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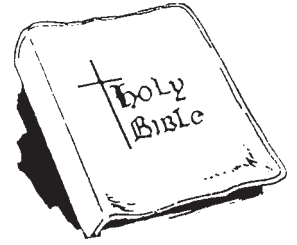
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Ushers And Nurses To Celebrate 100th and 80th Anniversaries



**DEACON MATTHEW HARRIS MOORE
PASSES AFTER ILLNESS**

Deacon Matthew Harris Moore Passes – Served As Sunday School Superintendent

By: Barbara Ford

Deacon Matthew Harris Moore passed away June 1, 2013. He was educated in the Stokes County school system.

Deacon Moore lived by several creeds, serving God, family, church, and community. He leaves a legacy of 60+ years of employment, 56+ years of marriage, and 3+ years of military duty. He was affiliated with the following, Laymen's League, Baptist Training Union, Superintendent of the Sunday School which he received honors for being the longest serving superintendent across the state of North Carolina for 50 years or more. He also served as a Deacon and attended the National Baptist Convention for many years and the Rowan Association.

In the interim, he was married to the late Thelma Moore and they raised two children, the late Michael (Jackie), and Reginal (Victoria) and one grandson, Gabriel Moore, all of Frederick, MD.

In addition, there is another son, Leonard Moore of Mount Rainier, MD. Completing the family is a daughter, Donna (Ralph) Lopez-Holmes and their son, Antonio of Mobile, AL. Also left to cherish precious memories are a host of relatives, and friends.



**MS. ASHLEY SMITH
LITURGICAL TEAM'S CHOREOGRAPHER**

Ashley Smith Leads Liturgical Dancers

By Kristen Curtis

Ashley Smith is serving as the new choreographer of New Bethel's liturgical dance team. She is currently a student at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, where she majors in dance. Ashley's ultimate goal is to own a dance studio, and she believes taking on this role at the church will be a valuable experience. She also volunteered because she did not want to see the dance team fade away.

Currently, the liturgical dancers are divided into groups, based on skill level. They will perform six times a year, and their first performance under Ashley's leadership will be on the second Sunday of this month. Ashley hopes for the dancers to eventually include more age groups, ranging up to middle-aged adults. She also hopes for the group to hold an annual anniversary event in the future, where other churches will be invited to perform.



**MR. RICHARD SMITH
USHER BOARD PRESIDENT**

Ushers And Nurses Will Celebrate Joint Anniversaries

By: Hattie Ingram

The Ushers and Nurses of New Bethel will celebrate their 100th and 80th anniversaries respectively on Sunday, July 21, 2013 by sitting in a body during the 11:00 a.m. worship service.

The Ushers and Nurses have had a very successful year. Their participation in conventions has been tremendous. They have conducted workshops to improve the quality of their service to the church.

Mr. Richard Smith is president of the combined group. Ms. Valjean McKinney is First Lady. Mrs. Jennatte Hatcher is Director of Nurses.

Sunday School Members Visit Dinner Theatre

By Kristen Curtis

On Saturday, June 1, members of the New Bethel Sunday School traveled to Fort Hill, South Carolina to enjoy a Christian play and dinner by a non-profit organization called NarroWay Productions. NarroWay claims to provide some of the highest quality Christian entertainment in the South, and that claim certainly proved to be true!

The play was called "The 4th Cross" and it portrayed a different angle to the story of Jesus' crucifixion. It highlighted the fact that Barabbas would have been crucified for murdering a tax collector, but the people called for Jesus to be crucified instead. The play emphasized the irony of Jesus' willingness to take Barabbas's place resulting in God's will ultimately being done and salvation being offered to all—basically, a seemingly bad fortune becoming the greatest gift to the world. The title "The 4th Cross" comes from the fact that Jesus was crucified with three other men, thus his cross was the fourth one.

