Governor declares March 3-9 Severe Weather Preparedness Week

Governor Roy Cooper has declared March 3-9 as Severe Weather Preparedness Week and urges North Carolinians to use the time to prepare and practice safety plans in case severe weather strikes. North Carolina is traditionally an active tornado

and severe thunderstorm state with spring the most active season, although severe weather can occur at any time of year. "Spring brings a greater risk of severe weather

and we need to be ready for the threat of strong storms and even tornadoes," Governor Cooper said. "To help keep you and your loved ones safe, know the risks, have a family emergency plan in place, and stay alert to weather reports. Schools and government buildings statewide will

hold tornado drills Wednesday, March 6, at 9:30 a.m. to practice their emergency plans. Test messages will be broadcast on National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) weather radios and the Emergency Alert System.

"I urge everyone to participate in the statewide tornado drill and practice what to do when severe weather strikes," Governor Cooper said.

North Carolina is no stranger to severe weather. In 2018, the National Weather Service (NWS) issued 104 tornado warnings in North Carolina and recorded 20 actual tornado touchdowns. There were 244 flash flood warnings issued last year and 184 flood or flash flood events across the state. In addition, the National Weather Service issued 605 severe thunderstorm warnings, and recorded 137 severe thunderstorms with damaging winds. Tornadoes form during severe thunderstorms

when winds change direction and increase in speed. These storms can produce large hail and damaging winds up to 300 miles per hour. A tornado can develop rapidly with little warning, so having a plan in place for where to go and what to do when one strikes will allow you to respond quickly. Emergency Management officials

recommend the following safety tips:

- · Develop a family emergency plan so each member knows what to do, where to go and who to call during an emergency. • If thunder roars, go indoors! Lightning is close
- enough to strike you. Know where the nearest safe room is, such as a basement or interior room away from windows.
- Know the terms: WATCH means severe weather is possible. WARNING means severe weather is occurring; take shelter immediately. Assemble an emergency supply kit for use at

home or in your vehicle. Make sure to include a three-day supply of non-perishable food and bottled water. • If driving, leave your vehicle immediately to seek

shelter in a safe structure. Do not try to outrun a tornado in your vehicle and do not stop under an overpass or bridge. If there is no shelter available, take cover in a

low-lying flat area. Read Governor Cooper's proclamation and get

more information on tornadoes and overall emergency preparedness through the ReadyNC mobile app and online at www.ReadyNC.org.

Presentation on Early Jewish Families of Union County, NC

The Union County Public Library is presenting a program cosponsored by the Carolinas Genealogical Society the is entitled Early Jewish Families of Union County, NC. This program will take place on Saturday, April 6 at 2 p.m. The presenter will be George Thomas, blogger and historian of the Rocky River area of North Carolina.

Ever wonder why the intersection of New Town and Rocky River Roads is called "LaBatt's Crossroads?" Learn this and more at the presentation. The Union County Public Library is located at

316 East Windsor Street in Monroe. telephone number is 704-283-8184 and the website is www.unioncountync.gov/library.

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Church News

MARCH 4 - 6 Spring Revival

At Rose of Sharon Friendship COG in Ansonville. Mon-Rev Donna McNair, Tue-Pastor Karen Crump, Wed-Elder Harvey Marsh, all at 730pm **MARCH 6 - 8**

Missionary & Ushers **Revival** at Greater St Mark COD with Prophetess Sandra Ellerbe at 7pm nightly

Pre-Lent Revival At Savannah AME Zion.

Wed-Rev Rodney Moore, Thu-Rev Lea'Vee Patterson, Fri-Rev Tyrone Floyd, all at MARCH 8

36th Anniversary

Of Lakeside Singers at Lakeside Holiness Church, 109 N Green St, Wades-

the Burnsville Community, 2pm with Rev Marvin Anderson of Galilee Baptist Church in Oakboro. All are welcome Usher's Program At Bessie Chapel AME

Zion, 3pm with Pastor

Sylvia McLendon. Asking all

usher to wear your white

uniform Missionary Program

At Henry Grove Church, 2:30pm with Rev Maxine McClendon of Love and Faith Christian Fellowship Church in High Point, NC

17th Youth Anniversary At West Deep Creek MBC, Men in Black

Women in Red Program at Church of God of Prophecy in Morven, 3pm 12 Tribes Program At Rock Hill MBC, 3pm MARCH 15

26th Anniversary Sponsored by Bessie Chapel

Male Chorus, 7:30pm at Bessie Chapel AME Zion on Ingram Mountain Rd in Lilesville. Info 704-690-**MARCH 16**

Christian Men's

Fellowship at El Bethel Baptist Church, 532 McRae Ave in Wadesboro, 5pm.

Inviting all men for an uplifting evening. Supper served Men's Conference At House of Faith, 10am

with Pastor Michael McLeod **MARCH 17 Appreciation Service**

For Pastor Sylvia McLendon & Deacon Lewis McLendon at Divine Unity Church House of Restoration Ministries with Rev Dr Lisa Bracey-Cash of Mt Sinai Baptist Church, Rockingham at 11:15am followed by dinner & Pastor William Taylor of Johnson Chapel Church in Wadesboro at 3pm Celebratory Service.

