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Journalistic Society To Present “Talent Extravaganza”



MRS. ETHEL BROOKS
PRESIDENT OF VFCS

Volunteers For Christian Service To Celebrate 54th Anniversary

By Hattie Ingram

The Volunteers For Christian Service will celebrate their 54th Anniversary on Sunday, August 9, 2009 at 4:00 p.m. The celebration will include soul-stirring gospel singing rendered by singing groups in and around Winston-Salem. The Voices of Deliverance of High Point, North Carolina, New Trinity Male Chorus, Rev. Owens and Company and other groups will be among the performers.

The New Bethel Church Family is encouraged to come out for an evening of good Gospel singing and to receive a blessing from above. Refreshments will be served. Mrs. Ethel Brooks is President of the Volunteers.

Retreat Update

By Trustee Eva McWillis

Ladies, our Retreat is just around the corner. We wanted to remind everyone that the deadline for your final payment will be on August 7, 2009. Please mark your calendars to stop by the registration table on or before August 7th to make your final payment. A couple of other reminders, if you are going to ride the church van, take part in (Continued Page 1, Columns 2 & 3, Article 2)

Ushers and Nurses Make Donation To Church During Their 95th Anniversary

By Hattie Ingram

The ushers and nurses of New Bethel observed their 95th Anniversary on Sunday, July 26, 2009 by sitting in a body during the 11:00 worship service. Mrs. Angela Morgan made a presentation to the church on behalf of the ushers.

The ushers and nurses, headed by Mr. Richard Smith, President, Ms. Rosa Rice, First Lady, and Deacon Constance Segers, Director of Nurses greet worshippers during each service and maintain a reverent atmosphere in the church at all times. They assist the Pastor in a most essential way to make the service of worship an experience of great spiritual significance. They work with other auxiliaries in New Bethel and other churches. This group maintains membership in the General Baptist State Convention, Rowan Baptist Association and Forsyth United Ushers.



MS. ROSA RICE
FIRST LADY OF THE USHERS



**MS. CAMILLE POE — MISTRESS OF
CEREMONY FOR TALENT EXTRAVAGANZA**

Journalistic Society To Present “Talent Extravaganza”

By Diane Piggott

The Journalistic Society's Annual Dinner program will present a “Talent Extravaganza.” The Dinner Program will be on Sunday, August 23, 2009 at 1:00 p.m. in the Drayton Fellowship Hall of New Bethel Baptist Church. Tickets for dinner are \$8.00, but for youth 12 and under they are \$3.00. Mistress of Ceremony will be Camille Poe.

There will be a variety of talents ranging from singers, dancers, persons with musical instruments, monologues, etc. The talent call went out in June and a list was compiled. Mrs. Brenda Redd is Program Chairperson.

A delicious menu has been planned consisting of chicken, roast beef, rice/gravy, ham, green beans, cabbage, macaroni and cheese, potato salad, fatback meat, assorted desserts, tea and rolls. See any member of the Journalistic Society for meal tickets. There will be a limited number of seats available for those not desiring dinner. You must see a society member to reserve these spaces.

RETREAT UPDATE... Continued

the Gospel Aerobics, Facials or Massages please sign-up at the registration table after Sunday morning services. We will be studying the book of Mark focusing on Mark 12:30. Everyone will need to bring their Bibles because we will be using them a great deal. Please check with any of the committee members if you have any questions or concerns.

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Editorial Neighbors Helping Neighbors

By Hattie Ingram

When our New Bethel Baptist Church Family adopted the theme "Continuing to Minister Because WE CARE," we did so because of our love and concern for our neighbors and those who were hurting and in need. Our entire membership, auxiliaries and individuals made a commitment to serve and minister to our neighbors in their time of need.

In recent weeks, residents in three apartment complexes (most of them elderly and feeble) and one house have been displaced because of major fires. Fortunately, there were no seriously injured persons in each situation; however, the victims in these fires need a lot of help. New Bethel, along with other area churches and organizations answered the call to work together to offer assistance to all of the fire victims. Everyone responded immediately with monetary donations, offers of shelter, food, clothing and other necessities. Efforts continue on a daily basis.

