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CARE, COME TO CHURCH
WITH A CAN IN YOUR
HAND FOR CRISIS CONTROL.
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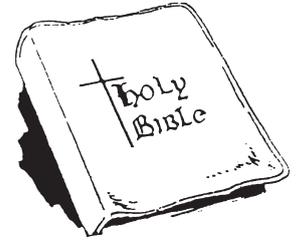
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Deacons, Trustees And Spouses To Sponsor 39th Leadership Program



MINISTER TODD AND REV. AZUREE JOHNSON-DALTON HONORED AT BABY SHOWER

Daltons Showered With Love

By Diane Piggott

Minister Todd and Rev. Azuree Johnson-Dalton were showered with gifts from about forty-five well-wishers at a Baby Shower on Saturday, January 26, 2013 in the Drayton Multipurpose Room of New Bethel Baptist Church.

The Multipurpose Room was adorned in pink "Baby Girl" decorations. The Daltons had revealed that their expected bundle was a girl. She is expected to arrive around February 11, 2013.

Shower-goers were entertained by games and prizes. Rev. Artis Smith won a game in which you collected a pacifier necklace from a guest who didn't use the "shower guest name" you were given upon arrival to the shower. LaShanda Hairston won a prize for removing pins out of a basket of cotton balls. Mrs. Dorothy Watts won a prize for her artistic talents of drawing her baby picture.

Just as gifts were about to be opened, Minister Todd Dalton arrived and joined Rev. Dalton at the gift table. The two of them beamed as they opened each gift. The gifts included bottles, diapers, wipes, onesies, sterilizers, a bouncer, gift cards, money, caps, socks and two magnificently crocheted blankets. Other items are too numerous to mention.

The guests enjoyed a delicious repast. The menu included nuts, mints, wings, meatballs, chicken salad sandwiches, potato salad, pasta salad, punch, cake squares and cupcakes. Party planners were Susan Hunt, Debra Wynn, Lisa Myers, Nicole Brown, Jackie Posey, Audrey Brown, Brenda Witherspoon, Jeannette Hatcher, Wanda Davis, Sharon Grooms, Debra Odom, Jackie Shannon and Carolyn Crosby.

Youth/Young Adults Plans Being Made

By Hattie Ingram

Plans are being made for our Annual Youth and Young Adult Day which is scheduled for March 10, 2013. The theme for this occasion is "Following In God's Footsteps As A Shepherd."

Cierra Campbell will serve as Youth/Young Adult Day Chairperson. She will lead her peers with great enthusiasm as they continue to plan for Youth/Young Adult day and programs and activities throughout the year. They are processing plans for a fun night on the Friday before their special day. They will be in charge of the Sunday School Service when youth will serve as teachers in all of the classes, lead devotion, lead the worship service and the Youth Choir will provide the music for the occasion.



CIERRA CAMPBELL
YOUTH/YOUNG ADULT DAY CHAIR

"I've learned that you shouldn't go through life with a catcher's mitt on both hands, you need to be able to throw something back."—Maya Angelou



REV. TAVARES VANCE
LEADERSHIP PROGRAM SPEAKER

Rev. Tavares S. Vance Will Speak For Leadership Program

By Hattie Ingram

Reverend Tavares S. Vance, Chairman of the Intercessory Prayer Ministry at Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church will be the guest speaker at the Leadership program at New Bethel Baptist Church on Sunday, February 17, 2013 at 11:00 a.m. The leadership program is sponsored annually by the Deacons, Trustees and their Spouses.

Reverend Vance preached his trial sermon on December 8, 2008 at Bethlehem under the leadership of Pastor Dwight Hash, Sr. He serves as President of the Pastor's Aid Ministry and is a member of the Male Chorus where he is director and chaplain. Rev. Vance is also chairperson of the Seven Last Words and founder and chairman of the City Wide Revival. He is vice president of the Ushers Convention of the Guilford Educational Missionary Baptist Association.