Church Anniversary At Pleasant Hill Baptist

All are invited

Church, 3pm with Rev Camilo Richards of Nicey Grove Baptist Church in Wingate

Missionary Ministry Annual Day at West

Rocky Ford Baptist Church, 3pm with Pastor Comdell Campbell **Pastor Appreciation**

For Bishop James Glenn at

Victory Temple Miracle Center, 4pm

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MARCH 11

Ansonia Play

MARCH 17 Family & Friends Day At New Meltonville MBC. Morning worship 11am,

Steve Adams MARCH 22 & 23 **Gospel Explosion** Fri-featuring Evangelist Brenda Pratt, Dennis Reid

3pm service with Pastor

& GAP of Charlotte & Singing Disciples of Rockingham at Pee Dee COD, 302 Hwy 145 in Lilesville, 7pm. Sat-Banquet at Lockhart-Taylor Center, 4pm with Pastor Billie Bivens of Upper Room Baptist Church in High Point. Info 704-475-0755 **Fundraiser**

At House of Faith **MARCH 23** Community Breakfast To honor & celebrate

faithful friend & Sunday School teacher Donald Tyner at Morven Baptist Church, 8-10am. All are invited **Breakfast Plate Sale**

At Evangelistic Outreach Center in Polkton, 8-11am with eggs, grits, sausage, bacon, toast, juice, coffee \$6 **MARCH 24**

At New Grove MBC, 2pm with Overseer Sylvia McLendon from Divine Unity

Missionary Program

4 Gospels Program At Rock Hill MBC, 3pm with Rev Dennis Rivers, Min Devunda Lindsey, Min Richard Ellerbe &

Min Teresa David

22nd Pastoral **Anniversary** of Rev R.A. Lisenby & First Lady Lisenby at Garris Grove Baptist Church, 11am with Elder Ann Davis of Norfolk, Va, followed by dinner. Rev Dr Robert Sanders of New Piney Grove Church, Waxhaw at 3pm

Appreciation Service For Elder Carlos Melton at Johnson Chapel Holiness Church, 3pm with Pastor Nathaniel Floyd. All are invited APRIL 7

Ushers' Ministry

ONGOING

Annual Day at West Rocky Ford Baptist Churh, 3pm with Pastor Donna Mc-

Prayer/Bible Study Thursdays 6:30-8:30pm at House of Faith

Bible Study Every Wednesday at noon at Expected End Ministries by

Pastor Betty Tillman Exercise Class

Hopewell UMC Intercessory Prayer &

Bible Study at Sandy Ridge MBC every Wednesday, 5pm are welcome Bible Study At West Deep Creek MBC

Youth Night At Vision of God Ministries

in Morven each Sat, 5-7pm w/bible study, Christian movies, games, crafts refreshments & more **Addiction Recovery**

Support group meets every Sunday, 6pm at Harmony

Community Church in Peachland. 704-272-7410 Bible Study & Prayer At Kesler Chapel AME Zion every Wednesday 7pm **Bible Study Classes**

Every Tuesday-Evangelistic Outreach Center on Hwy 74 in Polkton at 6:30pm

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MARCH 15 - 17

cast of 24 actors! Fri & Sat 7:30pm & Sun 3pm. Tickets & info at ansoniatheatre.com or 704-694-4950 **ONGOING EVENTS Monthly Meetings**

Uptown Wadesboro, Inc. meets the first Tuesday of

every month at 4 pm in the Chamber of Commerce conference room. Info 704-695-1644 **Bariatric Pal Support** Group meets the 4th Mon-

day of each month at CHS-

Anson, 6pm. 704-475-3024 AA Meetings Mondays, Tuesdays & 694-6616 Thursdays, 8pm & Sundays

8am & 7pm at AA Building,

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Info 704-694-5177 Storytime for Children Every Wednesday at Anson

County Partnership for Children in uptown Wadesboro, 10am. Free for ages 3-8. Info 704-694-4036

day of the month at Grace Senior Center, 11:30am. All seniors 55+ are invited for fun & fellowship. Free. Info & register to play 704-Chair Yoga

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lic invited Service Schedule

At Abundance Grace Min-Each Thursday at 2pm at istry of Morven. Sunday School 10am, praise & worship 11am. Discipleship class Thur at 6:30pm. All

Men & Women Fellowship at Abundance each Wednesday at 6:30pm Grace Ministry of Morven second Saturday, 3-5pm

Free Exercise Class Every Wed & Thu, 5:30-6:30pm at New Grove **Bible Study** MBC. Need a ride? Call

704-272-8884 Wednesday Bible Study

At New Meltonville MBC, 7pm

Brotherhood Meetings Every 3rd Saturday at N Wadesboro Baptist Church, 6pm. Bible study & meal, all men welcome Wednesday Intercessory Prayer at New Meltonville

MBC, 6:30pm

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30pm, everyone invited

Bible Study

Prayer Line Each Wednesday, Reaching Every Tuesday at 6:30pm at the Lost Church of God Pleasant Hill Baptist Church from 7-8pm. Call 704-695-

At Sneedsboro Church,

1842. Someone will be available to assist you and pray with you Sunday Youth Day

Every 5th Sunday at Cedar Creek MBC Bible Study

Every Tuesday night at 7pm at Garris Grove MBC Victory in the Sanctuary

Every Saturday at 11:30am at Pathway to Peace, 11775 Hwy 109S, Peachland. Info 704-695-1441

Tools for Christian Living Academy, fourth Saturdays, New Piney Grove Ministries, 6pmboro, 6-7pm

At Thomas Chapel AME Zion every Wednesday, 7pm **Gospel Aerobics** At Pleasant Hill A.M.E. Zion Wadesboro,

Tuesdays, 5:30pm, Bible Study from 6pm to 7pm Bible Study Every Tuesday at 7pm at

Expected End Ministries Bible Class Every Wednesday at 6:10-8pm at West Rocky Ford

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Notice of Regular Meeting March 12

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704-694-4852

on the second Tuesday of the month.

at Papa Joe's Restaurant in Wadesboro.

boro, 7pm. Everyone is wel-**MARCH 10** 143rd Church

Anniversary at Poplar Springs Baptist Church in