DCYM

April 2013 Newsletter

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Upcoming Events:

April 27 – One-Day District Conference - Union Baptist (9:00 a.m.)

<u>June 22-27</u> – Lott Carey Youth Seminar (Norfolk, VA)

<u>July 21</u> – DCYM Youth Banquet

<u>July 22-23</u> – DCYM Citywide Youth Revival

<u>July 28 – August 1</u> – Annual Session (Raleigh, NC)

<u>August 12 – 16</u> – Lott Carey Convention (Washington, DC)

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The Shaw Game from Monique Lawson





Submitted By: Monique Lawson

Hello, my name is Monique Lawson and I am the President of the Durham County Youth Missionary Department. The months and weeks leading up to the big game day had everyone so excited and really pumped to get on the campus of Shaw University and attend the basketball game. Before the game we stopped for lunch at the McDonald's across the street from the café and fellowshipped together before the much-anticipated game. After eating we all anxiously went to get our tickets and rushed into the gym waiting for game-time. The game was exciting and Shaw proved victorious in the end! Johnson C. Smith (out of Charlotte, NC) put up a good fight, but couldn't overcome the Bears. The final score was 75-64. Due to inclement weather, we weren't able to get a full tour of the campus, but Mrs. Merion Bethea and



Mrs. Segrid Davenport shared knowledge and information about the buildings and their experiences on the campus in a drive-by bus tour. All in all the day was filled with fun, fellowship, and fans! We look forward to the next time when we will be able to attend another game.

Teen Creed

Don't let your parents down; they brought you up.

Be humble enough to obey; you may give orders someday.

Choose companions with care; you become what they are.

Guard your thoughts; what you think you are, you are. Choose only a date that would make a good mate. Be master of your habits, or they will master you. Don't be a show off when you drive, drive with safety and arrive.

Don't let the crowd pressure you; stand for something or you'll fall for anything.

THE SPIRIT OF MISSION

Submitted by: Mr. Ron Jackson-

Youth Missionary Supervisor of Union Baptist Church



The Youth Church of Union Baptist Missionary Church started this year with a dynamic presentation by a speaker that spoke directly to the young people in attendance. There were approximately fifty young people present. The speaker was none other than Myles Harris, the Second Vice President of the Durham County Youth Missionaries. Myles was asked to speak on mission work. The engaging presentation gave the youth historical information re: the sacrifices and hardships that were endured by the missionary John Paton. Although he was from Europe, he had a heart to serve people in the New Hebrides Islands of the South Pacific. Myles used simple language to illustrate that while the daily needs of the people in the area were being ministered to, the Gospel of Jesus Christ was being shared as well.

A book on the life of the missionary was displayed that illustrated many of the events of the life of this servant of God. Anyone hearing the details and adventures that he experienced was given a glimpse into the kind of spirit of helping others that is the centerpiece of missionary service. The youth were given an idea of what it meant to be a true missionary in times when the conveniences we enjoy were not available and true commitment was necessary to continue the service to others.

Mr. Harris made a connection with the youth that would not have been possible by an older adult. His youthful energy was used by God to communicate the message of missionary service. Although Paton was born in Scotland, he found

himself being of service to people of a totally different culture and way of life. He inspired hundreds of others to carry out Christ's "Great Commission", which we all share. The drama of his adventure was heightened by the fact that the natives of the island called Tanna were cannibals. Three months after his arrival there, his son Peter was born. His wife died 19 days later from a tropical fever. His son Peter died at the age of 36 days old. Bereavement seemed to haunt this servant of God. However, despite resistance by some natives and even attempts on his life, John continued to do God's will. At one point he had to be rescued and taken to another part of the island.



We thank Minister Wilcox for dedicating some



Youth Church time to furthering missions. During the question and answer period, one youth asked Myles "How old are you?". When they heard that Myles was only 14 years old, they seemed amazed. More interest was sparked when they heard of Myles' involvement with Child Evangelism Fellowship. Information was given to the youth that day that they wouldn't normally have access to hear. All were blessed and reenergized to continue serving the Lord, and possibly reenergized to intensify activities of service to God and the community. We thank God for Myles and the Spirit of Mission that leads him to share Christ with other young people. We know he will go far as he continues to be yielded to, and used by God. As John Paton inspired others to serve the Lord, we are sure Myles will do the same!

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Next Newsletter Deadline:

<u>June 23</u> – for Summer Newsletter

Specify "DCYM News" in the subject field.

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We're pressing forward with missions-in-action! Feel free to submit an article or come on out and join us.

The 59th Annual Lott Carey Youth Seminar

The 59th Annual Lott Carey Youth Seminar will convene June, 22 – 27, 2013 on the campus of Norfolk State University, Norfolk, Virginia. Register your young people now at http://www.lottcarey.org/youth-devleopment.

According to Rev. David Emmanuel Goatley, Ph.D., "the Annual Youth Seminar is an exhilarating week of service, learning, worship, and fellowship for young people ages 14 - 20 years old. You can invest in an opportunity for discipleship formation for your young people for only \$350.00." Registration materials must be submitted by May 31, 2013.

Other News

Child Evangelism Fellowship - Christian Youth in Action Training

Christian Youth in Action (CYIA) Training at Camp Good News in Asheville, NC will take place June 11 – 21, 2013. The cost to attend is \$200. Interested applicants should visit www.gospeltokids.org ("Education" tab) for application and contact John Blake for submission details. Mr. Blake can be reached at 919-399-1979. This camp and training is for teens (14 years of age and older) and young adults.