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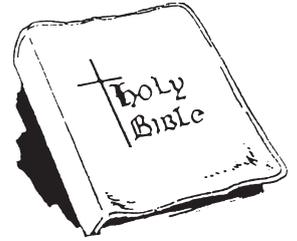
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Missionaries' 115th Anniversary Scheduled For December 9

Annual Christmas Breakfast and Program December 16

By Diane Piggott

The Sunday School of New Bethel Baptist Church will serve breakfast to the Sunday School Department at 8:30 a.m. on Sunday, December 16, 2012.

Following the breakfast, the annual Christmas Program is scheduled at 9:30 a.m. during the Sunday School hour. Classes and individual students will participate.

See Mrs. Diane Piggott to submit your individual or group talent.

Children's Church Celebrates Five Years of Ministry

Submitted by: Rev. Azurée D.J. Dalton

On November 18, 2007, Children's Church opened its doors for worship. Now, in its fifth year of ministry, Children's Church is reflecting on its past, but looking to begin a new season in ministry. With many of the first members now off to college or youth/young adult volunteers of the ministry, the message of Children's Church ministry is clear: There is a place **(Continued Page 3, Column 2, Article 3)**



CHILDREN'S CHURCH MEMBERS CELEBRATES FIVE YEARS OF MINISTRY

Annual Board And Church Meetings Scheduled For December

The Annual Joint Board Meeting of the Pastor, Deacons, and Trustees will be held on Monday, December 17, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. Information and recommendations from this meeting will be presented to New Bethel Baptist Church members at the Annual Church Meeting which is scheduled for Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

All members are asked to come out in large numbers for the church meeting to become familiar with the proposals and recommendations.

Christmas Musical December 23

By Diane Piggott

On Sunday, December 23, 2012 the morning service at 11 a.m. will deviate from the traditional service and a musical will take its place. All choirs and musical groups will come together and sing traditional hymns and other Christmas Carols. There will be some solos as well as duets during the program. The final program has not been finalized, but it's taking shape to be very inspirational.



REVEREND ANNIE H. DALTON
MISSIONARY DAY SPEAKER

Reverend Annie H. Dalton To Speak For Missionaries

By Hattie Ingram

New Bethel Baptist Church will observe the 115th Anniversary of the Missionary Department on Sunday, December 9, 2012 during the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The speaker for the occasion will be Reverend Annie H. Dalton, Associate Minister at Emmanuel Baptist Church.

Reverend Dalton is a native of Lexington, North Carolina where she attended the public schools of Lexington and graduated from Dunbar High School.

Reverend Dalton was licensed to preach in May 1997 at Emmanuel Baptist Church under the leadership of Rev. John Mendez. She was ordained by the Rowan Baptist Association of the General Baptist State Convention in July 1998. She was the Interim Pastor of First Calvary Baptist Church from January 2009 until June 2010.

In 1998, Reverend Dalton retired from BellSouth Telephone Company after 30 years of employment to complete her education and to do ministry. She received the Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology from Shaw University and the Master of Divinity from Wake Forest University School of Divinity. In June 2007 she completed a two year Residency in Clinical Pastoral Education at Wake Forest University Baptist Medical Center and earned her Board Certification as a healthcare Chaplain from the Association of Professional Chaplains in October 2007 and joined the group as a member of the certification committee for new chaplains in February 2012.

Our speaker has been employed as a Staff Chaplain, the first African American Chaplain at Hospice and Palliative Care Center of Winston- **(Continued Page 4, Column 3, Article 3)**

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Editorial

Remembering To Give Thanks This Holiday Season

By Hattie Ingram

The holidays are a wonderful time to reflect on the past year and to give thanks for the opportunities we enjoy.

Ten days ago, many of us joined families and friends to celebrate Thanksgiving Day. This custom of celebrating and giving thanks for all of the many blessings we enjoy as Americans is what makes our nation such a great one.

Just last month, we went to the polls to re-elect our president, Barack Obama for a second term of four years. While it is true that America will continue to be a target for those who would like to see freedom and democracy stamped out, we should be thankful that President Obama will work diligently to keep our nation secure.

With these things in mind, let us remember in our thoughts and prayers the men and women in uniform who are responsible for our protection and safety. We should thank the families of those who are serving because as we celebrated with our loved ones, thousands of tables saved an empty seat for someone in uniform who was unable to join them.

