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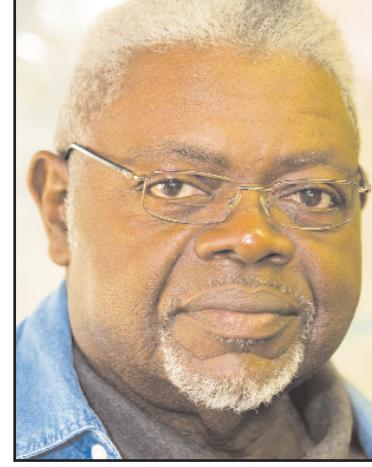
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GOP LAW FORCES FEWER EARLY VOTING SITES

BY CASH MICHAELS
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Before the Republican led legislature adjourned its summer short session last June, it was forced not to eliminate Saturday one-stop early voting in the upcoming November midterm elections. Studies showed that early voting Saturdays were most popular with African-American voters to cast early ballots.

Stung with accusations of further trying to suppress the Black vote, as

federal courts had previously ruled in various redistricting and voting law decisions, GOP leadership backed off eliminating Saturdays, giving supporters a sigh of relief.

However, now, according to a study by the progressive online publication ProPublica, the law passed by the Republican majority in June, while saving early voting Saturdays, effec-

tively cut the number of early voting polling places statewide by mandating that all early voting sites in a county open weekdays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. If they open on Saturdays, they must also do so for the same number of hours.

Republicans, like Representative David Lewis [R-Harnett], tout the new legislative mandate as giving early

voters more hours during the 17 day early voting period (Oct. 17 - Nov. 2) to cast their ballots. "The purpose of the uniformity is to make it more convenient and more accessible for the voter to participate," said Representative Lewis, a sponsor of the bill during the last session. "I think that access to the polls and ballots in a uniform fashion is more important than poll worker or election worker convenience."

However, according to the

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BY RITA TODD
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On Wednesday, September 5, 2018, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® Alpha Psi Omega Chapter donated 52 new backpacks and several boxes of school supplies to the New Hanover County Department of Social Services Foster Care Program. Supplies included pens, paper,

crayons, and glue. The sorority also presented the program with a check for \$500.00.

This program was initiated in the spring of 2018. It was developed and implemented in support of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®' 2014-2018 National Program, "Launching New Dimensions of Service", Target

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NAACP ramps up voter outreach campaign on National Voter Registration Day

SPECIAL TO NNPA

Power of 5 Campaign looks to translate personal networks into votes during midterm elections

[BALTIMORE] NAACP, the nation's foremost civil rights organization, is looking to mobilize personal networks, activists and supporters to energize its base ahead of the 2018 midterm elections on November 6.

"Our lives are on the ballot this year, so it is absolutely crucial that African-Americans as a whole participate in these midterms elections at rates that reflect our true voting power," said NAACP President & CEO Derrick Johnson. "Today on National Voter Registration Day, we're urging everyone to use their power to register and mobilize new voters and get involved in one of the most important election in our nation's history."

President Johnson's statement echoes the urgency of NAACP's message for voting this year. The increase of brutal #livingwhileblack incidents, the continuous stream of hateful rhetoric, disrespect and racist poli-

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ProPublica study and story published earlier this week, the new law, while indeed mandating more uniform hours countywide for voters, effectively cuts the number of early voting polling sites by 20 percent, compared to 2014. That means more voting hours, but fewer voting places.

Thus, according to the ProPublica story, counties that could normally open various sites on a staggered basis so that voters in different areas of their county could make it to a polling place closer to

them at a time reasonable for their schedules. Instead, they now must travel farther to find an early voting site and deal with longer lines because there are fewer open.

According to county election board officials who spoke with ProPublica, since counties, not the state, must fund the number of polling sites they can afford to have during an election, they must now have fewer that are open longer because they can't afford to have their normal number in operation. If a poorer North Carolina rural county in 2014 had five early voting sites in operation then, now, because of the new law

passed in June, that rural county in 2018 can afford to have only three early voting sites open for the mandated 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. hours of operation because it cannot afford to have all five open during those hours.

Furthermore, to make things even more challenging, counties have to find volunteers willing to work 12 hour days during the early voting period, something that wasn't necessary when counties previously had the luxury to staggering their polling place hours of operation.

The new law also presents yet another challenge, i.e. wasted hours of operation.

According to the county election boards with whom ProPublica spoke, very few people choose to early vote at 7 a.m. County boards know from experience when they get their heaviest voter traffic, and traditionally staggered their hours to capture that traffic.

Now, however, with all early voting sites required to operate from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., there will be unused hours that still must be manned by volunteers, waiting for voters in their area to finally show up.

"In elections administration, we have what we consider 'non-useful hours,'" Adam Ragan, the nonpartisan direc-

tor of elections in Gaston County, told ProPublica. "There are some locations where people won't come at 7 a.m. or 8 a.m. That's why we've always opened our auxiliary sites at 10 a.m." That can't happen now.

According to ProPublica, almost 50 percent of all State counties will close early voting sites this year because they cannot afford to open them mandated new hours, resulting, again, in a loss of at least 20 percent across the State.

Observers suspect that such a loss of voting sites could effectively suppress the vote in many counties, especially smaller ones.

engagement plan.

"This campaign is about the power of our personal networks to mobilize voters and to ensure that no elected officials can feel comfortable in disrespecting our communities or taking our votes for granted," added Watkins.

Founded in 1909, the NAACP is the nation's oldest and largest nonpartisan civil rights organization. Its members throughout the United States and the world are the premier advocates for civil rights in their communities.

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cies coming from the White House, all point to the notion that Black lives, civil rights and the issues of communities of color matter less and less to the President and elected officials in our nation. The NAACP recognizes this threat and is engaging voters based on the all too real idea of "Vote! Our lives depend on it."

At the very core of the cam-

paign is a radical voter registration and mobilization tactic utilizing social media platforms and personal networks. Fifty-five days out from election-day, NAACP launched the Power of 5 challenge, asking people to tap into the concept of relational organizing. Enlisting the help of top tier celebrities, civic leaders, artists, elected officials and everyday heroes, NAACP used a portrait and PSA series to task people to engage their own networks by registering 5 people to vote, volun-

teering for 5 days between now and the election, and sharing the message with 5 friends.

"The most important player in this year's election is the individual," said Jamal Watkins, NAACP Vice President of Civic Engagement. "Our recent poll showed a majority of voters of color and nearly all Black women felt disrespected by President Trump. People of color also believed this president has set back race relations and these numbers will

play a role in both how and why they'll vote in the midterm elections."

The NAACP voter mobilization efforts includes the activation of its over 2200 branches across the country and key on-the-ground strategic initiatives in Florida, Georgia, Ohio, Michigan, North Carolina and Pennsylvania. It will engage faith partners, community leaders and other social justice organizations, and will serve as a catalyst for NAACP's five-year civic

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Target #3 of this program segment includes "Operation AKA Assist",

an initiative that focuses on those in need in various communities by directing attention to the plight of the homeless; including homeless children and veterans. Alpha Psi Omega's partnership with the New Hanover County Department of Social Services Foster Care Program will provide the chapter with an opportunity to refine its focus and execute the new national program. Chapter members will work with home-

less children who become a part of the Foster Care system as well as working with a special program through New Hanover County Schools. In the interim, the donated supplies are available to the benefit of all of the children currently in the Foster Care program.

Mrs. Chrystal Fray-Davis spearheaded this project. Mrs. Lula Little serves as the chapter's president.



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**SPECIAL HURRICANE
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FOR NC GENERAL
ASSEMBLY ON
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[RALEIGH] By mutual agreement with Gov. Roy Cooper, the NC Republican-led legislature will reconvene in yet another Special session on Tuesday, Oct. 2nd to deal with issues surrounding emergency relief assistance to areas devastated by Hurricane Florence. Cooper originally wanted the session to commence Oct. 9th, but Republican legislative leaders insisted that it be scheduled sooner than later. The plan is to convene on Oct. 2nd to address "policy issues" surrounding the hurricane, then adjourn, and reconvene on Oct. 9th, giving the governor time to crunch the necessary numbers for a funding request from lawmakers.

Lawmakers say legislation is needed immediately to provide teachers in counties where the school systems have been closed due to the storm to still be paid. The school calendar in this counties will also have to be adjusted to allow for the days missed.

Other policy matters deal with delaying small business tax deadlines, and allowing storm victims to replace vehicle titles and other important paperwork that may have been lost in the devastation.

Rev. Dr. William Barber, co-chairman of the Poor People's Campaign: A

National Call for Revival, Demanded Tuesday that Gov. Cooper and state lawmakers "...offer lasting assistance" to hurricane victims, by way of increasing access to health care, raising the state minimum wage, and increasing the education budget, among other social justice priorities.

**I-40 AND I-95 HIGHWAYS
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FLORENCE**

[WILMINGTON] Many of the smaller roads in flooded areas impacted by Hurricane Floyd two weeks ago remain closed, but major highways I-40 and I-95 have now been cleared after they, too, were deemed impassable after massive flooding blocked their use. The floodwaters receded over the weekend, Gov. Roy Cooper reported Monday, faster than expected, clearing the way for travel, though officials still warned that motorists be careful on still flooded side roads. According to state officials, at least 400 roads in the southeastern part of the state and coast were still deemed as hazardous as of Monday afternoon.

