

Surviving are one son, Russell Pinkleton of Charlotte; two daughters, Jane Pinkleton of Pawley's Island, SC and Carolyn Drake of Myrtle Beach; one brother, Austin Edison of Alexandria, VA; one sister, Helen Parker of Belmont; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She was a member of Grover First Baptist Church.

The funeral was conducted Monday at 2 p.m. at Grover First Baptist Church. Rev. John Bridges officiated. Burial was in Grover Cemetery.

WILLIAM HARRISON

William Edward Harrison, 88, of 910 Linwood Road, died June 25, 1992 at Gaston Memorial Hospital.

A native of New Hope Community of Gastonia, he was co-owner of Harrison Machine Shop of Kings Mountain. He was married to Sue Faries Harrison, who survives.

He was son of the late John T. and Luna Rankin Harrison and a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are one son, J. Ralph Harrison of Kings Mountain; four daughters, Jane Carson of Kings Mountain, Grace Ballenger of Cramerton, Doris Lazenby of Bessemer City and Nancy Smith of Rock Hill, SC; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

The graveside service was conducted Saturday at 11 a.m. at Mountain Rest Cemetery by Dr. Eric Faust.

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church, 111 E. King St., Kings Mountain, 28086.

JAMES V. DOVER

James V. Dover, 70, of 506 S. Canster St., died June 26, 1992 at home.

A native of York County, SC, he was married to Rosella Carroll Dover, who survives, and was son of the late Robert A. and Daisy Mullinax Dover. He was a World War II Navy veteran and a member of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church. He was a member of American Legion Post 155.

Surviving, in addition to his wife, are one son, Ronald M. Dover of Bessemer City; one daughter, Jama Roof of Kings Mountain; three sisters, Ruby Jenkins of Shelby and Pearlline Rollins and Eula Huskey, both of Kings Mountain; four grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was conducted Sunday at 3 p.m. at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church. Rev. Harwood Smith officiated. Burial was in Mountain Rest Cemetery.

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ELECTRICAL GROUND WORKER Grade 13. Starting salary \$6.50 per hour. Perform semi-skilled work assisting line workers in the construction and maintenance of electrical transmission and distribution lines. Must be high school graduate and possess a valid appropriate NC drivers license (CDL).

GAS CONTROLLER Grade 17. Starting salary \$7.92 per hour. Performs routine technical and clerical work, dispatching work orders to service crews maintaining records and monitoring gas regulating equipment of the distribution system. Must be a high school graduate and possess considerable experience in gas office operations. Thorough knowledge of record keeping practice, procedure and requirements of the utilities commission.

The final candidate must take a medical examination and drug screening. The City of Kings Mountain does not discriminate against persons with disabilities. EOE/MF

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