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On the Homefront:

First Christian Church of Garland presents a Big Band Concert At The Plaza, with The Heritage Brass Band, at The Plaza Theatre downtown Garland, November 14, 8:00 p.m. Features all the favorites from the big band era.

Members of the multicultural outreach roundtable are hosting a reception to provide and receive information in order to solicit potential volunteers to become members of the roundtable. November 14, 7:00 p.m. at the ArtCentre of Plano, 1039 East 15th Street, Plano.

94.9 KLTU's Celebrate Family, November 15, 10am to 6pm. Activities for all ages. Information for adults and children on safety, education, your community, new product offers, exhibitors, and more. FREE. For more information call 972.870.9949 or visit www.kltu.com

American Vision: African American Sculptors 19th Century - 21st Exhibition to celebrate Black sculptors at the African American Museum, November 7 through November 28. Sponsored by ExxonMobil, in conjunction with The Nasher Sculpture Center. The African American Museum is located at Fair Park, Dallas. For more information call: 214.565.9026.

The Classics Family Theatre Series "Very Eric Carle" performed by Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia. Mermaid Theatre draws upon the magic of black light to capture the charm of three favorite Eric Carle stories. Eisemann Performance Center, Hill Performance Hall, 2351 Performance Drive, Richardson. Tickets: \$6-\$18. Call 972.596.0055, or visit: www.classicsfamilytheatre.org

Your Health, Your Wealth, Your Choice - Free seminar at Embassy Suites Hotel, 14021 Noel Rd at Spring Valley, November 15, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Limited seating. Call Sean Kusman at 972.978.1101 to reserve your space.

How to Find & Win Scholarships, November 15 at the Allen Public Library, 301 Century Parkway, 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m.

94.5 K-SOUL Personality Lynne Haze invites all the ladies in the Metroplex to join her for "Meeting in The Ladies Room!" Saturday November 15 at the 94.5 K-SOUL Studio inside Valley View Mall, 6pm - 4pm. Find out "What Men Want." Author and Motivational Speaker Joann Yancy will moderate a panel consisting of men from all walks of life, age, profession and marital status.

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140 Years of Praising God and Walking in Faith

By Shirley Tarpley

Christian Chapel CME Temple of Faith Church, 14120 Noel Road in Dallas, celebrated its 140th church anniversary on Sunday, November 9, 2003. Rev. Johnny Wilson, Sr., the Presiding Elder of the Beaumont-Nacogdoches District and former pastor of Christian Chapel CME Temple of Faith Church was the guest speaker during the 8:00 am worship service and Dr. Willie C. Champion, Presiding Elder of the Dallas District, was the 10:45 am worship service guest speaker. Both services were befitting the 140th Church. Dr. Jerome E. McNeil, Jr., Pastor, said that the church will celebrate the entire year with various events planned throughout the year. Anniversary Committee members Jean Carter, Beverly Gaither, Bernadine Johnson and Barbara

Taylor started the 140th Anniversary activities with a wonderful first event.

The theme, "Celebrate the Journey," set the tone for each

Proclamations from the President George W. Bush, President, US Congressman Pete Sessions, Texas Governor Rick Perry, and Dallas Mayor Laura Miller were received and read.

The occasion and rich history of Christian Chapel told the audience why the theme, "Celebrating the Journey" was chosen, because God had walked with the church and had blessed them throughout the years; the members proclaimed that they had very good reasons to celebrate. Some of the most memorable elements of each service were the "Recognition of Senior

Members, The Memorial Period and the Sermons." Dr. McNeil said that he loves and cares about all of his members but he has a particular love for his senior



(Left to Right) Billye McNeil, Dr. Jerome E. McNeil, Jr., and Diahann Doyen, Special Assistant to Dallas Mayor Laura Miller, each hold a proclamation from Congressman Pete Sessions, US President George W. Bush, and Dallas Mayor Laura Miller.

service, as each started with a praise and worship. A prayer, scripture reading and a selection from the choir followed the praises and worshiping. The 140th celebration was based Judges 18:56.

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Keller Springs Baptist Church - 'A Purpose-Driven Church'

By Cathy Johnson

Over four decades frame the historical sketching of the monumental peaks conquered by three pioneers of formerly Simms Chapel A.M.E. Church, now Keller Springs Baptist (KSBC) church of Carrollton, Texas. A church formed on desire, passion and hard work, Keller Springs was birthed by the combined efforts of three women: Roxie Records, of Carrollton, Roberta Heads Stell and Annie Heads Rainwater, all deceased.

Having only a trailer as a meeting place, Rainwater spearheaded the Sunday morning trips of picking up children to reach the Word of God.

Supported by the Southern Baptist Convention, a church was later built to accommodate the outreach that the three ladies captured. An elementary school was named in Rainwater's honor because of her sand on civil rights.

Taking on the next leg of a successful collaboration, is Rev. Larry J. Sanders, Senior Pastor of Keller Springs Baptist Church. Sanders is in good company as

members. We now have over 500. We are steady growing," said Sanders.

Deacon Kenneth Sam, long-time member of 16 years, and Music

Ministry leader said the church was in a delicate state when Sanders joined the Keller Springs family. "We were a hurting church and God placed Pastor here. The beauty of that is to watch Pastor base his decisions on God's will and usher us through the process."

Sam contributes an informed revelation of the power of prayer as their church longs for healing and growth. "We have learned that prayer is the only way to solve all of our problems. We don't have all the answers, but we know where to get them." Sam said this of the growing congregation, "Pastor is leading the congregation into outreach ministries and instructing us to evangelize where we are."



Pastor Larry J. Sanders

he endeavors to build the church family. A graduate of Bishop College in 1988, Sanders joined the Keller Springs family in 2000. "When I came here we had 70

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Judge of the Year Award Bestowed on Honorable C. Victor Lander

Judge C. Victor Lander of Dallas was honored recently by the Texas Municipal Courts Association and received the "Judge Of The Year Award".

Judge Lander is endowed with judicial experience of providing instruction to nearly 1,300

years. The celebration was held at the Blue Night

Bryant and Josie Johnson. Many guests turned out to congratulate the humbled but happy Texas judge.

Among the guests were Judge L.A. Bedford, Attorney James Belt, Artist Thornton, founder of the Thornton Foundation For The Arts, and Mr. Paul Baccus, businessman.