Just this past week, the Second Harvest Food Bank announced that it was experiencing a huge food shortage and was asking for help to fill their shelves. The demand for assistance was up and people who depend on food donations were hungry and hurting. Many of us responded to the urgent need as television stations, business and organizations held food drives to help eliminate these shortages.

It has been amazing, watching the frenzy of people giving back—many had been on the receiving end themselves at one time. And that's what it's all about—Neighbors helping Neighbors. Let us continue to be good neighbors!



NASYA SMITH
MISSIONARY REPRESENTATIVE

Missions Prayer Day

By Lucille McCormick

The 28th annual Missions Prayer Day of the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention Auxiliary to the General Baptist State Convention was held Saturday, June 27, 2009 at New Jerusalem Baptist Church. Nasya Victoria Smith represented New Bethel from the Youth Department. She reported that the Hymn, "Dare to be a Daniel" is a challenge for all youth. We, too, must "Just Say No" to things that will harm our bodies. Let us have the courage to stand out so we may use our witness to draw others.

Sunday School

Finding and Following God's Will

The Sunday school lessons for the month of August are about encouraging people in finding and doing God's will. Some people try to avoid God's will. Doing God's will is not something believers are to do at certain times and places. True believers seek God's will for every decision they make. All believers need to be faithful and follow Jesus' example in His Gethsemane prayer in Matthew 26:39: "Not as I will but as thou will."

August 2nd—**Do You See The Big Picture?**—I Thessalonians 4:1-5; 5:15-22; II Peter 3:8-9..

August 9th—**Have You Found Your Place?**—Exodus 35:30-36:1; Jeremiah 1:4-8; Colossians 3:16-17.

August 16th—**Do You Require Signs?**—Judges 6:14-16, 36-40; Matthew 16:1-4; Romans 12:1-2.

August 23rd—**Are You Running from God's Will?**—Jonah 1:1-3, 17; 3:1-5, 10; 4:5-11.

August 30th—**Will You Remain Faithful?**—Matthew 26:36-46; I Peter 4:12-14, 19.

SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Youth Corner



ESCADA HORTON
YOUTH REPORTER

Big Changes Ahead

By Escada Horton

As the final few weeks of my summer vacation dwindle down it has dawned on me that I have some huge changes ahead of me. In mid August I will enter Mount Tabor High School as a freshman.

I have mixed emotions about this new stage in my life. On the one hand, I am very excited about the things I will experience in the next four years of my life, like joining clubs, learning how to drive, going to the prom, and preparing for college.

On the other hand, I realize that with this fun comes responsibility and challenges. I know that the school work and homework will be more difficult. I will have to dedicate more time to my studies. I will have to stay focused and study hard.

Peer pressure is another challenge that I will have to deal with in high school. I will have to keep a strong and clear mind and use my best judgment. Things will be a lot different in high school than they were in middle and elementary.

Yes, the changes ahead are enormous! But I know that relying on God will make the changes manageable. On behalf of all New Bethel youth, I ask the church family to lift us all up in prayer as we begin a new school year.

Where will you be

sitting in eternity?

Smoking or non-smoking?

Fourth Quarter Honor Roll Students

By Barbara Phelps

The following students were recognized for making the honor roll at their respective schools during the fourth quarter. They were congratulated by the New Bethel Baptist Church Family and each honoree received a monetary gift from the Youth Council. Mrs. Barbara Phelps encouraged each student to continue to be hard workers and to excel in their work.

Bianca Bailey
Kerry Campbell
Escada Horton
Tammicia Kelly
Breshawn Liles
Nicolis Lyles
Jasmine Moss
Malcolm Poe
Kelson Smith
Nakesha Smith
Christian Thomas

Senior Ministry Enjoys Shopping Spree

By Rev. Dianne Horton

On the morning of Saturday, July 18, 2009, the seniors of New Bethel met at the church to board the van and begin a day of shopping. Mrs. Elaine Brown was the van driver. Deacon Wesley Curtis offered prayer for the group as they began their journey.

