

Church Briefs

75th anniversary set at Macedonia Baptist

Macedonia Baptist Church, organized October 31, 1920, celebrating its diamond jubilee in special services, will culminate its celebration on Sunday at 11 a.m. with "Old Time Religion Sunday" and opening of the time capsule placed in the church in 1956.

In keeping with the theme, church members will dress in the attire their ancestors would have worn 75 years ago to worship and will place new items in the time capsule to be opened at future anniversary celebrations.

"This is a big day in the life of our church and we welcome former members and friends to worship with us," said Rev. David Philbeck, pastor.

Last Sunday members flew colorful balloons in the air with messages inside that "Jesus Loves You" and invited people to the celebration activities.

Macedonia Memories was part of a recent worship service and a booklet was printed and distributed. The 75th anniversary committee also made handmade fans and placed them in the church and Liberty Singers from Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va. presented special entertainment and slides from a mission trip.

A humorous skit was held by members dressed as detectives who reported on their research into the church history.

"We have really had a good time and learned so much about our church history," said Karen Sellers, a member of the anniversary committee.

Macedonia Church was organized by Rev. J. J. Hicks of East Kings Mountain Baptist Church and organizers from both the present Second Baptist Church and First Baptist Church were in attendance. The first members were R. A. Bookout, W.H. Moss, Charlie Bridges, G. B. Morris, J. H. Stafford, Theodore Moss, S.C. Jolley, Mrs. R. A. Bookout, Mrs. Novella Phillips, Mrs. W. H. Moss, Mrs. S. C. Jolley, Mrs. J. H. Stafford and Laney Moss. The first deacons were W. H. and Theodore Moss, R. A. Bookout and S.S. Jolley.

Hicks served as pastor of the new church until 1924. Other former pastors in that era were Rev. Clarence Wylie, Wesley Davis and Rev. W. T. Doster.

Within eight years of its beginnings the church grew and a new building was erected. Twenty-eight years later the church built a handsome new worship center. Several additions have been made in years since, including a parsonage, a ball field with press box and concession stand and recently a beautiful gymnasium and recreation building.

Fall Festival Tuesday at Bethlehem Church

Bethlehem Baptist Church will sponsor a fall festival Tuesday night at 6 p.m.

Trick-or-treaters are invited for Halloween fun for all ages.

History making evangelist Dr. L.A. Rouse to lead revival at New Life Christian Church

The New Life Christian Church, 111 East Parker Street, Kings Mountain, will have its second annual revival October 25-27 at 7 p.m.

The theme is "One Family Under Christ." Guest speaker will be Dr. Luonne A. Rouse of Disciples United Methodist Church, Greenville, SC.

New Life Christian Church was founded March 1, 1992 and has been a vital part of the Kings Mountain Community since. Under the leadership of its pastor, Rev. H.L. Rhedrick, the church has a broad youth ministry, extremely active prison and rest home ministries, as well as a ministry at Pine Manor Apartments. The church is at the former site of the Church of God on the corner of East Parker and Gaston Streets.

Rev. Rhedrick said the purpose of the revival is "to pray and meditate that all families will recognize the need for Jesus Christ in our lives today, then to renew our service and witness to the unsaved to bring them to Christ."

Dr. Rouse's focus will be the religious meaning of the body as the Temple of God, the Spirit that is with us now and the soul's eternal dwelling with God. He will teach how relationships can result in universal unity and an ultimate oneness with God.

Dr. Rouse is a minister of the South Carolina United Methodist Conference. He is a graduate of South Carolina State College and the Interdenominational Theological Seminary in Atlanta, where he received his Masters of Divinity degree. He has received his Doctor of Ministry Degree from the Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary in Columbia, SC.

He has pastored various churches in the South Carolina United Methodist Conference. In 1986 he was appointed Associate Pastor at Buncombe Street United Methodist Church in Greenville, SC. He remained there for six years. This was the first appointment of an African American to a predominantly white (2,500 member) congregation since reconstruction.

