

RELIGIOUS NOTES

Obituaries

Dollie Temple Joyner Green

Dollie Temple Joyner Green, formerly of Norfolk, Virginia departed this life on October 4, 2018 in Kenner, Louisiana. She was born in Brunswick County, Virginia on June 7, 1928 to the late Clarence Catlin Joyner and Pattie Perry Joyner.

She was educated at the two-room school in Greentown and graduated from St. Paul's Polytechnic Institute High School Department in May of 1947.

She accepted Christ at an early age at Poplar Mount Baptist Church and remained a member until moving to Louisiana in 2011.

She was united in holy matrimony to the late William "Denny" Green on February 20, 1956. Dollie is survived by her daughter and son-in-law, Yolanda and David DeLacy, three grandchildren, three great-grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday October 23, 2018 at 11 a.m. from the First Mount Zion Baptist Church, Dumfries, Virginia with interment in the Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Virginia. Brown's Funeral Service was in charge of the arrangements.

Mercy Seat RZUA

Church plans special event

The Mercy Seat RZUA Church Home Mission will be having their Annual Pre-Thanksgiving Day Family & Friends Program on Sunday, Nov. 18, 2018 at 3 p.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. Robert A. Diggs, Sr. from Tabernacle Baptist Church. He will be accompanied by the Male Chorus and Ushers from Petersburg. Refreshments will be served after the program. All are welcome to come out and be a part of this great annual celebration. Mercy Seat is located at 647 Waqua Creek Road, Warfield, Virginia.

Bethel UMC to hold

Harvest Supper, Bazaar

Bethel United Methodist Church in Alberta will hold a Harvest Supper and Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 10, 2018 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Eat in or take out. The menu will be ham and turkey with all the trimmings. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$5 for children 6 and under.

Union Bethel R.Z.U.A.

to celebrate Women's Day

FREEMAN – Please join the women of Union Bethel R.Z.U.A. Church, 1462 Belfield Road, as they celebrate Women's Day, Sunday, Oct. 28, 3 p.m. The theme is "Covered by the Blood" from I John 1:7. The proclaimer for this awesome occasion will be Minister Jackie Seward-Morgan. Music will be provided by the Survivor Gospel Singers. Please wear white with red accessories. All women are encouraged to participate. Dinner will be served following the service. Rev. Dr. Lewis Knight is the Pastor.

AWANA - Bible Fun for Kids

Lake Gaston Baptist Church located at 128 Lynwood Road, Littleton, N.C. started a new year of Awana on Wednesday, Sept 5, 2018. The kids will meet from 6:30 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday nights. For more information you may contact the church at (252) 586-3829. You can also visit our web page at www.lakegastonbaptist.com or find us on Facebook at Lake Gaston Baptist Church. We hope you will come check out Awana on Wednesday nights this school year.

Bethany Baptist Church to

honor Pastor's 5th anniversary

The Bethany Baptist Church family will be celebrating the Pastor's 5th Anniversary on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018 at 3 p.m. The ministry of Pastor, Reverend Carolyn T. Seward and First Man LaVanne F. Seward, Sr. will be honored. Pastor Seward and First Man Seward have been strong servants of the Lord for many years and their ministry here at Bethany shows their love of God and His people. The guest minister will be Reverend Ralph T. Friend, Pastor of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church of Lawrenceville, the Pleasant Hill choir and members of the Pleasant Hill congregation, will be the special guests. The public is cordially invited to join the celebration, dinner and fellowship.

Bethany is located at 1532 Western Mill Road, Valentines, VA 23887.

Lebanon UMC plans

Annual Harvest Supper

Lebanon United Methodist Church, Rawlings, Virginia, will host the Annual Harvest Supper on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018. The menu will be oyster and turkey combination plates. Eat in or take out. An auction will be held at 7 p.m.

For more information call (804) 305-1539 for ticket cost.



Saint Paul's College Alumni and friends visit museum

(Above) James Grimstead, left, Chairman, James Solomon Russell/Saint Paul's College Museum and Archives, greeted left to right, Agnes Land, Saint Paul's College Class of 1965; Brenda Hawkins, James Solomon Russell High School Class of 1968 and Jeri Swann, Saint Paul's College Class of 1967, who were among a large number of alumni of both Saint Paul's College and James Solomon Russell High School that attended an open house at the museum during alumni weekend. (Bobby Conner photo)

(Right) Leon Dillard, President of the James Solomon Russell High School Class of 1968 and Dr. Violet Henighan, James Solomon Russell High School Class of 1964 and Saint Paul's College Class of 1983, attended the museum open house during the 2018 Saint Paul's College Alumni Reunion weekend October 12-14. (Bobby Conner photo)



Virginia State Police warn of law enforcement scams

RICHMOND – The Virginia State Police has recently been alerted to an alarming increase in phone scams targeting seniors and, especially, convicted sex offenders. The consistent theme among these scams has been phone fraudsters threatening people into paying hundreds of dollars in gift cards to the caller.

