

The Chapel Informer



A Word From The Pastor

Pleasing God, Pleasing Others

At times you will have to make a choice between pleasing God and pleasing those around you, for God's ways are not man's ways (*Isa. 55:8*).

As important as it is to strive for good relations with others, it is even more important to maintain a steadfast and obedient relationship with Christ. Disobeying God to keep peace with other people is never wise. Peace with God is always paramount.

Jesus warned that obeying Him might cause division in your relationships (*Matt. 10:35-36*). If Paul's primary goal had been to please others, he would never have become an apostle of Jesus Christ. Paul went completely against the wishes of his colleagues in order to obey Christ. At times, disobedience to God sets family members at odds with each other (*Matt. 10:35-36*). When you follow Jesus' Lordship, your family may misunderstand, or even oppose you, yet your obedience to God reflects your identity as His child. Jesus said that those who obey His will are His brothers and sisters (*Luke 8:21*). God does not intend to divide the home, but He places obedience before domestic harmony.

It is important to get alone in quietness with God so that you understand what pleases Him. The world's thinking will mislead you more easily when you are not clear about what God desires. It broke Peter's heart to know that the opinion of a servant girl had mattered more to him than the approval of his Lord!

If the desire to appease others tempts you to compromise what you know God wants you to do, learn from Peter's mistake. Determine that you will please your Lord regardless of the opinion of others.

Reginald A. Wells, Pastor



Anniversary Celebration

The New Christian Chapel Missionary Baptist Church family is making plans for the Tenth Anniversary Celebration Service honoring Reverend Reginald A. Wells as pastor.

The members have been tremendously blessed over the past ten years to be partakers of Reginald A. Wells as the tenth pastor of this church.

Reverend Wells has led the congregation to a holistic ministry that strives to meet the total needs of individuals, the church and community.

Pastor Wells' innovative leadership has led him to survey the needs of the church, seize the goals of past pastors and establish new ministries to meet the needs of the congregation and the community.

Guided by the Holy Spirit, sound doctrines and visionary leadership, New Christian Chapel has experienced much growth as a result of Pastor Wells. As a preacher he proclaims the message of God to those he pastor. The pastor preaches the preacher pastors and God gets the glory.

We are thankful that the Lord has given Pastor Wells the courage over the years to preach without compromise, the wisdom to know how to preach with purpose and the inspiration to inspire the hearers from the word of God in times of crisis, encourage hope, joy and holy living.

He constantly states, "The proclamation of God's word must not be proclaimed to please the human ego or personal wishes, but to shape human desires and reform egos to the will of God". As the Holy Spirit speaks to him, he simply tells it like it is and leaves the results to the Lord.

Reverend Wells is married to his very supportive wife, Dr. Roxie Cannon Wells, who is a Family Practice Physician. They share in the love of one daughter, Jalyn Reid Wells.

We invite you to join us on October 27, 2002 on this momentous occasion. Reverend Terry L. Henry and the members of Macedonia Baptist Church of Wilmington, North Carolina will be the guests for the afternoon. We look forward to your presence and support on this great day.

Submitted by the Pastor's Aide Ministry



ALL USHERS DAY CELEBRATION

New Christian Chapel Missionary Baptist Church will have an ALL USHERS DAY CELEBRATION September 8, 2002 promptly at the 4:00 p.m. hour. The First Baptist Church family of Kenansville, North Carolina will be the afternoon guest. Your presence and participation is greatly needed to help make this a great day of fellowship.

Submitted by the Ushers Ministry

Fall Revival 2002!



We pray that the Holy Spirit will guide you to attend our Fall Revival Services beginning Monday, September 24-Friday, September 28, 2002. Service will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. each night.

Reverend Simeon D. Spencer, Pastor of Union Baptist Church of Trenton, New Jersey, will be the Revivalist for the week.

Please start praying that God will send a "Revival."



OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Breast cancer is one of the most feared diseases among women. The statistics are alarming--one (1) out of nine (9) women will have breast cancer before age eighty five (85). It can occur in men but it is ten (10) times more likely to occur in women. Rather than ignore the possibility of the disease, try to realize that breast cancer is a treatable disease. With early detection, bi-monthly breast self-exam and mammograms, it is often curable.

ANNOUNCING

THE NEW CHRISTIAN CHAPEL CHURCH BOSOM BUDDY PROGRAM

1. Pick a female partner (a close friend or relative).
2. Call each other **every month** to remind each other to do a breast self-exam.
3. Call each other to remind the other to make appointments for **annual** pap-smear and clinical breast exam and/or mammogram.
4. Support each other as the need arises.

Submitted by the Health Care Ministry

Enrichment Program

The Duplin County public school year has begun and students will face many responsibilities as they encounter this school year. The New Christian Chapel Missionary Baptist Church located at 2283 Highway 11 South, Rose Hill has established an enrichment program to help ease the anxiety that students have that relates to their academics. The NeCCEP (New Christian Chapel Enrichment Program) component offers FREE TUTORING and academic/social assistance to students in grades K-12 after school hours. The tutorial program will focus on related interest for students, regarding conduct, appearance and academics.

