

MRS. BEATRICE MAYE'S
This Week In
GREENVILLE

WHAT JESUS WANTS YOU TO DO

Receiving Jesus Christ into your life is only the beginning of a wonderful experience. You have begun your life in Christ. Now you will need to grow as a Christian. Jesus loves you and wants you to grow in your Christian faith. He wants you to experience the very best in life. Jesus said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" (John 10:10).

In order for you to fully experience this *more abundant life* you must be obedient to Christ's commands. Jesus said, "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15). Here are eight things Jesus wants you to do.

1. **Jesus wants you to have assurance.** The Bible teaches that you can know you are saved. First, you can know you are saved because of Christ's promise to you. "He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation, but is passed from death unto life" (John 5:24).

Second, you know you are saved because you have called upon Him to save you. "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Romans 10:13).

Third, you can know you are saved because of the "witness" of the Holy Spirit in your life. "The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God." (Romans 8:16).

2. **Jesus wants you to be baptized.** Baptism is Christ's first command to you. It is the first step of obedience for a new Christian. Baptism is your public profession of your faith in Christ. Baptism is a picture of the death, burial and resurrection of Christ. It also pictures the death of your old sinful self and your new life in Christ. It is an outward sign of an inward change. It is a public testimony of what has already taken place in your heart.

Jesus was baptized by John the Baptist in the River Jordan (Matthew 3:13-17). His followers were baptized (John 4:2). He commands baptism (Matthew 28:19-20). In the Book of Acts every person who received Christ was baptized immediately (Acts 2:41). Jesus wants you to be baptized as a public confession of your faith in Him. Are you willing to be baptized?

3. **Jesus wants you to read your Bible daily.** God's Word is your spiritual food. If you are to grow as a Christian you must have a time of personal Bible study each day. The Bible says, "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby" (1 Peter 2:2). Just as food is necessary for you to grow physically, so is the Word of God necessary for you to grow spiritually.

It is best to start with the New Testament. Begin with the Gospel of John, then move to the Book of Acts, next, read Romans. We recommend that you secure a good modern translation. Set aside some time each day for Bible study. Your growth as a Christian will depend upon your study of God's Word.

4. **Jesus wants you to pray every day.** Prayer is a very important part of your Christian life. The Bible says, "Pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17). Remember

that God loves you and wants you to come to Him daily for all your needs. Jesus spent much time in prayer. On many occasions He spent the entire night in prayer. Prayer was very vital in the life of Jesus. It should be just as important in your life. Set aside a time each day to get alone with Christ in prayer.

5. **Jesus wants you to be a faithful witness.** He said, "Ye shall be witnesses unto me..." (Acts 1:8). It is a wonderful privilege to introduce another person to Jesus Christ. You not only witness by your life and your example, you are to witness by sharing your experience of receiving Christ. In a natural, cheerful way tell someone about Christ each day. You have met Christ. He has come into your life. He has saved you. Share this experience with others. The Holy Spirit can use your witness to bring others to Christ.

CHOICE THOUGHTS

1. You cannot eat bread both at the Lord's table and at Satan's table, too.

I Corinthians 10:21.

2. Hard work, determination and education helped pull me through life.

3. The true hero is the man who conquers himself.

Anonymous

4. Whatever you put into your brain, no one can take away, and it's important that we do our utmost to get this over to our young people.

Ray Charles

5. There's no problem too big and no question too small. Just ask God in faith and He'll answer them all.

Helen Steiner Rice

6. The tongue may be small, but it can accomplish much good or evil.

7. The tongue, like a fire, affects everything it touches in every area of our lives.

8. Love is the most important ingredient of success. Without it, your life will echo total emptiness... even in hardship, love will shine through. And if you don't have it, you're really not living. You're only breathing.

Sen. James E. Ezzell, Jr.