**36 DEATHS CONFIRMED
IN THE STATE DUE TO
FLORENCE**

[CRAVEN COUNTY] As of press time Wednesday, there were 36 confirmed deaths that were directly related to Hurricane Florence and its aftermath. Many of those deaths range from the very young, to the elderly. Three were children - a three-month-old in Gaston County; seven-month old in New Hanover County; and a one-year-old in Union County who was washed away from his mother a flood.

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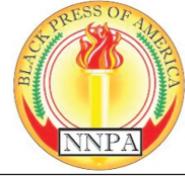
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Trump's stump speech is a con job

President Donald Trump is back on the stump, promising to campaign "six or seven days a week" until the general election to try to keep Republicans in control of both Houses of Congress.

His stump speech is characteristically bombastic, filled with the exaggerations, insults and flat-out lies that people have come to expect.

Trump's speech is at its core a con job. Republicans' tax cuts went to the rich and the corporations, and the promise that everyone would get a \$4,000 raise went up in smoke. Republican efforts first to repeal and then to lacerate Obamacare will deprive millions of health care, even as prices spike this fall because of the damage they've done.

Trump has ushered in the most corrupt administration in memory, appointing corporate lobbyists to rig the rules and roll back protections for workers and consumers and the environment.

Trump can point to a strong economy, but he inherited a growing economy from President Barack Obama. Working families still haven't benefited from the so-called recovery. Trump has broken his promise to invest in rebuilding our dangerously decrepit and uncompetitive infrastructure. Inequality is worse than ever, with Trump's tax cuts adding to the divide.

College tuitions continue to rise, and the student debt crisis gets worse and worse. Drug costs continue to soar, despite Trump's promises to do something about it. The opioid epidemic claimed 72,000 lives last year, as the administration floundered in responding to the crisis.

Even as catastrophic climate change ravages the U.S. from California to Houston to North Carolina and Puerto Rico, Trump remains in denial, with mere mentions of global warming erased from government web sites. As the crises accumulate, FEMA's woeful performance in Puerto Rico makes President Bush's disastrous operation after Hurricane Katrina look efficient in comparison.

The administration's war on workers makes it harder for them to share in the benefits of the good economy. Republican governors and state legislatures work to block cities from raising the minimum wage within their own boundaries. The first vote of Trump's appointee to the Supreme Court was to gut labor rights for public employees, as Republicans continue to undermine the right of workers to organize and bargain collectively.

Despite all of Trump's tough talk, new data show the U.S. trade deficit in July grew at its fastest rate since 2015, as monthly deficits with China and the European Union both reached new records.

Given all this, the content of Trump's stump speech is predictable. It is designed to distract and divide, not inform and unite.

As illustrated by his recent speech in West Virginia, his themes have an ugly racial cast. He began that speech by slandering NFL players, describing their protest against police brutality as "defaming our flag" and our "beautiful, beautiful national anthem." He railed against Democrats, suggesting that they would make America safe for criminal aliens, take away the Second Amendment and rewrite our Constitution.

The "beating heart of this election," he argued, "is border security." He roused his audience against the "Russian witch hunt" on the same day his personal lawyer pleaded guilty and his campaign manager was convicted by that same investigation.

Americans need to decipher the Trump bombast. He boasts about adding billions to our military --that already consumes over one-third of the world's military spending -- without admitting that he wants to slash investment in education, in clean energy, in Medicare and Medicaid.

He boasts of his tax cuts, without admitting that the next round will be to savage programs for the most vulnerable to help pay for the tax cuts larded on the rich and corporations. He brags about repealing the Clean Power Plan and abandoning the Paris climate accord, without mentioning that he's opening the door to fouling our water and air and ignoring the greatest threat to our national security.

He trumpets record low black and Hispanic unemployment, without noting that he's ended efforts to curb police brutality and racial profiling, gutting enforcement of civil rights laws, and encouraged efforts to suppress the right to vote.

I believe in passion in politics. Passionate stump speeches don't offend me. Hyperbole, wit and humor have their place. But Trump is peddling division and fostering fear. He wants Americans to think that they are threatened most by immigrants and burdened most by the vulnerable.

But immigrants and the vulnerable don't rig the rules to benefit the few. Trump is betting he can use our fears to divide and distract us to blind us from his con.

I believe that America is better than that. The election this fall will tell us who is right. Rev. Jesse Jackson is the founder of Rainbow Coalition.



Rev. Jesse Jackson, Sr.

CHANGING "MONOPOLY" RULES

Fifty years ago, my wife and I would play Monopoly each Friday night with another newly-wed couple. It was a mystery why he was always winning until his wife admitted that he was cheating setting his own rules. Evidently, our state legislators are following a similar strategy in maintaining

a monopoly on the state government. They held at least two special sessions (\$50,000 each) to write misleading text for six NC constitutional amendments that will appear on the general election ballot. Two amendments on victim rights and hunting/fishing "cloud" the legislators' intent to destroy the checks and balances among the three branches

of government--executive, legislative, and judicial. The third amendment gives legislative leaders the power to fill all judicial vacancies with their political friends. The fourth would transfer power to appoint members of 400 state boards from the governor to them. The fifth would limit a state response to such emergencies as hurricanes by

reducing the income tax cap from 10 to 7%. Finally, the sixth (Voter Id) would potentially remove thousands of registered voters from the rolls. Vote NO on all six amendments and NO on free "Get out of Jail" (reelection) cards for power-hungry legislators.

WILLIAM FLYTHE
Southport, NC

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

I'm saddened by what I'm seeing regarding Dr. Christine Blasey Ford. We're seeing many of the same elderly white men who brutalized Anita Hill years ago doing the same thing to Dr. Ford. Anita was a very credible accuser against Judge



Dr. E. Faye Williams

Clarence Thomas; yet, she faced brutal attacks from both parties, and yes, at least one Democrat! Joe Biden later apologized, and did a lot in support

of women since that time. That's evidence of change that we've not seen from folks like Senators Orrin Hatch, Charles Grassley and others. The attacks on Dr. Ford are already heading in a direction to discredit Dr. Ford as were the efforts to discredit Anita Hill.

It is strongly believed that #45 has struck a deal with him to do a lot of his dirty work, including keeping him from being convicted of some very serious crimes--some of which are against women. #45 is undermining our democracy and getting away with things for which others would already have been sent to prison.

Dr. Ford's life has been seriously disrupted. All she asked was for the FBI to gather evidence in her case before she goes into the snake pit for a

hearing before the Senate. She has a right to be evaluated fairly rather than having a bunch of mean men grilling her as though she's the accused instead of the victim. Her life and her reputation are in jeopardy. She's received ferocious attacks and had to move from her home.

Many white women have agreed they betrayed Black women in voting for #45 in 2016; however, many also admit they've had it and feel they have an obligation to undo what they helped to do in the last Presidential election.

#45 thought that Kavanaugh would be the judge to save him and that he would be confirmed without a real contest. Now #45 seems to be deserting Kavanaugh. He says we need to hear both sides! That's such a deviation. Normally to him, there is only one side and that's his side. Now, he thinks both sides should be heard! Do you think he said that out of fear he could be next?

The investigation into Dr. Ford's allegation about Judge Kavanaugh is essential if the

Senate is truly seeking justice. Listening to all of the Senators' threats about going ahead to a vote if Dr. Boyd did not show up when she was told to do so was so sexist, so dictatorial when they had given her so little time to leave California, consult a lawyer and come across country to Washington, DC.

The spectacle of so many men ordering a woman to bend to their will, thinking she would not come is so sad. Maybe these men have a way out if Dr. Ford does not attend the hearing. May she'll pack up and come to Washington despite the injustice of the way she was treated. We can be sure Dr. Ford will face a gigantic effort to discredit her, but fortunately there're enough fair-minded people in the Senate to overrule them this time and avoid Anita Hill #2.

(Dr. E. Faye Williams is President of the National Congress of Black Women, Inc. She is also host of the WPFW-FM 89.3 program called "Wake Up and Stay Woke." www.nationalcongressbw.org.)

Trump loves the anthem and flag, hates the Constitution

(TriceEdneyWire.com)

"You have to stand proudly for the National Anthem. You shouldn't be playing, you shouldn't be there. Maybe they (NFL Players) shouldn't be in the country... We're proud of our country and we're proud of our flag... Wouldn't you love to see one of these NFL owners, when somebody disrespects our flag, to say 'get that son of a b**** off the field right now - he's fired...' "-President Donald Trump

Donald Trump, the American President and Commander in Chief loves the National Anthem of the United States and the flag. He believes that team owners should eject players that "disrespect" the flag by

taking a knee and cut them from the team. He urges fans to express their disapproval by leaving the stadium. According to Trump, "But you know what's hurting the game more than that?

When people like yourselves turn on television and you see those people taking the knee when they are playing our great national anthem... if you see it... leave the stadium, I guarantee things will stop..."

Trump loves the symbolism, the pomp and circumstance. He loves the marketing behind the anthem and flag but hates what

the symbols actually represent in their nationalistic context. I say nationalistic because there is huge difference between what they mean to most Americans versus the global imperial hegemon they represent in their international context.

Steve Bannon, the mastermind behind Donald Trump's nationalist ideology was very clear about what Trump's campaign for president and mission as president would be. The entire Trump agenda is based upon the premise of deconstructing the American administrative state.

At the 2017 CPAC conference Bannon was very clear, "I think if you look at the lines of work, I kind of break it up into three verticals of three buckets... national security and sovereignty...economic nationalism...(and the) deconstruction of the administrative state."

What is "the administrative state"? According to The Guardian, "The administrative state, a pillar of modern American government, is tasked with making and enforcing economic and environmental regulations, designing and running social welfare programs, fighting crime and corruption, providing for the national defense and so much more." At the base of all of these tasks, what enables or empowers the government; aka the administrative state to function is the Constitution of the United States of America.

