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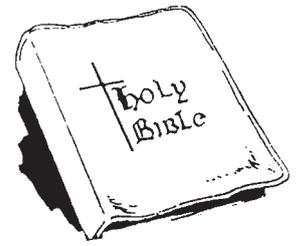
# THE SPOTLIGHT

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for

## New Bethel Baptist Church

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OUR CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT IS "to reach, teach, and preach to every segment of our church and community with the love of Christ."

## Effort Club To Observe 16<sup>th</sup> Race Progress Promoters Program



**DENNIS WILSON**  
2013 LAYMAN OF THE YEAR

### Dennis Wilson Named Layman of the Year

By Hattie Ingram

At their Annual Laymen's Day Program on Sunday, October 20, 2013 during the morning worship service, the laymen named Mr. Dennis Wilson "Layman of the Year" for 2013. This prestigious award was presented to Wilson by Trustee John Lucas who described Wilson as a very conscientious and dedicated layman who served wherever he was needed. The honoree was presented a handsome plaque as a token of appreciation for his loyal and faithful support to New Bethel. With his usual beaming smile, Wilson thanked God for the honor. He gave thanks to his late father-in-law, Deacon Charles Robinson who was a great inspiration and teacher for him.

Dennis Wilson is a native of Peoria, Illinois where he received his formative education at E. N. High School. He then earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Communications Radio/Television at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois. He has been employed at Sara Lee, now Hanesbrands since 1998.

At New Bethel, Wilson is a member of the Audio/Video team, Baptist Training Union, Assistant Sunday School Teacher for class #6, Tuesday Morning Bible Study member, Assistant Chair of Wednesday Prayer Chain and Forsyth Baptist Training Union Chaplain.

Our "Layman of the Year" is married to Myra Robinson Wilson and is son-in-law of Mrs. Nira Robinson. His life interests are sports, cooking, music, poetry-play-script-writing, reading the Bible and writing devotions from God on facebook. His life's wish is to someday retire and do more Kingdom Outreach.



**MRS. SUSIE DRAYTON AND MRS. LISA MEYERS**  
ADVISOR AND PRESIDENT OF THE EFFORT CLUB

### Effort Club To Celebrate Its 89th Anniversary And 17th Annual Race Progress Promoters Program

By Lisa Myers

The Effort Club of New Bethel Baptist Church will celebrate its 89th Anniversary and 17th Annual Race Progress Promoters Program at 4 p.m. on Sunday, November 10, 2013. The Race Progress Promoters Program will honor individuals and groups who have made significant contributions in Winston-Salem towards promoting race progress. The idea started from our own former first lady and current Effort Club member, Mrs. Susie Drayton, to look upon people in our own community who have promoted Race Progress.

The Effort Club held meetings at the home of Mrs. Susie Drayton to begin preparations for the Race Progress Promoters program. The meetings were held on Saturday, August 17, 2013 and after the meeting a delicious and wonderful luncheon was served and on Saturday, September 21 and October 19th, 2013. The honorees will be introduced by a judge who accepted the nomination of the candidates. This year's panel of judges

is: Chief Judge, Carol Poe, Nigel Alston and Virginia Newell. This year's recipients are:

*Banking*—Brenda Diggs

*Religion*—Rev. Louis Werts

*Medicine*—Dr. Palonda Campbell

*Public Safety*—Police Chief Barry Rountree

*Law*—Atty. Monica McKinnie

*Civic Activities*—S. Wayne Patterson

*Business*—Orielle Hope

*Transportation Pioneer*—Priscilla Stephens

*Education*—Diane Piggott

*Theatrical Arts*—Minister Brian Cager

*The Inspiration*—Jarrett Coleman.

Prelude Music for the program will be provided by members of the Mu Beta Chapter of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia Fraternity. Willie Mason and Friends will provide the music for the awards ceremony. The New Bethel Young Adults Liturgical Dancers will perform a dance. Other program participants are: Mrs. Lisa Myers, Presiding; Ms. Kerri Vance, Welcome; Ms. Geneva Wright, Scripture; Ms. Angela Logan, Prayer; Mrs. Willie Kay Hawkins, Offertory Prayer; Ms. Connie Smith, Program Synopsis; Mrs. Daphne Johnson, Presentation to the NAACP; and Mrs. Sharon Grooms, Introduction of Judges. Mrs. Deronda Kee-Lucas will present  
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### Daylight Saving Time Ends

Eastern Standard Time Begins Today,  
November 3, 2013.

Did You Set Your Clocks and Watches  
Back One Hour?

