## DCYM

July 2013 Newsletter

#### **Knowledge for Our Godly Work**

#### **Upcoming Events:**

<u>July 21</u> – DCYM Youth Banquet (Mt. Level)

<u>July 22-23</u> – DCYM Citywide Youth Revival (Henderson Grove)

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

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

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On Saturday April 27, 2013 the **One-Day District Conference** was held at Union Baptist Church (Durham). I was delighted to attend as there were numerous activities, meaningful messages, and joyful music. What really interested me was the breakout sessions that were individually tailored to the youth. My breakout session was for high school students and was focused on evangelism and the fiscal responsibility that we have has youth. The session was led by Minister Princess Chase-Wallace of Henderson Grove Missionary Baptist Church.



Minster Princess Chase-Wallace High School/College Speaker

# The One Day District Conference 2013



Henderson Grove Missionary Baptist Church Youth Choir

Minister Chase-Wallace used scripture to relay important messages about giving and being a good steward over financial resources. I really liked that she used the bible, as it describes to us to be cheerful givers both in evangelism and in life's financial responsibilities. Also, I appreciated that she gave everyone the opportunity to comment and contribute to the discussion. Listening to others share their insights and experiences was beneficial to everyone who participated in the breakout session. It's good to know that the bible is such a great tool and wealth of information,

even when it comes to spending, saving, and using money wisely.

Submitted by: Myles Harris

## Leadership Workshop 2013



Submitted by: Myles Harris

On April 13, 2013, I attended the Statewide Leaders' Workshop in Charlotte at Mayfield Memorial Missionary Baptist Church. First of all, the youth session was superb. Upon arrival, praise and worship leaders opened up with songs to excite and energize the youth followed by a greeting to welcome the visitors. Once getting started I found that several of the planned discussions got my attention. One discussion session involved social media, which may of the youth my age can relate to. For the Middle, High School, and College session, Mr. Michael Foster of SwaggerTV.com spoke about the particulars of social media. As the owner of an online production company and a film producer, he understood the

importance of keeping your Social Network clean. He explained that Facebook has over a billion users worldwide, Twitter over 500 million users, and LinkedIn over 200 million. The astonishing numbers proved Mr. Fosters point in that someone is always watching, even college recruiters and employers. Also, Mr. Foster emphasized the openness of social media outlets. If you think your life on the Web is private, you may want to think again. Twitter records, documents, and archives all public tweets in the Library of Congress to be stored forever. With encouragement he said that just doing and saying the right thing social media sites can impact someone's life. Being positive and encouraging others is the example we want to set for others, because those words we use are effective. We can also use social media to witness for Christ. After Mr. Foster, we were glad to have Rev. Beverly Spivey speak to us as about effective leadership. Opening with her message she gave us an original Christian rap to lift the mood. Next, she gave us the important ABC's of leadership.

A -Accountable

B- Bible Student

C-Committed

D- Disciplined

E- Excellence

F- Faithful

G- God led

Lastly, she spoke about the different types of leaders seen as:

Visionary Directional Motivational Shepherding Team- Building Strategic

She also referenced important leaders including Jesus, Peter, Nehemiah, and Joseph.

This was my second leadership workshop and I was glad that I attended. For those who missed it, Rev. Spivey will be speaking to the youth again at the upcoming annual session in Raleigh.



Mr. Michael Foster



Rev. Beverly Spivey



What is DCYM?

The Durham County Youth Missionary Department, also referred to as DCYM, is part of the Durham County Missionary Union. The Durham County Missionary Union is a member of the Woman's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention of North Carolina, which is an auxiliary to the General Baptist State Convention of North Carolina, Inc. The goal of DCYM is to promote missions, Christian education, and a spirit of missionary endeavors among youth within Durham County.

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Article and Pictures Submitted by: Ronald Jackson



Min. Chase-Wallace - HS/College Session



Rev. Garrett – Middle School Session



Rev. Crawford – Elementary Session



Senior Missionaries Serving

#### Planting Seeds at the District Conference

God is planting seeds for future growth. This was especially evident on Saturday, April 27, 2013 at Union Baptist Missionary Church. On that day, the One Day District Conference hosted by the Durham County Missionary Union was held there. The DCMU was started around 1885 as a local subsidiary of the Women's Baptist Home and Foreign Missionary Convention of North Carolina. At present, the DCMU includes a large group of missionary-minded Baptist churches and trains seniors, young adults, and youth.



The One Day District Conference of District 7 Group 2 is shared by 5 counties including Durham, Granville, Warren, Vance, and Franklin counties. Each year's conference includes churches from all counties. Each year, a different county hosts the conference. Since there are five counties, every fifth year, Durham is the host. This year Durham was the host county and Union Baptist was the local host church within the county.

