

GABBING ABOUT TOWN

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OTHERS

Lord, help me to live from day to day
In such a self-forgetful way.
That even when I kneel to pray, my prayer shall be for others.
Others, Lord, yes others,
Let this my motto be,
That I may live for others,
That they may live like Thee.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday greetings are being extended to Mr. Sherley Moore, Jr. of 306 Plaza Drive who celebrated another birthday on Tuesday, April 17. I am sure that it was a happy one knowing your wife as I do.

ENTERTAINS AT DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Haywood of Poole Road entertained members of his family and friends at a lovely dinner on Sunday. Everyone seemed so joyful and happy and the dinner was delicious.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Alex Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haywood III and son, Carlton Wesley Haywood; aunt, Annie H. Thorpe, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haywood, Jr. and parents and hostess, Mr. and Mrs.

Theodore Haywood. The dinner consisted of green beans, cabbage, macaroni salad, brocolli salad, barbecued chicken, ham, hot rolls, blueberry muffins, sodas, dessert of cake and ice cream. Everyone ate so much and was almost too full to reciprocate. It was really a swell affair.

SERVICES HELD

On Friday, April 13 from noon to 1 p.m. members and friends gathered at Rush Metropolitan AME Zion Church where they enjoyed a feast of thanksgiving in memory of the Cross. The Rev. Vann McClain was the speaker. It was a well spent hour.

CHECK UP MEETING SET

An Easter Check Up meeting of the Central North Carolina Conference AME Zion Church will be held at Northington AME Zion Church on Saturday, April 21 opening at 10 a.m. The public is invited. The Rt. Rev. John H. Miller will be in charge. The meeting will be held in Lillington. Rev. J. W. Redfern is the pastor of the church.

Note: Thanks for your calls. We will be listening again soon

BRO. JAMES THOMAS

GOSPEL WORLD



Hawkins Chapel Gospel Choir will observe its 11th anniversary Sunday at 3 p.m., featuring the Christian Harmonettes of Durham, James Martin Harmonettes of Henderson and others.

Bishop Timpson and the Senior Choir will be in charge of services Sunday at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph Freewill Baptist Church, Willow Springs.

Revival is now in progress nightly at the Church of God of Prophecy, 621 Utley St., Holly Springs. Sister Ernestine Strong is the speaker for the week.

The Youth Department of Beavers Chapel United Church of Christ, Zebulon, will sponsor three nights of revival beginning Wednesday. Rev. Ronald Avery of St. Matthew Baptist Church will be the speaker.

The New Generation Gospel Choir of St. Paul AME Church will observe its 10th anniversary Sunday at 4 p.m. with the LDS Mass Choir, G.A. Jones Gospel Choir and the W.B. Lewis Gospel Choir.

Johnston Piney Grove Youth Choir will observe an anniversary Sunday at 3 p.m. at the church in Clayton.

Mt. Zion Baptist Church, located on Hwy. 54 and Academy Street, Cary, will sponsor its annual Women's Day workshop and luncheon Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Mt. Zion will observe its annual Women's Day Sunday at 11 a.m. at the same location. Rev. Margaret Ann Smith will be the speaker.

Services are now in progress nightly at 8 p.m. at Faith Healing Center, with different speakers nightly.

The Senior Missionary Department will sponsor a program called "The Good Old Days" Sunday at 2:30 p.m. at Felton Grove Baptist Church, with Greenfield Baptist Church, Bazzell Creek Baptist Church, Scotts Grove Holiness Church and others.

The Youth Choir will be presented in concert Saturday at 5 p.m. at Elevation Baptist Church, 4927 New Bern Avenue. Annual Youth Day will be celebrated Sunday at 11 a.m. at the same location. Sheriff John H. Baker will be the speaker.

Bro. Linwood Mitchell will sponsor a musical program Sunday at 2 p.m. at Mt. Olive Holiness Church on Bloodworth Street, with the Male Chorus of Faith Missionary Church and others.