In 1992, Rev. Rouse became the founder and pastor of Joseph B. Bethea United Methodist Church in Conway/Myrtle Beach, SC. This was the first multi-racial inclusive congregation in the South Carolina Conference. Presently, Rev. Rouse is the pastor of Disciples United Methodist Church in Greenville, SC. This is the first cross racial appointment for a Senior Minister in the South Carolina Conference.

Dr. Rouse has received numerous awards and honors. Among these are the national Derman Evangelism Award, and the Barbara Boutinghouse Bridgebuilding Award. Dr. Rouse is a Certified member of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors, chairperson of Psychological Teaching Committee for the Board of Ordained Ministry, Certified Church Growth Consultant, and Race Relations Consultant. In 1994, he was given the South Carolina Outstanding Young American Religious Leadership Award by the South Carolina Junior Chamber of Commerce. This award was for his accomplishments in bringing about racial harmony.

Block Party set at Dixon School

A block party to raise funds for the renovation of the old Dixon School will be held Saturday, November 4 from 3-6 p.m. at the school.

Hot dogs and hamburgers will be sold and there will be games for the children.

The highlight of the day will be a pig kissing contest at 6 p.m. For each dollar donated to the renovation fund, the donor will be allowed to vote for the one he or she would like to see kiss a pig.

The public is invited. The school is located at 603 Dixon School Road, Kings Mountain.

Hallelujah Party at First Baptist

First Baptist Church, Kings Mountain, will have a Hallelujah Party October 31 from 6:30-8 p.m.

Participants are urged to dress in their favorite Bible costumes.

There will be plenty of candy, games, hot dogs and drinks for everyone.

All pre-school through fifth grade students and their parents are encouraged to attend.

Revival is planned at Nazarene Church

Kings Mountain First Church of the Nazarene will hold revival services October 29-November 1. Rev. Barry Wilson of Indianapolis, Indiana will be the speaker.

Rev. Wilson most recently pastored at Laurinburg, and earlier this year entered the field of full-time evangelism. While in Laurinburg, he was also a member of a men's quartet.

Rev. Robert Pulkkinen invites the public, Week night services are at 7 p.m.

Gospel singing set at Piedmont Baptist

There will be a gospel singing Sunday at 7 p.m. at Piedmont Baptist Church, Kings Mountain.

Featured guests will be James Rainey and Sonrise.

Refreshments will be served.

Rev. Steven Akers, pastor, invites the public.

Benefit set Sunday at Barnes Auditorium

Spencer Taylor and the legendary HiWay QC's of Chicago, Ill. are coming to Barnes Auditorium Sunday for a 5 p.m. church benefit.

The public is invited, says Scott Oglesby.

Rev. Reese to speak at Dayspring Church

Wayne Reese of Kings Mountain will fill the pulpit at Dayspring Missionary Baptist Church, 1035 W Highway 27, Lincolnton, November 1-3.

The Ronnie Wilcox Singers will provide special singing nightly at 7:30 p.m.

The church is located off Highway 321 North behind Seicor at 1741 9th Street NW in Hickory.

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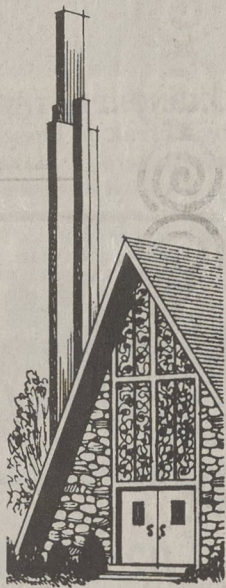
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is to nurture a human soul, foster its spiritual growth, and cultivate the crucial development of our child's character.

As a window lets light reach inside, the teaching of moral and religious truth lets faith find its rightful place in each youthful heart. To discover all the promise in this world the soul must begin by realizing the promises of God.

Sunday	Romans	16:1-16
Monday	1 Corinthians	12:12-31
Tuesday	2 Corinthians	2:5-11
Wednesday	2 Corinthians	4:1-15
Thursday	2 Corinthians	8:1-15
Friday	2 Corinthians	9:1-15
Saturday	Galatians	5:1-15

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