The first stop of the day was at Cracker Barrel in Clemmons where members of the group enjoyed a hearty breakfast before heading to Concord Mills. Once the seniors arrived at the mall they eagerly departed the van to begin a four hour shopping spree. The shoppers enjoyed a variety of stores and eateries. Many large and full shopping bags returned to the van with the happy bargain hunters at the end of the day.

The seniors had a blessed day of beautiful weather, safe travel, and wonderful fellowship.

Sunday School Explosion Is Huge Success

By Hattie Ingram

The Sunday School Explosion, under the supervision of Deacon James Brown, superintendent of the Sunday School, was a huge success. All members who attended an early worship service in order to be a part of this special event were in for a treat. Deacon Brown showcased the teachers in the department and described them as determined, dependable and dedicated. They were paired and taught in four different outlines, all under the heading of "Living In the Spirit." The lessons taught were very valuable.

Deacon Brown remarked that those in attendance only got a slice of the pie. He encouraged them to come to Sunday School on a regular basis and get the whole pie.

Dr. Kendall Jones, Sr., our pastor pointed out that each teacher has his/her style of teaching and that members have different styles of learning. He further stated that by observing
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NEW MEMBERS OF NEW BETHEL

Sixteen Welcomed To The New Bethel Family

By Dianne Piggott

On Sundays, May 15 and June 28, New Bethel Baptist Church welcomed a total of nineteen to the family. Baptismal candidates were: Elizabeth Ortolaza, Juwaan Woodbury, Ronald Jackson, Jasmine Williamson and Trecious Couthen. The others who joined in receiving the "Right Hand of Fellowship" were: Mr. and Mrs. Iven (Gwen) King, Mr. and Mrs. Charles (Frankie) Greene, Ms. Gloria Davis, Ms. Jenesha Clemons, Ms. Caprisha Mankins, Mrs. Catherine Cason, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond (Angela) Morgan, Ms. Angela Logan, Ms. Bianca Brailey and Ms. Mary Rice.

Many family and friends attended the baptism of the candidates. Everyone was given a certificate of membership, church cards and a Bible.

The pastor and officers formed a line to begin the right hand of fellowship and then it was opened up to the entire congregation. All were given all rights and privileges of membership.

Carver Salutes Alfred Poe

By Diane Piggott

Alfred Poe gave thirty-seven years of his life to academics and sports at Carver High School. He was a Health and Physical Education teacher and coached basketball, football, and tennis at the school. When he announced his retirement in early May of this year, the Carver Nation began plans for a celebration. On June 16, 2009 at 12 noon the faculty and staff held a celebratory "roast" in his honor in the Media Center of the school.

Mr. Earl Parker hired Coach Poe in 1972 and he returned to wish him well in his retirement. Alderman Walter Marshall came to wish him
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ALFRED POE
HIRED 37 YEARS AGO BY WSFCS

New Bethel Sends Four Delegates To Congress

By Diane Piggott

Dr. and Mrs. Kendall D. (Mae) Jones, Sr., Pastor and First Lady and Trustee and Mrs. Daniel (Diane) Piggott, all of New Bethel Baptist Church, were delegates to the National Congress of Christian Education held June 22-26, 2009 in Detroit, Michigan. Rev. R. B. Holmes, Jr. is the president of the Congress and Dr. George W. Waddles is Dean.

A lovely Sunday evening flight at 6:21 p.m. out of Greensboro into Washington's Dulles International Airport and onto Detroit put the foursome in at 11:30 that night. We picked up the rental car and we were on the Riverfront Hotel in downtown Detroit. Some of you may know it as the old "Punchatrain Hotel." We were thwarted a little in trying to find it as there was no name on the facility.