Revival is now in progress nightly at 7:30 p.m. at the Church of God for All People, Fuquay. Pastor Lois Hinton is the speaker.

Holy Night service will be held Saturday at 7 p.m. at Wendell First Baptist Church. Rev. Michael Mangum is the speaker for the week. Spring Hill Young Adult Choir will render the music.

One-Day District Conference of District 17, Group 1, of the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention, will be held Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at New Bethel Baptist Church, Rolesville.

The seventh anniversary of the Sensational Cooper Brothers will be held Sunday at the Raleigh Safety Club. Doors open at 5 p.m. and the program begins at 6 p.m.

Lillington First Baptist Church's annual Shaw Day will be observed Sunday at 11:30 a.m. Rev. Helen McLaughlin will be the speaker.

Revival is now in progress nightly at 7:45 p.m. at Deliverance Cathedral of Love, 1785 Curtis Drive, Elder Kenneth Porter of Community Bible

Deliverance Church, Pinebluff, N.C., is the speaker for the week.

The Gospel Angel Tones Singers of Hillsborough will observe their 23rd anniversary Saturday at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. at Williams Tabernacle Holiness Church, located on McAdams Road, Hillsborough.

Wilson Temple United Methodist Church Gospel Choir will observe its spring concert Sunday at 4 p.m. at Wilson Temple UMC, Oberlin Road. Special guests will be the Wake Chapel Baptist Church Senior Choir and Truly Anointed.

A special service on love will be held Friday at 7 p.m. at Open Door Faith Center, 101 Rand Mill Road, Garner.

Harold Smith presents Hallelujah Gospel Fest 1990 Sunday at 4 p.m. at Cameron Grove Baptist Church, Durham, featuring Cox Memorial Young Adult Choir, Cameron Grove Young Adult Choir and others. Special guests will be the J.C. Ensemble of Benson.

Services will take place Friday at 8 p.m. at Gateway to Heaven Church. Evangelist Roberson will be the speaker. Evangelist Lockety will be the speaker Sunday at 11 a.m. at the same location.

Evangelist Elizabeth Howard will be the speaker Sunday at 11:30 a.m. at Faith Healing Center. Evangelist Larry Badgett will be the speaker Sunday at 3 p.m. at the same location.

Services will be held Sunday at 11 a.m. at Ebenezer Holiness Church.

A food sale will take place Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Lodge Hall, 427 S. Blount St., sponsored by the Widow's Son Lodge No. 4, P.H.A.

The Male Chorus of Faith Baptist Church, Fuquay-Varina, will observe an anniversary Sunday at 2:30 p.m.

Rev. Augusta Miles and Mt. Vernon United Church of Christ will observe its annual Women's Day Sunday morning. Evangelist Thelma Pearson will be the speaker.

The Pastor's Aid Committee of Apex First Baptist Church will observe an anniversary Sunday at 3 p.m. Rev. Ricky Woods, choir and congregation of Mt. Sinai Baptist Church will render service.

Revival is now in progress nightly at 7:30 p.m. at Grace AME Zion Church, corner of Hill and Boyer streets, with different speakers nightly. Rev. William E. Judd is pastor.

The men of Faith Missionary Baptist Church will sponsor a food sale Saturday at 5:35 Thistlebrook Court, Eagle Chase subdivision off Poole Road East.

Faith Missionary Baptist Church will observe its 16th annual Men's Day Sunday at 11 a.m. The program will be dedicated to the former pastor, the late Dr. C.R. Trotter, Sr. Rev. John Prince, Jr. will be the speaker.

Bishop Mildred Ruffin will be the speaker Saturday at 8 p.m. at Gethsemane True-Vine Church on Howard Thomas' Joy Night service.

Bro. John Scott and the Gospellers will hold the second part of their first singing anniversary Saturday at 5 p.m. at the YWCA on Hargett Street, with Roy and the Sunset Spirituals of Wilson, the Consolers of Burlington and others.

Spring revival is now in progress nightly at 7:30 p.m. at St. Anna Freewill Baptist Church, Willow Springs. Rev. Leonard Farrar, pastor of Wake Baptist Church, Garner, is the speaker for the week.