(Left to Right) The honorable C. Victor Lander of Dallas, accompanied by his guests Lauren, the honorable L.A. Bedford, and Elaine Thornton, of the Thornton Foundation for the Arts, celebrate Judge Lander being named Judge of the Year by the Texas Municipal Courts Association.

judges across the state of Texas over the past twenty

Club in downtown Dallas, hosted by Philicia "Phee

Peter Jennings to Moderate Town Hall meeting at CCCCD

On Nov. 20, Collin County Community College District will host a special town hall meeting featuring internationally renowned journalist Peter Jennings. Made possible by ABC and WFAA Channel 8, the production is scheduled to air on Sunday, Nov. 23.

Jennings will moderate a dialog on "Media and the College Student" between CCCCD students and a panel of local journalists. Organizers expect the discussion to explore the relationship between the press and American students in higher education, as students pose questions to the panelists.

"This is a tremendous opportunity for our students. They are very excited to have the chance to interact with journalists of this caliber. We are very thankful to ABC officials for placing a priority on higher education," said CCCCD Board of Trustees chairman Sam Roach.

"Hosting Mr. Jennings is a great honor for our college," said college trustee Cindy Bauge. "It gives the board a great deal of pride to see the spotlight shine on our wonderful student body and award-winning college."

According to college president Cary Israel, the visit by Jennings blends perfectly with the college's "service learning" program. "Service is a core value of our college, and we have many initiatives in place to demonstrate the value of becoming civically engaged. Watching the news or reading the newspaper is a basic component of being informed about the events that affect our lives. Through this town hall, our students will see evidence that their opinions do matter."

The event will take place in the theater at the Spring Creek Campus, 2800 E. Spring Creek Parkway in Plano. Admission is by invitation only.

Blackonomics

The Black Capital Network

By James Clingman

Kudos to Sister Jennifer Parker and, of course, her excellent support staff of volunteers, for conducting one of the best economic empowerment conferences I have ever attended - and I have attended quite a few. Jennifer is the brainchild of The Black Capital Network (www.thebcn.com) and has diligently labored to bring her vision of economic prosperity for African-Americans to fruition. She "stayed the course," as George Fraser would say, and presented their second annual Black Capital Network conference. She and her husband, Mel, held on to their commitment, continued to make the sacrifices necessary to accomplish their goals, and they brought an outstanding event to the people of Buffalo, New York, on November 1, 2003.

I had the honor and pleasure to conduct a Blackonomics workshop during the conference, but my excitement is grounded in three other aspects of the BCN: I was thrilled to see the turnout of participants; I was impressed at the variety of vendors and, not only their willing to support the BCN but also their reciprocal commitment to recycling Black dollars; and I was especially pleased with the outstanding speakers Jennifer brought to the

conference. I often talk about how even I need an economic empowerment "booster shot" from time to time to keep me going. Well, I certainly got that and more at the Black Capital Network Conference.

Being in the company once again of Brooke Stephens, financial author (Wealth Happens One Day at a Time) and lecturer, listening to Brother Melvin Gravelly, entrepreneur, author (When Black and White Make Green), and lecturer, hearing real solutions for accessing capital, seeing the New York activist and legend, Dorothy Pittman Hughes, (Wake Up and Smell the Dollars - Whose Inner City is it Anyway?) in person, and just being in close proximity to so many accomplished entrepreneurs and fantastic brothers and sisters was, indeed, a privilege and an honor for me.

Then there was Simon T. Bailey. The author of Simon Says...Dream - Live a Passionate Life, Bailey took the conference by storm, or should I say a "Whirlwind"? This brother delivered one of the best speeches I have ever heard. If you have not heard Simon or read his work, somewhere down the line there is a treat waiting for you, sooner or later you will come in contact

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2004 Plano Family of the Year Nominees Announced

MON-The Gazette's Board Member Receives Strong Community Award

The Plano Family of the Year Celebration will be held Thursday, November 20 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church. The reception will include entertainment by The Good News Quartet, The Young Generation Choir, and the PFL Chanters. Mayor Pat Evans will be in attendance to present the Plano Family of the Year with a mayoral proclamation. In support of the Neighborhood Matters program, sponsored by Safeco, the Plano Family YMCA will debut the Strong Community Award. The inaugural award will be presented to outstanding community member and

longtime Plano resident, Ben Thomas. Thomas' family friend, Jeron Adams will be on hand to participate in the ceremony honoring Thomas. Other community leaders scheduled to be there include Rick Nyquist and family, Council Member Sherry Stahl and wife, Joanne, Plano Family YMCA Board Chair Ralph Siew will serve as Master of Ceremonies.

There are a total of seven families selected as finalists for the "2004 Plano Family of the Year Award". These families have been chosen based on their success of having a close family life, family spirituality, community service, and citizenship.

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members, who he says make a perfect mix with the other generations of the church.

Names of church members that have passed from this life to



(Left to Right) Dr. Willie C. Champion, Presiding Elder, Dallas District; his wife, Shirley Champion; Billye McNeil, and Dr. Jerome E. McNeil, Jr., Pastor, Christian Chapel Temple of Faith CME Church

the next, scrolled one at a time, slowly on both screens in the auditorium, each name stood alone on a beautiful background of the sky, so serene and peaceful. The church officials took the time to let the audience know that they cherished the time that God had given them with each member.

Facts gathered by the Anniversary Committee stated that Christian Chapel CME Temple of Faith Church is the first African American Church established in far north Dallas and is believed to be the first such establishment for African Americans in the North Texas area. In the 1800's, a few Methodists organized a small church on the George Coit Farm, (Coit Road in North Dallas is named for Mr. Coit) which at the time was called White Rock.

Beaumont-Nacogdoches District's Presiding Elder, Rev. Wilson, spoke from St. Luke 10:31-32, his topic was "I'm On My Way to Church." He said to think about how you are representing God as you are on your way to church. His basic message was, don't get too busy to tend to the needs of God's people; and to "stay with ship." Make certain that you throw off the things you don't need, things

that burden you down, but "stay with the ship." He also said, "Don't forget to reach back for others as you continue to move forward."

Dallas District Presiding Elder, Dr. Champion, spoke from St. Mark 9:23 & 24. His topic was "You're Here Because You Believe." His basic message was in order to be successful in life, God should be the object of your belief." He said, no church creed can say everything you need to know about God, but if you experience God for yourself, you will know all that you need to know.