At the conference, workshops were held for seniors in the main Sanctuary building and for youth in the Education Building. Youth workshops consisted of three age or grade levels (Elementary, Middle School, and High School/College). This division was effective due to the

specific approaches needed to reach each individual group. As I visited each workshop, I found each facilitator engaging their young listeners in lively spiritled discussions touching on issues essential to spiritual growth and development. Each presenter seemed to speak the language of their audience and encourage open and honest questions and responses.

The High School/College presenter was Minister Princess Chase-Wallace of Henderson Grove. The Middle School presenter was Reverend Kevin Garrett from Mt. Olive. The Elementary presenter was Reverend Yvette Crawford of North East Baptist Church. Topics for workshops were as follows:



Evangelism and Fiscal Responsibility (High School/College), Peer Pressure, Choosing Friends Wisely (Middle School), and Bullying, Choosing Friends Wisely (Elementary).

Min. Chase-Wallace presented youth with various practical ways to share Christ without seeming judgmental or removed from real-life situations. Rev. Garrett spoke to youth honestly about discerning the tricks of the enemy designed to ensnare young lives. Rev. Crawford presented the various forms of bullying that caused many youth to take an honest look at their own behavior as possible victim, by-stander, or perpetrator of bullying. Each presenter gave challenges for self-inspection that can become growth points for each participant willing to search themselves. The overall program was a great testimony to quality leadership from adults and participation from the youth. God was truly planting seeds.

The general session held in the Chapel was presided over by Jonathan Parker (former UBC Youth Missionary Officer). Ice-Breakers were presented by Xaria Townsend of Gethsemene and Myles Harris of Morning Star. God's spirit gave voice through the Henderson Grove Youth Choir which ministered to youth and adults alike. The various missionary activities of the counties were presented in reports. Over 69 youth were in attendance overall. Youth Missionary alumni officers from Union Baptist also served in preparing the great chicken lunch which included green beans, macaroni and cheese, and cake. UBC Youth Missionary President CJ Parker assisted with the Samaritan Men's Ministry of UBC in guiding youth to the Education Building. Third Vice President Gianney Lacey Howard contributed various dental hygiene items for gift bags, and accepted the host plaque. Former Youth Officers Kimberly Jackson and Simone Parker assisted with food service. Sister Segrid Davenport of Mt. Gilead Baptist Church (District Youth Supervisor), Sister Merion Bethea of Henderson Grove Baptist Church (Durham County Youth Supervisor), and Sister Madge Turner, Assistant District Youth Supervisor, gave oversight of the program.

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### Next Newsletter Deadline:

<u>September 29<sup>th</sup></u> – for October Newsletter

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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.

On April 18<sup>th</sup>, a few youth and supervisors from Mount Level and Henderson Grove went downtown to help stuff envelopes and hang up clothes at Welcome Baby on Foster St. in Durham. The kids stated they have never seen that many letters and stamps before. They really enjoyed putting the outfits together for all the children that will wear them. The boys tried to out-do the girls with putting the outfits together; now that was truly something to watch.

## **2013 Bible Camp Scholars**

DaLaisha Adams and Shannon Lawson were the chosen girls to attend the 2013 Women's Baptist Home and Foreign Missions (WBHFM) Bible Camp. This camp was held at the Haw River State Park in Brown Summit, NC from Sunday, June 16 – Friday, June 21. At the end of the week, DaLaisha received the Outstanding Camper Award for



Submitted by: Merion Bethea



ages 12-13, and Shannon will represent Durham County at the WBHFM Convention on Wed, July 31 in the Bible Camp Choir. The choir will do a number of selections as a tribute to Dr. Audrey Battle, who will be ending her term as President of the Convention. The girls will give their reports at our upcoming Youth Banquet.

# Missions and Fellowship

Submitted by: Sis. Patricia Edwards *Mt. Level Youth Missionary Supervisor* 



On May 4<sup>th</sup>, twelve youth and three adults traveled to Faison, NC to go gleaning to join another youth group. Working with the Inter- Faith Food Shuttle and to find out that gleaning is in the bible. Wow, it truly made the kids feel good deep down inside knowing gleaning is God's word. It was so funny when the advisor that was in charge asked them what they thought was growing in the garden. These kids named some vegetables I have never heard of. We decided that day this is something we will be doing a lot of. The kids are looking for our next trip. Doing mission work is truly a great work. We must continue to get outside of the four walls of our churches and put our hands to the gospel plow to do the work of the Lord, as he has instructed his church to do.





