

Church Briefs

Special services at Grace Methodist

Special services are slated the next two Sundays at Grace United Methodist Church, 805 Katherine Avenue, Kings Mountain.

On Sunday, May 22 there will be a celebration of Pentecost during the 11 a.m. worship hour.

Sunday, May 29, is homecoming. Rev. Patricia Stone, pastor, will speak at the 11 a.m. worship service and a covered dish luncheon will be held following the service.

The public is invited to both services.

Special services set at Dixon Presbyterian

Special activities are planned for the next two Sundays at Dixon Presbyterian Church, 602 Dixon School Road, Kings Mountain.

On Sunday, May 22, high school and college graduates will be honored, and young people who recently completed the Pastor's Communicant's Class will be recognized.

Sunday, May 29, is homecoming and the climax of a four-month celebration of the church's 50th anniversary. Former pastor Olin Whitener will speak at the 11 a.m. service. A covered dish lunch will be served afterward; and after lunch, members of the church will open the church cornerstone and dedicate the old Dixon School as a fellowship center.

Rev. Allan Sinclair, pastor, invites the public.

Revival scheduled at David Baptist

Revival services will be held May 23-26 at David Baptist Church, located across from Bethware School in Kings Mountain.

Services are at 7:30 p.m. each evening.

Guest speaker will be Rev. Dan Wallace, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church in Shelby. There will be special music each evening and a nursery will be provided.

The public is invited.

Church to offer portrait for \$5

The East Kings Mountain Church of God is offering a 10 x 13 family portrait for \$5.

For a coupon and information call 739-8993 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.

Gospel singing set at Holiness Mission

There will be a gospel singing Saturday, May 21 at 6 p.m. at Holiness Christian Mission, 215 Blanton Street, Kings Mountain.

The public is invited.



COY PRIVETTE

Privette to speak at Bethlehem Baptist

Coy C. Privette, Executive Director of the Christian Action League of N.C., Inc., and Region 6 Director of North Carolina Baptist Men, will speak at Bethlehem Baptist Church, 1017 Bethlehem Road, Kings Mountain, Sunday, May 22 during the 11 a.m. worship service.

Privette was pastor of North Kannapolis Baptist Church from 1962-76, and served as First Vice President and President of the Baptist State Convention. He was a member of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission for eight years.

From 1985-92, he served in the N.C. House of Representatives.

Rev. Harold Beam, pastor, invites the public.

Bible School set at Macedonia BC

Macedonia Baptist Church, 1101 S. Battleground Avenue, has scheduled its Vacation Bible School activities June 5-10 from 6-8:30 p.m.

Parents of preschoolers, children and youth are urged to pre-register by calling the church office at 739-6811. A registration form will be mailed, and they are to be taken to the church for a pre-registration

party on Saturday, June 4 at 7 p.m. After forms are presented, the youth will attempt to build the largest banana split in the history of Kings Mountain.

R.A. West crusade planned in Gastonia

Evangelist R.A. West will conduct a crusade May 19-20 at the Revival Time for Jesus Church, located two miles off I-85 on Cox Road in Gastonia.

Services are slated at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call Rev. Shirley Ghantt at 824-0242.

Gospel sing slated at Wayside Church

There will be a gospel singing at Wayside Church of the Living God Saturday, May 21 at 7 p.m.

The featured group will be "The Enlighteners" of Concord.

The church is located on Long Branch Road between Kings Mountain and Shelby. Rev. Clifton Morgan, pastor, invites the public.

Vestibule Church to honor its pastor

Rev. Cornelius Bell and his family will be honored with a fifth anniversary program May 20-22 at Vestibule A.M.E. Zion Church, Kings Mountain.

Friday at 7 p.m., Rev. Joann Barber, Associate Pastor and the Emmanuel Missionary Baptist Church family of Gastonia, will lead the services.

On Sunday at 11 a.m., Rev. Phillip Dunston of Atlanta, Ga., who is Associate Pastor of St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church in Charlotte, will preach. At special 3 p.m. service will be led by Rev. Terrence Jones, pastor, and the choir of Liberty Hill A.M.E. Zion Church in Lake Wylie, SC.

Ministers' wives are encouraged to attend the Friday night service which will be a celebration honoring Mrs. Bell.

Members of the Pastor's Appreciation Committee invite the public.

What to take out of fire

During March, I was privileged to spend five days touring and meeting personnel of a five mission program of my denomination known as the Red Bird Missionary Conference. Located in the Appalachian coal mining region of Southeast Kentucky, it has helped the people of the "hollers" for over 50 years meeting personal, medical educational, social and spiritual needs. One of its programs, the Red Bird School, has been a great benefactor of a program sponsored by the Campbell's Soup Company in which the soup can labels are used as premiums to buy school supplies and equipment. Churches and individuals from all over the nation have sent millions of labels which have been used to purchase vans, cameras, refrigerators, tape players, etc. If you are interested in donating soup labels, give me a call.

But I'm not writing to ask for labels. I want to relate a true story that happened to a woman, her sister, and her son who were traveling in a rented motor home to visit the Red Bird Mission when they started having mechanical problems. When they stopped along the roadside, they realized immediately that the motor home was on fire. In the panic, each grabbed what they could as they quickly exited the vehicle. The sister grabbed her purse. The son took his "boom box" and a couple of jackets. And the woman grabbed - believe it or not - a sack full of soup labels she was delivering for her church! The motor home was completely destroyed with all its contents, but the soup labels were delivered as promised.

This story made me think about what I would be

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Rev. Harold Schwantes
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sure to take with me if I were in a similar situation. As I look around I realize I have many possessions, yet in an emergency very few are of much importance if I must risk my life to save them. Besides my family, I suppose Bootsie, our cat, would come next in importance (at least, on a good day) and after that it would probably be whatever I grabbed on the way out.

Recently, this story has also helped me as I have pondered over other life situations. For example, there are many times when I have disagreed with my teenagers about their choice of dress, hairstyle, diet, and sometimes friends. But as they grow up and I grow older, I find there are not that many disagreements worth risking our relationship over. The same is true in my church, our community, and our world. Don't get me wrong: I'm not suggesting that some things are not worth the risk. But I am trying to choose those things more carefully now so, when I come out of the fire, I'll have more than a sack of soup labels with me!

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