9. One of the weaknesses of our age is our apparent inability to distinguish our needs from our greeds.

Don Robinson

10. The selfish man quarrels against every sound principle of conduct by demanding his own way.

Proverbs 18:1

11. Sinners love to fight; boasting is looking for trouble.

12. An evil man is suspicious of everyone and tumbles into constant trouble.

13. A short-tempered man must bear his own penalty; you can't do much to help him. If you try once you must try a dozen times.

14. The art of praising is the beginning of the fine art of pleasing.

15. Children have a much better chance of growing up if their parents have done so first.

16. Do not resent growing old. Think how much you'd resent being denied the privilege.

17. Age is like love—it cannot be hid.

18. There are two cardinal sins from which all others spring—impatience and laziness.

19. The difficult part of dieting isn't watching what you eat. It's watching what your friends eat.

way you take that hill in this hot weather."

I would chuckle, and tell him, "I almost didn't make it, and I wonder what it will be like when the snow is on the ground." So often, Mr. Kearney would be on the deck, at my appearance, and he'd say, "They're all in the house, go head on in," and a few times I had a few minutes to talk, and he'd tell me just a little of how he used to be able to do many things that he can no longer do.

I told him how I hoped to find the time to talk with each of the family members, many of whom I know very well, and write a story of them. His brother Ben is a neighbor and his sister (Dollbaby) Louise Yarborough is one of my most cherished friends, at whose home I can usually bring that final breath of "thanks" for that being the last stop. I have told Ms. Yarborough more times that I have fingers and toes, that "I am going to write a story about your family," thinking that I pretty well knew all of them, but the real shocker came when I read that Daphne McGhee and Catherine Crudup were sisters. The other sisters are Flora Mae Green, Cornelia Alston, Corina Johnson and Ethel Marie Perry. The three brothers are Benjamin, Junious, and William Kearney.

Ms. Martha Kearney and I have developed a personal relationship, to the point that we feel a sisterhood. Of their children, I know Dorothy Perry and sons Vern and Johnathan the best. The others of their five daughters are Ora Todd, Teresa and Rita Bumpers. The sons are Samuel, Johnathan, Lamont and Ricky Kearney. Since I wasn't sure which one is called "Vern," I thought I'd best name them all.

The overflow crowd was such at the funeral on Sunday, Jan. 12, at Youngsville's Union Grove Baptist Church, that I knew enough to go into the back door and I was given a folding chair and was able to be seated alongside of the nieces and other family members who carried the many flowers. Mary Kearney Perry, the late Clarence and Cammie's daughter, was kind indeed to honor me by taking names and outlining who was who.

When the Feggins-Feggins Funeral Service asked all to stand except family, Mary said mostly all of the attendees would be part of the family, and it turned out to be so. And all of the time, I was under the impression that the Crudup-Perry combination would be the largest black family in Franklin County, or especially Franklinton.

The other nieces by whom I sat were Helen Marie K. Johnson, Ruth K. Session, Betty Sue K. Clemons, Barbara Jean Kearney, Clarice K. Jones, Sandy Kearney, Pauline K. Clax, Gloria Kearney, Lela Vee K. Moore, Shila K. McCord, and Tammie Kearney. Also Alice K. Singletary.

Two nieces-in-law also carried flowers, Barbara Kearney and Teresa Perry. The nephew pall-bearers were Kenneth, Eric and Clarence Kearney, Douglas and Tony Perry, Tony Clemons and Jeffery Kearney. Not only was the congregation filled with mourners, the pulpit was filled as well. Pastor Sherrod did the eulogy, Franklinton First Baptist Pastor Coolidge McCoy read scripture, next-door neighbor and pastor of Manasseh Cahpel Baptist, the Rev. Samuel Tunstall, brought prayer, the reverends Green, Mayo and J. Enoch Kearney also graced the pulpit.

Ms. Willie Morgan read acknowledgements and obituary. Hubert Yarborough and George Crudup sang solos.