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*Dedicated to those who are  
Interested in New Bethel*

## Editorial The Golden Rule Forgotten

By Diane Piggott

It was criminal in my opinion that the members of Congress allowed a 16 day shutdown of the government that furloughed individuals from jobs and closed national parks around the country while their salaries weren't affected not one bit. Did they think of the citizens of this country or their constituents back in their home states as they filibustered.

I realize that it is only natural that we seek what is best for us or hold out for what we want. However, when those actions plunge us into situations where millions of persons' lives are affected that is criminal! Everyone doesn't have a trust fund or a savings account that they can turn to for extra cash. What about that restaurant owner beside that Federal Building that depended upon the federal workers stopping in for lunch? What about the revenue he lost during those 16 days? The federal worker will get his missed pay, but the restaurant owner will not.

Did you know that a retired United States president get a salary of \$180,000 for life? A House or Senate member gets \$174,000 for life. The Speaker of the House gets a salary of \$223,500 for life and a Majority or Minority Leader gets a salary of \$193,400 for life. They sit up in our Nation's capital and do they consider the average person? The average salary of a teacher is a mere \$40,065 and the average salary of a deployed soldier is  
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## New Bethel Food Drive

The canned food drive will begin on Sunday, November 3, 2013 and will end on Sunday, November 24, 2013. Please be generous in donating canned food items. Monetary donations will be greatly appreciated. Food donation boxes will be available in the Annex and at the entrance of the building. All items collected will be donated to The Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest NC. The theme for the food event is "Feeding the Multitude—One Can at a Time."

### EDITORIAL... Continued

only \$38,000. I agonized as they went to two and a half hours before a catastrophic deadline before passing legislation to extend the debt ceiling. We must demand better behavior! If I could get it passed, I would demand that all sitting members of Congress are ineligible for re-election.

"I think we found where cuts should be made," was a comment made by Warren Buffet in a recent interview with CNBC after citing the above mentioned salaries. Our elected officials should remember the "Golden Rule" and apply it before making decisions!

## New Bethel And Emmanuel Missionaries Share Title

By Diane Piggott

The Missionaries of New Bethel and Emmanuel Baptist Church shared the title of "Top Contributors" for the annual Rainbow Tea to celebrate the 103rd Anniversary of the Forsyth County Missionary Union on Sunday, August 25, 2013.

The missionaries decorated their table with pink accessories. Ms. Ruby Cain is president of New Bethel's missionaries and Ms. Mary Jenkins represented Emmanuel's missionaries. Mrs. Lenner Jeffries is president of the Forsyth County Missionary Union.



**NEW BETHEL MISSIONARIES  
CELEBRATE AT FORSYTH COUNTY UNION ANNIVERSARY**

## Youth Corner



**DESHAWNA BRADLEY  
YOUTH REPORTER**

### "Grateful"

By Deshawna Bradley

This month we will celebrate Thanksgiving, a time to express gratitude for the blessings that we have received this past year.

There are several things I am personally grateful for. I am grateful for having God in my life every step of the way, life itself, my lovely family, my many friends who have been so good to me, and for God blessing me with good health.

I asked several of my family members and friends to share things that they are grateful for. Some of the responses I received were: their relation with God, their relationship with their family, and friends, their relationship with their pastor, and their ability of understanding in order to learn and get an education.

During this time of the year we should all pause and reflect on what has happened in our lives. It has been difficult for many people who have lost family members because of violence, floods, earthquakes, and even the confusion in our government. We need to thank God for his blessings, because without Him we would not be where we are today. HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



**SHARIKA GROOMS**  
**SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT**

## Grooms Received O.E.S. Scholarship

By Diane Piggott

Sharika D. Grooms was recently awarded a \$1,100 scholarship from the 30th District Order of Eastern Stars, Prince Hall Affiliated (O. E. S.). The presentation was made by Worthy Matron Cara Byas and Worthy Patron Fred Byas of Beauty of the West Chapter #36 O. E. S. Each year the 30th District awards some deserving college student a \$1000 scholarship from the funds raised during the OES Queens Contest.

Sharika is a 2009 graduate of North Forsyth who is presently a senior at Winston-Salem State University majoring in Elementary Education with a concentration in Special Education. She plans to teach on the elementary level (K-6). She currently volunteers at Kimberly Park, Gibson and Petree Elementary School of the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County School System. She says that she was inspired by her elementary school teachers to become a teacher and loves the classroom and helping out.