We were transported to the location on a coach bus, which Trustee Carl Bankhead volunteered

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Editorial

Freedom Isn't Free

By Diane Piggott

We just celebrated another 4th of July this past Thursday. Many enjoyed huge meals on the barbeque grill along with fun and games. But did you pause to reflect upon the real meaning of this holiday.

Early settlers came to this country to escape famine and religious persecution. They carved out lives for themselves and a new nation was born. Then the Mother country tried to enact too much control and a great revolution was fought. Many lost their lives so that we can enjoy these freedoms.

Down through the years from that July 4, 1776 date to this present time, many have sacrificed their lives in wars in order to preserve the freedoms we enjoy.

As I reflect on July 4th and the freedom we enjoy in this great country, I want to salute those of our membership who have served in the many branches of our Armed Services. If I omit anyone, please bring it to my attention. The oversight is not intentional, just a lack of knowledge. Thanks to the following men and women of New Bethel who gave their services that our nation remains free. Salutations to: Eugene Barr, Calvin Bell, Gerri Bell, Gregory Cain, Stuart Cooke, Charlie Greene, Cassandra Gullick, Norris Gullick, Chris Hairston, George Hatcher, George Horton, Ivan King, Alvin Little, James Mack, Willie Malachi, Connie Smith and Thomas Thornton. So if you're passing by any of these members in the near future, why don't you extend your heartfelt thanks for their service!

Sunday School God's Story

The Sunday School lesson for the month of July continues to focus on God's story. The Lord God has called us to be His people. He has declared He will be our God. We know that we have failed Him, but we also know He desires to restore us to fellowship with Him.

July 7th—**God Established A Kingdom For His People**—II Samuel 7:8-17, 22-24

July 14th—**God Disciplines His People**—II Kings 17:7-15, 18-20

July 21st—**God Restores His People**—Ezra 1:1-5; Nehemiah 8:1-6; Jeremiah 29:10-14

July 28th—**God Promises The Messiah**—Isaiah 53:2-12

SEE YOU IN SUNDAY SCHOOL!



**LONDYN IMES
RECEIVES PRE-K CERTIFICATE**

Londyn Imes Advances to Kindergarten

Londyn Imes received her certificate of completion from Pre-Kindergarten during commencement exercises held on Friday, June 7, 2013 at Bethlehem Community Center.

At New Bethel, she is a member of the Liturgical Dance Team and looks forward to her Sunday time in Heaven's Little Angels.

Londyn is the daughter of Ms. Paula Imes and little sister to Charlie and Breshaun. She is the granddaughter of George and Carolyn Crosby and is very excited to be attending Whitaker Elementary this fall.

SUNDAY SCHOOL... Continued
to drive. Once we arrived, we were served a delicious authentic biblical meal which consisted of sliced beef with wild rice, flatbread with vegetables, and bread pudding for dessert, along with a choice of water or sweet tea. Afterwards we were welcomed and given an **(Continued Page 2, Column 3, Article 2)**

Youth Corner



**PRINCESS POE-SMITH
YOUTH REPORTER**

Setting Goals

By: Princess Poe-Smith

As Memorial Day came around and families came together to honor the people who died and sacrificed themselves to help our country become what it is now. I knew then that it was time for me to change for the better and help others as our respected soldiers did. When Memorial Day was upon us it was the day I finally made a decision about the changes I wanted to make in my teenage life right now. My Aunt Camille is one of the main reasons I decided what I had to do to change the person I really want to be. She sat my sisters and me down and had us make a list of goals that we each wanted to accomplish for ourselves. I had a few difficulties thinking about what goals I needed, but she told me not to think too hard on it, that it would just come to me. I took her advice and soon I had my goals which are the following: study my Drivers Handbook so that I could get my learners permit, find out who and what places are hiring so I could get a start on a job, volunteer at the local libraries in Winston-Salem, to start thinking about what colleges I would like to attend, join societies and clubs in my community and church so I can meet others and share my experiences, and last but not least to get an early start on computer and technology since that is what I would like to major in, in college. When I wrote these goals down I felt that I now was a person with a purpose, and that made me very happy!