There were many memories that brought laughter to the audience. One such moment was when Brother Fletcher Allen, oldest and long-time member



(Left to Right) Louie Phillips, Fletcher Allen, the church's oldest and long-time member; Dr. Jerome E. McNeil, Jr.; Dr. Willie C. Champion, Nephew Love, John Love, and Mamie Harden

for over 70 years, said that as the oldest member, "I'm still kicking, but just not as high."

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On February 25, 1884, Trustees of the White Rock Chapel Methodist Church

purchased an acre of land for \$10 (that was big money at the time). This first site was located at Celestial Road and Wynne Road from 1884 to 1960. The name of the church changed from White Rock Chapel Methodist Church to Christian Chapel CME Church in 1954.

On November 13, 1960 with Rev. G.W. Darden as pastor, the congregation marched from the second sanctuary on Celestial & Inwood Roads to the new edifice. In 1967, the parsonage was built at the Noel (Montfort) Road. In 1987, a remodeling program was implemented and completed, which brought forth a new Sanctuary, Nursery, Stewardess & Choir rooms, and new Classrooms. A Secretary's office, a new kitchen and a Pastor's Study were also added.

In 1991, Dr. Jerome E. McNeil, Jr. was sent to pastor the flock. Dr. McNeil brought a new vision, new energy and a drive for a "Spiritual Rebirth" to the church. Over the twelve years he has also organized many new ministries for the building of God's kingdom.

In January 1999, the church moved to its current sanctuary, the Temple of Faith. One striking, eye catching item that is noticed in the beautiful sanctuary is the very sacred and Holy Communion table "Do This is Remembrance of Me," that was design and commissioned by Dr. McNeil, the table is in the shape of the Arc of Safety and it is truly magnificent.



Guest Speaker Rev. Johnny Wilson, Sr., Presiding Elder, Beaumont-Nacogdoches District. Wilson is former pastor of Christian Chapel Temple of Faith CME Church. Dr. Jerome E. McNeil, Jr. (right) is the present pastor.

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First Lady Ruby Sanders

KSBC has many ministries in outreach including a mission ministry called "Cluster" where their outreach serves the elderly in the community. "The beauty about this church is having the freedom to serve God and grow from His Word," said Janice Brown, member for 7 years, Usher and Cluster leader.



Junior Ushers

Last Sunday, November 9, the Sunday school topic was "Love" as the Men's Leader Frederick McClure taught out of I Corinthians. "This church is more concerned with sending out seasoned disciples than just bringing in members. That's what makes the difference in this church," said McClure.

First Lady Ruby Sanders said that her financial investment background held less challenges than pastoring a church family because she felt that at some point you get to leave the office. "Full-time ministry is more demanding because it causes you to learn more life skills of leadership, mentoring, and listening." Humbly, Sanders confides her biggest challenge was honing her communication skills. "My vision for the women of this church is the realization of their potential in God and disposing of crippling labels attached by society. A lot of times, aspirations are assigned as dreams and they don't realize they are things to pursue."

Since joining in 2000, the first family has noticed the demographics of the church have changed, such as more middle-aged families have since joined. "We extremely excited about our



Frederick McClure ministers to his Sunday School class



Roseshawanda Robinson-Hospitality Committee

ministry and the purpose driven church," said Pastor Sanders.

Roseshawanda Robinson originally from Pine Bluff Arkansas, said she has always been shy until coming to KSBC. Now working in the Hospitality Ministry, Robinson said, "They made me feel so at home that I had no choice but to open up."

Tape Ministry worker Mark Berry said, "It's all about the preaching of the Word. That's why I like this church."

Pastor Sanders said, "The people who come here are hand picked by God because they are sold out for His service."

Sanders received his "call" as a young child but did not respond until the 1980's. Faithful to his calling, Sanders had this to say of his vision, "Life is so short, you find many people waste time majoring on the minors. My goal is

to do the will of God so that no man will be lost, and to be faithful to the dynamics of responsibility."



Women's Sunday School Class

Sanders' words were truth in progress as he beckoned the halting footsteps of a fleeing member wanting to get out after Sunday school classes. Unaware of his audience, Sanders gingerly listens, instructs and nurtures the youth back into the service-A fitting and purposeful cause by a 'purpose driven pastor'.



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Around The Town

On-going

Collin County emergency preparedness hotline: 972.548.4114. You can also visit www.co.collin.tx.us.

An African American History Course at the African American Museum. A six-session course held Saturdays, taught by Robert Edison, a history teacher at Pearl C. Anderson Middle School, Dallas. Remaining dates: Nov. 15, Dec. 6, Dec. 13 and Dec. 20. Admission to the African American Museum is free except for groups of 10 or more. Tuesday - Friday, 12 noon - 5 p.m., Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday, 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Closed Mondays. Call 214.565.9026.

Interactive Dallas Children's Museum at Valley View Center - a hospital fantasyland, a miniature grocery store, a farm, a "Jungle Impressions" exhibit complete with rain forest, arts and crafts. Mon-Fri 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., Saturdays 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. and Sundays noon - 6 p.m. Children 2-10 years \$4/Adults \$3. Call 972.386.6555.

Interurban Railway Station Museum, 901 E. 15th Street, Plano, Historic Downtown. From 1908 to 1948, this was a station on the Texas Electric Railroads' Interurban Line. Monday - Friday 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Saturday 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. For special tours call 972.941.2117.

Heritage Farmstead, 1028 15th Street, Plano. 972.424.7874. Dedicated to

preserving the early 1900's way of life, this unique four-acre museum features a beautiful Victorian home and 12 outbuildings that were part of a 360-acre farm operated by Ammie Wilson. Guided tours available.

Through November 22

"Bell, Book & Candle" a story of romance and magic, is presented by the Mesquite Community Theatre. Call 972.216.8126 for tickets, reservations and information. \$10 adults/\$8 students, seniors and STAGE members/\$6 children/\$8 all tickets on Thursday and Sunday matinee. At the Mesquite Arts Center, 1527 N. Galloway, Mesquite.

Through December 13

Sistuh, Sistuh, Sistuh, a non profit organization, provides life skills workshops Saturday's, from 10:00-11:30, including informational sessions on self-esteem, finances, computer literacy, obtaining employment and goal setting. At St Phillip's School and Community Center, 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., Dallas. 214.421.5221 ext.122.

