

CHURCH NEWS

Bridges ordained at First Baptist

Tommy P. Bridges Jr., son of Tommy and Ada Bridges Sr. of Kings Mountain, was ordained October 16 at First Baptist Church.



Leading the charge was Rev. Dewey F. Powell of Good Hope Baptist in Oroda, VA. Dr. J.W. "Chip" Sloan Jr., pastor of First Baptist, conducted the ordination.

Rev. Bridges is the new senior pastor of Bent Creek Baptist Church in Asheville.

Bishop to speak at Trinity Episcopal

The Rt. Rev. Robert H. Johnson will make his annual visit to Trinity Episcopal Church Sunday, October 20 at the 11 a.m. service.



A buffet dinner will follow the service. Johnson was elected Bishop Coadjutor of the Episcopal Diocese of Western North Carolina in November 1988 and was consecrated Bishop Coadjutor of the diocese on March 11, 1989 at the Asheville Civic Center. He became the Diocesan Bishop on January 1, 1990.

Before becoming a bishop, he was Rector of Holy Innocents' Episcopal Church and Chairman of the Board of Holy Innocents' Episcopal School in Atlanta for 17 years. His relational, listening, pastoral and administrative skills have been major factors in his ministry.

Bishop Johnson has a strong interest in community ministry and an outreach to those who are in need. He is also deeply involved in the nurture of parish clergy and their families and is active on the national leadership level of the Episcopal Church.

Before going to Atlanta, Bishop Johnson served as Senior Canon, Canon Pastor, and Canon Precentor of St. John's Cathedral in Jacksonville, FL. He began his ministry serving the yoked parishes of Our Merciful Savior in New Berlin, FL and St. George in Fort George Island, FL. During this time he started the new parish of St. Martin-in-the-Highlands (now St. Elizabeth's), Jacksonville.

He and his wife Julie have a son, Robert H. Johnson Jr., who is with First Union Bank and lives in Charlotte with his wife Pam and son. Their daughter, Katherine, is married and lives in West Point, VA, with her husband Jeff and their three children.

First Wesleyan collecting food

First Wesleyan Church of Kings Mountain will hold a collection drive Saturday, October 19 from 9 a.m.-12 noon at Winn Dixie in the KM Plaza Shopping Center. Non-perishable items and can goods are needed.

All items collected will go to a mission project supporting Hephzibah Children's Home in Macon, GA.

For more information call Charlotte Belcher at 734-5864.

Cornerstone sets yard and bake sale

Cornerstone Church of God, 202 Margrace Road, will have a yard/bake sale Saturday, October 19 from 7 a.m.-12 noon.

For more information call Rev. Bruce Harry II at 739-3773.

Cornerstone sets Family/Friend Day

Sunday, October 20 is Family/Friend Day at Cornerstone Church of God, 202 Margrace Road, Kings Mountain.

There will be a dinner following the 11 a.m. worship service.

4 Nights of Praise at Worship Center

Family Worship Center, 1818 Shelby Road, Kings Mountain, will hold a "Four Nights of Praise" series of services October 20-23 at 7 p.m.

Speakers will be Rev. Billy Houze (Oct. 20-22) and Rev. Robert Haynes on October 23.

The public is invited. For more information call 739-7206.

Fall revival set at Chestnut Ridge

A fall revival will be held October 20-24 at Chestnut Ridge Baptist Church, 618 Chestnut Ridge Church Road, Kings Mountain. Services will be at 11 o'clock Sunday morning and 7 o'clock in the evening.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. Mickey Pruitt. The public is invited.

Revival slated at Macedonia

Revival will be held October 20-22 at 7 p.m. at Macedonia Baptist Church, Kings Mountain.

Guest speaker will be Rev. Greg Mathis.

A nursery will be provided.

Gaston Baptists set fall meeting

The Greater Gaston Baptist Association will have

its annual fall meeting October 21-22.

The first night session will be at Southside Baptist Church in Gastonia. The second night's session will be at Flint Groves Baptist, Gastonia.

The association consists of 122 churches in Cleveland, Gaston, Lincoln and Mecklenburg counties. Total membership is about 54,000 people.

The theme is "Faith for the Challenge." The agenda includes a new mission statement, 2002-03 funding plan for missions, ministry and evangelism, by-law changes, new Robert's Retreat guidelines, a new mission project with the Baptist Union of Great Britain, and updates on "Project Spirit." The association will also vote on acceptance of several new churches.

Fall festival set at Grace Methodist

Grace United Methodist Church, Kings Mountain, will hold a fall festival Saturday, October 26 from 5-8 p.m.