Others appearing on the program are: Worship Leader, Trustee Johnny Grooms; Scripture, Mrs. Betty Atkins; Invocation, Deacon Joe Bartley; Announcements/Welcoming Visitors, Mrs. Cynthia Curtis; Offertory Prayer, Deacon Wesley Curtis; Introduction of Speaker, Mrs. Jackie Posey and Remarks by Dr. Kendall Jones, Pastor.

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Editorial**February Reminds Us
Of Love**

By Diane Piggott

Valentine's Day falls on February 14. It is a holiday of showing love to one another, usually a sweetheart or a spouse. Let's not just restrict our love to a sweetheart or a spouse, but let's reach out to our fellow man in general. Do a kind deed here or there!

On these cold mornings when I go to get the newspaper, it warms my heart when my neighbor has already placed it right outside the door. I feel that it is a huge gesture for me since I don't want to face the frigid temperatures. He doesn't just wait until Valentine's Day and that makes it more meaningful for me.

It was also heartwarming to see the emotions shown by President and Mrs. Obama as they celebrated during the Second Inaugural Ceremonies. It wasn't over-the-top, but tastefully done to show love and appreciation.

Sometimes we dump all of our affection at one time of the year, e.g. from Thanksgiving to Christmas and neglect the other months of the year. Showing love needs to be a year round effort. Start at home and reach out to your family, church, community, state and nation. It will make the world a better place in which to live.

***Much Love And Appreciation
To Everyone Who Helps
In Our Church Ministries,
Happy Valentine's Day
February 14, 2013***

**Sunday School
What Matters Most**

The Sunday school lesson for the month of February is based on the five "faithful sayings" in the Pastoral Letters. The Pastoral Letters are I Timothy, II Timothy, and Titus. They were addressed to two of Paul's most trusted helpers. Paul wrote about proclaiming the gospel of grace, defending the faith against false teachings, working with leaders and people in the churches, and living a godly life.

February 3rd—**The Truth of the Gospel**—I Timothy 1:3-7, 12-20

February 10th—**The Character of Leadership**—I Timothy 3:1-15

February 17th—**The Practice of Godliness**—I Timothy 4:7-10; Titus 3:1-9

February 24th—**The Reward of Endurance**—II Timothy 2:1-13

SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Cierra Campbell
Youth of the Month
For January 2013**

This month's honoree has been selected for her stellar leadership here at New Bethel, at school and in the community.

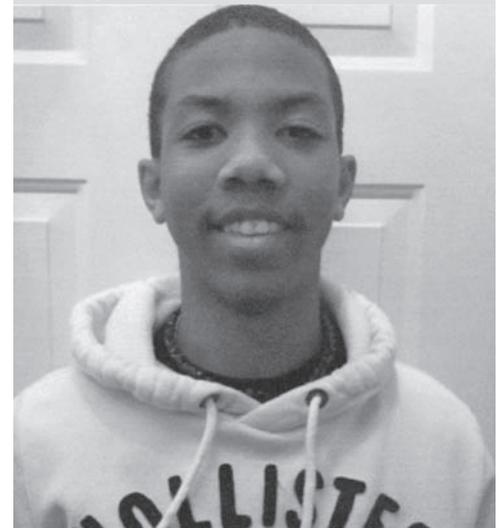
This middle school student is a seventh grader at Forsyth Academy, where she demonstrates her commitment to excellence by studying hard and putting her best foot forward in her academic pursuits.

In the community, this young lady is active with the Youth Achievers of Rural Hall. She also assists at the concession stand at the Carver High School home games.

Here at New Bethel, this outstanding youth is very active and excels in her leadership roles. She is a member of Children's Church and Sunday School. Her love for singing and dancing is displayed by her participation with the Youth Choir and the Liturgical Dancers. Additionally, she provides help when needed in the church nursery, Heaven's Little Angels. This month's honoree is the President of the Youth Missionary. And she is the newly elected President of the Youth Ministry.

This dynamic young person is a blessing to her family, church and community. It is our sincerest hope and prayer that God will continue to bless her and all the work she puts her hands to in the New Year. (*Cierra Campbell is pictured on Page 1*).

