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Stokes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church Women's Conference Weekend 2016

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The Stokes Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Zebulon, NC, under the pastorate of Rev. J. Randolph Barnes, celebrated their 7th Annual Women's Conference on Saturday, May 14, 2016. The theme for the conference was ***The Power of Love Manifested***, and the attendance consisted of approximately 80 ladies, which was our largest attendance to date. The conference offered three sessions with three awesome ministers of the Gospel. The first session, with the sub-topic, ***Single, Saved & Satisfied*** was facilitated by Elder Phyllis H. Jones of Lifeline Christian Center in Spring Hope, NC. She taught on the gift of singleness. One of the many nuggets she shared is that singleness is a gift and a calling. It is not a status that defines us, but a position where singles find purpose and significance, which allows them to devote more attention to kingdom ministry. The second session, with the sub-topic,

Married to the Man and the Ministry, was facilitated by Minister Stephanie Battle of Word Tabernacle Church in Rocky Mount, NC. Minister Battle gave three defining points that wives must portray in order to remain true to the marriage and the ministry. Wives must first be protectors of their husbands. She illustrated how God took the rib from man and created woman, and since the rib cage is the protector of vital organs, it is now our duty as nurturers to protect our husbands. The second point was to have purpose and the third was to pray. The third session, with the sub-topic, ***The War Room: Fighting with Love and Prayer***, was facilitated by Evangelist Margaret Mose of the Upper Room Church of God in Christ in Raleigh, NC. Evangelist Mose ministered, whether single

or married, that two of God's greatest weapons are love and prayer. We must remember that we are not fighting flesh and blood, but principalities and powers, and if we continue to use these mighty weapons, we will win the battle. After each session, the ladies celebrated and honored God with a mighty praise break! Each lady left with a conference goodie bag, and a door prize. On Sunday, May 15, Lady Jannet B. Barnes wrapped up our weekend as our Annual Women's Day speaker on ***The Power of Love Manifested***, where she shared the story of the Prodigal Son. It was an awesome Conference and Women's Day weekend with great speakers and great Word! Every praise is to our God!

Article submitted by Sister Erma Hedgepeth

Do You Know What's Happening In the Woman's Auxiliary?

ShoeBox Recycling

The **Woman's Auxiliary** continues to collect, box and ship gently used shoes providing foot wear for individuals around the globe—ridding our landfills of pollution and evangelizing to people who do not know Christ! This initiative is our “Soles for Souls” ministry in which we collect gently used shoes (men, women, children—sandals, crocs or flip-flops, slippers, ice skates, roller skates/blades are not accepted). We ship them to individuals around the world through the Community Shoe Recycling Program. This recycling program pays fifty cents for every pound of shoes. As of date, the Woman's Auxiliary has sent four separate shipments with the proceeds going to the Children's Home in Oxford. Keep your gently used shoes coming!!!



Zebulon First Baptist's 2016 Women's Conference

Last month, Zebulon First Baptist Church hosted its 7th Annual Women's Fellowship Conference, presenting spiritual workshops on topics relating to faith. This year's theme, Transformational Faith, was based on the scripture - Matthew 15:28 NIV - ***Then Jesus said to her "Woman, you have great faith! Your request is granted." And her daughter was healed at that moment.***

Spiritual workshops were led by Min. Colette Parker of Zebulon First Baptist Church, Min. Mary McLean, Min. Denis Lucas and Min. Rose Holloway. Dozens of women from neighboring churches attended and were blessed by their teachings. Some of the spiritual lessons included: 12 Action Steps to Effective Prayer, How to Stay Focused on God in a Storm and Living By Faith. Most importantly, we learned that there is much power in the Cross and that we have access to all of that power through our relationship with Christ. Please plan to join us in April 2017 for our 8th Annual Women's Fellowship Conference.

Article submitted by Sister Vicki Parker



Author's Corner-Spotlight Book Review

Book Review
Not a Fan
 by Kyle Idleman

This is a must read if you are ready to be all that God intended you to be. What Mr. Idleman writes in this book keeps you wondering if you are truly doing your best for the King. The book is not written as sermons but for me, it contained one sermon after another. It is filled with illumination of who Jesus must be in the life of the believer.

In reading most books, I never read the prologue. This time I read it after reading the book and found what Mr. Idleman stated was indeed what this book spoke to me and what I believe it will speak to you. He said: "I will talk more about repentance than forgiveness, more about surrender than salvation, more about brokenness than happiness, and more about death than about life. If you are looking for a book about following Jesus that lays out a comfortable and reassuring path, you won't find it here."

As I was reading I decided to highlight various points that he made. I wanted to hold on to these. And it was particularly rewarding that each is supported by scripture.

When he talked about the jealousy that people seem to have about the men and women in the Old Testament, he named a few and imagined what each might be saying. An example is: though one might say to Moses what was it like to follow the cloud by day and the fire by night and what was it like to meet God on that mountain. He then imagined Moses to say, I had to climb the mountain to meet God: what is it like to have Him living inside you.

He reminds the believer that when you become a Christian you receive from God the gift of the Holy Spirit. So it is not a question of whether or not you

have access to this power of the Holy Spirit; the question is, have you accessed it?

He further explained that fans tend to confuse their feelings for faith. Yet your feelings are not faith until they are expressed. It is not enough to pray for one to have something to eat when you have the means to provide a meal.

Mr. Idleman described the believer, a follower of Christ, to be a slave. He is a slave because he has no possessions to call his own. All he has belongs to God. The believer as a slave has no identity; his identity is in Jesus. A believer as a slave doesn't get time off or get to clock out at the end of the day. This is a 24/7 commitment. A believer as a slave does not get to negotiate: he will daily take up his cross and follow Jesus. Jesus followers of the New Testament described themselves as slaves.

The last point I will share that I highlighted is the reason Jesus is so adamant about followers surrendering everything. And that is because the reality is this: the one thing we are most reluctant to give up is the one thing that has the most potential to become a substitute for Him.

It is my hope and prayer that you will take some of your precious time to read this book. If you want to be all that God wants you to be, this is an excellent resource.

Article submitted by Amelia Dewberry



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*Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly
above all that we ask or think, according to the power
that works in us, to Him be glory in the church by Christ
Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen
Ephesians 3:20-21*

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newsletter, then feel free to contact us at cparker3@bellsouth.net to
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*If you have information, whether, inspirational or informational
that you would like to share with the women of the Association,
contact the above email and we will include your timely submission.*

We thank you in advance for your support and continued prayers.

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Community News

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church

Women and Teen Girls Spring Bible Study (A Six
week study)

Saturdays— June 4, 11, 18, 25 from 9-11 am

If interested, email womensminis-
try@pleasantgrovewendell.org

Eastern Ministerial Alliance's Com- bined

Vacation Bible School

June 20-24, 2016

6:30 nightly @ Zebulon First Baptist Church

Hand of God Church Ministries

May 29, 2016 @ 4:00 pm

Women's Day Speaker : Sister Ravita Okafor

112 North Church Street; Zebulon, NC 27597

Women's Class

Union Session

July 30, 2016

Springfield Baptist Church

Associate Ministers' Class

August 9, 2016

Williams Grove Baptist Church

735 Rock Quarry Road

Raleigh, NC 27610