The holiday shopping season has officially begun with Black Friday, actually, Thanksgiving Day. After an early Thanksgiving breakfast or dinner, we witnessed as many as eighty million shoppers lined up for the hustle and bustle of purchasing that perfect gift for Christmas. Let us remember that the birth of Jesus Christ, our Savior, was the perfect gift of God, Our Father. Therefore it is incumbent on us who have accepted this perfect gift, to be servants and humbly give our best and bless as we have been blessed. We should remember that Christmas is a really tough time for those who are jobless, homeless, isolated, sick, shut-in, and those who are lonely and struggling to make ends meet. As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.

Sunday School

What's In A Name?

The Sunday school lesson for the month of December looks at five of the names of God. A name can be fascinating, especially if the name is unusual. How about God's name? Some people may not know He has one. For them, God is His name. The Bible teaches otherwise. God has a personal name—Yahweh, or Jehovah as it is sometimes rendered in the King James version.

December 2nd—**Yahweh Our God**—Exodus 6:2-8; 15:1-3, 11-13

December 9th—**Yahweh Our Father**—Psalms 103:2-6, 8-13, 17-18

December 16th — **Yahweh Our Righteousness**—Jeremiah 23:5-6; Romans 3:21-26; 10:1-4, 9-10

December 23rd—**Jesus Our Emmanuel**—Isaiah 9:6-7; Matthew 1:18-25

December 30th—**Jesus Our Shepherd**—John 10:7-16

SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL



NASYA SMITH
NOVEMBER'S YOUTH OF THE MONTH

Nasya Smith Is Youth of the Month For November 2012

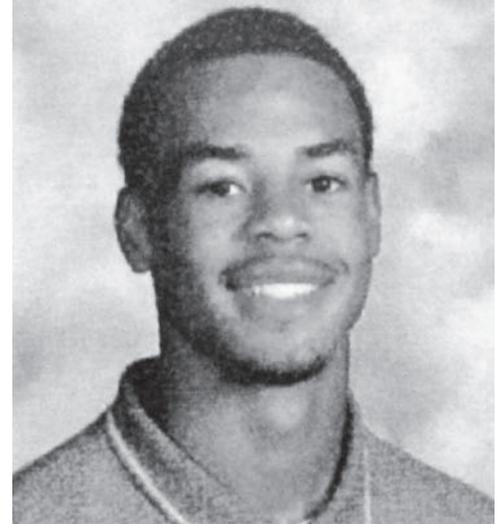
The Youth Ministry was proud to recognize Nasya Smith as Youth of the Month for November 2012. Nasya is the daughter of Eric and Tawanda Smith. She is the granddaughter of Brother Richard and Sister Jannie Smith. And she is the big sister of E.J.

Nasya was selected for her outstanding performance here at New Bethel, her community and school academic endeavors.

She is a member of the Sunday School, Youth Missionary, Youth Ministry, Youth Usher's Board, Youth Choir, Children's Church, Nursery and volunteers to be on the second Sunday program and excels in all tasks. She is a very dependable member of the Youth Ministry.

This sophomore at Glenn High School has received recognition and awards or perfect attendance, having a cooperative spirit and getting along well with others. These accolades demonstrate her commitment to her academic pursuits. In her spare time, she is busy making **(Continued Page 2, Column 3, Article 2)**

Youth Corner



JONATHAN BOOKER
ENJOYING HIS COLLEGE EXPERIENCE

Time Management Allows Me to Juggle Classes and Sports

The fact that I am a full time student makes my experience a lot different from others, because I am a full time student athlete. I am really enjoying my college experience. I thought getting use to the food would be the most challenging, but it's not. The food is great! I've figured out what my parents meant by "breakfast is the most important meal of the day." There are days when I am on the other side of the campus or just really too tired to make it to the cafeteria for lunch. The weather has been the biggest challenge so far..and we haven't experienced the snow yet! As an athlete, most mornings we have to be on the football field at 5:45 am, with an average of 35 degrees. After practice, I rush back to my dorm, shower, gather my books and head to the cafeteria.

When I'm not busy with studying or doing homework, football is occupying all the time I have left. High school students that do not have good study habits need to understand that it is so important in college, because you don't have anyone to give you that extra push. This drastic difference from high school to college has shown me that I am able to manage new situations properly. Time management, priorities, and most of all GOD has allowed me to juggle work, sports and a social life. I am highly appreciative of all the support, love and care that have been shown. We have Chapel on the campus of Howard University, but I miss Pastor Jones and my New Bethel family. I couldn't have done it without you all!

