

### Christmas Stocking Giveaway



Luke 2:1-6

The annual Christmas Stocking those given to the baby Jesus by Christmas items.

The Youth Ministry sponsors the the Death of Jesus. event to educate and encourage youth to give gifts during the The youth enjoyed the drive en at Christmas are symbolic of

Giveaway was held Saturday, the three Wise Men. The gifts December 12, 2022. Youth of all given were Gold, Myrrh and ages were invited to come and Frankincense, and each gift tells receive stuffed stockings with us something about Jesus: Gold gifts and lots of candy and other represents the Kingship of Jesus; Frankincense represents the Deity of Jesus; and Myrrh represents

Christmas season. The gifts giv- through event, especially the extra gifts that were given.

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## **Christmas Program**



The annual Christmas program was held on Sunday, December 11, 2022 during the Sunday school hour. The program was sponsored by the Drama Ministry and the Church School. An excellent display of talents by youth of all ages was shown through recitations, praise dancing, musical ensembles and a dramatization of the Christmas story. Luke 2:8-14 was the Scripture used to lay the foundation of the program, and its title "The Hope of Christmas."



# **Christmas Program**

















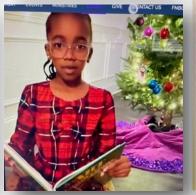


















Four young ladies with family ties in FNBC The ladies presented were: Aniya Fluker, the roríty, Inc., on December 22, 2022.

Assembly took place at the Township Audito- Moore. rium at 7:00 P.M. The Cotillion marked the culmination of several months of social etiquette, public service, cultural, educational and other planned events.

or who are members, were among the 30 deb- daughter of Mrs. Jessica Fluker and the late utants presented to Society by the Columbia Franklin Fluker; Rachel Jean Langley, the Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta So- daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Langley, III; Nyla Peyton Rogers, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren H. Rogers, III; and Perí Nicole The thirty-second presentation of the Delta Moore, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry



The annual Essay/Poster Contest is extended to all The contest permits youth to either draw a poster or youth from K-12. The contest offers a great oppor- write an essay on one of the following topics: Racial tunity for youth to compete with others and strength- inequalities; Social Injustices; Black Lives Matter; en writing skills as well as artistic ability.

After many news reports have depicted the mistreatment of young men, particularly African Americans and other minorities, the Youth Ministry developed the contest to supply youth with a platform to openly TaeShon Robinson and his brother, Brailyn Robinexpressing themselves on current events. Topics are chosen to heighten the awareness of discrimination and inequality, as seen in current news reports. It grants them an opportunity to express how these issues directly impact their lives and the lives of their amilies.

Covid 19 Awareness; or a topic of their choice. TaeShon's essay was written on gun violence. Brailyn's poster was drawn to demonstrate that Black Lives Matter.

son were winners again this year. They will receive cash awards.

Congratulations to TaeShon and Brailyn!

# **Fall Graduations**

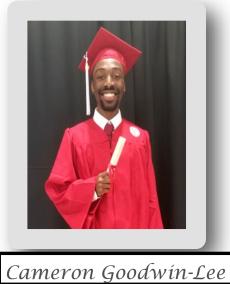


"We were taught that education was something no one can take away from us."

December 2022, Rev. M'lilian Scott attained her Master of Divinity from Lenoir-Rhyne University's Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary.

The Master of Divinity degree is often a requirement for federal chaplaincy and ordained ministry for many denominations. For her, it has been another way God has provided what she didn't even know she needed and has led to much more. She reflects that it has been a sacrifice for not always having as much time to be as attentive to business clients (graphic design and real estate) and other roles. But, she feels she's a much better person because of it and celebrates the milestone. She thanks her church family for the well wishes, congratulatory words, and prayers!

She is the daughter of Pastor and Mrs. Blakely Scott.



Cameron Goodwin-Lee is a recent graduate of North Carolina State University. He received a BS in Business Administration/ Information Technology.

Cameron was extremely active at the university preparing himself to assist others in the business world with the many difficult problems they may have run into. His goal is to make other people's lives easier through technology.

He is the son of Gwendolyn Goodwin, and the grandson of Deacon and Mrs. Timothy Goodwin.

### W.H. Neal Youth Choir Anniversary



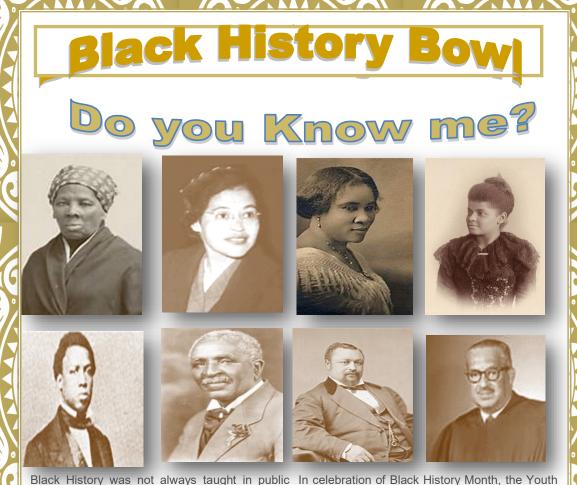
The W. H. Neal Youth choir has been offering song-service for so long that the original members now have grandchildren! The choir is named after one of the most prolific Pastors and Teachers known in this state!