Through December 31

The SPCA of Texas will hold its annual winter adoption event at NorthPark Center, 1-75 and Park, Dallas. Visit the adorable cats and dogs, and shop for a full array of merchandise for pets. Come and pick out your new best friend Saturdays 11 a.m. - 8 p.m., Sundays noon - 6 p.m.

Through January 5, 2004

Santa vs. The Snowman is coming back to Fort Worth's Omni Theater. An instant holiday

classic, beginning November 14 at the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History, 1501 Montgomery Street, Fort Worth. For times and information call: 817.255.9300 or 888.255.9300, or visit: www.fortworthmuseum.org.

Through January 10, 2004

Eclectic Nature: Teaching Ecology Through Art. Features the many faces of mother nature, at The Heard Natural Science Museum and Wildlife Sanctuary. A mixed media show of two McKinney artists, Brian and Schelly Corry. Monday - Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. One Nature Place, McKinney. Call 972.562.5566, or visit: www.heardmuseum.org. Admission to museum and grounds is \$8 adults/\$5 children 3-12.

November 15

Word Processing Basics classes for computer users with some experience handling a mouse, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Mesquite Public Library, 300 W. Grubb Drive. Registration required for all classes: call 972.216.6224.

Join Frisco Parks & Recreation Dept. to plant trees for Arbor Fest, 9 a.m. - noon, Duncan Park, 5700 Norfolk Lane. Learn how to properly plant trees, and which trees are native or well adapted to Frisco. Refreshments and prizes. For more information call 972.335.5517.

Focus on Teens: College 101, at Frisco Public Library 8750 McKinney Rd., 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. Information for college-bound

students about applying to the college of their dreams. Donna Okaro of the Collin County Community College District is the guest speaker. FREE. For information: 972.335.5510 or www.friscocolibrary.com

If you are considering adopting a child, have you considered adopting from China? Great Wall China Adoption, a non-profit adoption agency, will host a free adoption information session. at L.E.R. Schimelpfenig Public Library, 5024 Custer Road from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Limited seating. Call 512.323.9595 to reserve a seat. Visit our website at www.gwadopt.org.

November 14 - 16

Third Monday Trade Days- Largest Flea Market in North Texas. - Hwy. 380, two miles west of Hwy. 75 at 4550 W. University Dr. Over 700 outdoor vendors and 250 covered vendor booths. Mall with shops and cafe. \$3 parking Saturday and Sunday. Open 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Call: 972.562.5466 or www.tmtd.com.

November 15 - 16

NBC is casting for a new edition of "Who Want to Marry My Dad?" Attractive single dads with adult children, and attractive single women who want to get married can audition at Crown Plaza Market Center, 7050 Stemmons Freeway. Call 323.951.7070, or apply online at www.nbc.com contestants page.

November 16

The Classics Family Theatre Series "Very Eric Carle" performed by Mermaid Theatre of Nova Scotia. Mermaid Theatre draws upon the magic of black

light to capture the charm of three favorite Eric Carle stories. Eisemann Performance Center, Hill Performance Hall, 2351 Performance Drive, Richardson. Tickets: \$6-\$18. Call 972.596.0055, or visit: www.classicsfamilyseries.org.

November 19

Plano East High School students will hold one to the largest Blood Drives in the DFW area with the American Red Cross. Join them in the High School cafeteria from 7 a.m. - 5 p.m., 3000 Los Rios Blvd.

November 24 - 26

Get an exclusive preview of Dallas Black Dance Theatre's talented dancers during its "Behind the Scenes" Holiday Performance Series, November 24-26, 12 noon - 1 p.m. Meet the dancers and staff of DBDT and celebrate the Thanksgiving holiday. Admission is FREE, but seating is limited. Call 214.871.2390 for reservations. 2627 Flora Street, Dallas

Support Groups

Healing Matters Grief Support Group meets the fourth Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at Medical Center of Plano classrooms. This is a pregnancy loss support group for anyone who has lost a baby to miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirth, newborn death, or SIDS. There is also a share group for those pregnant again following a loss. For information call 972-519-1588.

DivorceCare meets at 7 p.m. each Tuesday at Fellowship Bible Church North, 850 Lexington, Plano. Call Bob Hornstein at 972-

783-8800.

Collin County Community College District's Counseling Services offers individual and group counseling, crisis assessment, intervention and referral. For more information call Counseling Services at 972.881.5779 at the Spring Creek Campus; 972.548.6615 at the Central Park Campus; or 972.377.1671 at the Preston Ridge Campus.

Volunteer opportunities

Women needed to mentor teen mothers at Hope Cottage Pregnancy and Adoption Center, 22 years and older. Spend time with a teen mother and her baby, providing emotional support, positive role modeling and a listening ear. To make a difference in the life of a teen mother and her baby, call Tara Pitt at 214.526.8721, ext 226, or visit www.hopcottage.org.

The Plano Animal Shelter need volunteers over 16 years old to wash and walk the animals, help with clerical services and customer service. Foster homes are also needed while permanent homes are found for animals. Call 972.578.7310.

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America paused on November 11th to honor her veterans. Ceremonies, parades, speeches and dignitaries were all showcased. National and local politicians were eager to be seen standing and embracing a veteran while speaking of their gratitude for the sacrifices the brave men and women made for America.

Even the President praised our troops for their patriotism and willingness to fight and die for their country. During his campaign he said, "In order to make sure that morale is high with those who wear the uniform today, we must keep our commitment to those who wore the uniform in the past. We will make sure promises made to our veterans will be promises kept." But this appears to be political rhetoric as he continues to be guided by advisors that have no regard or concern for veterans beyond using them as a cheap renewable fighting resource to meet their self serving world domination goals.

While praising the veterans in orchestrated photo-ops, the Bush administration is still attempting to delete many of the VA-recognized disabilities in Title 38 for many disabled veterans. At a time when this country should be providing excellent healthcare and compensation to her brave soldiers, the administration is focused on cutting back on promised benefits needed for transitioning back into civilian life.

It is disconcerting to realize that America's finest are nothing but numbers to Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld and his staff. They opt for the cheapest way possible when it comes to

veteran's post war care, while civilian contractors and corporations are given open-ended blank checks. In the game of money, the veterans are at the bottom of the list while political cronies are getting richer through Bush ordained tax breaks and other giveaways.