There will be fun and games, prizes and food for children and adults.

Rev. Dale Swofford will present a Christian magic show.

The public is invited.

Blood drive set at Grace Methodist

Grace United Methodist Church, Kings Mountain, will host a Halloween Blood Drive October 31 from 12:30-5 p.m.

All eligible donors are encouraged to give blood.

Fall camp meeting set in Blacksburg

The Voice of Triumph, 179 Corry Road, Blacksburg, SC will host its annual fall camp meeting October 31-November 3.

Guest speakers will include host pastors Ernest and Ann Rogers, and Evangelist Eddie Shelton of Red Bay, AL.

Services are at 7 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, and 10:30 a.m. Friday through Sunday.

For more information call (864) 839-0111.

Car show, BBQ at Grace Methodist

Grace United Methodist Church will host a car, truck and bike show and barbecue Saturday, November 9 from 8 a.m.-7 p.m.

Classic and antique vehicles (all pre-1972) will be on display and competing for prizes.

Sausage biscuits will be sold from 8-10:30 a.m.

Barbecue will be sold from 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

The public is invited.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

Edward Jones ranked number 1

The financial-services firm Edward Jones has been ranked number one among full-service brokers by Kiplinger's Persona Finance Magazine.

Doug Satterfield, the firm's Kings Mountain investment representative, said the story appeared in the magazine's annual special edition "Stocks '03" which went appeared on newsstands October 1.

Edward Jones ranked ahead of nine of the nation's largest brokerages overall based on results in six categories. The firm received top honors in the categories for best stock picking and best low fees.

"Jones' charges the lowest commissions among the nine largest full-service brokerages, yet its analysts stock picks produced the highest returns over the last five years," according to the magazine.

Edward Jones, the only major financial-services firm advising individual investors exclusively, trades its roots to 1871, Satterfield said. The firm currently serves nearly six million clients and offers a variety of investments, including certificates of deposit, taxable and non-taxable bonds, stocks and mutual funds.

The largest firm in the nation in terms of branch offices, Edward Jones has more than 8,500 offices in the U.S. and, through its affiliates, in Canada and the United Kingdom. The firm plans to expand to 10,000 offices by 2003.

Leazer joins Citizens South

Chris Leazer has joined the staff of Citizens South Bank as a Financial Consultant with the bank's subsidiary, Citizens South Investment Services.



LEAZER

Leazer will lead the investment services effort in the Salisbury office. Formerly with First Charter Investment Services, his responsibilities included advising clients on retirement, education and investment planning.

Leazer received his Bachelor of Arts and Masters of Business Administration from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. He is a native of Faith and resides in Cramerton with his wife, Emily.

Citizens South has approximately \$450 million in assets and offers full-service banking in Gaston, Rowan and Iredell counties. Citizens South Bank was chartered in 1904 and is the oldest chartered financial

institution in Gaston County.

Coldwell Banker appoints Bailey

Coldwell Banker Horn and Associates has named Dennis Bailey as Managing Broker of the its Kings Mountain Real Estate office.



BAILEY

Bailey, a Cleveland County native, began his real estate career in San Antonio, TX in 1996 and has been a consistent multi-million dollar producing agent since. He returned to Cleveland County in February 2000 after retiring from the U.S. Air Force after 20 years as a Signals Intelligence Analyst, Enlisted Personnel Manager, and Superintendent and Project Manager.

Bailey earned a Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration from Barrington University and earned two Associate of Science degrees from the Community College of the Air Force - one in Communications Processing Management and another in Metals Technology.

He is active in the community as Assistant Scout Master of Troop 107, Boy Scouts of America, is a

member of the Cleveland County Chamber and Rotary International. In 1998 he was named one of the Outstanding Young Men of America.

Bailey is married to the former Sandra English of Hampton, VA. They have two sons, Dylan, 10, and Ryan, 12.

Fuel assistance available in county

Applications for fuel assistance will be accepted by the Cleveland County Department of Social Services November 4-15 (with the exception of November 11, Veterans Day, when the agency will be closed).

The Low Income Energy Association Program (LIEAP) is a federally funded program that provides a one-time cash payment to help eligible families supplement their heating bills. Under the plan, payments will be targeted toward all food assistance households active in the Food Stamp Information System as of September 30. These households will receive an automatic payment for heating costs if they meet all LIEAP guidelines. Other food assistance households that are ineligible for an automatic payment will receive a letter advising them to go to the Cleveland county Department of Social Services to apply during the application period.

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