In order for Trump to succeed, he has to weaken, deconstruct and/or undermine The

Constitution. That is why he attacks the First Amendment. His attacks on the press and on the NFL players is a direct assault upon the "...freedom of speech, ... the press; ... (and) the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances..."

In 1823 Thomas Jefferson, principal author of the Declaration of Independence, contributor to the Constitution and third president of the United States wrote to General Lafayette, "The only security of all is in a free press. The force of public opinion cannot be resisted when permitted freely to be expressed. The agitation it produces must be submitted to. It is necessary, to keep the waters pure."

Trump calls the news media "the enemy of the American people". He (or one of his handlers) created the term "Fake news". "The Fake News hates me saying that they are the Enemy of the People only because they know it's TRUE." His key senior advisor Kellyanne Conway introduced the concept of "alternative facts" into the American lexicon in order to counter the accurate reporting of Trump's disinformation campaign and outright lying to the American people.

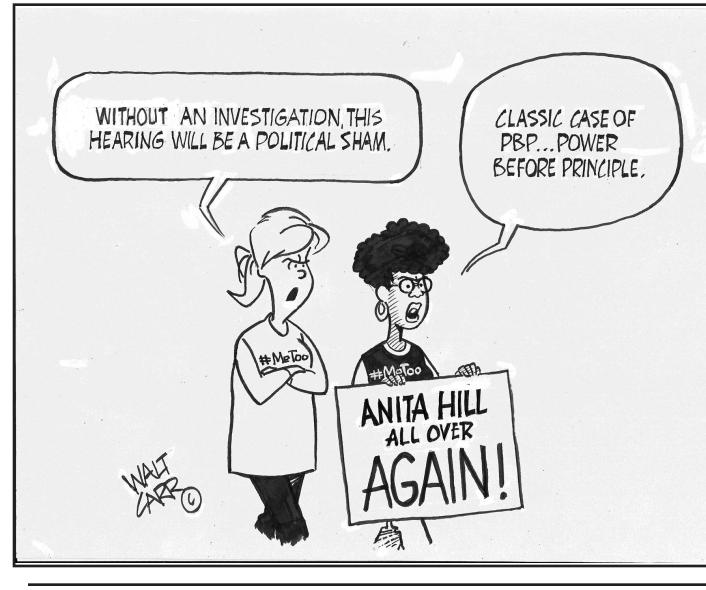
Free-agent NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick along with some current player's peaceful public protests against the killing of unarmed African Americans by the police is more American and constitu-

tional than Trump's tweeting and rants, urging action against them. It's a matter of speech and the freedom of the people to peaceably assemble in order to petition the government for a redress of grievances. Abraham Lincoln once called "the right of peaceable assembly" part of "the Constitutional substitute for revolution."

Trump loves the visual and the marketing of America that standing for the National Anthem and the Pledge of Allegiance represent, but a president cannot be true to America and its principals and precepts if he or she tries to have one without the other. As Frederick Douglass said, "Those who profess to favor freedom and yet deprecate agitation, are people who want crops without ploughing the ground; they want rain without thunder and lightning; they want the ocean without the roar of its many waters..."

It is also important to understand the history of the Star Spangled Banner. Its author, Francis Scott Key supported the deportation of free Africans in America back to Africa. He was an aristocrat who supported slavery and opposed its abolition. As he saw Africans in America fighting with the British during the battle of Fort McHenry in Baltimore on Sept. 13, 1814, he wrote the Star Spangled Banner. In it he included the

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YOUR VOICE

MATTERS OF OPINION

Is this Anita Hill #2?

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

I'm saddened by what I'm seeing regarding Dr. Christine Blasey Ford. We're seeing many of the same elderly white men who brutalized Anita Hill years ago doing the same thing to Dr. Ford. Anita was a very credible accuser against Judge

Dr. Ford has been harassed and getting death threats. Hatch says "This woman, whoever she is, is 'mixed up'."

Dr. Ford was right to want an investigation before telling her story in a Senate Hearing. Isn't that the way our laws work? Why is Judge Brett Kavanaugh's case being rushed through to confirmation when serious conduct is alleged?

We're talking about the possibility of having a lifetime appointment where he's given us every reason to believe he's waiting to take away the few rights women have.

It is strongly believed that #45 has struck a deal with him to do a lot of his dirty work, including keeping him from being convicted of some very serious crimes--some of which are against women. #45 is undermining our democracy and getting away with things for which others would already have been sent to prison.

Dr. Ford's life has been seriously disrupted. All she asked was for the FBI to gather evidence in her case before she goes into the snake pit for a

hearing before the Senate. She has a right to be evaluated fairly rather than having a bunch of mean men grilling her as though she's the accused instead of the victim. Her life and her reputation are in jeopardy. She's received ferocious attacks and had to move from her home.

Many white women have agreed they betrayed Black women in voting for #45 in 2016; however, many also admit they've had it and feel they have an obligation to undo what they helped to do in the last Presidential election.

#45 thought that Kavanaugh would be the judge to save him and that he would be confirmed without a real contest. Now #45 seems to be deserting Kavanaugh. He says we need to hear both sides! That's such a deviation. Normally to him, there is only one side and that's his side. Now, he thinks both sides should be heard! Do you think he said that out of fear he could be next?

The investigation into Dr. Ford's allegation about Judge Kavanaugh is essential if the

Clarence Thomas; yet, she faced brutal attacks from both parties, and yes, at least one Democrat! Joe Biden later apologized, and did a lot in support

of women since that time. That's evidence of change that we've not seen from folks like Senators Orrin Hatch, Charles Grassley and others. The attacks on Dr. Ford are already heading in a direction to discredit Dr. Ford as were the efforts to discredit Anita Hill.

TO BE EQUAL

The criminalization of poverty: Cash bail for non-violent misdemeanors

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

"The rich man and the poor man do not receive equal justice in our courts. And in no area is this more evident than in the matter of bail... The man who must wait in jail before trial often will lose his job. He will lose his freedom to help prepare his own defense. And he will lose his self-respect. He is treated, in almost every jurisdiction, just like the convicted criminal. Even though he may finally be found innocent and released, he is tagged, nonetheless, as a jailbird." - Attorney General Robert F. Kennedy, 1964

Kyle Browder, a teenager who spent three harrowing years in a New York City jail on charges that were eventually dropped, took his own life as a result of the trauma he suffered.

Sandra Bland, an activist who spoke out against police brutality, died in a jail cell in Texas, arrested after a traffic stop for chang-



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ing lanes without a signal.

Jeffrey Pendleton, arrested on a misdemeanor marijuana possession, died after five days in a New Hampshire jail cell.

Our nation's racially-discriminatory cash bail system has left hundreds of non-violent misdemeanor suspects to die in jail while awaiting trial, simply because they are poor. A 2015 study identified more than 800 deaths in local jails and lockups; more than 75% of those in local jails have not been convicted, and 70% of those awaiting trial are detained for non-violent offenses.

The unfair cash bail system destroys lives in other ways. Flozell Daniels Jr. CEO and president of Foundation for Louisiana, recently told the story of Nicole, a New Orleans mom who was arrested after forgetting to pay a ticket for failure to wear a seatbelt. She spent a month in Orleans Parish jail, separated from her children, losing her job and costing the taxpayers thousands of dollars. There are hundreds of parents, accused of non-violent misdemeanors like Nicole, in Louisiana alone; thousands across the nation.

A report Daniels co-authored, From Bondage to

Bail Bonds: Putting a Price on Freedom in New Orleans, found that the money bail system takes \$6.4 million from New Orleans families each year - 85 percent of it paid by Black people, many of whom are accused of non-violent misdemeanors.

Daniels and his co-authors wrote:

"Money bail ensnares people in a system in which one's freedom hangs on the ability to pay and removes people who are important to their families and communities. The money paid to secure a person's freedom is not available for other essentials, thus over-burdening family and community support structures. Those who can't pay or stay in jail even a few days before they can gather the money, are put at increased risk of losing their employment and housing and of being re-arrested than if they had not been detained. They are subject to the degradation, violence, and trauma ... Indeed, even when people purchase their freedom through a commercial bail bond they live in fear because the bondsman has the power to seize and surrender them at will."

It doesn't have to be this way. Weeks ago, California became

the first state to end cash bail. Washington, D.C., has a cashless bail system.

Socially-conscious innovators are finding technology-based solutions to help people navigate the cash bail system. Jay-Z, who celebrated Father's Day last year by posting bail for daddies, has invested in Promise, an app that provides clients with financial assistance with bail costs along with other services to get people out of jail. Another app, Help Bond Me, allows detainees to crowd-fund their bail.

These efforts should be applauded, but we look forward to the day when they are no longer needed. Jailing non-violent misdemeanor suspects who can't afford bail doesn't make our communities safer; it just exacerbates inequality and burdens taxpayers.

We need to live up to the American ideal of equality under the law for rich and poor alike, as enshrined in the 14th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution. Debtors' prisons were abolished in 1833, but 185 years later the criminalization of poverty persists.

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The pernicious power of patriarchy

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

Our nation, these United States, are founded on the principles of racism and patriarchy. They are reflected in our very constitution, where enslaved persons were counted as a fraction of a person, and only men of property were allowed the right to vote. The filthiness of inequality at the foundation of this nation has now bubbled up and boiled over, now polluting every aspect of our lives.