Veterans are becoming fed up with promises of support and public relations flag waving by the same administration that continues to bait and switch veterans with yearly budgetary flim flam while instantly funding billions for rebuilding Iraq.

VA's budget has not kept pace with either medical costs or the needs of an increasing patient population that has risen from 2.9 million veterans in 1996 to nearly 5 million that are expected to use VA health care services this year. As of January 2003, more than 300,000 veterans were on wait lists of more than six months for a first appointment or an initial follow-up for care partially because of a \$2.0 billion funding shortfall. There are now over 463,000 outstanding claims waiting for benefits decisions. Another 117,000 veterans are awaiting action by the Board of Veterans' Appeals on claims that have been in the pipeline for months.

Its not just veterans of past wars that are being shortchanged. A recent UPI report stated that one month after President Bush greeted soldiers of the Third Infantry Division as heroes for their efforts in Iraq, approximately 600 sick or injured combatants were being warehoused in rows of steamy and dark cement barracks at Fort Stewart, GA., waiting for doctors to treat their wounds or illnesses. Some of the soldiers said they have waited six hours a day for an

appointment without seeing a doctor. Others described waiting weeks or months without getting a diagnosis or proper treatment.

Congressman Lane Evans (D-IL) in testimony before the House Veterans Affairs committee stated that our veterans deserve better. Veterans deserve to receive, in a timely manner, the highest quality benefits and services that a grateful nation should provide as was promised. Unfortunately, our nation is failing our veterans and this failure will only worsen in fiscal year 2004 unless congress takes action.

Nearly 150,000 American service members are currently serving in the quagmire of Iraq. When they are discharged from duty, whether this year, or ten years from now, this country will have a duty to these men and women extending far beyond their time in uniform. Like past veterans, they will look to the Department of Veterans Affairs for services, compensation, and health care. But the truth is that these benefits are being denied to many veterans. This is outrageous and wrong.

America's armed forces have historically answered the call to protect our homeland and our way of life. Many of the 25 million veterans are beginning to organize around the theme "Out the Door in 2004." They intend to send a strong message to recalcitrant politicians that they will not be denied and are not willing to be shortchanged on the post service care they were promised.

James W. Breedlove
Comments or opinions may be sent to the writer at: www.truthclinic.com



Joe Jaynes

This past year, Collin County was proactive in both road maintenance and in battling illegal dumping. Overall, there are approximately 800 miles of county roads and bridges in Collin County and most are located in the northern and eastern parts of the county in the unincorporated areas. Listed below is the annual summary of what the Collin County Public Works Department accomplished in fiscal 2003:

- 60 miles of county roads upgraded
- 77 miles of county roads resurfaced
- 2,207 miles of county roads graded
- 1,303 miles of county roads oiled (55% increase over last year)
- 321 culverts installed
- 1,205 miles sprayed for weed control in right-of-ways
- 2,570 miles of right-of-ways mowed
- 2,251 signs repaired, replaced or newly installed
- 19 bridges repaired

The County Line

- 102 miles of ditches cleaned for better drainage
- 10,110 tons of asphalt mix laid
- 253 culvert inspections and permits
- 48 utility permits issued
- 93 soil conservation lakes maintained
- 171 traffic counts taken
- 19 West Nile traps set in the county (all negative)

Curtailed illegal dumping is another area in which Collin County has been aggressive. In years past Collin County has sponsored an annual cleanup day. Due to our rapid growth, we have extended that program from once a year to once a month. We currently have three locations in the county where residents, on the first Saturday of every month, can dispose of their junk and debris. This program is partially funded by a grant received by the North Central Texas Council of Governments. Since February, Collin County has taken in the following:

- 1,540 tons dropped off at the collection sites
- 115 tons removed from illegal

- 212 tons of road construction/maintenance debris
- 143 tons removed from Trinity Park subdivision cleanup
- Total: 2,010 tons of junk and debris collected.

The collection sites have been a major component in our campaign against illegal dumping. Since we have started this program, deputies and constables have reported that they have seen a decrease in illegal dumping throughout the county. Also, many residents have expressed their appreciation for the convenience of the collection sites.

However, illegal dumping still remains a problem not only in Collin County but also throughout North Texas. To report an illegal dumpsite or for more information concerning the locations, times and what can be taken at the collection sites please check my website at www.joejaynes.com or give me a call at 972-548-4632.

(County Commissioner Joe Jaynes' email address is jjaynes@collincountytexas.gov)

Mugged by the Government Citizen outrage at oppression by local agencies rising

By Randall Fitzgerald
Knight Ridder/Tribune News Service

Now that California's recall firestorm has cooled, it's time to identify a factor with potentially staggering political implications for the nation.

The lopsided election results cannot be attributed solely to Arnold Schwarzenegger's charisma and Gov. Gray Davis' unpopularity or even to the slowed economy. Something more incendiary helped to stoke voter anger.

The outcome reflected deep-felt public frustration and resentment against insensitive and abusive government officials and institutions. Beyond California, a growing number of Americans think that too many government officials are unaccountable and too many laws and regulations — federal, state and local — are unfairly administered.

For nine years, starting in 1993, I profiled scores of ordinary people in Reader's Digest who had been unfairly yet legally "mugged" by regulators. Researching this series of articles took me to 23 states. I interviewed victims, their families, their business associates and friends, and the regulators whose common-sense-defying decisions had created a slew of financial, legal and emotional hardships.

Many of these muggings are committed so regulatory agencies can set legal precedents, meet enforcement quotas, protect the monopoly power of favored enterprises, and intimidate property owners who might otherwise contest arbitrary decision-making. Most of the governmental abuses occur so far beyond the notice of national news media attention that we never hear of them. Here is a sampling from among hundreds that I have collected.

Eminent Domain Muggings. Arizona brake repairman Randy Bailey, 40, faced the loss of his three-decades-old family business when Mesa city officials used eminent domain to condemn his

shop so the land could be used for a hardware store expansion. This form of coercion and corporate welfare, pursued in the name of public good, is commonplace.

City officials in Hurst, Texas, tried to increase tax revenues by condemning an entire neighborhood subdivision and giving the land to a mall developer for a parking lot. Florida's Riviera Beach City Council condemned 1,700 homes and apartments and 150 small businesses to provide land for big developers who wanted to construct a commercial yachting center.

