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Area Ministers To Conduct Annual Fall Revival



PASTOR VERNON E. BROWN
PASTOR NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH



REV. CLIFFORD A. JONES, JR. — PASTOR
UNITED CORNERSTONE BAPTIST CHURCH



BISHOP TODD LAMONT FULTON
PASTOR MT. MORIAH OUTREACH CENTER

Area Ministers Scheduled To Conduct Revival Services

By Hattie Ingram

The 2009 Revival Services at New Bethel Baptist Church will begin on Tuesday, September 15 through Thursday, September 17, 2009 at 6:45 p.m. The theme for these services is "Being Transformed By the Word of God to Live Holy" Pastor Vernon E. Brown, Pastor of New Zion Baptist Church; Reverend Clifford A. Jones, Jr., Pastor of United Cornerstone Baptist Church; and Bishop Todd L. Fulton, Pastor of Mt. Moriah Outreach Center, all well-known spiritual evangelists will lead these services. They will be accompanied by their choirs and congregations.

Pastor Vernon E. Brown, who grew up in New Bethel, received the call of Christ at an early age and preached his initial sermon on March 9, 1997. He was ordained two years later. To further his knowledge, he attended New Hope Bible College where he received both the Associate of Biblical Studies degree in 1998 and in 2001 earned the Bachelor of Biblical Studies degree. He received Cum Laude honors with both degrees. He is married to Kim Brown and they are parents of 4 children and 3 grandchildren.

Reverend Clifford A. Jones, a native of Charlotte, North Carolina earned the Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from South Carolina State University in 1998, the Master of Divinity degree from Andover-Newton Theological School in Newton Centre, Massachusetts and the Master of Theology degree in 2004 from Emory University/Candler School of Theology in Atlanta, Georgia. He has traveled extensively preaching, teaching and studying God's word.

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CHILDREN'S CHURCH COMMITTEE HOSTED LUNCHEON FOR VOLUNTEERS

Children's Church Honors Volunteers

By Rev. Azurée D. Johnson

The Children's Church Committee of New Bethel Baptist Church hosted an Appreciation Luncheon for volunteers at Bayberry Bistro in the Hawthorne Inn on Saturday, August 15, 2009, from 11:00-12:30 p.m. The event started off with a Welcome by Rev. Johnson, Scripture Reading by Sis. Mae Jones, Prayer and Blessing of food by Deacon Wesley Curtis. After a scrumptious lunch, youth volunteers Sharika Grooms and Trey Curtis were recognized as they begin a new chapter in their lives and heading to college. They each received a thirty day devotional designed especially

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KENYA ROCKER
NEW GUIDANCE DIRECTOR

Kenya Redd Becomes Director of Guidance

By Diane Piggott

Kenya Rocker Redd has been named the Director of the Guidance Department at Atkins Academic and Technology High School at 3605 Old Greensboro Road here in the city for the 2009-2010 school year. Redd comes to Atkins from Mt. Tabor High School where she had been in the Guidance Department for eight years.

Redd is a graduate of North Carolina Central University with a Bachelor's Degree in English Education. She has a Master's Degree in Guidance and Counseling from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She began her counseling career at Wiley Middle School in the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System.

The position at Atkins has the responsibility of coordinating the efforts of three other counselors in the Guidance Department. It is also unique as it coordinates the efforts of three small schools—A School of Technology, A School of BioTech and a School of Engineering.

She is married to George S. Redd, IV and they are the proud parents of a daughter, Kya. She is the daughter of Trustee and Mrs. Kenneth Rocker.

The Journalistic Society Sponsors Talent Extravaganza

By Brenda Redd

The Journalistic Society sponsored their annual dinner program Sunday, August 23rd featuring Talent Extravaganza. During the planning of the annual program, it was very clear that our organization's primary mission was steeped with the desire to present Christian entertainment/enlightenment, fellowship and a delicious home-cooked meal to our guests. In addition to a delicious dinner and fellowship, the society introduced some of the most amazing Christian talent in the area including several of new Bethel's own. Among those competing for the title of first place and runner-up were the Brown Family (featuring several NBBC members including children and grandchildren of the late Mrs. Brown). Mrs. Ronee Hairston and her granddaughters presented a hand clapping spiritual dance depicting "church folk." Otesha Dancer, Ms. Cayla McHome accompanied by Hashim Saleh (Executive Director and founding Musician (Continued Page 3, Columns 2 & 3, Article 2)