Thank you!
Jonathan Booker

NASYA SMITH IS... *Continued*
plans for her future. Her ideal college would either be Penn State or the University of Georgia. Her career goal, presently, is to work in law enforcement.

In the community, she volunteers at The Samaritan Kitchen and at home she helps out with her younger brother.

In the midst of such a busy schedule, she makes room in her life for friends and fun. She likes to read, play video games and basketball.

Last Union Service Of 2012 To Be Held On December 23

The fourth and last Union Service of the year will be held on Sunday, December 23, 2012 at 4:00 p.m. at St. John C.M.E. Church where Dr. Perry Lester is host pastor. New Bethel Church under the pastorate of Dr. Kendall D. Jones, Sr. is guest church.

For more than 45 years, the pastors and members of Emmanuel Baptist Church where Reverend John Mendez is pastor and Union Baptist Church where Dr. Sir Walter Mack, Jr. is pastor as well as the pastors and members of St. John and New Bethel have assembled quarterly and enjoyed many wonderful meetings and a good time in the Lord.

Deaconess and Trustee Spouses Plan For Annual Prayer Breakfast

The Deaconess and Trustee Spouses of New Bethel are making plans for their 17th Annual Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, January 5, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in the Jerry Drayton Multipurpose Room.

All members are asked to make plans to be in attendance for this time of prayer, food and fellowship. Members are asked to record the number of family members and friends attending in the J.H. Hamlin Annex following the morning worship service beginning December 16, 2012.

Senior Ministry Celebrates Four Fantastic Years

Submitted By: Rev. Dianne Horton, M.Div., P-BCC

The Senior Ministry celebrated their fourth anniversary at Jimmy's Seafood and Oyster Bar on Saturday, November 10, 2012. As we gathered together, many in attendance commented on the gorgeous weather we had been blessed with on this beautiful, fall Carolina day. It was perfect for a day of celebration.

The atmosphere was casual and relaxed. Laughter and good times filled our space. Deacon Thomas Atkins began our time together with prayer and blessing the meal. Reverend Dianne Horton shared a letter from Sister Catherine Douthit. Sister Douthit expressed her gratitude to the Senior Ministry for the kindness shown during her illness.

One of the highlights of the evening was the revealing of Secret Pals. Participants were both thrilled and delighted to finally learn who their secret pal was for 2012. Sister Elinor Walker drew names for door prizes. The winners were Sister Dorothy Watts, Sister Romaine Eaton, Sister Valjean McKinney and Sister Hattie Ingram. Our van driver for this event was Sister Brenda Witherspoon. We are *(Continued Page 3, Column 2, Article 2)*



**HONOR ROLL STUDENTS
RECOGNIZED FOR ACHIEVEMENT**

1st Quarter Honor Roll Students

Caleb's Creek Elementary—Kory Campbell; Gibson Elementary—Jordan Smith; Jefferson Elementary—Mikayla Garrett; Jefferson Middle—Kayla Burdette; Northwest Middle—Kendall Britton; national Heritage Academies—Cierra Campbell; Carver High—Breshaun Liles; Mt. Tabor High—Terrell Britton, II, Escada Horton, Nicolis Lyles, Kelsey Summey, Justin Walker; North Forsyth High—DeShawna Bradley, Jenisha Clemons-Sherrod, Princess Poe-Smith

SENIOR MINISTRY... *Continued*
thankful for her service.

The Senior Ministry is grateful for another blessed year of fellowship. We look forward to spending time together in 2013 with the love and joy of Christ in our hearts. All New Bethel members age 60 and above are invited to join the Senior Ministry. We would love to have you be a part of our fellowship.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH... *Continued*
for you to use your talents to serve others. Many children and preteens are heading to Children's Church weekly for various reasons. "I enjoy Children's Church because of Rev. Dalton," said Malachi Poe. "I like Children's Church because I learn the ways of God," said Kendall Britton. During a given Sunday, members are asked to think outside the box about who God is and what God wants for their lives. Through scripture, group activities, crafts, games, media, and skits, youth are challenged to ask the question: How would Jesus want me to handle this life's situation?