PLEASANT HILL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday School began at 9:45 a.m., followed by morning worship under the direction of Rev. D.L. McCoy, pastor. The lesson was taken from Matthew 28:18.

The same power that was given to Jesus in heaven and earth is given to us to stand against the wiles of the devil. He does not have power over a child of God unless you give it to him. He can't touch us unless God gives him permission. Where is the power in the churches today? When Jesus called the 12 together, He gave them power and authority to drive out all demons, and to cure diseases, and He sent them out to preach the kingdom of God and heal the sick. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realm. Therefore, we need to put on the whole armor of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's prayer service is held every Saturday at 6 a.m.; men's

prayer service every Saturday at 7 a.m.

Prayer service is held every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

Bible study will be held every Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Teens for Christ meeting will be held every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

OAK CITY BAPTIST

Sunday School opened at 9:45 a.m., with Ms. Lucretia Peterson presiding as associate superintendent. Devotion began with the singing of "The Old Rugged Cross." Prayer was offered by Gertrude Pope. Classes devoted time to the discussion of the lesson, "Resurrection and Faith," John 20:18-31. The resurrection of Jesus confirms that He is the Son of God who empowers His disciples by the Holy Spirit to fulfill His mission.

Morning worship was led by the Easter Program Committee. Ms. Grace Bethea and Ms. Rita Tucker presided. Responsive reading was led by Amelia Petion. The children's hour was conducted by Ms. Tucker, who discussed the symbols of Easter. A program was presented by the children, who displayed letters spell-

ing EASTER. Each child told the meaning of his or her letter.

Billy Newkirk completed the Children's Hour with a solo, "Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross." At the beginning of the children's hour, Ms. Tucker asked Ms. Gertrude Pope to come forward. Then Ms. Tucker cited and expressed appreciation to Ms. Pope for the outstanding service she has provided to the youth of Oak City for many years. Ms. Pope was presented with an orchid corsage. This recognition was received with gratitude and surprise by Ms. Pope, who expressed her joy in working with the youth and serving the church.

Music for the service was rendered by the Male Chorus, with Ms. Lorraine Davenport at the piano. The spirit of Easter was captured in their wide selection of music. Especially beautiful was "The Holy City," which featured Walter Davenport as soloist.

Pastor William T. Newkirk delivered a sermon, "The Gospel of an Angel," from Matthew 28:6. He pointed out that gospel means joyful tidings, good news about our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We have victory in the knowledge that He is risen.

Pastor Newkirk expressed his thanks to the Easter Program Committee for a splendid job in putting the program together. Members of the Easter Program Committee are Ms. Rita Tucker, Ms. Grace Bethea, Ms. Angela Norwood, Ms. Amelia Petion and Conway Davenport.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There will be a Senior Citizens' Workshop on Saturday, April 21, at 1 p.m. in the Capital Room in Hudson Belk downtown.

Heartfelt sympathy is extended to the Clark family in the passing of Ms. Estella Clark.

The church is also in prayer with the Kearney family in the passing of Ms. Lucy Kearney.

Shaw Day will be observed April 29 at 11 a.m. Dr. Ronald Swain will be the speaker.

RUSH METROPOLITAN AME ZION

It was the third Sunday of the month, and the junior superintendent, Corey Turner, conducted the Church School, opening at 9:30 a.m. Devotional period was conducted by him while all classes were assembled. They then moved to their places for the lesson study periods.

Returning to the sanctuary, instead of the usual lesson review, a short Easter exercise was presented by the children, under the direction of Ms. Paula Jones, the director of children. Remarks and announcements followed. Class reports and the awarding of banners for both attendance and finance followed. With the repeating of the Church School Mizpah, this phase of worship ended.

