

CHURCH NEWS

Senior Fall Fling held in Mooresville

First Presbytery of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church held its annual Senior Fall Fling at the Mooresville Church on Thursday, September 28.

A group from the local Boyce Memorial ARP Church attended the activities.

Scheduled events included a devotional time, Bible study and other classes in the morning and afternoon, a time of entertainment and door prizes.

Marcus Hamilton, artist for Dennis the Menace, shared some interesting thoughts. He sang a couple of songs and told of how he became involved and associated with Hank Ketcham Ent. Inc., creator of the cartoon character. To conclude his presentation, he did a sketch of Dennis and contributed it as a door prize. The winner was Juanita Steffy, who attended with the group from Kings Mountain.

Year of Jubilee at Faith Baptist

Faith Baptist church, 1009 Linwood Road, Kings Mountain, will be celebrating its Year of Jubilee (50th anniversary) Sunday, October 12.

Special speakers will be former pastors, past officers of the church, and pastors called and ordained during the church history. Any former leaders that wish to be recognized are asked to call Rev. J.R. Robbins at 730-8650 by October 10.

Special music guests will include gospel recording artist Billy Lord of Atlanta, GA, George Lockhart of Snellville, Ga, and local artists.

Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. with a break for lunch on the grounds. Following lunch will be more music and worship.

The public is invited.

Roseboro to preach her initial sermon

Lynn L. Roseboro will preach her initial sermon Sunday, October 5 at 2:30 p.m. at New Hope AME Zion Church, 7000 Shallowford Road, Lewisville, NC.

Dr. Robert Lawton is pastor.

Roseboro is a 1990 graduate of Kings Mountain High School and a 1994 graduate of Winston-Salem State University. She is a former member of Galilee United Methodist church. She is the daughter of Chris and Priscilla Roseboro and has one son, Christopher Omar

Roseboro.

Roseboro is active at New Hope AME Zion, where she serves as the Superintendent of the Buds of Promise, Treasurer of the Christian Education Department, and Praise Team Leader.

The public is invited to attend. For direction to the church call (336) 945-9083 or (336) 945-5618.

Fish fry, hot dogs at St. Paul UMC

There will be a fish fry and hot dog sale October 4 from 11 a.m.-6 p.m. at St. Paul United Methodist Church, 220 N. Cansler Street, Kings Mountain.

Fish plates are \$6 and hot dog plates are \$3. A fish sandwich is \$3 and a single hot dog is \$1.

Deliveries of five or more plates are available by calling 739-1256.

Musical slated at People's Baptist

People's Baptist Church, 1010 Groves Street, will be "Celebrating Our Differences" with a musical variety October 25 at 6 p.m. The public is invited.

Liberia Boys Choir at Central Methodist

The Liberia A capella Boys Choir will be in concert at 7 p.m. Wednesday, October 8 at Central United Methodist Church, Kings Mountain. Admission is free but a love offering will be accepted.

The Liberia A cappella Boys Choir is an evangelistic outreach of African Christians Fellowship International. The choir consists of 12 gifted young boys in age from 11-16 years old. The choir is unique in that all 12 are orphans.

The boys are from five of the 16 major tribes of Liberia, Africa. The songs are both English and several African languages.

The Christian Adult Class will host a fellowship supper at 6:15. The public is invited.

Peoples Baptist anniversary slated

The Peoples Baptist Church will celebrate its 13th anniversary Sunday, Oct. 5 at 3 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Rev. Larry Dixon of Long Branch Baptist Church, Grover. The public is invited.

Revival to begin at Harvest Baptist

Fall revival will be held October 5-8 at Harvest Baptist Church, 144 Ware Road, Kings Mountain.

Services are at 6 p.m. Sunday and 7 p.m. Monday through Wednesday.

Rev. Jamie Ellis will be guest speaker. The public is invited.

Youth revival set at St. Peter Baptist

St. Peter Baptist Church, Grover, will hold a two-night youth revival October 14-15 at 7 p.m.

The speaker will be Rev. Johnny Brown of Georgetown, SC. Various churches will present special music.

The public is invited.

Westover Baptist revival to begin

Westover Baptist Church, 114 Westover Drive, Kings Mountain, will be in revival October 5-8 at 7 p.m.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Wilburn Edmondson. The public is invited.

Barbecue slated at Bethea UMC

A barbecue sale will be held October 17 from 11 a.m.-7 p.m. at Bethea United Methodist church, 605 East Maryland Avenue, Bessemer City.