The Youth Ministry is proud to recognize Cierra Campbell as the Youth of the Month for January 2013. Cierra is the daughter of Sister Lisa Poe, the grand-daughter of Sister Carol Poe and the sister of Naikessha, Princess, Malachi and Eliza.

Youth Corner

**KENDALL FRAZIER BRITTON
HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTEE**

**Kendall Frazier Britton
Is National Junior
Honor Society Inductee**

By Terrell Britton, II

Northwest Middle School officials inducted Kendall Frazier Britton as a member of the Northwest Chapter, National Junior Honor Society on Thursday, January 24, 2013. National Junior Honor Society membership is based on Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Character and Citizenship. The total inductees consist of thirty-one 7th grade students. Students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or better.

Kendall is the son of Terrell and Patrice Britton, brother of Terrell Britton II and grandson of Willa Frazier Lash and Nell Davis Britton.

**Why Celebrate
Black History Month?**

We are a people with a strong, wealthy and most misunderstood past. We have so much to be thankful for, but far too often we choose self-pity and destruction. These are words and actions that are not a part of our true heritage. I challenge you to research your history. Start with Africa where you will find that you are descendants of kings and queens who were beautiful inwardly and outwardly. They knew who they were and had purpose and focus in life. Do you?

We then came to America. We know how we arrived, but it is then that we changed our thought patterns. We were told we were inferior, and we were shown how different we were—despite the contributions we made to society. We fought for our rights, and many died in those struggles in order that those that followed could have a better life.

Today life is a little better, but we are not complete. We need to believe, first in God, and then in ourselves, and know that we are capable of great things. After all, God promised this to us. Celebrate now, and plan for the future. Prepare for those who are younger and those who will come. Teach them self-worth and dignity.

Black History is a time to celebrate culture. It is a time to love, love yourself and then you will be capable of loving others.

So why celebrate Black History? Celebrate it because God celebrates us. We are important, and we must know it. It does not have to be validated by others. Validate yourself!

Author Unknown

The Union Service Four Churches One Body In Christ

The fundamental purpose of the four churches fellowship is to allow the following churches: New Bethel Baptist Church, St. John C.M.E., Emmanuel Baptist Church, and Union Baptist Church the opportunity to come together for corporate worship services. This service was birthed in 1969 to help maintain relationships, keep worship as a viable part of the community, and to give the Winston-Salem Community an opportunity to experience the four churches in collaboration with one another.

Group Consideration

- 4th Sundays at 5:00 pm
- Lectures By Visiting Pastors and Church Leaders
- Mission Efforts and Volunteer Support
- Collaborative Support for Revivals and Other Services
- Each service will have a different focus:
 - Worship Service with focus on Church Leaders
 - Worship Service with Focus on Missions
 - Worship Service with focus on Men and Women
 - Worship Service with focus on Youth and Young Adults
 - Mass Choir of All Churches and Christmas Symphony

Fellowship Opportunities

- Churches are asked to designate a night to support revival services.
- The committee will find a time for a cook-out fellowship.
- The committee will find a charity to support financially and churches will be asked to give an assessment annually with a bank account and designated financial officers to handle resources.



**TRUSTEE EUGE THOMPSON
PRAYER BREAKFAST SPEAKER**

Deaconess and Trustee Spouses Host Very Impressive Prayer Breakfast

By Hattie Ingram

New Bethel's Deaconess and Trustee Spouses hosted a very impressive Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, January 5, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. in the Jerry Drayton Multipurpose Room. The compelling service had a very reverent and inspiring atmosphere and was enjoyed by the many members and friends in attendance. During this special service, guests were able to praise God through selected scriptures, powerful prayers, meditations, and the moving and soul-stirring songs by the Communion Singers all related to the theme, "Many Are The Plans And Prayers In Our Hearts in 2013, But It Is The Lord's Purpose That Prevails."

Trustee Eugene Thompson, Speaker of the hour blessed those present with a powerful message reminding us that in this very new year, we need to listen and trust in God because He is the one who leads and directs us every day. He stated that we should be like David, one of God's shepherds; like Solomon, who asked God for wisdom and Moses who depended on God's strength in leading people. Thompson reminded us to put love in action at New Bethel this year as we communicate in a loving and kind way so God will bless our church. He concluded that we should let God lead and direct us instead of trying to direct Him and we would be fine.