Drug War Victims. State and local civil asset forfeiture laws, modeled after federal statutes, often mug innocent property owners to help underwrite the drug war bureaucracies. Tax consultant Judith Roderick, 55, of Lacey, Wash., had prepared a land trust for a client who was later charged with growing marijuana. The Thurston County Narcotics Task Force seized Roderick's home, her bank accounts, and her business records during their investigation into whether she knew the client had used drug money to buy the land. Left destitute by the seizures, Roderick had to represent herself in court. It took over a year for prosecutors to decide they had no case.

Classic car restorer Dan Peruchi, 35, of Fort Worth, was driving a vehicle he had just purchased through West Memphis, Arkansas, when police stopped him. They seized \$18,890 in cash Peruchi was carrying for car purchases because a drug-sniffing dog reacted as if some of the bills had once been in contact with cocaine. No charges were filed against Peruchi, and there was no evidence of drug involvement. But he never got his money back.

Land Use Muggings. Property owners have suffered financial losses after being caught in the crossfire between competing regulatory bureaucracies. Washington state medical worker Brian Bea built a house on land

that had been in his family for five generations. He received a building permit from Skamania County. But after the house was almost complete the Columbia Gorge Commission interceded and ordered the house torn down for "scenic" reasons. That prompted a regulatory court battle between the two government agencies, bringing Bea and his wife to the brink of bankruptcy.

Other middle-class property owners have fallen prey to anti-growth hysteria in the guise of environmental protection. A water equipment service engineer, Regina Gonzalez, 34, bought two lots on which to build retirement homes for her parents and herself in Monroe County, Fla. Seven years later, the county informed her the lots could never be developed, rendering them worthless, because some of the land bordered on a few feet of marsh. Nearly 9,200 other lot owners received similar news from the county as a result of a series of anti-growth ordinances and ever-widening wetlands regulations.

Whether the public is provoked by regulations that don't make economic sense, or enforcements that don't make legal sense, the real crime is often the transformation of law-abiding citizens into lawbreakers.

California has traditionally been a trendsetter in more than just cultural matters. Other states adopted variations of the state's Proposition 13, and we all know what happened when California exported Ronald Reagan and his ideas. Political aspirants nationwide who can tap into the rising tide of public disaffection will reap a California-style harvest for years to come.

Randall Fitzgerald is the author of the book "Mugged by the State: Outrageous Government Assaults on Ordinary People and Their Property" (Regnery/Cato Institute), released Nov. 10.

Prairie View A & M University's Former Interim President Dies

On Saturday, November 8, Willie A. Tempton, who served as Prairie View A&M University's interim president from May 2002 to August 2003, died. Tempton was the senior vice president for External Affairs and Development.

Tempton earned a degree in Biology from Prairie View A&M University. Tempton was a retired army colonel and a graduate of the United States Army War College.

The Senate of the State of

Texas, 78th Legislature, 1st Called Session commended Tempton for his exceptional achievements and many contributions to the university, the Texas A&M University System, and the State of Texas. Senate Resolution Number 64 was adopted by the Senate on July 15, 2003 as an expression of the high regard of the Texas Senate.

Proceeding the funeral service at 11:00 am, on Friday, November 14, public

viewing will be from 9:00 am to 11:00 am, at Prairie View A&M University inside the William J. "Billy Nicks" Building. The interment will be at the Veterans National Cemetery, 10410 Veterans Memorial Drive, Houston, TX, 281-447-8686.

Condolences and other expressions of sympathy may be sent to the family of Willie A. Tempton in care of Carl Barnes Funeral Home, 746 West 22nd Street, Houston, TX, 713-869-4529.

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Is the sky clearest on the day it is most blue?

While you ponder that thought we would like to announce that Minority Opportunity News, Inc., formerly a Dallas based renaissance community tabloid, founded in 1991, has relocated to Plano, Texas and changed our name to MON-The Gazette. In addition to moving our offices to Plano, our editorial coverage has also shifted to encompass Dallas' Northern Corridor. The Northern Corridor is clearly the fastest growing region in Texas, if not in America. MON-The Gazette believes that the engine to continue this growth is the airport expansion in McKinney, which is the largest and most visible of many area opportunities. As always, and true to tradition, MON-The Gazette will be there carving a world of opportunity for those seeking to provide quality services. Should you dare to expand your quest for economic parity outside the southern region or just want to know what is going on up north-

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MON-The Gazette formerly Minority Opportunity News, was founded July, 1991, by Jim Bochum and Thurman R. Jones



Churches Must Focus on World's Brokenness, New Executive Says

By Linda Green

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (UMNS) — The newly elected top executive of the World Council of Churches says the organization's most critical task is helping humans respond to the brokenness affecting most of the world today.

"We live in a world ... where people feel insecure (and) ... are suffering because of poverty. Part of the vision is to bring about the fullness of life or the abundant life to all human beings," said the Rev. Samuel Kobia, a member of the Methodist Church of Kenya.

Anything that causes individuals to feel less than whole is an issue the World Council of Churches should address as the ecumenical advocate for justice and peace, he said.

Kobia said examining the "relational dimensions of the way humans live" will be one of his

first objectives when he takes office in January. He wants to assist the council in promoting relationships and reconciliation to alleviate pain, insecurity and strife throughout the world.

Currently the council's special representative for Africa, Kobia



Rev. Samuel Kobia

was elected to the top post last August. When he succeeds the Rev. Konrad Raiser, he will become the first African head of the 55-year-old association.

Based in Geneva, the World Council of Churches is a fellowship of 342 churches in more than 120 countries. The United Methodist Church is a member and major supporter.

The council's governing assembly meets every seven years.

"It is a very unique organization in the world today," Kobia said of the organization.

Born in 1947, Kobia holds degrees and diplomas from academic institutions in his native Kenya and the United States.

In promoting Christian unity, the council seeks to address the divisions that have arisen in Christianity throughout history and to help people meet their

needs, he said.

"We feel that the time has come for churches to work together and unite," he said.