Patriarchy places men at the center of life, and women at the periphery. It suggests that women do not matter. It allows for the subjugation of women when they attempt to enter public spaces that have previously been earmarked as "male" spaces. Thus, there were no restrooms for women legislators in the US House or Senate, even as women entered those spaces. They were only created when women demanded them. Of course, restrooms are just a minor manifestation of the hegemonic patriarchy that rules our nation.

A great picture of our nation's racist patriarchy was the visual of doughy and dissipated white men interrogating the amazingly composed Anita Hill as she reviewed her experiences with now Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas.

Though Hill was persuasive,



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she was attacked in the vilest of terms, accused of nonsense like "erotomania," and even recently harassed by Thomas' unhinged spouse who was still seeking apology after two decades.

Note to Thomas, take the phone from your wife when her meds are not working. In any case, Thomas is on the Supreme Court because white men chose to disregard the word of a Black woman, a decision that then-Senator Joe Biden says he now regrets. Thomas was confirmed by the narrowest margin in history 52-48.

Here we go again. By the time this is published the matter of 45's Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh is resolved, but the issue of pernicious patriarchy will not be. Regarding Kavanaugh, he has been accused by Dr. Christine Blasey Ford of sexual assault more than 35 years ago, when both were teens.

She disclosed her accusations in a letter that California Senator Dianne Feinstein received in July, but did not share with the FBI until later, mainly because Ford asked for confidentiality. Ford has requested that the FBI investigate her assertions, and the Senate Judiciary committee is still fast-tracking the Kavanaugh vote. The outcome, while necessary, is not the bottom line. The issue is the way that racist patriarchy makes some offensive and illegal behavior acceptable.

Privileged white male culture allows and encourages excessive drinking and obnoxious behavior toward women.

It is excused because "boys will be boys." But what boys? Black boys, even accused of "reckless eyeballing", are fair game for lynching!

White boys on rampages are excused for assault, rape, and attempted rape. Can I call the name of Recy Taylor, the young Black woman who was walking home from church and raped by a gaggle of white men who thought her body their right? Can I remind us of the Texas gubernatorial candidate, Clayton Williams, who said that if rape was inevitable, a woman should "lay back and enjoy it"? Ann Richards beat him, but that wasn't quite the point. The point was that some man thought that rape was inevitable enough to "enjoy."

Privileged white male culture allows a man who should not have been elected President to denigrate women on a regular basis. We are "fat" "dogs" and "liars." He bragged about grabbing women's genitals, and our society is so poached in pernicious patriarchy that 52 percent of all women still voted for him.

They thought he was joking because, for too many women, patriarchy has so seeped into our consciousness that the abuse of women is a joke. If we women were honest, we would say that we have all cosigned patriarchy in the interest of keeping it moving. We have deflected the sexist comments that come our way, even as we cringe from them.

We smile at men that we abhor because they may have decision making power in their

hands. We dress up or dress down depending on the occasion and the way we have to play the game. We know the system is slanted against us, we know we still have to play, and we decide when we choose to blow the whistle, a whistle we could blow every single day. #MeToo is the tip of the iceberg because it fails to deal with race systematically, but also because it manages the evident and personal, not the institutional.

In addition to being #MeToo women, we are mothers, sisters, daughters, and wives (hello Julie Chen Moonves), so some of us want to justify patriarchy for "our" men. Our sons, husbands, cousins, brothers "didn't mean it" and could not be that bad. *Wake up call* - if they violated a woman, they were THAT bad. If they raped a Black woman and you turned away from the accusation, you are wrong, you are horribly and complicitly wrong.

Tearing down the walls of pernicious patriarchy means attacking the very foundation of our nation. When we attack patriarchy, we also attack the racism that is also part of our foundation. Many have lined up to support Dr. Christine Blasey Ford. How many are equally willing to attack the pernicious racist patriarchial roots of our nation?

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Black clothing designers, jewelry designers and artists with an opportunity to show and sell their colorful, very attractive creations.

Finally, I am submitting the following suggestion to the organizers of ALC. Instead of utilizing a couple dozen spaces in the Walter E. Washington Convention Center for panels and workshops, why not one specific room assigned for individual sessions in the following categories: economics, health, science and technology, education, history and culture, politics, legal affairs and Africa. For the four days, the same space will be the site where all aspects of the subject can be dealt with. For instance, all sessions focusing on economics will be in the same space. And the same goes for health and all the others. That will make it much easier for attendees interested in those subjects to get four days of comprehensive information and insight in that particular arena. And all of the panels will focus on possible solutions to whatever is being dealt with. Just a suggestion.

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CRAZY FAITH MINISTRIES

Why the sexually assaulted keep quiet

The president of this nation went on the attack finally against Dr. Christine Blasey Ford, the woman who has accused US Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh of sexually assaulting her when they were both teens.

In one of his infamous tweets, the president said that he was sure if the attack on her was as bad as she described, he was sure that a police report would have been filed immediately. In essence, he is suggesting that she is making the whole thing up.

His attack shows that he is absolutely ignorant about how the world works. Neither women nor men who are sexually assaulted come forward immediately. Consider the adults who were sexually assaulted by priests when they were children; they are only now coming forward, and it has been for some of them as long as 40 years ago that they were assaulted.

It is embarrassing to be assaulted sexually, and frightening, in that the one who has assaulted someone is often one who has a fair amount of power. That person can be a father or uncle, a priest or a pastor, a police officer or a doctor. The one who is assaulted is at the behest of the one in power and is hesitant to say anything because he/she is embarrassed and wonders if they somehow brought it on themselves. And they are confronted with the reality that they may not be believed.

Many women experience being molested by their father or worse, the lover of their mother. Too many of those women have reported that their mothers didn't believe them. That disbelief is a source of inordinate spiritual and emotional pain.

In the case of Kavanaugh, there are several reasons why the young Cristine Blasey would have remained silent. She may have been afraid to tell her parents she had been at the party in question; how many of us have defied our parents and sneaked off somewhere or done something without their knowledge? Most of us have had that testimony.

Then there is the young Brett Kavanaugh. It is not beyond the realm of possibility that he was at that same party, doing the "boys will be boys" thing, drinking way too much and trying to have his way with a girl. That scenario is not uncommon. The onslaught of testosterone combined with too beers has been known to be a factor in bad behavior of young men for a long time.

What is maddening is that society in general has allowed men to sexually assault women. Being sexually aggressive helps men define their "manhood," and they allow little to nothing to get in the way of that definition. Women who are raped have been threatened - by their accuser and by society - to challenge what was done to them. Women historically have gotten little to no support by the legal system.

Those who believe in male sexual supremacy, like those who believe in and practice white supremacy, have the attitude that they are entitled to do what they want to their prey. Both sexual and racial supremacists dehumanize those whom they attack. Women in general have been dehumanized and black women even more so. Black women were known in these United States as "brood-sow" or "sucklers," or as a "work-ox." While all black people were seen as property by the white supremacists, black women were dehumanized both racially and sexually. While white men lynched black men for what white men believed to be their desire to rape white women, white men were in fact raping black women.

The debacle going on in Washington and in this nation around the Kavanaugh nomination shows that we have not come very far. The sexists are raising irritated voices over Dr. Christine Blasey Ford's claims; the president is showing his ignorance and arrogance about how sexual assault works. Women do not tell what they have been through because they do not want to be blamed for what happened to them, and it's worth repeating that males sexually assaulted by other men stay silent for the same reason.

It is probably that Kavanaugh will be confirmed to sit on the nation's high court, just as Clarence Thomas was in spite of being accused of sexual misbehavior by Anita Hill. Men still believe that they have the right to flaunt themselves around; they do so knowing they will most likely not be held accountable.

A final thought: the religious Right has been deeply disappointing. The Rev. Franklin Graham said in a recent statement that attempted rape is not a crime. It was a daunting statement, even for a privileged white man. The evangelical white pastors coming to the defense of this president are showing both their racism and sexism. In the name of God, they are supporting behavior which is damaging to God's children.

It is not surprising that some women are standing up for Kavanaugh. Their complicity in sexist behavior is as disturbing as it is when black people support known racists. It is clear that too many of the oppressed accept their having been dehumanized. They support the oppressor; they are like the Israelites, who, having been led out of slavery, wanted to go back to being enslaved. It was familiar; and it was easier to exist as slaves than to begin new lives as freed souls.

The more things change, the more they remain the same. The Kavanaugh debacle says more than meets the eye, and that is truly troubling.

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line, "Their blood has washed out their foul footstep's pollution. No refuge could save the hireling and slave, From the terror of flight or the gloom of the grave..." This means, that the blood of all the former "hirelings" or slaves on the battlefield will wash away the pollution of the British invaders. This is the song that is sung at all sporting events and the president expects all Americans, especially African Americans, to stand for and salute?

Protest is American. The country was formed from the fire, bullets and blood of protest. After the landmark decision in *Somerset v. Stewart* in England in 1772 holding that a master could not seize a slave in England and detain him preparatory to sending him out of the realm to be sold

and that habeas corpus was a constitutional right available to slaves to forestall such seizure, deportation and sale because they were not chattel, or mere property, they were servants and thus persons

invested with certain (but certainly limited) constitutional protections." The slave holding and merchant class' in the American colonies feared that slavery would be outlawed here and thus, the American Revolution was born.

Despite the unfounded ranting of President Trump, peaceful protest and the right to assemble are protected by the First Amendment of the Constitution. The press is not the "enemy of the people". Au contraire, "The only security of all is in a free press." They go a long way towards making America, America.