Celebrate Black History Month Remember Civil Rights Leaders

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Rosa Parks
Malcom X

Inventors

George Washington Carver
Dr. Neil DeGrasse Tyson

Entertainers

Dr. Maya Angelou
Bill Cosby



**JORDAN SMITH
STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT**

Jordan Smith Is President Of Student Council at Gibson

By Connie Smith

Jordan Smith, a member of New Bethel's Youth Council and Youth Choir, was elected President of Julian Gibson Elementary School's Student Council in the fall of 2012. He has won best science project overall and will represent Gibson in the WSFCS System Wide Science Fair to compete with other students in Forsyth County. His project title is "Where do I find Bacteria in my House?" Jordan is in the 5th grade and is the son of Lauren and Christian Smith and the big brother to twins Chloe and Cydney Smith. He is the grandson to Barbara Eure, Connie Smith, and Dr. Herman Eure and wife (Kelli), and uncles T.J. Williams and Jared Eure.

The Beginning Of A New Year

Submitted By:

Rev. Dianne Horton, M.Div., P-BCC

At New Bethel, the sharing of a meal is a tradition that binds us together in fellowship. In recognition of the new year and our renewed commitment to strengthen the ties that bind us together as a church family, the Senior Ministry gathered together at noon on Saturday, January 19, 2013, at North Point Grill for a fellowship luncheon. Smiles, laughter and love filled our space and made for a delightful afternoon.

The 2013 Secret Pal Club was kicked off with the drawing of names. However, once the food was served everyone's focus shifted from conversation to enjoying the delicious meal that was before us. Dr. Jones blessed the meal and the fellowship continued. The Senior Ministry extends a warm thank you to our van driver, Sister Patricia Mumford. We are grateful for her service.

All New Bethel members age 60+ are invited to join the Senior Ministry. It would be wonderful to have you fellowship with us.



MRS. ROSA RICE
HONORED FOR VOLUNTEERING

Rice Recognized For Volunteerism

By Diane Piggott

Rosa Rice has received the President's Bronze Service Award and the Community Achievement Award from Sheriff William T. Schatzman at the Sheriff Department's banquet and Awards Ceremony on December 4, 2012.

After a thirty year tenure with AT&T/Lucent Technology, she returned home from Columbus, Ohio to retire. She reunited with her New Bethel Family, but she was not content to just sit at home.

In April we reported that she completed the Sheriff's Citizens Academy. She appears to have found a true "second calling" with the Sheriff's Department. She enjoys volunteering there.

Ten Tips For Better Human Relations

1. **Speak to people.** There is nothing as nice as a cheerful word of greeting.
2. **Smile at people.** It takes 72 muscles to frown only 14 to smile.
3. **Call people by name.** The sweetest music to anyone's ears is the sound of their own name.
4. **Be friendly and helpful.** If you would have friends, be friendly.
5. **Be cordial.** Speak and act as if everything you do is a genuine pleasure.
6. **Be genuinely interested in people.** You can like almost everybody, if you try.
7. **Be generous with praise** — cautious with criticism.
8. **Be considerate with the feelings of others.** It will be appreciated.
9. **Be thoughtful of the opinions of others.** There are usually three sides to a controversy — yours, the other fellow's and the right one.
10. **Be alert to give service.** What counts most in life is what we do for others. Add to this a good sense of humor, a big dose of patience, and a dash of humility and you will be rewarded many-fold.

Bridging Barriers To Hospice & Palliative Care

Submitted By:

Rev. Dianne Horton, M.Div., P-BCC

In February 2012, New Bethel's Health Ministry and Senior Ministry joined forces and sponsored a focus group to discuss end of life care that is sensitive to the African American culture. New Bethel was one of four local churches included in the research. The other three churches that convened focus groups were Galilee Missionary Baptist, Goler Metropolitan AME and Union Baptist.