At New Bethel, Sharika is a member of the Youth Choir, Young Adult Praise Dancers, Volunteer Teacher for Children's Church and assists in the Nursery whenever needed.

She is the daughter of Deacon Johnny and Mrs. Sharon Grooms and granddaughter of Mrs. Mary Bradley. Both Mrs. Grooms and Mrs. Bradley are Past Matrons of Beauty of the West #36 and Mrs. Grooms was first runner-up in the OES Queens Contest 2013.

## "He Will Not Leave You Until He Has Done What He Said"

By Diane Piggott

Bishop Sherwood T. Davis, Sr., Senior Pastor of Mt. Pleasant Missionary Baptist Church, delivered the message on the occasion of the Seventh Pastoral Anniversary of Dr. Kendall D. Jones, Sr., Senior Pastor of New Bethel Baptist Church at 11 a.m. on Sunday, October 13, 2013. He took for a subject, "He (God) Will Not Leave You Until He Has Done (Continued Page 3, Column 2, Article 2)



**MICHAEL CURTIS**  
**TO STUDY AT UNIVERSITY OF BOTSWANA**

## Michael Curtis to Study Abroad in Botswana

By Kristen Curtis

Michael Curtis, a sophomore education major at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, will be studying abroad in Botswana from the middle of January through the middle of May of next year. This experience is a course requirement of a seminar class he is currently taking as a part of the Honors College.

Michael will be taking classes at the University of Botswana, and he will stay in a dormitory there for the duration of the trip. While there, he hopes to converse with students from various countries and learn more about Botswana's culture. He says he is most excited about going to Africa to form his own judgment about Botswana and the continent as a whole, so that when he returns he may debunk certain stereotypes about Africa and its people. Michael has already traveled overseas to various countries in Europe, but this will be his first time in Africa. He would appreciate your prayers for a safe and enriching experience next year.

### "HE WILL NOT... Continued

What He Said" using as a text, Genesis 28.

His text tells the story of Jacob as he leaves Beesheba for Haran. In a dream Jacob is shown the divine power of God through a divine correspondence that takes place between Heaven and earth. Angels are ministering spirits who attend to us and God is directing the activity of these angels around the clock. He reveals to Jacob that He is the same God of Abraham and Isaac. "God assures Jacob that He will always be there," exclaimed Davis. He continued, "God will preserve your going out and coming in" then turning and looking directly at Dr. Jones, he stated, "Seven being the number of completeness, He's not going to leave or abandon you until your job is done. You may ask, "Why did God bring you to New Bethel, it's about a divine assignment! It's not about you. As long as you do His assignment, He's not going to leave you."



**REGGIE HUNT TO PURSUE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR/  
PROGRAM MANAGER POSITION**

## Reggie Hunt Is New Teacher Evaluator And Instructional Coach For WSFCS

By Hattie Ingram

Upon graduating from Morehouse College in 2002, Reggie Hunt's plans were not to become an educator. He majored in English with plans to attend law school as an undergrad. When the time to begin the application process to law school rolled around he realized that a career in law would not suit him. "After I decided not to attend law school, I didn't really know what career path I wanted to take." Reggie began substitute teaching at various schools in the Forsyth County School system. While substituting at his alma mater Parkland High School he found that he had the uncanny ability to connect with students and inspire them to achieve.

Reggie accepted a full time position as an English teacher in 2003 at Parkland High School, and the following year he became the head JV boys basketball coach, a position that he would hold for two years. "I enjoyed my first years of teaching and coaching the most because I learned a great deal about myself as both an educator and a person. I also had the experience of coaching alongside my father for two years." After a brief stint in Wake County, Reggie returned to the Forsyth County School system to teach at Carver High School. Reggie is credited with spearheading the transformation of the school's English department during a time when Carver's test scores were among the lowest in the state. His teaching methods and approach to at-risk students have served as a model that teachers at Carver still use to achieve proficiency in the classroom and on standardized tests.

After five years at Carver High School, Reggie decided to pursue other opportunities outside of the classroom. "I loved my time at Carver, and I still love Carver High School, but I wanted to affect change on a larger scale." Reggie attended North Carolina A&T State University to begin work on his (Continued Page 4, Column 3, Article 1)



**MRS. FLORA GOLDEN**  
**THEN-(HIGH SCHOOL) AND NOW-(98 YEARS OLD)**

## Words of Wisdom from Ms. Flora E. Golden

By Connie Smith

Ms. Flora Golden was 98 years old on October 14, 2013. She was born in 1915 and lived at 1017 N. Trade Street, really across the street from the present church. As a little child the church yard was her playground.

