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St. Titus' Episcopal Church Sponsors Annual Father's Day Program

St. Titus' Episcopal Church, Durham, NC will sponsor its **Second Annual Father's Day Program on June 8 and 9, 2013**. The theme for this year's program is *St. Titus Forward* in keeping with efforts to grow and strengthen this historically black Episcopal Church.

- **Saturday, June 8 at 9:00 – 11:00am: Father's Day Recognition Breakfast** at the Ivy Commons Community Center (4222 Fayetteville Road, Durham). **Four fathers from St Titus' Congregation and two Durham community leaders will be recognized** for their significant contributions to the Durham community. "These men embody all that is good and wonderful about fatherhood—caring, loving, respectful, consistent guiding, role modeling for their children and others who need a father figure. In addition they work tirelessly and give unselfishly of their time, talent and treasure to St. Titus' and the Durham community", says Onye Akwari, vestry member and program coordinator.

The **keynote speaker, Joe Holt, Jr.**, will share a documentary produced by his daughter, Deborah Holt-Noel entitled, "**Exhausted Remedies: The Joe Holt Story**". The documentary tells the story of Joe Holt Jr. and his family's efforts to desegregate the Raleigh Public Schools in the early 1960's. "I hope everybody has an opportunity to experience this informative documentary, and participate in the Question and Answer Session – especially our children. It will be both educational and eye-opening for all," says Akwari.

- **Sunday, June 9 at 10:00am:** Join us in worship for the special **Eucharist at St. Titus' Episcopal Church** (400 Moline Street). The keynote speaker for the service will be **the Honorable Judge Brian Wilks**. "As a juvenile court judge, Judge Wilks sees first hand on a daily basis, children who have not had the love and guidance of a father figure in their lives. We are pleased to have Judge Wilks share his own professional and personal experiences," says Charles Thompson, a program coordinator. Judge Wilks will also be recognized for his service to the church and the Durham community at the Saturday breakfast.

The public is invited to attend both of these events. Tickets for the recognition program can be purchased by calling Charles Thompson at (919) 225-5642 or Onye Akwari at (919) 201-5000.

"St. Titus' Episcopal Church is a vibrant, welcoming, historic, predominantly parish which through Divine Guidance serves God and community by opening doors, ears, eyes and hearts as we minister to all people."

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