Donald Trump loves the fanfare, the hype, the pomp and circumstance of the flag and the National Anthem but hates and is attacking The Constitution. Dr. Wilmer Leon is the Producer/ Host of the nationally broadcast call-in talk radio program "Inside the Issues with Wilmer Leon," on SiriusXM Satellite radio channel 126. Go to www.wilmerleon.com or email: wjl3us@gmail.com. www.twitter.com/drwleon and Dr. Leon's Prescription at Facebook.com

(Via TriceEdneyWire.com)

I have covered 29 of the 48 Annual Legislative Conferences hosted by the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation. I must confess to having never been overly impressed by any of them, mainly because they don't seem to understand that political power is nearly impossible for any group that doesn't have economic power. There may be a limited degree of political influence but there's no political power without economic power. And a group that has e conomic power will automatically have political power.

Year after year, ALC neglects to present panels, forums and workshops that comprehensively explain to Black folks that we would be much further along in the campaign for equal rights, equal opportunity and equal justice if we more effectively used our group economic resources. The conference's lack of serious focus on economic issues is



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reflected in its 2018 theme: "The Dream Still Demands." That sounds more like a theme for a high school gathering. With all what's happening in this country and this world today, such a passive and trite theme demonstrated a severe lack of vision and purpose.

Other reflections: I. The subject for the opening day National Town Hall was "Rise Up! Equality Delayed is Equality Denied." My reaction was "You've got to be kidding me." If that's a driving theme for Black folks in 2018, we are in worst condition than I thought. A more important town hall opening day focus would have been "The Economic Forecast: Fighting Back with the Dollar and the Vote," which was a panel on the second day.

Another panel that would have been much more significant at a town hall meeting was "Building Economic Power in Black Communities through Business and Entrepreneurship." Town hall meetings focused on these two subjects would probably have provided economic information and strategies for many more attendees to take back to their home towns.

I. I spent one and a half hours at the panel, "People of

African Descent: Truth, Racial Healing and Transformations." This is another subject that should have been in a town hall setting. Much too often Black institutions-churches, colleges and universities, civil rights organizations, fraternities and sororities, civic clubs, etc. spend little, if any of their conventions and conferences dealing with the critical issue of psychological warfare in movies, television and radio programs, school text books, inflicted on Black folks, especially our children. Every convention or conference should have a session or sessions that provide guidance on how to combat these destructive attacks on the minds of our people.

II. A second panel hosted by the so-called African Braintrust, declared "Africa is NOT (emphasis theirs) a country." If focused mainly on how to exploit Africa's minerals, oil and land. It wasn't surprising that neither of the panels had a single panelist who was a Marcus Garvey, Kwame Nkrumah, or Malcolm X type of Pan Africanist. That position is never given voice at ALCs.

III. A welcomed and positive contribution of the conference was to provide talented

New Hanover County

A Free Basketball Clinic will be held on Thursday, September 27th for Ages: 7-12. Ages: 7-9: 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm and Ages: 10-12: 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm. Pre-registration is required. Register Online at www.wilmingtonrecreation.com or in person at the MLK Center, 401 S. 8th St. For questions call 910-341-0057 or 910-341-7866.



Community Briefs

The New Hanover NAACP monthly meeting is Thursday, September 27th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Stephen AME Church, 501 Red Cross Street, Wilmington. Featured speaker is Rae Hunter-Havens, Elections Director for the New Hanover Board of Elections. Ms. Hunter-Havens plans and directs all operations of the Board of Elections for all federal, state and municipal elections. Other important community and state issues will be on the agenda, as well as information on upcoming New Hanover NAACP branch activities and events. Members and friends are encouraged to attend. For more information, call 910-508-9414 or email nhcnaacp@gmail.com.

John T. Hoggard 40th High School Reunion will be held at Beau Rivage Golf & Resort 649 Rivage Promenade, Wilmington, NC 28412 on Saturday October 13th. Cocktail social hour at 6:00 pm and appetizers. Dinner will begin at 6:45 pm. The event is open to JTH Class of 1978 members and other interested JTH classes to purchase tickets. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/john-t-hoggard-40th-high-school-reunion-tickets-42924243568>. Also you may email Dale Engelbert at dwengelbert@gmail.com

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HOMETOWN NEWS FROM BRUNSWICK COUNTY

The summer season is over

Many of us have been blessed to be a part of many religious activities recently.

One of the most memorable events of which I have been a part was the trip taken by members and friends of the Saint John's Missionary Baptist Church, Bolivia, North Carolina, to Greater Saint James Missionary Baptist Church, Bennettsville, South Carolina. The purpose of the occasion was to celebrate the great progress made in the history of this church. Bennettsville is the birthplace of The Reverend Quan K. R. Stewart, Pastor, Saint John's Missionary Baptist Church.

The time of leaving Saint

John's Missionary Baptist Church was 6:00 a.m. After a two and a half hour drive, we arrived in Bennettsville, S.C., where we had breakfast.

After breakfast, it was time for Sunday School. When Sunday School was over, we entered into worship service, with The Reverend James E. Smith, Pastor; Greater Saint James Missionary Baptist Church, presiding. The Reverend Quan Stewart delivered the sermon for the great celebration. One of the admonitions we were given was to continue to be mindful of the difficult times around and the trying times through which God continues to bring us.

Greater Saint James has very rich history, which reflects many facts of life. However, many details of the church's history have never been recorded. This was an occasion whereby we took the opportunity to pay tribute to our foreparents who

suffered and sacrificed that we and generations to come might enjoy the privileges available to us.

Here at home and in most of the counties in North Carolina and others in South Carolina, we have found ourselves in the grips of Florence, a most violent hurricane. Much destruction has been brought by this storm. It has cost perhaps the most in property and in lives of any prior storm we've experienced.

As we have followed the news of the organization and the progress of the storm, waiting, watching, and wishing for the storm to pass, we have received word of many heartbreaking situations. Even keeping in mind the amount of devastation, we must be thankful to be alive. It could have been the other way! We have had a great number of these storms and will, no doubt, see many more. There may be damage

inside and outside. There may be much debris to clean. Along with such damage comes the opportunity to build and strengthen relationships in the community. It gives us another opportunity to help one another.

Verniece E. Stanley is a native of Brunswick County. She grew up on a farm but wanted more excitement in life. She graduated from high school in Brunswick County in 1948 and graduated from Fayetteville State Teachers' College in 1952. She taught school in Brunswick County for nine years. She moved to Baltimore, Maryland, married, and taught school for twenty-five more years. She received her master's degree from Morgan State College in Baltimore City. She retired and moved back to Bolivia, N.C. where she enjoys writing articles for The Wilmington Journal and is an active member of the NAACP Board.

GET THAT DEED AND FLIP THOSE KEYS!

Florence, flooding and real estate

Coming fresh off of 1 of the most challenging times of my life with the loss of my own home and loss for many others, this week I wanted to address the impact this storm had on real estate. First, let me offer my prayers to all that suffered a loss and still realizing the losses. Many lost everything they had when this storm turned non-flood zone areas into mini lakes and roaring rivers. Some property owners realized they did not have the insurance coverage they thought they did. Landlords realized the impacts on other's lives by not keeping their properties in safe, non-toxic conditions. Existing real estate deals were put on hold with an upcoming storm



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and when new damages were caused by the storm, some deals are falling apart or being totally renegotiated. I have received so many inboxes and calls of varies scenarios and one thing is clear, Real Estate in our area has been greatly impacted. If you are a homeowner that lost your home and must buy another one, contact me. There are special programs and extra incentives for storm victims. If you were a tenant and forced to move due to damages, contact me. There are special programs and incentives available for you to purchase your 1st home. If anyone is dealing with dampness, mold, etc in your home, I want to leave you with some life-saving tips from my Brother, Mitchell Austin that is highly qualified in this area. He is a Certified Mold Inspector, Home Inspector, a former Real Estate Appraiser & Consultant and also a former Code Enforcement Officer for

the City of Atlanta. You can trust this thorough reminder list. Mitchell states:

1. Read and understand everything b4 signing anything.
2. Know the difference between Loans and Grants.
3. Do not throw away easy to clean items.
4. FEMA will only give a small grant that you will not have to pay back but the loan portion is just that, a loan. You will be held accountable to pay the loan back.
5. Stachybotrys mold is the mold we are most concerned about as it has tremendous effects on your respiratory system. Black Mold also can lead to death.
6. A specialist must rid the environment (dwelling or building) of Stachybotrys mold.
7. You cannot professionally clean your home as you are not qualified.
8. There are other bacteria to be concerned about.
9. Do not be quick to move

back into your home as most homes will need to be completely gutted.

10. EPA can answer questions. Provide services.
11. A series of inspections should be conducted with passing ratings prior to occupancy.
12. Homeowners insurance is not flood insurance.
13. Many of you are not covered because you do not have flood insurance.
14. Going forward, make certain you have flood insurance.
15. Renters should obtain renters' insurance to cover all personal belongings.
16. Make certain you understand what products to use for cleansing. Standard products may not be sufficient.
17. Home Depot or Lowes can answer some of your questions as well as Google.
18. Do not attempt to clean or

save carpets or padding.

19. EPA can answer questions. Provide services.
20. EPA is one of your best friends during this time.
21. There will be lots of mold within your walls, ceilings, under flooring as well as any other hidden areas of the structure.
22. Rodent, snake and insects extermination should be conducted.
23. HEPA approved masks, as well as uniform(body covered), should be worn prior to entering the structure.
24. Footwear (shoes or boots) worn into water damaged structures should be removed prior to entering your vehicle or another clean structure. House or building.
25. Commercial stores and other public facilities should keep floors mopped (bleach

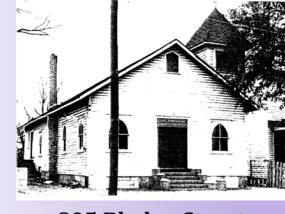
water) as much as possible.