Ms. Golden is a graduate of (TC) Teachers College now known as Winston-Salem State University. She had to work as a seamstress for 3 years to earn the money to attend college. She feels blessed to see her Alma Mater transform from (TC) Teachers College to WSSU into a big and beautiful campus.

She taught in North Carolina for 40 years. Her first position was in Ellerbe, second in Sanford and her last in Winston-Salem, her hometown. TC prepared her well for the jobs she was hired to do.



After retiring in 1978, she volunteered at the Public Health Department and worked with the Missionary Department. New Bethel Missionary Department was very rewarding, attending conventions, and developing lasting friendships.

Ms. Golden has been a member of New Bethel for 86 years, baptized in the same pool and lived in the same house as she now lives.

"I think I am the last member that joined under Rev. Hamlin. I find joy in witnessing my former students making a good life for themselves: lawyers, ministers, teachers, good parents, entrepreneurs, and serving in branches of the government such as Former Chief Justice Henry Frye, who was my student in Ellerbe my second year of teaching. I taught **(Continued Page 4, Column 3, Article 2)**

## Prayer Cottage Members Prepare Fish Dinner for Our Sick and Shut-In Members

On Saturday, October 26, 2013 Prayer Cottage members of The Tribe of Judah, The Intercessors, Job, David, House of Isaiah, and Worship and Praise gathered together at New Bethel and prepared a fish dinner for our sick and shut-in members. The men, led by Trustee Leach, set up deep fryers outside at the back of the church and fried the fish. The ladies put the final touches of the fish dinner together in

"to go" boxes. The dinner consisted of fried fish, homemade baked beans, coleslaw, chocolate and yellow cake, bread and bottled water. The fish dinners were prepared for 18 sick and shut-in members and their care takers. The Prayer Cottage members, Pastor and First Lady Jones, Sister Ford, Sister Hairston, Brother Walker and Trustee Leach hand delivered the fish dinners to the sick and shut-in members.



**PRAYER COTTAGE MEMBERS PREPARE TO SERVE**

## REGGIE HUNT IS... *Continued*

Masters in School Administration degree in the summer of 2011. He received his Masters degree in the summer of 2013, and will participate in the school's commencement in December 2013. He has already put his degree to work by accepting a position with the Star3 grant at the school system's central office as a teacher evaluator and instructional coach. Reggie's new position consists of him observing over 150 teachers who receive incentive pay each school year. He provides these teachers with feedback after every lesson and refers them to professional development opportunities as needed. "I am enjoying my new position as no two days are the same and I am able to gain experience at the elementary level." This has been a whirlwind of a year for Reggie as he and his wife welcome their first born son, Charles "Little Reggie" Hunt III on June 10, 2013, a month and half before Reggie was awarded his master's degree. Reggie accepted his new position with central office in August of this year.

Reggie plans to pursue either a position as a school administrator or as a program manager of a model that is dedicated to achieving proficiency among African-American and Hispanic males. Reggie is the son of Deacon Charles and Susan Hunt, the brother of Candice Hunt, and the husband of Mrs. Elizabeth Hunt.

## WORDS OF WISDOM... *Continued*

4th and 5th grades and he would do his 4th grade work and ask to do the 5th grade work too. I encouraged him and he did us all proud becoming the First African American Chief Justice in North Carolina.

As time goes by my body (machine) wears down and slows down. I cannot do what I once did no matter how hard I try.

"Be thankful for what you have left, do the best you can and be happy. I enjoy life going to the Hawthorne Inn for dinner and driving my '64 Chevy Impala," she states.

## EFFORT CLUB TO... *Continued*

the plaques to the judges as the recipients' names are called.

Please come out and bring your family and friends. A Meet and Greet reception will be held in honor of the award recipients following the program. Mrs. Lisa Myers is the President of the Effort Club.

## Deaths And Funerals Of Relatives

### Mrs. Zelia Mae Young Pettigrew

Mrs. Zelia Mae Young Pettigrew passed on Sunday, October 6, 2013 at Hospice and Palliative Care Center. She was born on September 19, 1955 in Forsyth County. She was preceded in death by her husband, Jimmy Randolph Pettigrew.

Mrs. Pettigrew leaves to cherish fond memories, three devoted children, three grandchildren, one great-grandchild, five sisters, among them, Mrs. Robin Reavis, a dedicated member of New Bethel.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, October 12, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. at New Bethel Baptist Church with Dr. Kendall D. Jones, Sr. officiating. Interment followed in Evergreen Cemetery.