Born Aug. 23, 1917 to the late Arthur and Mattie Kearney of Franklinton, I was indeed sorry to see another of our seniors to carry his long history of life into the grave prior to my recording just a part of it. Just the other day, I was reading a 1927 Franklin Times newspaper and wondering what life must have been like for one James Ollie Kearney just 10 years earlier.

That particular paper carried an account of "Large Mob Storms Jail: Negro Found in Woman's Bed—Hounds Follow Trail to Home of Weldon Bryant and He is Arrested; Others Held for Hearing."

This poor Negro man was supposed to have been suspected of fleeing the bedroom of a Nash county white woman who refused to tell her husband who it was that dashed out as he entered the room.

This happened on an early Sunday morning, and on Monday, the sheriff's deputy, W.N. Fuller, and chief of police, B.H. Meadows, heard that a mob was forming bent on storming the jail and hanging Bryant. They immediately took the prisoner to Raleigh, where he was placed in the penitentiary, thereby saving his life.

I feel sure that Mr. Kearney could have given me more than one similar story, for he was born in the age of such carryings-on. As Buck Nor-

wood could. For the family, who took the sudden death so sorrowfully, I grieve with you, for your dear husband, father and brother will be missed by me, too.

May the good Lord bless your readjustment living without him.

Rhamkatte

BY LUCILLE ALSTON

RHAMKATTE—Sunday School began at 9:45 a.m. with all classes reporting. The subject of the lesson was "Song of Love," Solomon 2:8-17. The key verse was repeated by the school. The adult class was taught by Rev. Otho Kearney. The lesson was reviewed by Rev. Thomas Burt. Superintendent Albertine Sanders presided. After the report from Secretary Stephine Moore, the school closed.

At 11 a.m., Rev. A.D. Terrell spoke from I Corinthians 15:54, using for his theme, "Be Rooted in Your Faith, Be Steadfast." Music was furnished by the Male Chorus, with Emanuel McNeil at the organ.

Rev. Burt gave the morning prayer. Announcements were made by Sadie Chavis. A tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King was read by Omar Singletary. Mini-church was led by Kenneth Singletary. Bro. Kearney led the altar call.

Rev. Terrell left the congregation with a message on how we must hold onto what we have. We already have the victory. We must hold on. God will be with us at all times. Be steadfast, have faith, don't forget where you come from. We are living in our last days. You can't hide from God. The country is living with lying spirits. The false prophet hears the lying spirit.

Invitation to Christian discipleship was followed by the Doxology and benediction.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible study is held every Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

The Pastor's Aid Club will meet monthly every third Saturday at 4 p.m.

On the sick list are Kathleen Hemby, John Singletary, James Washington, James Hanks, Rodney Singletary, Ellen D. McGregor, Alice Cooke, Billy Debnam, Nettie Calhoun, Mary Utley, Lola McClain, Hoyie Johnson, Walter Rogers, Jr., Lucy Kendrick, Jasper Williams, Ike Kearney, Jr., Mildred Upchurch, Ethel Burt, Otis Hinton, Ella Fletcher, and Margaret Kearney. Let us keep praying for the sick everywhere. God is still healing.

FORECLOSURE

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ever, a bankruptcy trustee takes control of all property and may sell all the property not protected by allowable exemptions. You may or may not be able to save your house under this procedure.

Usually a debtor in foreclosure will choose Chapter 13, formerly known as the "Wage Earners Plan." Rather than seeking an immediate discharge of the debts, the Chapter 13 debtor submits part of his or her income to a Chapter 13 trustee, during the Chapter 13 proceeding, the creditors must cease further collection attempts unless they obtain specific permission from the bankruptcy court.

Under the Chapter 13 approach, the past due mortgage payments can usually be scheduled for repayment over a period of three years. The ongoing mortgage payments are made directly to the lender. Other creditors whose debts are unsecured must generally be paid the amount they would receive in a Chapter 7 proceeding. When the Chapter 13 plan is successfully completed the debts listed on the original petition are discharged. The mortgage obligation continues until it is otherwise paid.