26. Eye covering (goggles) should be worn while inside of water damaged structures.

All of these are excellent tips and I encourage you to share this week's article with not just 3 but with EVERYONE you come across because it is so critical. Again, my thoughts and prayers go out to everyone. The love and kindness for our fellow man have been strong and we have a road ahead of us to be "normal" again but we will get there. Until next week, please feel free to reach out if need any real estate guidance at all during this difficult time. Stay strong.

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Afternoon Service at 3:00 pm
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Joseph Mitchell

Joseph Mitchell funeral services were held on Saturday, September 22, 2018 at Mt. Olive AME Church. Burial followed in Grainger Cemetery.

Joseph, son of the late Lizzie Mae Mitchell and James Pringle was born January 21, 1959 in Wilmington, North Carolina. He was preceded in death by his grandmother, Ruth Mitchell; uncles, Raymond and Michael Mitchell. Joseph was educated in the New Hanover County School System. He started working with Wertheimer Bag Company and later found his passion in landscaping. He worked numerous years with Landfall Landscaping. Joe would light up any room with his bright smile and joking personality. One of his favorite albums was Phoenix Rising by the Temptations. Phoenix Rising symbolizes a rebirth. So Joe with his new wings is our heavenly angel to wrap his wings around us to guide and protect us.

He leaves to cherish fond, loving memories: his loving wife of 34 years, Wanda Mitchell; two sons, Joseph Lamont Johnson (Raneka) and Cedric Mitchell; two adopted sons, Jerel Jackson and David Hatchette; grandson, Joseph Johnson; siblings, Howard, Jerry, Toney (Elaine), and Alonzo Mitchell (Lakita), Tony and Michael Pringle and Sharon Butler's special aunts, Mary Munchie and Marguerite Grantham; devoted and loving mother-in-law, Linda Maxine Green of the home; sister-in-law, Trina Brown (Lawrence); brothers-in-law, Rico Green (Patrice), Eugene McClean and Luther McClean, Jr. (Lakisha); special friends, Kenneth Washington, Dwayne Saunders and Richard Jenkins; a host of nieces, nephews, great-nieces and nephews, cousins, other relatives and friends. A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Master Juaquin Guerrero

Master Juaquin Guerrero funeral services were held Tuesday, September 11th at Willie L Shaw Jr Memorial Chapel. A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Linwood Jerome "Slack" Harris

Linwood Jerome "Slack" Harris funeral services were held on Friday, September 21, 2018 at St Stephen AME Church. Burial followed in Calvary Cemetery.

Linwood was born August 22, 1952 in Wilmington, NC to Mable and Lawrence Harris. He was educated in the New Hanover County School System, graduating from John T Hoggard High School in the Class of 1970. He relocated to Atlanta, GA and resided there for 18 years. He worked at Diamond Community Living as a Habilitation Technician until he became ill and retired. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother-in-law, Larry Shaw.

Linwood leaves to cherish his loving memory: his wife, Debbie Harris; daughter, Yolanda Cramartie; sons, Demarcus Nixon and Triston Harris; grandchildren, Brittany, Eric, Anthony, Jeremiah, Makayla, Ahna, Ashley, Daquan, Kalon, Asia, Yesenia, Nahemmah, Chaimbecca, Moniqua, Marteke and two special grandchildren that he helped raise, Eternity and Austin; sister, Gwendolyn Stevens; step-daughter, Senectra Sanyaolu (Jedi); step-sons, Jermaine and Marteke Franks, uncle, Kelly Smith (Sheila); sisters-in-law, Shirl Jones (Nathan) and Cynthia Shaw (Larry); brother-in-law, John Shaw;

a host of great-grandchildren; nieces, nephews, cousins, family and friends, including special friends, JJ and Beverly Hedgebeth and Ernest and Marilyn Flemming. A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Pauline "Trina" Ragin

Pauline "Trina" Ragin funeral services were held on Wednesday, September 12, 2018 at Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church. Burial followed in Pollock Cemetery.

Pauline LaTrina Ragin, known by all as "Trina", was born December 8, 1970 at New Hanover Memorial Hospital, in Wilmington, North Carolina, to Matthew "Sonny" Ragin, Jr and Anna Green "Nan" Ragin. Trina graduated high school as a John T. Hoggard Viking. She also graduated from Troutman Beauty School, Cape Fear Community College and the University of Mount Olive with degrees in Cosmetology, Social Work and Education. She worked for the New Hanover and Brunswick Counties Schools and Cape Fear Community College as an educator; educating and influencing children's loves from county to county. Trina was most passionate about children and education. Trina was a member of Ebenezer Missionary Baptist Church and sang in the choir since the early 90's. Her love for the Lord was without a doubt, undeniable. She won her battle defeating health issues and began her new journey transitioning from this earthly realm on September 5, 2018 at 4:55 A.M. at Carolina Medical Center, Mercy Hospital, Charlotte, North Carolina.

Trina leaves to cherish her loving memories: her three children, Cameron De'Avery Barfield, Bryan Markell Wilson and Brei'Anna Pauline Wilson; her parents, Matthew Avery "Sonny" Ragin, Jr and Anna Green "Nan" Ragin; one step-son, Tyree Campbell; two extended sons, Christopher Bullard and Quashon Bullard; two sisters, Teresa "Trice" Ragin (Rudy) and Katrilla "Tina" Ragin; two half-brothers, Matthew Graham and Cyril (Leigh) Graham; one aunt, Cora (James) Morgan; three uncles, David Ragin, Irving (Susan) Greene and Harold Greene; two nieces, Treanna "Teesha" Ragin and Kadaisa "Dai" Ragin; one nephew, Kadarius Ragin; extended nieces and nephews, Kenny Greene, Charles Greene, Jessica Williams, James Williams, and Quintella Hardy; a host of cousins, friends and God's children who called her mom. A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Martha Charlotte Cox McCoy

Martha Charlotte Cox McCoy departed this life on Monday, September 17, 2018 at the age of 88 at the Lake Park Nursing Home in Indian Trail, North Carolina. Her primary residence for most of her adult life was at her 16th St. home in Wilmington, North Carolina.

She was born on August 17, 1930 in Freeman, Virginia to the late James and Viola Harrison Cox. Martha attended St. Paul's College in Lawrenceville, Virginia where she met her husband Robert McCoy Jr. The couple married then traveled to various places around the country and overseas, and in 1963 they settled down in Wilmington. Martha enjoyed her life as a homemaker. She enjoyed raising her six children. She had a kind and generous heart and occasionally helped others if they needed a place to temporarily stay. Martha was a devoted member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church for over 50 years and always

encouraged those around her to put God first and success will follow. Education was very important to her as well and she motivated each one of her six children to go to college and earn their degrees. Martha was preceded in death by her husband Robert; two sisters, Julia Henderson Cox Robbins and Mary Cox Clements; two brothers, Warren Cox and Nathaniel Cox and her great-granddaughter, Amira Yasmine Berry.

She is survived by her daughters, Elsie Ozaka of Wilmington NC, Roberta (Robyn) M. Jones (Van), of Indian Trail NC; her sons, Milton L. McCoy (Lynette), Waxhaw, NC, Joseph McCoy and Ira McCoy, of Wilmington, NC, William McCoy (Eleanor) of Ft. Lauderdale FL; grandchildren, Asuefa, Angela, Sherard, Jamar, Latasha, Laprincess, and Jade; great-grandchildren, Johnathan, Joshua, Ashley, Aaliyah, Mandela, Kazarian, Azariah, Tyir, Alani, Jair and Akieboye; one sister, Laura (Paul) Walker of Lawrenceville, VA; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends, including special family friends: Douglas Jenkins, Willie Lamb, and Jay Thamees. A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Devonia Howard Allen

Sister Devonia Howard Allen, daughter of the late James and Mother Elouise Howard was born August 15, 1946 in Greensea, SC. She was also preceded in death by her longtime friend, Thomas Moore, Jr. Sister "Vone" attended the New Hanover County Public Schools. She attended New Covenant Holiness Church when she was able. Vone was a strong, wise and devoted mother and grandmother with a loving spirit and words of encouragement.

She leaves to cherish her memory: ex-husband, Charles Allen, Sr.; one son, Charles Allen, Jr.; one daughter, Letitia Allen; special daughter, Kristy Allen; grandchildren, T'Sheena Allen, Tiara Williams and Nichole Allen; great-grandchildren, Zionna Allen-Moses, Jamius Allen and Mahogany Marriiner; sisters, Betty Morris, Virlyn McGrew; brother, Robert Howard; sisters-in-law, Elder Ilean Howard, Gloria Allen, Mary Allen, Helen Sidberry, Vernell Allen, Carnell Smith and Wanda Harris; brothers-in-law, Willie Allen and William Allen; nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends, including best friends, Norma Allen and Cora Mitchell. A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Nathaniel Denkins

Nathaniel Denkins died September 16, 2018 in Henderson, NC. Funeral arrangements are incomplete and will be announced later by John H. Shaw's Son Funeral Home. A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Alice Smith

Alice Smith died September 18, 2018 in Charlotte, NC. Funeral services were held on Wednesday, September 26, 2018 at Price Cathedral AME Zion Church. A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Elder James Nixon

Elder James Nixon died September 21, 2018 at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. Funeral services will be held 10:00 a.m. Saturday, September 29, 2018 at Faith Temple COGIC. Burial will follow in Greenlawn Memorial

Park. A Service of John H Shaw's Son Funeral Home.