In a statement following his election, Kobia talked about strength. "To gain the capacity to inspire the world we need inner

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Plano East High School Students to Host Blood Drive

On Wednesday, November 19, 2003 from 7 am to 5 pm, about 30 Plano East High School students will be making a positive difference in their neighborhood by holding one of the largest Blood Drives in the DFW area. They expect about 500 to 750 blood donors throughout the day. Students will be working with the American Red Cross Blood Services staff. The blood drive will take place at Plano East Senior High School inside the

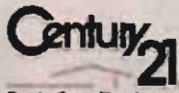
cafeteria, 3000 Los Rios Blvd., Plano, TX. Students will work with Red Cross staff at donor registration and in the canteen area. About 34 beds will be lined up throughout the school's cafeteria. About 34 beds will be lined up throughout the school's cafeteria.

Every two seconds someone needs blood — a newborn baby, a cancer patient or someone suffering from leukemia. The Plano East high school students are trying to help ease the pain of many in need.

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with this brother, who is one of the nation's most sought-after speakers. Weaving metaphors, life-lessons, homespun yarns, common sense, metaphysics, and stark realities into a tapestry of positive, results-oriented, and very practical strategies for success, Simon T. Bailey was a joy to behold. He is a fresh face on the scene and surely someone to watch as he humbly makes his way to the top, but reaches back to help someone else as well. We should listen to what Simon says.

All in all, the Black Capital Network was a veritable potpourri of excellence, comprising local business owners and corporate representatives with national authors and entrepreneurs. The event ended with a book forum, sponsored by local attorney, John Elmore, and The Weddings of

Color Expo and Fashion show. The forum featured local authors and was moderated by Yvonne Rose, co-owner and Editor of Amber Books, Phoenix, Arizona, the nation's largest African American self-help and career guide publishing house. The Weddings of Color Expo and Fashion Show highlighted wedding gowns by New York designer, Therez Fleetwood. Ms. Fleetwood is also the author of the new best-seller, The Afrocentric Bride, which features the most beautiful and culturally sensitive wedding gowns ever made. Check out Ms. Fleetwood's gowns and her book; you will be very pleased with what you see.

Now what is the bottom line of all of this? Meetings and conferences are held by and for Black people in this country virtually every week. But, as I told my audience, it's not just the meeting that's important,

it's what happens after the meeting. My challenge is always centered on the "doing," the positive action that emanates as a result of the many meetings we have. As for as economic empowerment conferences are concerned, it's one thing to practice it during the conference, at the vending tables, in the workshops, and during the book signings, but it's a different thing to leave the venue and really get involved in day-to-day economic empowerment. It's another thing to make it a habit to support Black owned businesses, to grow and expand our businesses via strategic partnerships, cooperative purchasing, and mergers. In other words, it's one thing to talk about it and another thing to do it.

While I thank Jennifer Parker and everyone else who attended the conference, I encourage us as well to follow up and follow through on

what we learned there. I pray that we will do what we say, practice what we preach, and walk our talk when it comes to economic empowerment and entrepreneurship. We cannot afford to keep going to meetings only to return home and do nothing with the information we gleaned from those meetings. Let's get busy y'all.

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Arts & Entertainment

"It's Only A Game"

Big Winner At Deep Ellum Film Festival

Dallas, TX...Ken Heckmann Productions' documentary feature "It's Only A Game" won the Deep Ellum Film Festival's coveted Audience Favorite Award at the closing night ceremonies! The film was one of only thirteen documentaries accepted into the festival this year. The film provides an in depth look at the Celina Bobcats first season in fourteen years without head coach G.A. Moore and the effects this monumental change has on the team and the community. In addition to changes on the field, the growing population of Celina has pushed the team into a larger division from 2A to 3A which means they will face larger schools and tougher competition all under



the new leadership of Coach Butch Ford.

"I like to make uplifting films," said producer/director Heckmann upon accepting his award last

passion and community spirit. The sought after Audience Award is voted on solely by individuals attending the festival. "I was very happy to see that "It's Only A Game" was the winner of this award," says festival director Michael Caine. "I knew as soon as I saw it that it had to be a part of the festival."

The Deep Ellum Film Festival was the first public screening of the film. Heckmann now hopes to sell the film to a major distributor by showing it at various festivals around the country. Heckmann concluded, "I am so happy to have won the Audience Favorite Award. I want this film to touch the people who go to the movies to inspire and uplift them. Even though the story

Thursday, "because I feel if we have more uplifting films, we will have more uplifted people." Movie goes throughout the festival were obviously moved by the film's

Meals on Wheels - Winner of 2003 Women in Film PSA Program

Dallas, TX...The Visiting Nurse's Association of Dallas' Meals on Wheels program has been chosen as the 2003 recipient of the Dallas Chapter of Women in Film's annual public service announcement (PSA) program. The group will receive a professionally produced, pro bono television PSA which will air around the country in effort to benefit the program. More than fifty organizations submitted applications for consideration this year from as far away as Oakland, CA. The WIF PSA committee ultimately chose VNA/Meals on Wheels because its specific need of recruiting volunteer drivers seemed best suited for the mass medium of broadcast television.

"Other worthy causes were trying to increase referrals, sometimes indirectly, or raise public awareness, all of which are valid goals," says committee member Joan Rosenzweig, "but

VNA/Meals on Wheels had a tangible, quantifiable objective to shoot for. These meals have to be delivered promptly, six days a week, even if that means hiring drivers out of their food budget." The VNA of Texas assumed responsibility for the Meals on Wheels program in Dallas in 1973. Since that time, the number of meals delivered each weekday has increased from 152 to 2700. In 2002, VNA Meals on Wheels has made 696,603 home deliveries.

The WIF Dallas PSA program is modeled after a similar, very successful initiative launched by the Los Angeles chapter several years ago. The program provides a unique service to the community in that it promotes causes that are often in need of greater public exposure. Most non-profit organizations are tightly budgeted and therefore poorly equipped to meet the prohibitively high cost of "A-level" commercial production. WIF

members Rebecca Rice and Cynthia Salzman Mondell will spearhead the production as producer and director. Currently WIF is seeking scripts and/or visual concepts on which to build the television spot. "We are looking for ideas that really stand out both visually and creatively," says Mondell. Any active WIF Dallas member may submit a script or pitch an idea. The deadline for the submission of script concepts is December 1st. Once a shooting script has been finalized, many volunteers will be needed for the actual production including catering, props, etc. To become a member of women in film, serve as a volunteer or find out about sponsorship opportunities, log onto the website at www.wifdallas.org or call 214-954-4488!