Homeowners in foreclosures have a very short period of time during which to explore these alternatives. Debtors in foreclosure should seek legal counsel immediately in order to pursue an alternative to the involuntary loss of their home.

For answers to your specific questions, contact a private lawyer or call Legal Services of North Carolina at 832-2046, where you will be directed to the Legal Services program serving your area.

FOUNDER'S DAY

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tor of American Telephone and Telegraph Co., Exxon Corp. and J.C. Penney Co., Inc.

A member of the Board of Trustees of Columbia University, he is a trustee and senior member of the Conference Board and serves as campaign chairman for the \$60 million Liberty Science Center. He has served as chairman of both the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Association and the International

Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers.

He holds a degree in pharmacy from the University of Nebraska. In 1980, he was awarded the pharmacy profession's most distinguished award, the Remington Honor Medal, by the Pharmaceutical Association.

SORORITY

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Soror Sandra-Rudd-Knight. Greetings were brought by local officials.

In her speech, Soror Daley challenged her sorors to "Pass the Delta Torch and Ignite a New Vision." This is the sorority's national theme. Delta's founders were women of vision. "Our job is one of empowering others," she stated. She quoted words from Elizabeth Barrett Browning: "Do you hear the children weeping?" Then she asked, "Who will carry the torch?" The torch, she said, is to be carried by all sorors who should go into the communities and work with all who need. Above all, we should save the children.

Music for the occasion was furnished by the Delta Ensemble. Soror Sharon Peele honored the speaker with the singing of "My Hero," and later the two past regional directors were saluted. They were sorors Jennie Taylor and Edythe R. Tweedy.

Local Deltas attending were Helen Best, Sheree Bruinton, Thelma Dent, Lillian Downing, Doreatha Handy, Hermena Hunter, Marian Laceywell, Alberta M. Levingston, Joyce B. Johnson, Alice Solomon, Lucille Webb, Eleanor Whitley, Mable B. Wright and Allie M. Peebles, chairman.

HOLIDAY

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to adhere to the principles of Dr. King, Malcolm X and Nelson Mandela and idly stand by while problems are all around perpetuate a fraud.

From the State Capitol, more than 2,000 braved the morning chill to participate in the King Memorial March. It was evident that many parents brought their children to experience the importance of a freedom march.

Ms. Alma Richards of Greensboro stated, "My whole family comes to Raleigh to observe Dr. King's birthday because the march and programs are so well organized and supported. This is our third year coming and I have already given notice on my job that I will be in Raleigh next Jan. 18."

The noon ecumenical observance at the Memorial Auditorium was filled with standing room only. More than 3,500 citizens heard the 150-voice Martin Luther King All-Children's Choir, directed by Randy Shepard and the 500-voice-strong MLK Community Mass Choir directed by Ms. Lonietta Cornwall and Lemont Mitchell. The mass choir was accompanied by the Raleigh Civic Symphony Orchestra, directed by Jonathan Kramer of North Carolina State University.

Dr. Samuel D. Proctor, professor emeritus, Rutgers State University, held the crowd spellbound with passionate accounts of the days when he and Dr. King talked into the early morning hours on problems of the black race in America, the Montgomery bus boycott and strategies needed to unite the nation against segregation.

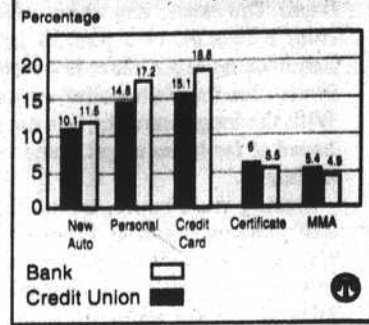
Dr. Proctor told youngsters, "I'm as old as dirt," and for them to stop doubting themselves about the future. He stated, "If you prepare yourself, if you discipline yourself, there are no limits to what you can achieve. Racism and sexism are barriers to overcome, but they are not impossible barriers. Do your best, God will take care of the rest." The MLK youth educational

newsworthy trends

Credit Unions Offer Highly Attractive Rates

There's a lot of talk these days about tight credit at banks. Credit unions, on the other hand, have continued to offer real bargains on consumer loans and savings. Here are some recent examples compiled by the Credit Union National Association.