Samuel C. McFadden

Samuel C. McFadden, age 86, of Wilmington, passed away Saturday, September 8, 2018. Funeral services were held on Tuesday, September 25, 2018 at Chestnut Street Presbyterian Church. Burial followed in Friendship Presbyterian Church Cemetery, New Zion, South Carolina.

Samuel Chester McFadden was born on October 11, 1931 in Clarendon County, South Carolina, to the late Paul Alonzo McFadden and Eva Brown McFadden. He was the second oldest of seven children born to this union. He received Jesus as his personal Lord and Savior at an early age and was a faithful member of Friendship Presbyterian Church where he continued to grow spiritually under the guidance of his loving parents. In his adult life he was a member of Northeastern Presbyterian Church in Washington, DC and was also associated with Chestnut Street Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, North Carolina, where he attended regularly until his health began to fail.

Samuel, also known as "SC", was educated in the public schools of Clarendon County, South Carolina. He completed his last year of high school education at Harbison Junior College, in Irmo, South Carolina, in 1949. From 1951 until 1955, he loyally served in the United States Air Force as a Heavy Equipment Operator and Instructor. While stationed in Germany, he attended NCO School and also learned to speak German fluently. During his thirty-two months stationed in Germany and France, "SC" played semi-professional baseball with the Chateau Sabers and won the Championship in 1954. He was Honorable Discharged from the Air Force in June of 1955, having received the Occupational Medal, Good Conduct Medal, and National Defense Service Medal during his service time.

I have a gift, you cannot see of heartfelt love and memories

This is special gift, the angels bring is priceless though, weighs not a thing
Carried through the sunlit skies on wings of doves and butterflies
A loving wish wrapped tight with love to one I've lost, living above

Samuel was married to Marjorie Walker and to this union was born two children, Wayne Russell and Cheryl Lynne. "SC" left the south and moved to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Brooklyn, New York, before finally settling in Washington, D.C. He worked thirty-two years for the Federal Government as a Sergeant Liaison Officer at the Department of Corrections. After retirement, he moved to Wilmington, North Carolina to be close to his family.

Samuel leaves to cherish his memory: his son, Wayne Russell McFadden; his daughter, Cheryl Lynne Brown (Eric); two grandchildren, Ashleigh Marjorie McFadden and Eric Dwaine Brown, II; one sister, Gladys McFadden; two brothers, Marion McFadden (Cathy) and Thomas McFadden (Maggie); two sisters-in-law, Edna McFadden and Papinta McFaddin; one brother-in-law, Herman Broughton, and a host nieces, nephews, other family and dear friends. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhome.com.

Lee A. Clark

Lee Andrew Clark, son of the late Robert Lee Clark and Rosa McCoy Clark was born on May 4, 1937. He departed this life on September 9, 2018. Funeral services were held on Saturday, September 22, 2018 at Kendall Chapel AME

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King Frank Dixon

Sunrise: September 1, 1918 - Sunset: February 13, 1996

Martha Ruth Taylor Dixon

Sunrise: September 28, 1919 - Sunset: May 31, 2006

Thinking of you your birthday in Heaven

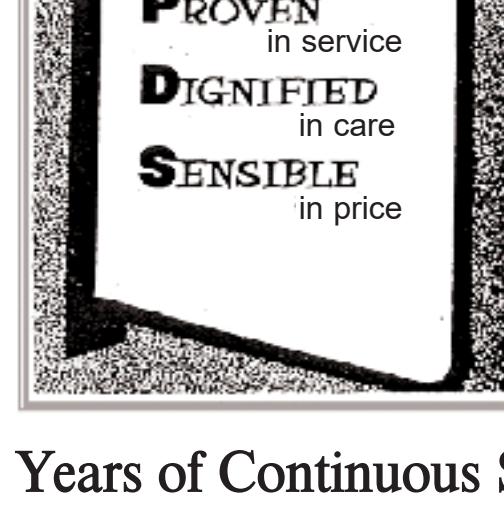
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Carried through the sunlit skies on wings of doves and butterflies
A loving wish wrapped tight with love to one I've lost,
living above

Happy birthday momma and happy anniversary
Love,

Torrence L. Dixon and Tanya D. Mason

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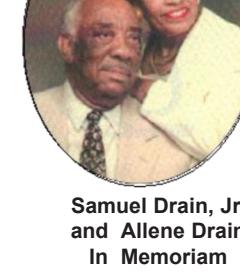
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New Hanover County

Church Women United will hold their Fall Forum on Friday, October 5th. Coffee and sign in begins at 9:30 a.m. and the forum begins at 10:00 a.m.

Life Changing Ministries Family Worship Center will celebrate 25 years of Ministry for Apostle Joyce I Jones on Sunday, September 30th at 11:00 a.m. The speaker will be pastor Christalyn Thompson of Bibleway Kingdom Ministry and Angels of Love Dance Ministry. For more information contact: Elder Joann Jones at 910-232-1424. Life Changing Ministries Family Worship Center is located at 4875 New Centre Dr.

Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, Inc., in conjunction with the Wilmington Police Department, NHC Sheriff's Department, NHC Fire Department and area churches will host their annual "Beond the Walls-Community Taking Care of Community" Street Festival on Saturday, September 29, 2018 at Mt. Calvary Church, 812 Harnett St. from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. In need of donations of toys, household items, food and clothing. For additional information please contact Mrs. Sherry McZeek at 910-231-2243 or Deacon David Brown at 910-200-1955.

The Episcopal Church Women of St. Mark's Episcopal Church will observe Women's Day on Sunday, September 30, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. Acquinetta Rochelle Beatty, the Director of the Coastal Women's Ventures and Director of the Choices Program at the YWCA will be the keynote speaker.

Brunswick County

Crystal Spring Missionary Baptist Church, 4754 Blue Banks Loop Rd., will celebrate their annual homecoming on Sunday, September 30th at 11:30 a.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. Jeremy Buie of Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, Riegelwood, NC.

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Church. Burial followed in Dark Branch Cemetery.

He was preceded in death by three sisters, Gerthel Frink, Lula M. Palmer, and Marian Clark; three brothers, Jimmie Foster Clark, James Clark, and Franklin Clark.

He was educated in the Brunswick County School System and graduated from Brunswick County Training School. After graduation he joined the US Army and served in the Korean War. After his honorable discharge, he became employed as a longshoreman with ILA Local #1426 in Wilmington, NC until his retirement.

Lee affectionately known as "Bill" was a loving husband, father, grandfather, great grandfather, brother, uncle, cousin and friend.

Bill joined Kendall Chapel A.M.E. Church at an early age. He was a very faithful member. He was the devoted vice-chair of the Trustee Board for several years. He was elected "Man of The Year" several times and received awards at the North Carolina Annual Conference, and most recently at the Southern District Sons of Allen's Annual Service. He loved the Lord and was committed to the upkeep of the church.

After retiring Bill loved taking care of animals, livestock, working in the yard and socializing with friends. He loved spending time with his family, watching spiritual programs and CNN. He was a member of Wilmington Consistory #63, Pythagoras Lodge #6, and Rose of Sharon #555 OES.

He leaves to cherish fond memories: his loving and devoted wife of 55 years, Ella Mae Clark of the home; one son, Tony J. Clark (Meschelle); three daughters, Shirley Clark Brown (Wesley), Kathy Clark Graham (Julius), and Cynthia F. Clark; twelve grandchildren, Corey (Jamilia), Cameron, James, Tony, Keven, Shakira, Evita (Tyreson), LaKisha, Tashanda, Shatoria, Tony Jr., and Duron; twenty-three great grandchildren; three sisters, Lillie Mae Hughes, Bertha Freeman, and Barbara Hooper (George); one brother, Kenneth Clark (Barbara); two brothers-in-law, Benjamin Shaw (Della) and Richard Frink; one sister-in-law, Dorothy Maxwell; one uncle, Leroy Horton; five special friends, Joseph Bellamy, Eugene Vaughn, Lewis Vaughn, Jamar Saunders and Dennis Swinton; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.

Marie Eason

Marie Eason, age 76, of Wilmington, passed away Monday, September 10, 2018. Friends are cordially invited to a visitation with the family from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. on Friday, September 14, 2018 at Davis Funeral Home. A celebration of Ms. Eason's life will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, September 15, 2018 at St. Andrews AME Zion Church. Interment will follow in Greenlawn Memorial Park. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.

Christina R. Clifton

Christina R. Clifton, age 33, of Wilmington, passed away Wednesday, September 12, 2018. A celebration of Christina's life was conducted on Thursday, September 13, 2018 at Mt. Nebo Missionary Baptist Church. Interment will follow in Pine Forest Cemetery. Services entrusted to Davis Funeral Home, 901 S. 5th Ave, Wilmington, NC 28401. Please share memories and condolences with the family at www.davisfuneralhomenc.com.

Nordica C. Davis

Nordica Cecile Davis was born on January 15, 1942 at James Walker Memorial Hospital, Wilmington, North Carolina.

She was the fourth daughter born to the late Charles H.

SENIOR CITIZENS' FELLOWSHIP

God is blessing us

Ride out your storm, God is there with you. You may not feel Him but you're not alone. You're hurting now but tomorrow is coming. Hold on to Jesus and ride out your storm.