Pastor and Mrs. Jones both signed up for the class, "Married Couples' Ministry." Their class met in the Marriott Hotel and was taught by Rev. and Mrs. Lovely (Nora) Callaway of First Missionary Baptist Church of Monroe, Louisiana. Trustee and Mrs. Piggott's class was "The Gospel of John" which met in the COBO Center and was taught by Rev. James A. Terrance, Jr., Pastor of Friendship Baptist Church of Kansas City, Missouri. The classes met at 8 a.m. and were followed by a lecture from 10 to 11 a.m. and a discussion period from 11 to 12 noon. Mrs. Jones and Trustee Piggott made a report to the Sunday School Department on Sunday, July 12, 2009 following the Sunday School's Class period. Trustee Piggott presented first and informed the Sunday School that the instructor
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Brown and Myers Conduct a Successful VBS

By Lisa Myers

Ms. Audrey Brown and Mrs. Lisa Myers were the administrators for the annual Vacation Bible School, which was held June 22-26, 2009 at New Bethel Baptist Church. This year's theme was a continuation of last year's urban Ministries, "Champions for Jesus" and met each evening from 6 to 8:30.

The school opened each evening, Monday through Thursday, with a delicious snack. Mrs. Sharon Grooms coordinated the Kitchen crew, which consisted of Mrs. Tina Owens, Mrs. Sue Leach, and Mrs. Jannie Smith.

Classes were held for youth and adults. Beginners, ages 3-6, were taught by Ms. Debbie Frazier, Ms. Ruby Cain and Ms. Angela Logan. They performed a medley of songs for the closing program. Middlers ages 7-9, were taught by Mrs. Lynda Brown, Mrs. Deronda Kee-Lucas and Mrs. Awilda Neal. They presented scriptural verses that highlighted each evening. Pre-Teens, ages 10-12, were under the instruction of Mrs. Connie Smith and Mrs. Romaine Eaton. Their closing presentation consisted of a Champion Chant. Teens, ages 13-15, were under the instruction of Ms. Barbara Phelps, Cherelle Phelps and Mrs. Freda Smith. The Teens presented a skit entitled, "Champions, Religions versus Reality. Youth, ages 16-18, had the benefit of being taught by Deacon Joe Bartley, Mr. Keith Smith and Trustee Richard Walker. The Youth performed a skit entitled, "Living In The Victory of Jesus." The Adult Class for ages 19 and up were instructed by Rev. Artis Smith and Rev. Azureé Johnson. Mrs. Nira Robinson served as the class' secretary. The Adults did a recap of their text, "Victory In Jesus" a musical finale, "We Are One" brought the classes together for this rendition.

Each evening the youth enjoyed music and crafts. Music was taught by Mrs. Tameesha Davis, Mrs. Peggy McCullough and Mrs. Debra Raynor-Wynn. Crafts were guided and taught by Ms. Valjean McKinney, Mrs. Brooke Graves and Ms. Ashley Smith.

On Friday following the Closing Program, everyone enjoyed cake, ice cream and some goodies leftover from the earlier days. The school seemed to have put many smiles upon the faces of the students. See you next year!

NEW BETHEL SENDS... *Continued* who was out of Missouri wanted us to know that John's purpose for writing his gospel was that he wanted everyone to believe that Jesus was truly God. He reported that the miracles of Jesus were singled out and discussed to assure everyone of the deity of Jesus. Mrs. Jones reported that her class gave good points for implementing a Married Couples' Ministry. The class afforded them the opportunity to collect some successes from other churches with a Married Couples's Ministry.

The return trip was just as enjoyable as the beginning leg. A 10:20 a.m. departure out of Detroit got us back into Greensboro at 2:05 p.m. and we departed for our respective homes.



**MR. JOE H. SMITH
PASSES AFTER ILLNESS**

Mr. Joe Henry Smith, Sr. Passes After Extended Illness

By Barbara Ford

Mr. Joe Henry Smith, Sr. passed away June 26, 2009 after a long illness.

He was born to the late George and Mamie Smith. He attended the local public schools and was a life time member of New Bethel Baptist Church, where he served as one of the first videographers.

Mr. Smith was a World War II veteran and a retired employee of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company.