SUNDAY SCHOOL... Continued

introduction, then the play began. We were in awe of how talented the actors were, and how elaborate and real the sets looked. The play was a musical and the selections were quite entertaining and fit for people of all ages. Numerous children actors were a part of the cast, as well as real farm animals (including a camel!) to depict a village setting during biblical times. During intermission many of us purchased concession snacks and drinks. By the end of the play, emotions were stirred and praises were lifted by those in attendance. I'm sure all Sunday School members who attended would readily recommend others to make the trip at least once to see a play by NarroWay Productions; it's well worth it!



BIANCA BRAILEY
WILL STUDY AT AT&T

Bianca Brailey Is East Forsyth High Graduate

On Saturday, June 8, 2013, Bianca Brailey received her High School Diploma from East Forsyth High School. Commencement Exercises and Awards were held at the Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

Bianca was a member of the Cheerleading Squad from grades nine through eleven at East and received numerous awards for her performance. She participated with the Caprice Singing Choir as well as Students Against Violence Everywhere organization, Key Club, Crosby Scholars, Black Student Alliance, and *(Continued Page 4, Column 1, Article 2)*

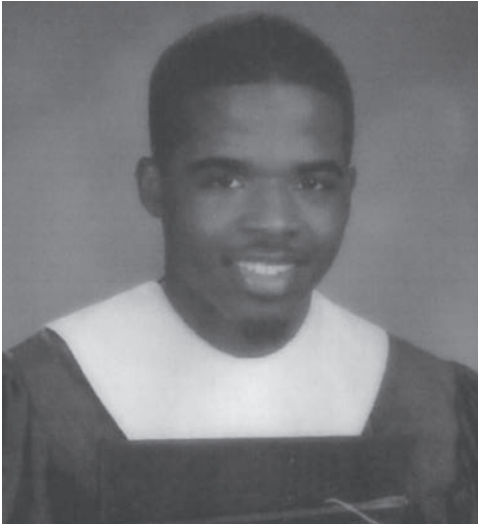
JaQwon Lamont Smith Receives High School Diploma

JaQwon Lamont Smith graduated from R.J. Reynolds High School on Saturday, June 8, 2013 during Commencement Exercises held at Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

While attending Reynolds, he played cornerback for the Demons Football Team until he was injured. He had earlier played for the Winston-Salem Falcons.

At New Bethel, JaQwon has participated with the Combined Choirs during Anniversary Observances, Christmas Programs and Easter Cantatas.

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JAQWON LAMONT SMITH
WILL ATTEND FORSYTH TECH



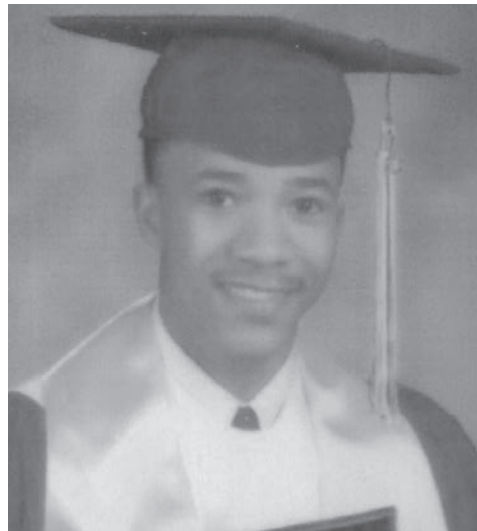
BREANNE CONRAD
TO STUDY AT TECH AND EAST CAROLINA

Breanne Conrad Graduates From North Forsyth

Breanne Monet Conrad received her High School Diploma during commencement exercises held at North Forsyth High School on Saturday, June 8, 2013. While attending North Forsyth, Breanne was a member of the school Chorus, Future Teachers of American, and the Ebony Society.