Members of these focus groups made significant contributions to the research study which was led by Dr. Cecile Yancu of Winston-Salem State University's Department of Behavioral Sciences and Social Work. Rev. April Rhinehardt facilitated the focus groups. Miss Maura Graves was the research assistant.

The results of the research were shared with New Bethel on Saturday, January 19, in the Drayton Multipurpose Room. Five themes were identified during the research process. The first theme addressed the difficulty that comes with simply talking about death. Each death is different due to the fact that our individual spirituality differs from one another. No two deaths are experienced the same. The second theme dealt with the clinical term "good death." Participants stated that this terminology is not helpful. Some deaths may be easier but no death is a good death. The third theme stressed the importance of families sharing a dialogue so that everyone knows what is wanted in regard to end of life decisions. In addition to family members, these conversations should include trusted health care providers and spiritual advisors. Having these conversations can prevent stress and conflict in families. Making our wishes known gives our loved ones a gift of peace. The fourth theme was suffering. Suffering is a part of life. Suffering is a humbling experience and reminds us all of our humanity. Although suffering is unpleasant, it is in the midst of our suffering that we come to realize what is really important in life. The fifth and final theme was in regard to support and assistance. Coping with the changes in life that result from caring for a sick family member or the death of a loved one can bring about an array of emotions and needs. Support and assistance are available in the local community that offers respite care, spiritual support and a listening presence.

The presentation was very informative and included a great deal of sacred story sharing by our participants. It is in such times of sharing that we realize the importance of encouraging and uplifting our fellow brothers and sisters. New Bethel is grateful for the members of our congregation who so graciously and tenderly shared their sacred stories of grief and loss: Sister Ruby Can, Sister Alene Davenport, Sister Rethea Holloway, Sister Robin Macklin, Sister Patricia Mumford, Sister Diane Piggott, Sister Carol Poe, Deacon Constance Segers, Sister Elinor Walker and Sister Dessie Wilson.



MRS. CAROL JEAN ANDERSON JACKSON
PASSES AFTER ILLNESS

Mrs. Coral Jean Anderson Jackson Passes

By: Barbara Ford

Mrs. Coral Jean Anderson Jackson was born November 1, 1935 to Elijah and Blondena Anderson. She passed away Saturday, January 5, 2013 at Forsyth Medical Center.

Coral was a graduate of Atkins High School, class of 1955, and faithfully worked with the Class reunion Committee.

Coral retired from RJ Reynolds Tobacco Company after 28 years of service. Spiritually, Coral, a member of New Bethel Baptist Church, where she loved to sing and participated on the Inspirational and Mass choirs. She was also a member of the Effort Club and Hospitality Committee. She also blessed Goler Metropolitan AME Zion Church with her singing abilities by singing in the Gospel Choir.

Coral was a former member of Sethos Court #105, DOI, Past Commandress, The Golden Circle #64, and Sisters of Bivouac #530, OES, PHA.

She is survived by her husband of 48 years, Alvin A. Jackson, Sr.; children Raeford (Cynthia) Oree, Carla (Antonio) McCoy, Angela (Leotha) Debnam, Athlene Pate, Wyvonia (Reginald) Attucks, Alvin Jackson Jr., Yvette Tolliver, Reginald (Jelaine) Jackson, Gisele (Percy) Cloud; sisters Rosalyn D. Anderson and Geneva A. Wright; and her favorite grandson, CJ; a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews, cousins, and other relatives.

Deaths and Funerals Relatives of New Bethel Members

Mr. Elijah McCoy Anderson

Mr. Elijah McCoy Anderson was born on September 8, 1930 and passed on December 31, 2012 at Wake Forest Baptist Health. Funeral services were held on Saturday, January 5, 2013 at Gilmore's Funeral Home Chapel.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Elijah and Blondena Anderson and his brother, Charles Anderson. A sister, Coral Jean Anderson Jackson passed on the morning of his funeral services.

He is survived by New Bethel members, Geneva Anderson Wright and Rosalyn Anderson, both sisters of the deceased.