At approximately 10:55 a.m., the preludes were sounded, with Ms. Ethel Jeffreys on the organ and Randy Shephard on the piano. Then came the processional, with members of the Junior Choir and Spiritual Chorus participating. As they paused around the altar, the call to worship and scripture were given by the pastor, Rev. Claude E. Willie, III. The song of praise followed. Then came the invocation and choral response. The

hymn of preparation was "Christ Arose."

The responsive reading was taken from the special readings for Easter Sunday, led by the pastor, "The Resurrection." The Gloria Patri followed. Scripture lesson was then read by Rev. Vann McClain from Luke 24:1-12. The pastoral prayer was offered by Neal Sanders. The hymn of praise was "There is a Fountain Filled with Blood." During the ministry of kindness, the Junior Choir and congregation sang, "Jesus, I Love Your Name." The members then reaffirmed their faith in the Apostles' Creed.

Announcements were made by the pastor. Then came the altar call, with prayer by Rev. Helen Gorham. A selection by the Junior Choir of "I'm Pressing On" followed, with Anthony Morgan as soloist.

The pastor then delivered the morning sermon, having chosen his discourse from Matthew 27:31 on the subject, "Remaining Under the Blood." A special musical selection was rendered by Ms. Frostine Reece Smith and her friend, who sang "Only What You Do For Christ Will Last," and it was beautifully rendered. Several new deaconesses were consecrated to the church.

The invitation to Christian discipleship was followed by the offering, recognition of visitors, recessional hymn and benediction.

Church reporter is Ms. Annie H. Thorpe.

FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

Services opened at 6 a.m., with Ms. Fayger M. White in charge of the prayer service. Sunday School opened at 9:20 a.m., with Ray Caldwell in charge. The subject of the lesson was "Resurrection and Faith," John 20:29.

Morning worship began at 11 a.m., with Isaac White in charge of the service. The Senior Choir rendered the music, with Ms. Cheryl Caldwell at the organ. Responsive reading was taken from Romans 6:1-12, 14, titled "Victory Over Sin." Prayer was given by Ms. Joanne Jennings.

Rev. James W. Lewis took his sermon from Philippians 3:7-11, Ephesians 1:18-20, I Peter 1:3-4 on the subject, "The Glorious Power of the Resurrection." Announcements were made by Ms. Barbara Stewart.

The invitation was called and the prayer room was opened for souls to be prayed for. The offering for the morning was lifted and church was then dismissed for the morning by the pastor, Rev. James W. Lewis.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Teens for Christ will meet Wednesday at 6 p.m., followed by prayer and Bible study at 7 p.m.

On Thursday at 7 p.m., choir rehearsal will be held. Also at that time, the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts will meet.

Members on the sick and shut-in list are Ms. Nora Williams, Ms. Georgia Williams, Ms. Rosa Bell Perry, and Edward A. Ford. Please remember to pray for the sick and suffering everywhere. Prayer is the key to heaven and faith unlocks the door.

Church reporter is Ms. Bettie Jean Watson.



JAMES O. AUTRY

James O. Autry Named 'Elk Of The Year'

The N.C. State Association IBP Order Elks of the World will honor James O. Autry as Elk of the Year at the Elks Banquet, Radisson Plaza Hotel, on May 4.

The public is invited to attend. State president is Dr. Lem Long, Jr. and state daughter president is Daughter Arleise B. Hawkins.

Autry was born in Raleigh and attended and graduated from Washington High School.

He has served in the U.S. Army twice, 1943-45 and 1950-52, and was honorably discharged with the rank of sergeant first class.

He is a member of Tupper Memorial Baptist Church, a trustee and has been the church treasurer for a number of years.

He is a member of Fidelity Lodge No. 277 in Raleigh and has held the positions of Esteemed Leading

Knight and Esteemed Lecturing Knight. The chairman of the Education Committee, he is a member of Baxter PER Council No. 127, a member of S.T. Enloe No. 3 Past State Presidents Council, Mamie S. Hick Fez Club, L.S. Wilcox Shrine Club, Civil Liberties League No. 255, honorary member of L. Moore Purple Cross Unit, Antler Guard (Colonel), and the Youth Department.