She is a former member of the Youth Choir at New Bethel and is the daughter of Ms. Monica Conrad, and the great-granddaughter of the late Mrs. Ruth Sims.

Breanne plans to attend Forsyth Technical College in the fall and will pursue a career in Dental Hygiene. After obtaining her Associates Degree, her plans are to attend East Carolina University in Greenville, NC to further her education in Dental Hygiene.



K.J. ROCKER
TO STUDY AT AT&T

K.J. Rocker Receives High School Diploma

K.J. Rocker received his High School Diploma from Atkins High School on Saturday, June 8, 2013. While attending High School, K.J. was a member of Crosby Scholars where he completed community service in surrounding neighborhoods. He was also a member and team captain for the varsity football and *(Continued Page 4, Column 1, Article 3)*



JENISHA SYLVIONA CLEMONS
WILL STUDY AT TECH AND CENTRAL

Jenisha Sylviona Clemons Graduates From North Forsyth

Jenisha Sylviona Clemons received her High School diploma from North Forsyth High School on Saturday, June 8, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. The Commencement Exercises were held at the Nifong-Craftford Stadium at North Forsyth High School.

In High School, she had a love for Science and Theater Arts. In her free time, she loves to write poetry. At New Bethel, Jenisha is a member of the Youth Ministry and the Junior Nurses Board.

Jenisha plans to attend Forsyth Technical *(Continued Page 4, Column 2, Article 2)*

Escada Simone Horton Graduates From Mount Tabor

Escada Simone Horton received her High School Diploma from Mount Tabor on Saturday, June 8, 2013 at Lawrence Joel Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

In High School, she was affiliated with the Future Business Leaders of America, Students Taking Action Against Now In Darfur, the Chess Club and the Track Club. She was involved with Crosby Scholars and developed an interest in Science and assisted special needs students at the Career Center. Creative writing, Modern *(Continued Page 4, Column 3, Article 2)*



ESCADA SIMONE HORTON
WILL ATTEND UNC-G



OMARI AKIL TURNER
MEHARRY GRAD

Omari Akil Turner Receives Doctor of Medicine Degree

Omari Akil Turner of Auburn, Alabama earned the Degree of Doctor of Medicine from Meharry Medical College on Saturday, May 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. Commencement Exercises were held at the Grand Ole Opry House in Nashville, Tennessee. He is the son of Doctors Timothy and Rita Turner who both practice in Tuskegee, Alabama and grandson of Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Porilee T. Turner. He is the great nephew of Mrs. Alenia Sligh.

BIANCA BRAILEY... Continued

Senior Girls Club. She was a member of the National Art Honor Society.

In the community she volunteered at various elementary schools in Forsyth County and Samaritan Soup Kitchen.

Bianca is a member of the Youth Usher Board, Youth Ministry, Youth Missionary and Youth Choir at New Bethel.

She plans to attend North Carolina A&T State University this fall and major in Engineering. Her plans are to continue to be active in the church and community.

Bianca is the daughter of Ms. Angela Logan and sister to Antoinette Clinkscales.

K.J. ROCKER... Continued

baseball teams. K.J. graduated in the top 10 percent of his class with a GPA of 3.8.

In the community he volunteered at the Second Harvest Food Bank where he collected canned goods for the needy.

K.J. will attend North Carolina A&T State University in the fall where he will major in Information Technology with a minor in Accounting. His future plans include becoming a Telecommunications manager in the Atlanta area.

K.J.'s parents are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth T. Rocker, Sr.

JAQWON LAMONT... Continued

JaQwon has been accepted at Universal Technical Institute in Mooresville, North Carolina where he planned to specialize in Automotive Mechanics and has decided to attend Forsyth Technical Community College this fall to study Radio Broadcasting Technology.

JaQwon is the son of Monté Odom and grandson of Reverend Deborah Hauser-Odom. He loves God, his family and his church.