Welcome back to our readers. We missed you and hope you missed us as well. We met today at First Baptist Church and thanks to them for allowing us to meet there. Our meeting was called to order by our president, Mrs. Gladys

Taylor. She said it is good to be back after weathering Hurricane Florence. Mr. George Hill and the choir opened with "Blesses Assurance". Prayer was given by Mrs. Mamie Stitt; thank God for having her prayer. Next, we sang, "this Little Light of Mine". Mr. Hill was thanked for the devotion. We then had expressions, which were and are always are encouraging; we all have a testimony today for how He

blessed and kept us during the storm. Thank You God.

There were no visitors. Minutes were read by Mrs. Mildred Ellerby.

The speaker today but going over the business of the organization was very important.

Florida trip information by Mrs. Cherry Pearson.

Prayer was given for Mrs. Helen Black who lost her home and all her belongings during the storm. We need to pray for all that have suffered

during the storm. We had a three-way tie between Mrs. Gladys Taylor, Mrs. Mary Martin, and Mrs. Janice Gordon. All the callers were given a hand.

Announcements and smiles were given Mrs. Mary Martina and they were much needed.

The circle was formed, and sang "Bind Us together".

Prayer was given by Minister Henrietta McGlenn

There were 35 present.

TELL SOMEBODY

"Thirsty?"

"Ho, everyone that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy, and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price." *Isaiah 55:1*

When the prophet Isaiah, made the universal call for salvation and deliverance in the name of Jesus Christ, he appealed to the "thirsty" soul of men. His message compelled everyone who was thirsty to come to the waters and drink.

Matthew 5:6, says, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled."

God's promise to the thirsty, is that if they would come to Christ, he would satisfy their spiritual thirst! When the soul of a man is thirsty, it seeks to find relief and refreshment. The best known natural source of relief for thirst is water. Most of us would agree that after we enjoy a cool refreshing

drink of ice tea, lemonade, juice, etc. we still need a drink of h₂o, better known as water. Regular or decaffeinate coffee, carbonated or uncarbonated beverages are only temporary solutions for thirst. Even nutrition experts advise us to drink water first thing in the morning and even at night before going to bed to improve some health conditions.

When Jesus spoke to the woman at the well, he realized that her natural problems and struggles grew from the source of her spiritual need, which was the actual thirsting of her soul! She was searching for the things that could not satisfy her soul.

Her lifestyle reflected the root cause of her continuation of bad choices that sullied her life and ruined her reputation. "Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewst the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living waters." John 4:10

"Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of

water springing up into everlasting life." John 4:13,14. The living water that Jesus spoke of to the Samaritan woman at the well, was able to satisfy her deepest needs and inner longings. It is the grace and mercy of God that looks beyond our faults and see the need in our lives.

He knows our frame and understands our being. This is further reflected in what Jesus said in John 7:37 , 38. "In the last day that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying,

If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water."

The water of life that Isaiah the prophet spoke of and Jesus Christ testified of, is still being offered freely to every one of us, and any man that will believe continually on Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

"And the Spirit and the Bride say, Come. . And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Revelation 22:17 Our heavenly Father God wants us to come to him through his Son Jesus Christ so much, that he invites us to come without

money and without price. This is an offer; we should not refuse, if we want our soul to be satisfied. If we admit, that we are thirsty, we need to COME to Jesus . Read Romans 10:13

Prayer -" Father I come in the Name of Jesus, asking you to quench the thirsting of my soul. Lord, to you I come. Amen"

Tell Somebody!

"Mrs. Sylvia B. Hooper is a native Wilmingtonian, married to Pastor Johnson A. Hooper, First Lady of Faith Outreach COGIC, Jacksonville, N.C. She is a mother of three wonderful children and a proud grandmother! She is a Licensed Evangelist with COGIC, International.

She is the President of P.W.E. Pastors Wives Empowerment Conference, an annual event held in honor of Pastors and ministers Wives. This support group's focus is to Encourage, Embrace and Empower Elect Ladies to be all they can be in Christ Jesus, while providing support to their husbands, who are Gospel preachers and pastors. Her heart's desire is to please the Lord, rescue the perishing, comfort the dying, and live a life that gives God glory!

A WORD FROM THE LORD

The yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing

This yoke is described in Jeremiah 2 13&19: (AMPC) 13"For My people have committed two evils: they have forsaken Me, the Fountain of living waters, and they have hewn for themselves cisterns, broken cis-

terns which cannot hold water". V.19,

"Your own wickedness shall chasten and correct you, and your backslidings and desperation of faith shall reprove you. Know

therefore and recognize that this is an evil and bitter thing: [first,] you have forsaken the Lord your God; [second,] you are indifferent to Me and the fear of Me is not in you, says the Lord of hosts".

The antidote for the yoke that enslaves black people (Antidote is a substance which can counteract a form of poisoning) is found in the word of God! Proverbs 4:22, (AMPC) 22"For they are life to those who find them, healing and health to all their flesh". In order to find the antidote or cure, you and I must look for it in the word of God.

Isaiah 10: 27, (KJV) "And it shall come to pass in that day, that his burden shall be taken way from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing" (Yoke, means to be under bondage, enslaved, weighed down ever so heavily with the things that destroy moral values of individual lives, families and communities).

Luke 4:18-19, (KJV) "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me

to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised. To preach the acceptable year of the Lord". (AMPC) "The Spirit of the Lord [is] upon Me. Because He has anointed Me [the Anointed One, the Messiah] to preach the good news (the Gospel) to the poor; He has sent Me to announce release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to send forth as delivered those who are oppressed [who are downtrodden, bruised, and broken down by calamity]. To preach the acceptable year of the Lord"

(God speaks to us through His Word which is alive and full of power to change us from within and it allows us to act out his power through us.

What is the anointing? The anointing is the Holy spirit: The answer is found in these passages of scripture: John 14:26, (AMPC) But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

(Is this Who is missing in our churches today)?

God Speaks.(Paraphrased)

"Look, I say unto thee, this is the day and hour when I shall do the miraculous in the face of my (black) people. I shall do the mighty works, and there shall be mighty signs and wonders before my (black) people.

Look, my (black) people too long have we been in bondage, and too long have we been brought down by those who profess to be my servants, but they are not. I've looked and seen the hungry and the multitudes that are starving for the want of food for their souls and healing for their bodies.

Therefore, I Am looking and searching for that which is small and insignificant but that which is yielded completely to me, I the Lord God desirereth to take that person and to prove that I am the Savior and healer of all mankind. Therefore I say unto thee this hour, come

thou before Me and walk in My presence, cleanse thy heart and rend thy soul of the sore evil which thou hast kept therein. Though thy have said in thine heart, it is small and insignificant, though thy have said my pet sin be not known to anyone, I do know and see. I know also that does desire to know me, and to be used of Me. I cannot use that which is unclean, or that which is not yielded to Me; but that which is cleansed and filled with My Spirit that I can use.

Though a thing may seem insignificant, though it may seem foolish in the eyes of men, I the Lord shall use it to perform my works in this day. Look, I say unto you, I shall walk in thy midst and I shall perform many signs and wonders. Thy will believe! I will prove unto thee that I Am able to use nothing in the eyes of the world to perform My Word. Look, I Am able to use even a shadow of a man that I may walk therein and that My Shadow might perform a mighty work.

I will show you signs and wonders as you dost reach out and take of Me, the words I speak to you, cleanse thyself, prepare your heart and soul, for the days to come will be mighty days, wondrous days in thy eyes.

Thy shall behold what thy heart has longed to see. Thy soul will rejoice as thy seek, humble yourself, repent, and come before Me, that I may be pleased, and that I may do as I have said that I will do, for this is thy day and this is thy hour said the Lord." Amen.

I speak not as a minister or pastor but as a prophet!

Reverend Naoniel Fullwood currently the pastor of MRDRC Ministries (Miracle, Restoration, Deliverance, Revival Center Ministries Inc.) located in Wilmington, NC.

Nordica C. Davis

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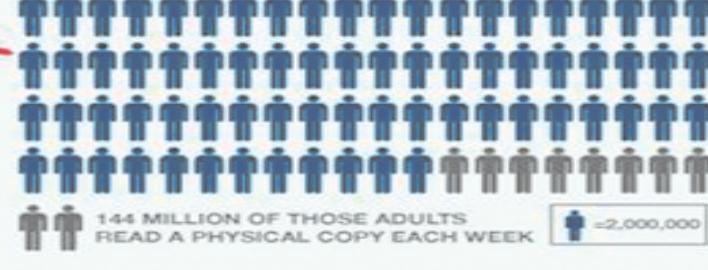
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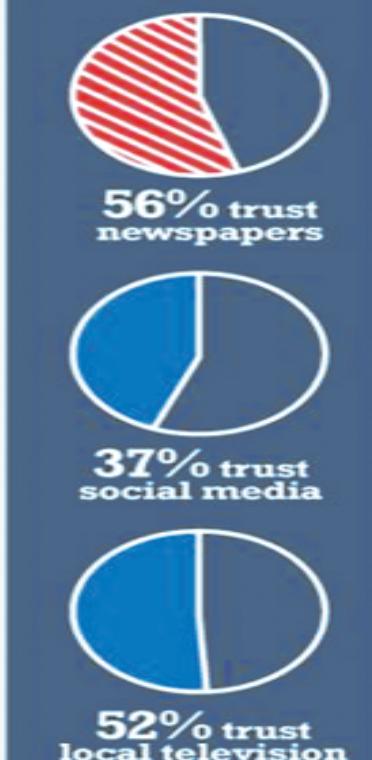
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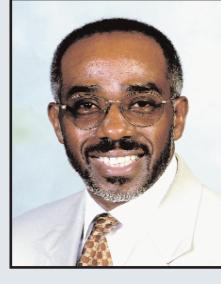
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