He is now serving as esquire of the N.C. State Association. He is district deputy of the Fifth District, N.C. State Association, and member of the National District Deputy Council and vice president of the N.C. Deputies Council, and a past grand exalted ruler. He also holds the state and national degrees.

He is married to Daughter Judith B. Autry.

National Library Week Is April 22-28

The stars are coming out by the thousands! In celebration of National Library Week April 22-28, public, school and academic libraries across the country are sponsoring A Night Of

A Thousand Stars to promote the Reach for a star. Ask a librarian theme. As part of the celebration Wake County Public Libraries will be hosting a Family Read-A-Loud on Wednesday, April 25 from 7-8 p.m. in the branches throughout the library system. The Read-A-Louds will feature celebrity guests from the community reading from their favorite book.

County officials, mayors, city council members as well as sports, television and radio personalities and other community leaders will be among the guest readers. These celebrity role models will be promoting reading together as an important and enjoyable activity that encourages a love of books, reading and learning.

CHOICES

As we go about our daily activities and make the little choices we have to make, we shall find our confidence growing. When we have large decisions to make, which can change the course of our lives or the lives of others, we are ready for them.

Grace Easley

DEATHS

CHARLIE B. GOODSON, SR.

Funeral services for Charlie B. Goodson, Sr., 68, Route 1, Wendell, were held April 14 at Eagle Rock United Church of Christ. Burial followed in the church cemetery. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude Young Goodson; daughter, Ms. Joan Dunn of Charlotte; sons, Charlie B. Goodson, Jr. of Oxon Hill, Md. Ronald N. Goodson of Greensboro and Norman Smith of Virginia Beach, Va.; sisters, Ms. Eula P. Bland, Ms. Minnie Meadows, Ms. Effie B. Mitchell and Ms. Katie L. Davis, all of Raleigh and Ms. Annie R. Goodson of Bronx, N.Y.; brothers, Frank Goodson of Wendell, Hezekiah Goodson of Raleigh and Henry A. Goodson of Raleigh. Funeral arrangements were by Lightner Funeral Home.

Nannie Manuel of Raleigh; brothers, Louis Hawkins of Bronx, N.Y. and Major Guthrie of Raleigh.

Funeral arrangements were by Lightner Funeral Home.

MS. LENA M. WILSON

Funeral services for Ms. Lena M. Wilson, 90, 815 S. East St., were held April 17 at First Baptist Church. Burial followed in Hillcrest Cemetery. Surviving are a sister, Ms. Annie J. Harrington of Raleigh; and brother, Joseph Ocetree of Broadway. Arrangements were by Lightner Funeral Home.

MS. PAULINE J. HARRIS

Funeral services for Ms. Pauline J. Harris, 112 N. Fisher St., were held April 17 at Lincoln Park Holiness Church. Burial followed in Carolina Biblical Gardens. Surviving are daughters, Ms. Mary H. Hardeon of Madison, Wis., Ms. Lillie Mae Walker, Raleigh; and sister, Ms. Josephine Williams of Norfolk, Va. Arrangements were by Lightner Funeral Home.

REV. HENRY L. GRANT

Funeral services for Rev. Henry L. Grant, 1316 Oakwood Avenue, were held April 18 at Saint Michael's Episcopal Church in Charleston, S.C. Burial followed in Live Oak Memorial Park in Charleston, S.C. Surviving are a wife, Ms. Owlender K. Grant of Raleigh; sons, Henry Lucy Grant of Raleigh; sisters, Ms. Eugenia McNeil of Seneca, S.C. and Ms. Louise Richardson of Philadelphia, Pa. Arrangements were by Lightner Funeral Home.

MS. ROBERTA G. ALLEN

Funeral services for Ms. Roberta Guthrie Allen, 63, of 2513 Evers Drive, were held April 11. Burial followed in Hillcrest Cemetery. Surviving were daughter, Ms. Barbara A. Lyons of Raleigh; sons, George Clifton Allen and William Morris Allen, both of Raleigh; sister, Ms.

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