One popular scam making its rounds across the Commonwealth is where the caller says a relative has been arrested and incarcerated, and is in need of a substantial amount of money in order to be released from jail. The phone fraudster can be very convincing by providing extensive personal information (i.e., date of birth, address, social security number, other family members' names) about the relative who is supposedly in need of help.

The Virginia State Police are also getting numerous calls from convicted sex offenders in the Northern Virginia region who are being told there is a warrant out for their arrest. The sex offender is advised not to call the Virginia State Police and that the only way to adjudicate the warrant is by paying off a fine. Virginia law prohibits unlawful use of the information provided on the Virginia Sex Offender Registry for purposes of intimidating or harassing an individual listed on the registry. Willful violation shall be punishable as a Class 1 misdemeanor.

With both cons, the scammer provides instruction on how the payment should be submitted, usually through an "eGift" cash card or similar payment to a specified account or name given by the caller. The scammer will often pressure, threaten and be verbally abusive in order to intimidate the victim into complying with the scammer's demands.

The scammer will often manipulate caller ID, which is known as "spoofing," to make the number appear to come from a nearby state police office or a local police or sheriff's office. These scam artists use pre-paid phones and many times are not even in the jurisdiction where the crime occurred, making their apprehension difficult.

If you receive such a call, hang up and contact your local law enforcement agency or the Virginia State Police. Complaints can also be made to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) which works with other law enforcement agencies to bring scam artists to justice and put an end to unfair and misleading business practices. If you have a complaint, file it online or call 1-877-FTC-HELP.

Concord UMC plans

supper, bake sale, bazaar

The members of Concord United Methodist Church will hold a turkey-ham Thanksgiving supper, bake sale and bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 10, 2018 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. The church is located at 18591 Concord Sappony Road, Stony Creek, Va. Come and join the members for an evening of good food and fellowship!

Friendship Baptist Church plans special event

The Deaconess Ministry of Friendship Baptist Church, 6351 South Hill Road, Kenbridge, Virginia will observe their anniversary on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018 at 3 p.m. The guest messenger will be Minister Jacqueline H. Alston, Associate Minister of the House of Prayer in Emporia, Virginia. Please come out and worship with us.

GriefShare group returns to Lake Gaston Christian Life Centre on Saturdays

EBONY- A new session of GriefShare, a weekly grief recovery support group, began at Lake Gaston Christian Life Centre on Saturday, Sept. 8, 2018 and will run for 10 weeks from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Each week a video seminar will be shown which features nationally recognized experts on grief recovery topics, which include: "Is This Normal?" "The Challenges of Grief," "Grief and Your Relationships," "Why?" and "Guilt and Anger." It is designed to offer help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. Sheryl Baird, facilitator for the group says, "After the death of my husband, GriefShare literally became a lifeline for me. I felt so supported, and I learned that the feelings and emotions I was experiencing were completely normal. I guarded those two hours a week like they were gold, and made time in my schedule because I needed to be able to sit with other people who were experiencing similar feelings in their own grief journey. I cannot say enough good about this program and I strongly encourage anyone who is feeling great loss to invest this time in themselves to heal and recover." There is no registration fee, only the cost of a workbook. which is \$15, however scholarships are available for those who cannot afford to pay. The address of the church is: 1411 Robinson Ferry Road, Ebony, Virginia. To register or obtain further information, please call the church office at (434) 636-5504 or send an email to: lakegastonclc@gmail.com. Coffee and light snacks will be available.

Brunswick Literacy Council offers help

"Reading unlocks a world of knowledge."

Brunswick Literacy Council was founded in 1987 to provide one-on-one adult tutoring in Brunswick County. Services include: basic literacy, G.E.D. preparation, English as a second language, adult tutoring services, reading, writing and arithmetic; driver's permit and license, basic computer skills, life skills and test preparation.

Do you need help balancing a checkbook, reading your Bible, writing a resume, filling out an application or obtaining a driver's license? All services are free and completely confidential. Tutoring sessions are held at the Brunswick County Library, 133 Hicks Street, Lawrenceville, Va. Tutors and students are needed.

For more information call (434) 378-2031.

Lake Gaston Christian Life Centre

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