From facing your fears, to understanding God is more important than money, to realizing we are connected to each other through the vine of Christ, studying the word of God is taught on a different level. Kayla Rose Burdette believes "Children's *(Continued Page 3, Column 3, Article 2)*



**MRS. MYRA WILSON
DISTRIBUTES CHRISTMAS MAIL**

Mrs. Myra Wilson Christmas Postmaster

By Diane Piggott

Members may send Christmas wishes to each other using the in-house Post Office which officially opened December 2, 2012. Members can place their Christmas greetings in the blue mailbox provided for them in the annex. In order for your cards to be received on Sundays, they must be dropped off before 12 noon on Thursday. Members will be able to pick up their cards after the 11:00 services. Any cards that are dropped off after Friday will be distributed the next Sunday.

Pastor Kendall Jones assured every member that he would receive at least one card because he was sending every member a card! Mrs. Myra Wilson is Postmaster.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH... *Continued*
Church gives us a chance to explore the word of God in a way that we would understand." With the anticipation of a new curriculum beginning in the New Year, the focus of lessons will shift from surveying the Bible to the children spiritually maturing in Christ. Through weekly challenges, members will have to apply what they learn to the real world and be willing to share their experiences with each other.

Even with these new additions, the mission of Children's Church to minister to children will continue to be a top priority. As we celebrate our 5th year, we would like to thank our adult and youth volunteers who use their talents to help Children's Church grow weekly. We would like to thank Sister Vicki Adams, Sister Susan Hunt, and Sister Mae Jones for their dedicated service to Children's Church. We thank our parents for your support and entrusting us to teach your children the word of God. Lastly, we thank our members for continuing to bring your enthusiasm, challenging questions, and fun spirit to Children's Church.



RACE PROGRESS PROMOTERS HONORED BY EFFORT CLUB

Four New Bethel Members Share Spotlight

By Diane Piggott

The 16th Annual Race Progress Promoters Program sponsored by The Effort Club of New Bethel Baptist Church as they celebrated their 88th Anniversary highlighted nine individuals whose lives showcase talents that are inspiring, encouraging and a testament to racial progress. Four of these individuals are present here in the New Bethel Church Family and we want to salute and spotlight their accomplishments. The four inspiring individuals are Deacon L. Wesley Curtis, Jr. in the field of business, Mrs. Daphne Holmes-Johnson in the field of public service, Ms. Patricia Mumford as a humanitarian and Rev. Dr. William L. Owens in the field of religion.

Deacon Curtis is a graduate of the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, TN where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Architecture and was employed by McKissack and McKissack Architects, one of the oldest African American owned architectural firms in Nashville, TN before coming to Winston-Salem. He joined Walter, Robb, Callahan and Pierce Architects here in Winston-Salem and became an associate in the firm in 1990 and is now a partner and project architect. His designs can be seen in Forsyth, Guilford and Union counties as well as on the campuses of North Carolina A&T State University, Winston-Salem State University, North Carolina State University and Wake Forest University. He is very active professionally and in community organizations. At New Bethel, in addition to being a deacon, he is also Church Treasurer, a Sunday School Teacher, a member of the Mass Choir and Laymen's League. He and his wife, Cynthia have been married for over thirty years and are parents of three children, Kristen, Lewis, III and Michael.

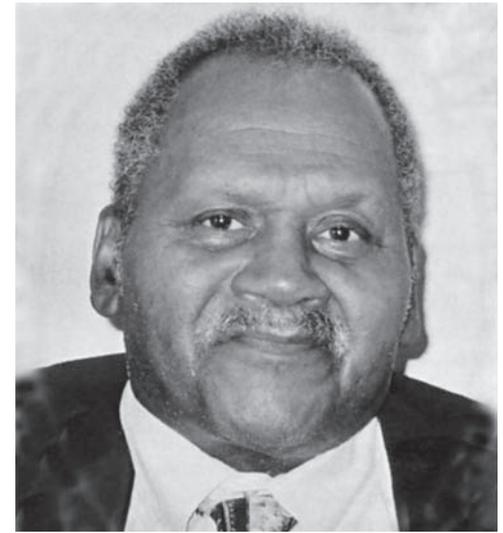
Mrs. Holmes-Johnson is a transplanted native of Macon, Georgia who has resided here for more than 30 years. She attended Knoxville College and has also attended Wake Forest University studying in the Master of Arts Liberal Studies Program. Daphne is a civic leader, published poet, mentor and event planning consultant for a family-owned company, Creative Endeavors Events, LLC. She continues to work for social justice, equality, reconciliation dialogues and actions towards racial harmony, equity in education, fairness in employment, and helps give voice to many without a voice under the arm of the NAACP where she holds several positions and travels around the state of North Carolina providing leadership training for more than 167 chapters. She is very active professionally and in the community in civic organizations such as Delta Sigma Theta

Sorority, Inc., Delta Fine Arts, Inc. and the ECHO Network. She appears as "Hat Queen" in the book, CROWNS: Portraits of Black Women in Church Hats. She is married to Brian Johnson and they have a son, Brandon. She is a member of New Bethel's Effort Club.