The Tutorial Program will begin September 9, 2002. Weekly sessions will be held on Monday from 3:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. in the Educational Building on the grounds of New Christian Chapel Missionary Baptist Church. During this time, classes will be divided according to the needs of the particular setup (example K-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-12 or it can be divided according to the subjects such as Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Studies, etc.). The first (15) minutes will be devoted to weekly devotion, motivation and afternoon snacks for all students. Students will be encouraged to share with the group any good deeds, awards, etc. rewarded since the last session.

During the last (45) minutes, the students will reassemble for educational/motivational workshops given by community leaders.

The enrichment program is available to ALL students regardless to age, group, or church affiliation. For an information packet, please contact Jeralene Merritt at (289-3811) or Felita Carr at (299-0511).



Annual Rainbow Tea



New Christian Chapel Baptist Church Family is waiting with great anticipation and looking forward to their Annual Rainbow Tea that is scheduled for **October 19, 2002** at 6:00 p.m. This event will take place in the Church Fellowship Hall.

Please bring a family member, friend, or an associate to help celebrate this special occasion. We are looking forward to your presence and support on this date.

PLEASE ATTEND!

Submitted by the Pastor's Aid Ministry

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION!!



The Video/Audio Ministry of New Christian Chapel Baptist Church is now up and running. Video and Audio tapes are now available.

The Video Ministry is geared toward the sick, and those considered shut-in. Anyone needing these services should contact Sister Reynell Chasten at (910) 289-4324 or call the church office at (910) 289-3776

Submitted by the Audio/Video Ministry

NAACP Mother Of The Year Contestant



Wanda Gail Zanders is a contestant for the Duplin County Chapter of Freedom Fund Mother of the Year contest. This local NAACP branch has granted the authority to solicit aid as she campaign for the Mother of the Year Award. The contest will be held on September 28, 2002 at the KEMBA Building, 860 North Pine Street, Warsaw, North Carolina. Donations may be given in the following amounts and categories:

- *Diamond Sponsor - \$100.00
- *Gold Sponsor—75.00
- *Silver Sponsor—\$50.00
- *Bronze Sponsor—\$25.00
- *Patron—\$5.00—\$10.00

The deadline for all monies and names to be turned in to be included in the program booklet is September 14, 2002.

Make checks payable to NAACP, and mail to:

Wanda Zanders
110 Belvedere Ct.
Leland, NC 28451

Your financial contribution will be greatly appreciated.

CHRISTIAN FORMATION

SUFFER THE LITTLE CHILDREN...



Sunday School is an experience to be shared and enjoyed by all. It is unique, in that it has no discriminatory quality. Whosoever will are invited, all ages, of all educational background and all levels of knowledge may come and partake of the word and its teachings.

Sunday school is the heart of the Church, where we come and learn, ask questions, see demonstrations, and just study. For the word tells us to study to show ourselves approved unto God a workman that need not be ashamed but rightly dividing the word of truth.

This is the place where we get first hand information about how to love God with all our hearts, mind, and soul, and how to build our relationship with Him. It enhances our knowledge of God and His Holiness.

It is in Sunday School that we learn from one another and to rejoice in all things. Sunday School is an humbling experience in that it is nor puffed up, does not put on heirs, we all come for the same purpose to acquire a closer walk with our Resurrected Savior, Jesus the Christ.

Submitted by the Sunday School Ministry

Pastors Who Preach God's Word Need A Good Word From God's People

People who have “roast preacher” for dinner on Sunday need a change of diet. And a pastor who “chews out” his congregation needs to look again at his mission. A caring preacher will build up his church, and a caring church will build up its preacher.

In Hebrews 13:17, church leaders are called to watch over their flock as those who must give account before God. That's a mighty big order, but it's what God asked them or appointed them to do. And in the same verse, members of the congregation are reminded of their responsibility to their leaders. They are to be submissive to them and open to their correction. Their leaders will then have joy rather than grief as they seek to be faithful in caring out their God-appointed duties.

How tragic that many church members have never learned to be submissive to their leaders. All week long they criticize their pastor, and on Sunday they listen negatively as he preaches his heart out. Then they go home and have their favorite Sunday dinner— not fried chicken, but roast preacher.. Whatever our place in the body of Christ, let's build others up through mutual caring. Then instead of devouring one another, we will find joy in seeing pastors and their people being nourished and fed by one another.

The faithful pastor leads with love
He serves the church for God above;
So may our criticism die,
And then his joy will multiply.



PRAYER MEETING AND BIBLE STUDY

"TEACHING"



Put on the whole armor of God that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil” (Eph. 6:11). What better way to equip ourselves for the enemy than to attend Prayer Meeting and Bible Study.

What is Prayer Meeting and Bible Study? It is an opportunity for young and old members to come together and fellowship while learning more about the bible and our Lord and Savior Jesus the Christ.

Prayer Meeting gives us all a chance to sing praises and tell of Gods goodness and mercy in our lives. Bible Study allows us to become more in depth with the bible and gain a better understanding of our Savior and how to serve Him.



In this classroom we are allowed to ask questions and get a better understanding of how to talk to our fellow Christians in a more positive way. Come join us every Wednesday night and be one of Gods straight “A” students.

Submitted by the Bible Study Ministry