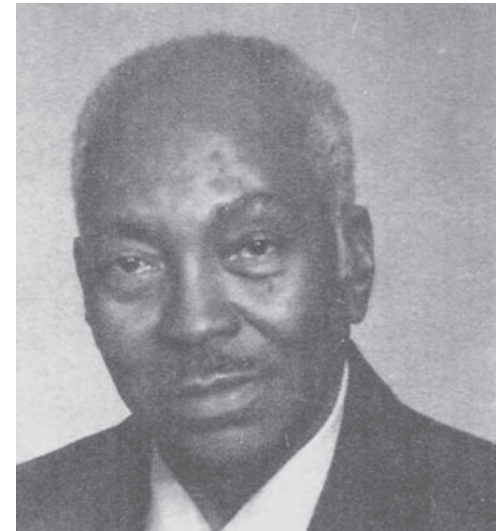
He was funeralized on July 1, 2009 with Dr. Kendall D. Jones, Sr. officiating and Russell Funeral Home in charge of services and arrangements.

Mr. Smith is survived by two sons, Terry and Darius Smith, both of the city; four daughters, Priscilla Reid, Barbara Smith, Diltra (Dip) Patton and Sandra Smith of the city; four special friends, Martha Riley, Katie Riley, Jackie (Moore) Hairston and Hattie Ingram; 14 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren, 4 great-great-great grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews, cousins, and friends.

CARVER SALUTES... *Continued* well and added his congratulatory remarks. Retired coach, Peggy Witherspoon turned what appeared to be a bunch of testimonials into a true roast. She remarked, "I'm going to have to hold back some things because it would cost him his marriage, his career and his reputation!"

Former coaches, former colleagues and former players all returned to wish him well in his retirement. He was joined by his family—wife, Carol Stowe Poe, his son, William and his daughters, Alisa and Camille. A grandchild, Elijah was also a part of the celebration.

Alfred spent two years as a coach at Livingstone College in Salisbury and six years as a teacher in Maryland. His career has spanned 45 years. We extend our congratulations and wishes for a happy and long retirement!



**MR. JAMES D. BUTLER
MEMORIALIZED IN A SERVICE**

Mr. James David Butler Passes After A Period Of Illness

Mr. James D. Butler was born in Seneca, South Carolina to the late Elizabeth Hammond and James "Tooney" Butler on April 12, 1930. He passed July 11, 2009.

Mr. Butler served in the United States Army and received an honorable discharge. He then lived in Pennsylvania and later moved to Winston-Salem to be with his aunt. He became close friends to the late Deacon Cleveland and Mildred Griffin and united with New Bethel Baptist Church where he was affiliated with the Laymen's League.

While living at Crystal Towers, then Granville Place, he became the transport driver and friend to many in the residence. When his health failed, he resided with Minister Ronald and Sharon Spease until his death.

A memorial service was held on July 18, 2009 at New Bethel with Minister Ronald Spease and Dr. Kendall Jones, Sr. officiating.

Deaths Of Relatives Of New Bethel Baptist Church

By Barbara Ford

Mrs. Daisy Alexander Coleman

Mrs. Daisy Alexander Coleman of Kernersville, N.C. departed this life June 30, 2009 and was funeralized July 4, 2009 at Emmanuel Baptist Church, Dr. John Mendez gave the eulogy and Russell Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Coleman was the sister-in-law of Mrs. Tina C. (Rev. William) Owens, who are loyal and faithful members of New Bethel Baptist Church.

Mr. William "Bill" Bailey

Mr. William "Bill" Bailey of the Lutheran Home passed on Friday, July 10, 2009 and was funeralized on Friday, July 17, 2009 at Piney Grove Baptist Church. Rev. Dr. James F. Linville gave the eulogy; Russell Funeral Directors were in charge of services and arrangements.

Mr. Bailey was the nephew of Mrs. Ethel Brooks and cousin of Mrs. Peggy McCullough, both devoted members of New Bethel.

SUNDAY SCHOOL... *Continued* and listening to all of the teachers, members could select the class of their choice easier.

Everyone enjoyed a very delicious luncheon and the presentation of many useful gifts.