For more information about VNA/Meals on Wheels go to <http://www.vnatexas.org> or contact Stacy Meier at stacym@BaylorHealth.edu

Tupac: Resurrection



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A respected criminal psychologist (Halle Berry) hears confessions from a satanic patient (Penelope Cruz) and later has an experience with a mysterious woman. This leads to nightmares, but her life really becomes horrific when she wakes up and discovers she's been locked in her own sanitarium, administered by her husband (Charles S. Dutton), for a murder that she can't remember committing. The trouble is that the victim is, in fact, her hubby, and all the evidence points to her. While trying to figure out what's happened and separate fact from fiction, her colleague (Robert Downey Jr.) wonders whether she's finally gone crazy.

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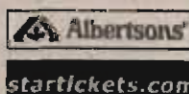
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18-inch wheels and an upgraded interior. Topping off the line up is the upscale Lariat, with brushed aluminum and wood highlights, optional leather heated seats, satellite steering wheel controls, white-faced gauges and automatic climate control.



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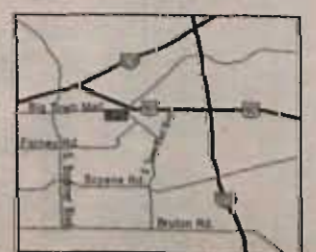
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Sister Tarpley

"For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh."
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Do you know why so many believers are losing the battles in their lives? They're fighting the wrong enemy!

They have been deceived into believing that just because a person said or did something to hurt them, that person is the one they need to fight. But they're wrong.

You see, the Bible says we don't wrestle with flesh and blood. And since people are definitely flesh and blood, they're never the source of our problem.

"But, brother, you just don't know what So-and-So did to me!" It doesn't matter. If you waste your time fighting So-and-So, your real enemy will get away scot-free.

Who is that real enemy? Look at Ephesians 6:12, "For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places."

Satan and his demons, they're your lifelong

FIGHT THE RIGHT FOE

enemies! They are behind every personal affront you encounter.

The people who hurt you and persecute you are only Satan's tools. When he wants to strike out at you, he uses them to get the job done.

Remember this: Persecution is not the manifestation of another person's hate for you. It's a manifestation of **Satan's fear of you**. When you get into the Word and start swinging it around—using it like the sword of the Spirit that it is—Satan gets scared. So he looks for some person he can send in there to stop you.

Next time someone hurts you, don't let yourself get sidetracked into fighting him or her. **Bind the spirit behind them.** Put flesh and blood battles behind and war with the weapons of the Spirit. Zero in on Satan with authority and the Word of God and bring your real enemy down!

--Frank Ortiz
Scripture Reading:
Ephesians 6:10-18

After an old recluse had passed this life, some pieces of paper were found in his cheap room, destitute of comfort. On those papers were written estimates of how long his money would last if he spent \$50 a week; and how much longer if he could

squeeze by on \$40. The startling fact was that he could have lived another sixty years on the first figures.

The man was haunted by fear of the future and lived on the basis that he might never make another penny. While he denied himself peace of mind and necessities of body, his gold cankered. He spent his lifetime **BUILDING A BRIDGE HE NEVER CROSSED!**

This is an illustration of many people who are torn by **needless worry**. The futility of this lifestyle is obvious. Once we set our own cheerless thoughts on ourselves, they'll incessantly attach and enfeeble us. Anxiety about some imaginary difficulty makes us less able to meet today's actualities.

It's no use to invest in and **BUILD BRIDGES NEVER TO BE CROSSED!** Distinguish gold from dross; waste neither time nor thought about the bridge you'll never cross.

--Greenville Avenue Church of Christ's Bulletin

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November 15, 6:30 pm
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November 22, 4:00 pm
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November 23, after 10:45 am service
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November 30
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strength. Our strength lies also in our unity. As we reiterate that the WCC is first and foremost a fellowship of churches whose primary purpose is to call one another to visible unity in one faith and one eucharistic fellowship, and 'to advance that unity so that the world may believe,' we must work together and be seen to be working together."

Kobia said he will have three priorities in his new role.

The first is to alleviate violence

in all of its forms. He wants the council to continue working within the framework of its "Decade to Overcome Violence," a focus through 2010. The effort calls for Christians to empower those oppressed by violence and to act in solidarity with those struggling for justice, peace and the integrity of creation.

In the United States, the council is focusing on resourcing churches and movements working for peace, encouraging a commitment to mutual accountability, and deepening the churches'

understanding of issues such as power, militarism and community-building. "I would like to put a lot of effort into that," Kobia said.

Interreligious dialogue is the second part of Kobia's vision. "The council believes very strongly that faith could unite people," he said. What is needed is an emphasis "to turn around the different faiths that have sometimes been used to divide people," he said.

The commonalities and shared values among faiths today can be used as a basis for dialogue and collaboration in dealing with

practical groundwork issues, he said.

The final priority addresses wholeness and health. "We live in a broken world," Kobia said. "There is a lot of poverty that I really feel many people are living under unnecessarily."

The greatest health crisis facing the world today, especially in Africa, is HIV/AIDS, he said. "I believe there is no other problem that Africa is facing that is as devastating as HIV/AIDS, whether we look at it from the political, economic or social point of view."

If the council is to be an effective champion of peace and justice, it must deal with the problems that make it difficult for the majority of humans to experience fullness of life, Kobia said.

"Jesus Christ said, 'I came so that humans may have life and have it in all of its fullness.' I think we are very far away from that when we look at the way the world is suffering today."

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Little Flock Baptist Church

Pastor Louis E. Laurent
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A Place Where a "Taste of the Word" is Guaranteed

Sunday School	9:30 am
Sunday Morning Worship	10:45 am
Tuesday Night Brotherhood	7:00 pm
Wednesday Prayer Meeting/Bible Study	7:00 pm

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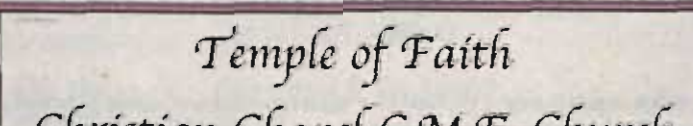


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A Place of New Beginnings... II Corinthians 5:17

Sunday Morning Bible School	9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship (Agape Hour) First Sunday	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting and Evening Bible Study	7:15 p.m.



Temple of Faith Christian Chapel C.M.E. Church



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Sunday Worship Experience
8:00 am & 10:45 am
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12:00 Noon & 7:00 pm

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