SHARIKA GROOMS AND TREY CURTIS
RECEIVE SCHOLARSHIPS FROM MS. BARBARA PHELPS

High School Graduates Receive Scholarships

By Hattie Ingram

On Sunday, August 9, 2009, four scholarships were awarded to five high school graduates during the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

The New Bethel Baptist Church scholarship was presented to members who plan to continue education after completing high school. The awards are \$500.00 each. The Sally Shell Scholarship and the Douglas Shell Scholarship are given by the Shell family in honor of their parents who were staunch supporters of education. \$1000.00 is awarded to a female and \$1000.00 to a male student to help them pursue a post-secondary education. The Ophelia Roberson Scholarship is presented to an outstanding student to assist with his/her continued education following graduation from high school in the amount of \$500.00. The Ceasar Family Scholarship is given in honor of Joe Ceasar to assist high school graduates continue their education in a post-secondary school. The awards are \$500.00 each. Ms. Barbara Phelps and Deacon Carolyn Crosby made the presentations.

Sharika Grooms, daughter of Trustee Johnny and Sharon Grooms received the Sally Shell Scholarship and the New Bethel Baptist Church Scholarship. She is using her award to attend

Fayetteville State University to pursue a degree in Education. She plans to be a teacher.

Lewis "Trey" Curtis, III, son of Deacon and Mrs. Wesley Curtis, Jr. is the recipient of the Douglas Shell Scholarship, the New Bethel Baptist Church Scholarship and the Ophelia Roberson Scholarship. Trey will study at the University of Kentucky and major in Mechanical Engineering.

Charlie Douglas, son of Ms. Paula Imes, grandson of Deacon Carolyn Crosby and great grandson of Mrs. Ruth Sims was awarded the New Bethel Baptist Church Scholarship and the Ceasar Family Scholarship. Charlie plans to study Business Administration at Forsyth Technical Community College.

Allan Jones, son of Dr. and Mrs. Kendall D. Jones, Sr., our Pastor and First Lady, is the recipient of the Ceasar Family Scholarship. Allan plans to attend Massanutten Military Academy.

Danny Boden, son of Ms. Sabrina Dodd and the grandson of Ms. Jackie Shannon has been awarded the New Bethel Baptist Church scholarship and the Ceasar Family Scholarship. He will study at Fayetteville State University and major in Computer Science.



DEACON CAROLYN CROSBY PRESENTS AWARDS TO MRS. MAE JONES FOR ALLAN JONES, CHARLIE DOUGLAS AND MS. JACKIE SHANNON FOR DANNY BODEN

THE JOURNALISTIC SOCIETY SPONSORS TALENT... *Continued* of the Otesha creative Arts Ensemble) graced us with African dance. Also featured were Peggy McCollough with a monologue on the historical accomplishments of African Americans followed by the singing group "Life" (runner-up) and BriAna Brown with her soul stirring performance of poetry. Lastly, the Poe-Smith girls (NBBC members and first place winner) graced us with their (Continued Page 4, Columns 2 & 3, Article 3)



SENIOR MINISTRY DINE AND FELLOWSHIP

Senior Ministry Enjoys Movie And Dinner

By Rev. Dianne Horton

On Saturday, August 29, 2009, the seniors of New Bethel enjoyed an afternoon of good entertainment and good food. They attended the 4:00 movie at the Marketplace Cinema. Those in attendance enjoyed a variety of movies, including My Sister's Keeper, Public Enemy, and Star Trek. The evening of fellowship continued

as the seniors made their way to Village Tavern. This was a time of good food and good conversation.

All seniors (age 60 plus) of New Bethel are invited to join us at our next event. On Saturday, September 12, we will gather together for a lunch and learn event from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

A Day of Food, Fun and Fellowship

By Wanda Davis

Acts 2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

On Saturday, August 15, 2009, the Flower Club and the Willing Workers of New Bethel Baptist Church met at 6:00 p.m. at Jimmy's Seafood & Oyster Bar Restaurant in Winston-Salem for an evening of Food, Fun & Fellowship.