Ms. Patricia Mumford is a native of Winston-Salem graduating from Atkins High School and continuing her education at Winston-Salem State University majoring in Elementary Education. She found her true calling when she began working with the Experiment in Self-Reliance (ESR) and has continued for the last 44 years. At the ESR, she has worked to help low-income clients achieve financial security and build strong foundations for themselves. She has served as an ambassador or ESR in soliciting donations from private donors in the community. She worked to establish a food pantry, landlord appreciation luncheon, assisted in voter registration drives, been a collaborator with the Weatherization and Crisis intervention Program with DSS and the overall historian for the agency. Patricia was awarded the United Way Employee of the Year Award in 1990 and a *Winston-Salem Chronicle's* 2011 Lifetime Achievement Award. At New Bethel she has been active for over sixty years where she is currently in the Effort Club, Hannah Missionary Group Leader, Mass Choir, the Willing Workers, the Forsyth County Missionary Union and the Transportation Ministry. She is the mother of two sons, Kevin and Christopher and grandmother of four.

Lastly, our fourth honoree is Rev. Dr. William L. Owens. Dr. Owen is a native of Union, South Carolina and was educated in the public schools there. He earned a Bachelor of Science Degree from Liberty University in Lynchburg, Virginia; a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Ministry from Winston-Salem Bible College and a Doctor of Divinity Degree from James W. Teamer School of Religion. Dr. Owens was ordained by the Ordination Council of the Rowan Baptist Association and his ministry has spanned over 40 years. He came to New Bethel from Mt. Carmel Baptist Church. At New Bethel he is an Assistant Minister, a member of the Communion Singers and Instructor of the New Members' Class. He is a member of Bivouac Lodge Number 503, Prince Hall Affiliated. He is married to the former Tina Coleman and they are parents of six children, grandparents of six and the great-grandparents of two.

The New Bethel Church family salute these four outstanding individuals and may their lives stand to inspire others to achieve the same.



**DAVID L. CONRAD, SR.
PASSES AFTER ILLNESS**

David L. Conrad, Sr. Passes After Extended Illness

By Barbara Ford

David Lester Conrad Sr. was born to Charlie and Annie Belle Conrad on April 12, 1932 and passed away October 28, 2012 at the veterans Home in Salisbury.

He graduated from Atkins High School in 1950 and soon after married the late Peggy Ann Hairston. He then joined the U.S. Marine Corps, after which he later worked for McLean trucking Company and the Forsyth County school system from which he retired.

David gave his life to Christ and was baptized by the late Dr. Jerry Drayton. He faithfully attended New Bethel until he moved to Salisbury.

He leaves to cherish fond memories, four children, Janet Renee Conrad of San Antonio, Texas; David Lester Conrad Jr. of Rockingham; Kristy (James) Franklin and Mildred Latrice of Winston-Salem. Special family members to carry on his legacy: eight grandchildren and five sisters: Betty Wilkins, Jackie (Willis) Penn, Elizabeth Frazier, Shirley Conrad and Carolyn Conrad. Three sister-in-laws and one brother in-law, Andrea Hairston, Barbara Hairston and Sadie and Lester Hairston. Many nieces, nephews, family and friends.

New Bethel Has Another Successful Food Drive

The 2012 Food Drive ended on Sunday, November 18, 2012. We collected 1596 cans/items along with \$670.00. These items and the monetary donations were donated to the Second harvest Food Bank of Northwest NC. The truck from Second Harvest Food Bank picked up 10 boxes of food on November 20, 2012—in time to help with the food distribution for Thanksgiving. Thanks to the generosity of the members of New Bethel Baptist Church. The theme for the event was "Feeding the Multitude—One can at a time."

Thanks for Sharing and Caring.

REVEREND ANNIE... *Continued*
Salem since June 2007 where she serves homecare patients and previously worked as one of the coordinators of the Inclusion and Access Program.

She is a Telecom Life Member, a member of the North Carolina Chaplain's Association and of the Ministers of Winston-Salem and Vicinity.

She is married to James William Dalton and they have four adult children, four grandchildren and one great-grand.