KEITH SMITH
AUTO TECHNOLOGY INSTRUCTOR

Channel 14 Highlights Smith's Auto Technology Class

Mr. Keith Smith is an Automotive Technology instructor at Northeast Guilford High School in the Guilford County School System. The High School Automotive Service Technology Department is NATEF (National Automotive Technicians Education Foundation) certified which means the program is accredited and provides students with quality automotive training. The certification also means that Mr. Smith is required to hold and holds numerous ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) certifications in Automotive technology.

The automotive service industry is in constant change and highly trained technicians are needed to be able to understand, diagnose, and repair the modern automobile. Mr. Smith emphasizes computer based interactive training, hands-on experiences, and classroom training as students learn to diagnose problems with the complex systems of today's cars.

Northeast High School Automotive technology program qualifies students for post-secondary training and entry level positions within automotive service and repair and provides educational opportunities to achieve excellence through integrated technical and academic training.

Mr. Smith has established an automotive advisory committee made up of former students, automotive instructors from local colleges, auto part stores, dealerships, independent repair shops, parents, and transportation companies ranging from aviation to trucking companies. The committee meets once a month to discuss the program and what the industry is looking for in a technician.

Recently, Mr. Smith, his principal, Mr. Fabby P. Williams and members of the Career and Technical Department of Guilford County School were featured in a news segment on channel 14. Seeing the segment, Crown Honda of Greensboro donated three vehicles. Students are excited about local dealerships taking pride in their education. They are also realizing that being an excellent student requires knowledge in mathematics, science and effective communication.

JENISHA SYLVIONA... Continued

Community College in the fall for the transfer program to Central University. Her goal is to become a Practical Nurse. She plans to get an Associate degree of Science in Nursing and eventually become a successful nurse at Baptist Hospital. She plans to always be active in church and help the community.

Jenisha is the daughter of Rev. Darrick and Mrs. Shawna Clemons and the big sister of Brooklyn.



MRS. RUTH DAWKINS SIMS
PASSES AFTER EXTENDED ILLNESS

Mrs. Ruth Dawkins Sims Passes

By: Barbara Ford

Mrs. Ruth Dawkins Sims departed this life May 24, 2013 after an extended illness at Kate B. Reynolds Hospice & Palliative Care Center.

Mrs. Sims was born to the late Yancy Dawkins and Ella Stevenson Dawkins. She was a graduate of Atkins High School and a retired employee of Wake Forest University. After her retirement, she worked as a cashier in the cafeteria at Paisley Middle School.

Mrs. Sims was a gold star member of New Bethel Baptist Church joining under the pastorate of Dr. Jerry Drayton, and a faithful member of the Ushers & Nurses Board for many years, a member of the Missionary Department and the Sunday School. She served as Financial Secretary and First Lady of the Ladies Board for many years.

Her memories will forever be cherished by her children, Ruth Ford, and Carolyn (George) Crosby of the city; grandchildren, Monica Conrad, Karen Conrad, Paula Imes, Booby (Jacquelyn) Conrad, Rhea Conrad-Reed, of the city and Attorney Michael (Kristine) Royster of Denver, Colorado; 14 great grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren; 2 nephews; Alvestus (Wilma) Williams of St. Louis, Missouri and Larry (Carletta) Turner of Coconut Creek, Florida; devoted cousins, Dorothy Hughes and Richard (Arlene) Glymph of Winston-Salem, and a host of other relatives and friends.

ESCADA SIMONE... Continued

Dance and Choreography became another means for self expression.

She has volunteered at Samaritan Ministries and Reynolds Park Nursing Home where she assisted the Activities Director and worked in Physical Therapy.

She is a member of the Youth Ministry, Youth Choir at New Bethel and volunteered with children's Church and the church nursery.

Escada has been accepted at several colleges and has decided to attend the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Her declared major is Biology and she plans to pursue a study of Physical Therapy specializing in pediatric care.

Escada is the daughter of Rev. Dianne and Mr. George Horton.