The President of the Flower Club, Nira Robinson, suggested that the two groups come together and fellowship over a wonderful meal.

The blessing of the food was lead by Trustee Gerald Pauling. After enjoying our meal, everyone was presented a gift. The gifts were a love token from the President of each group, Barbara Hairston and Nira Robinson.

Remarks were given by them and they both were very appreciative for everyone that came out to make this unity of two groups, a wonderful occasion.

I believe that fellowship among Christians comes from their fellowship with Christ.

Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; & working together is success.

THE JOURNALISTIC SOCIETY SPONSORS TALENT... *Continued*

rendition of "I Cried My Last Tear Yesterday"

We were richly blessed with the wonderful talent and presence of guest performers Clarinetist, Ms. Katharine Weber of the Graham Symphony, pianist and soloist Mr. Michael Chavis (grandson of the *Spotlight's* former editor the late Mrs. Ethel Stowe) and a musical medley from the beautiful Mrs. Dee Raynor-Wynn (NBBC member).

The society prepared a wonderful and delectable dinner providing one of the finest dining experiences in the city of Winston-Salem. And although we all were extremely pleased with the turn-out, we were happier that so many talented individuals (many our very own) allowed themselves to be used to lift the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.



**POE-SMITH SISTERS — TALENT EXTRAVAGANZA WINNERS
SISTERS — PRINCESS, CIERRA AND NAIKEESHA — 1ST PLACE WINNERS**

Call to Mission

By Mrs. Lucille McCormick

The 112th Annual Session of the Lott Carey Baptist Foreign Missionary Convention was held in Raleigh, North Carolina, August 10-14, 2009. This year's theme was, "Love in Deed and Truth," with the scriptural foundation of I John 3:16-18. The host pastor was Dr. David C. Forbes of the Christian Faith Baptist Church. The convention opened with the "Community Feast Banquet" on Monday night as convention delegates broke bread with people from all walks of life. It is recorded in Luke 14:13 that when we have a banquet we are to invite the poor, the crippled and the blind as you will be blessed because they cannot repay you. Throughout the entire week convention attendees were encouraged with great teaching, that reminded them to serve without expectation or reward, to continually express the love of God and to get involved in mission programs as the work of the church extends beyond the four walls. The mission agenda of Jesus Christ requires that we are to be concerned for others, spread the gospel, be kind to others, pray steadfastly, visit those who are shut-in or sick and to support mission efforts in our communities and around the world. The Lott Carey family is currently supporting mission efforts in Nigeria, Kenya, Sudan, Jamaica, South Africa, Ethiopia, and Mozambique. These nations are grateful for the relationship and partnership with the Lott Carey convention. The president of the Lott Carey Convention is Dr. Keith Troy. It was a great week of inspiration and information. Missionaries are you doing your part?

New Bethel Hosted Forsyth County Nurses Guild Breakfast

By Deacon Constance Segers

The New Bethel Nurses hosted the Annual Forsyth County Nurses Guild Breakfast on Saturday, August 15, 2009. A powerful and inspiring message was delivered by Reverend Artis H. Smith. Her message was "The Way Up is Down — The Beatitudes: A Lifestyle of Happiness." Matthew 5:3-10.

Nurses were reminded of spiritual gifts, responsibilities and areas of service. Nurses must live holy lives, seek to be of help in our churches, be humble and show compassion to the hurting in the world. From God's perspective, the greatest in the Kingdom is the servant. To have the servant spirit is to have the mind of CHRIST.

The program was planned and implemented by our president, Richard Smith. His team of great cooks, Sisters Mary Bradley, Ethel Brooks, Barbara Hairston, Valjean McKinney, Rosa Rice, Janie Smith and Elinor Walker made this breakfast a memorable occasion.

Deaths Of Relatives Of New Bethel Members

Mr. Tommy Lee Daniels

Mr. Tommy Lee Daniels, brother of Mrs. Mae Jones, passed on Saturday, August 22 and was funeralized on Saturday, August 29, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. from the Mark's Funeral Home Chapel in Fordyce, Arkansas. Elder Terry Williams, youngest brother of Mrs. Jones, brought the eulogy. We extend our deepest sympathy to Dr. and Mrs. Kendall D. Jones, Sr. for the loss of their brother and Kendall Jr. and Allan for the loss of their uncle.