Credit Union and Bank Average Interest Rates (Sept. 1991)



*On credit cards, credit unions charge nearly 4 percent less annual interest than do banks—about 15.1 percent vs. 18.8 percent at banks.

*New car loans at credit unions average about 1 1/2 percent less interest; personal loans nearly 2 1/2 percent less.

*And credit unions pay about a half percent more than do banks on money market savings and certificates of deposit.

Credit unions can offer better rates because they're nonprofit organizations that make consumer and home mortgage loans to their member-owners. For information on how to join or organize a credit union, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to: Credit Union National Association, Dept. NAPS, Box 431, Madison, Wisconsin 53701.

workshop at Lucille Hunter School attracted approximately 250 young people from across the city and county. Rev. H.B. Pickett and Rev. Hardy Watkins gave historical accounts of the civil rights movement and held open discussions on educational excellence and human relations.

The day was concluded at the Memorial Auditorium with the King Evening Musical Celebration. More than 3,200 people heard the Children's Choir, the Capitol City Five, Jones Chapel Baptist Church Gospel Choir and the Shirley Caesar Singers. Evangelist Shirley Caesar, who had accepted the invitation to sing as a benefit for the King holiday, reportedly informed the committee before the show that she would not sing without financial compensation and did not perform.

A dramatization by writer/director David S. Prince portrayed the historic Montgomery bus incident in 1954 by Ms. Rosa Parks, titled "Rosa, I'm Glad You Sat Down." Brother James Thomas of radio station WLLE served as the musical's emcee. The King Committee is chaired by Rev. Leonard Farrar. Next year's King observance will be held on Monday, Jan. 18, 1993.

BRICK DRIVE

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ganizers of the project, stated, "After these last 120 bricks are sold, the project will be completed and no more will be available. We have found that many people intend to purchase bricks but have procrastinated. We strongly encourage those who want bricks for their church, business or family to get in touch with us now."

King Gardens brick forms can be obtained from the Richard B. Harrison Library, South Raleigh Library, Charleston Seafood Station or by calling the King Committee at 834-6264 or 821-3978.



ECHOES OF FRANKLIN COUNTY

BY ELIZABETH ARCHER

OLDEN DAYS, AND DEATH

I honestly cannot think of another person, including preachers, who have more personal contact with a mass of people weekly than I do. For that reason, I guess that to encounter a death almost every week shouldn't be surprising. Despite that, though I never fail to be amazed when I walk up to a door and find a wreath, indicating that there is a death in that home.

Just last Saturday, while in Wake Forest talking with Ms. Wilkins, whose door has had two wreaths recently, I told her that I was almost afraid to speak it, but of all the towns that I serve papers in, Youngsville is the only one that had not had a death.

At which time she asked me if I knew a Mr. "Bo" Kearney, whose obituary read that he lived in Wake

Forest, but he actually lived in Youngsville, she said. And I was sure that I didn't know him because, I said, "I only sell my papers on Nassau and Persimmon streets."

In one flash of a second, I can recall every person there, all 11 of the houses, and I was sure there was not a Kearney among them, either en route to Wake forest, or on the return trip. I never fail to stop at the home of the Kearneys, but, because I had not encountered any illness from anyone in that household, they never even crossed my mind.

As a result, I got that slap in the face again.

This past summer, when the weather was so unbearably hot, I used to drag up that hill, and Mr. Kearney would start shaking his head as he said, "I declare you must not have any age on you much, the