Plates are \$6.

Faith & Fun Fest at Shelby church

Aldersgate United Methodist Church, 1207 W. Dixon Blvd., Shelby, is having a free faith and fun fest Sunday, October 12 from 2-7 p.m.

There will be a car show, fie house, food, live music, clowns, puppet show, story tellers, children's games and prizes, rides, rock climbing wall, cake walks and ministry fair.

On site and satellite parking with shuttle service are available.

Cherryville church schedules fall fest

Victory Life Assembly of God, Hwy. 150 West of Cherryville will hold its annual fall fest Saturday, Oct. 11.

The Cherryville Police Department will be on hand at 10:45 a.m. to provide free ID cards for children.

For more information call 435-5539.

Bill Worthen preaches first sermon at age 71

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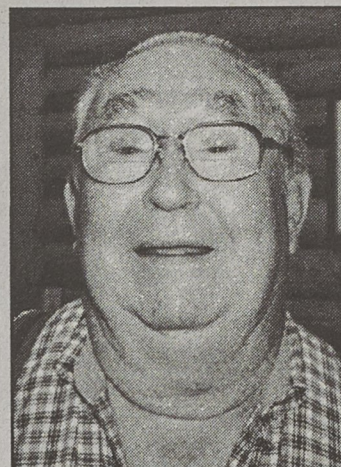
At age 71, Bill Worthen preached his first sermon in April.

The Kings Mountain man preached at his home church, Carolina Praise and Worship Center. He was ordained by his denomination, the Church of God, earlier this year.

Worthen's work within the denomination will revolve around teaching ministries and churches of all denominations how to obtain religious books and materials from publishers.

He first learned to do this job volunteering for Son Light Ministries. The ministry serves inmates at the county jail. Worthen says ministering to inmates brings him joy.

He proudly displays a cloth inmates made for the ministry team. They painted praying hands clasping a



BILL WORTHEN

cross, an open Bible and flowers. The names of all the volunteers are listed at the top.

"It's a treasure for me," he said.

Worthen does not preach to the inmates, instead he offers a listening ear.

"When I was out in sin I didn't want people telling me what to do," he said.

Before becoming a

Christian over 30 years ago, Worthen abused alcohol, was racist and felt hatred toward others.

He gives God the credit for changing him.

"Once the Lord works you over He does a good job if you let him," Worthen said.

He credits God for helping him overcome crippling arthritis and a weak heart. A few years ago he had trouble walking to the mailbox. Today Worthen has regained much of his strength though some days he still is in pain.

"I don't care what's wrong, I'm going to go on," he said.

Worthen says his wife Ruby often encourages him when he feels bad.

"She is precious," he said.

Ever optimistic, Worthen is eager to continue his ministry and savor every day till God calls him home.

"I get a joy out of everything I do," he said.

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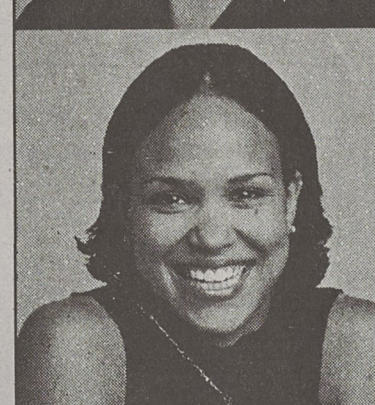
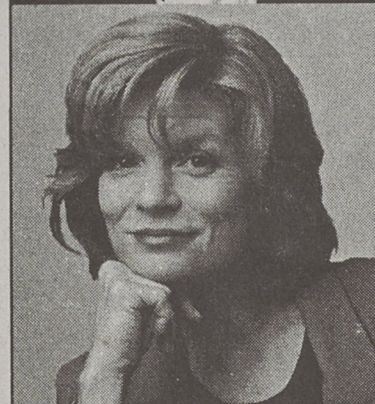
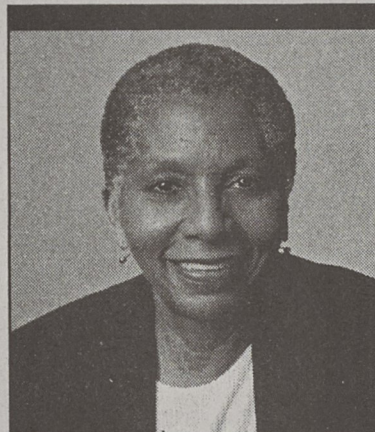
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