Currently, the choir is made up of children from ages 6-18. Previously, the choir offered songs during the 3rd and 5th Sunday services. They also celebrate an anniversary each year by leading the service in songs. The Youth Choir is the staple choir for Youth Day services.

Our youth are amazing children who wholeheartedly participate in rehearsals by leading scripture and prayer! They bring enthusiasm and joy to rehearsals with fun warm-ups and opportunities for solo singing.

The rehearsals are 10:00 a.m. on the Saturdays before the 5th Sundays. Children are welcome to join.

> Chandra D. Sadler Choir Director



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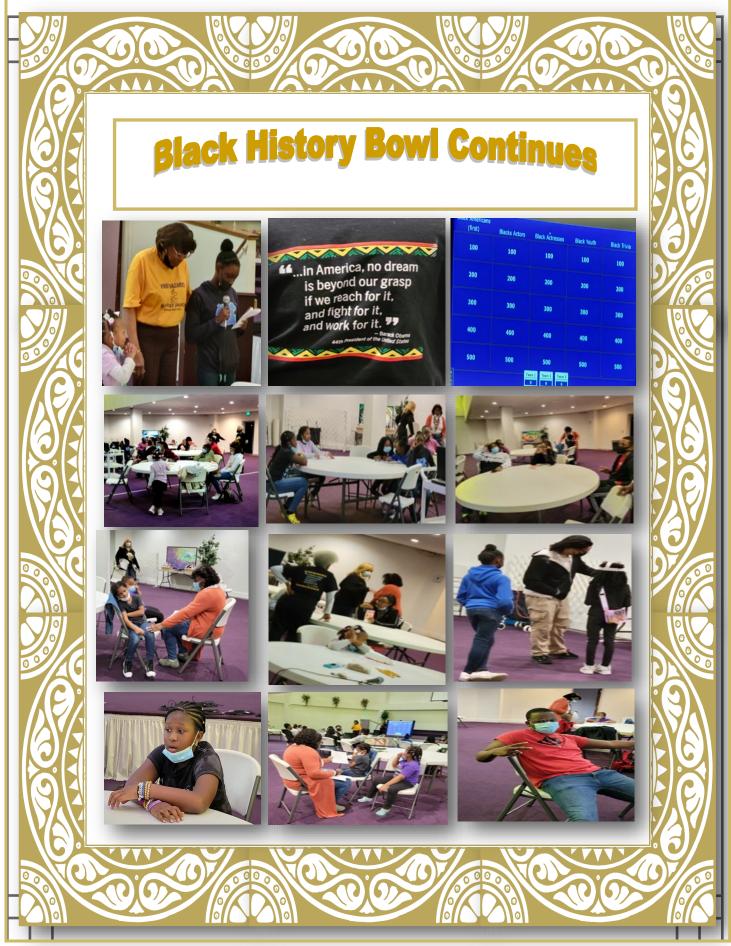
United States, when historian Carter G. Woodson and the Association for the Study of Negro Life and History (ASNLH) announced the sec- discovered that neither the categories nor the ond week of February to be "Negro History Week." This week was chosen because it coincided with the birthday of Abraham Lincoln on ger to answer questions and played the games February 12 and that of Frederick Douglass on well. Cash prizes were given to the winners. February 14. It was later observed as African-American History Month.

schools. This history was basically hidden from Ministry developed Black History Jeopardy games with jeopardy boards, which incorporated major accomplishments were rarely, if ever, local, state and national history of many Black Americans.

Black History Month was created in 1926 in the On Saturday, February 18, 2023, the youth of First Nazareth played the largest Black History Bowl from Jeopardy to Double Jeopardy. It was questions were too difficult for the three teams selected to play the game. The youth were ea-

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# **Black History Bowl Continues**



Identify the persons pictured on page 10 and text the names to pat.w.green44@gmail.com for a prize.

**Closing Prayer** 









Girl Scout Cookies are sold by Girl Scouts to raise funds and There was some apprehension that the sales would not be betsupport Girl Scout councils and individual troops. The cookies ter than last year, but the girls worked extremely hard to meet are widely popular and are commonly sold by going door-to- their goals and earn the incentives that were promised. One door, online, through school or town fundraisers, or at "cookie booths" set up at storefronts. The program is intended not only boxes. This goal was achieved, and many others were as well. to raise money, but improve the financial literacy of girls.

The First Nazareth Girl Scouts continue to lead the Council in ing and other interested activities within the Council. cookie sales. This year has proven to be another great year, as the troops sold over 6,000 boxes in a year when a new cookie The Troops meet Mondays at 6:00 in person and via Zoom. All baker was chosen.

such incentive was a Caribbean cruise for selling over 3,000

Funds from the sales will defray the cost of badges, trips, camp-

girls ages 5-18 are welcome to join.

### Newsletter Staff and Announcements

Easter Egg Hunt

Graduation—High School/College

Youth Convention

Apríl 7, 2023

May 2023

*June 2023* 



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Thank You!

#### **Future Events**

- Easter Egg Hunt
- ♦ Graduation—2023
- Eleventh Edition of the Youth Newsletter