

Shannon Scott To Be Ordained To The Ministry

Shannon A. Scott will be ordained to the ministry April 6 at 3 p.m. at the Micro Baptist Church, of which he is ~~Pas-~~tor.



Shannon A. Scott

Shannon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Scott of Zebulon and a 1965 Wakelon graduate. He is at present a Junior at Campbell College.

He was the interim pastor at Beulah Christian Church last spring and summer.

Moderator for the service will be the Rev. Raymond Moore, Associational Missionary. Rev. O. Lee Gregory, Pastor of Pisgah Baptist Church, Smithfield, will bring the charge to the Church and the Rev. W.C. Barham, Pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, Wendell, will bring the charge to the candidate.

Bringing the message for the ordination will be the Rev. Claude Walker, Englewood Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, N.C.

Friends are invited to attend.

Micro Baptist Pastor

Shannon Allen Scott Is Ordained Minister

Shannon Allen Scott, pastor of Micro Baptist Church, was ordained a Baptist minister in Micro Baptist Church Saturday, April 6, at 3 p. m.

He was examined by the Johnston Baptist Association's Committee on Ordinations, the Rev. John Steen, chairman, on March 24 and was recommended for ordination by the Micro Church.

The associational missionary, the Rev. Raymond E. Moore, presided at the service. The ordination sermon was preached by the Rev. Claud R. Walker, pastor of Englewood Baptist Church, Rocky Mount. The Rev. O. Lee Gregory, pastor of Pisgah Baptist Church, gave a charge to the church. The Rev.

W. C. Barham Jr., pastor of Tabernacle Baptist Church, gave a charge to the candidate. The Rev. James Tate, pastor of Hopkins Chapel Baptist Church, led the prayer of ordination.

A Bible was presented the newly ordained minister by Ralph Moore, chairman of the deacons of Micro Baptist Church, in behalf of the church.

Mr. Scott grew up in the Hopkins Chapel community and has been active in preaching for a few years. He is a Junior student at Campbell College and plans to attend Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary after completing his college work.

Shelby: Cleveland Times
Siler City: Chatham News
Smithfield Herald
Snow Hill: Greene Co. Ledger
Southern Pines Pilot
Southport: State Port Pilot

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Rev. Shannon Scott Set As Revival Speaker Here

Blandwood Baptist Church, located at Blandwood Dr. and Wilson Rd., will hold revival services November 5 through the 8th with services held 11 a. m. Sunday and each evening at 7:30 p. m.

The Rev. Shannon A. Scott will be the guest speaker for these services.

Rev. Scott is a graduate of Campbell College and is now completing his studies at Southeastern Baptist Seminary. He has served as

pastor of Micro Baptist Church, Micro, N. C., and Avalon Baptist Church, Rocky Mount, and is now the pastor of Harris Chapel Baptist Church in Youngsville, N. C.

Special music will be featured each evening, and a nursery will be provided for small children.

The Rev. Donald Crane, pastor of Blandwood Baptist Church, cordially invites the public to attend these special services.

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Rocky Mount Telegram
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By ANN CORNELIUS BROWN
The Chapel Hill Herald

RALEIGH — Two clinical psychologists in Carrboro and Chapel Hill who treat clients struggling with the emotional impact of being infected with the virus that causes AIDS said eliminating anonymous HIV testing would keep many people from getting tested.

Fewer people would get tested out of fear of discrimination if their names were revealed, increasing the risk of the disease spreading, they said.

"It is quite difficult to break through the defense of denial," said Katherine Bell, a clinical psychologist at the Community

Wholistic Health Center in Carrboro.

"If anonymous testing is limited or ends, HIV tests will be delayed or completely avoided. And it is before people are aware of their (HIV) antibody status that most cases of transmission occur."

Bell spoke at a crowded public hearing of the Health Services Commission in Raleigh Tuesday on a proposed rule change that would abolish anonymous testing by the N.C. Department of Environment, Health and Natural Resources.

The majority of the some 30 speakers — most of them health educators, doctors who treat AIDS patients, lawyers,

people infected with the human immunodeficiency virus, and AIDS activists — opposed eliminating anonymous testing.

Shannon Scott, pastor of Mount Vernon Baptist Church in Raleigh, said that in order to rid society of AIDS, people who are infected with HIV need to be identified. While discrimination against such people may occur — such as when tuberculosis was a health threat — anonymous testing needs to be abolished to protect the public, he said.

Under a proposal, the state would reduce the number of anonymous testing sites from

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the state's 100 county health departments to 12 local departments in July and would completely eliminate anonymous testing by Jan. 1, 1994. Confidential testing would be available, but a person would be required to give a name which would go on medical records.

State health officials have said North Carolina law protects the confidentiality of medical records and that the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, which will be fully implemented by 1994, will provide protection against discrimination of people infected with HIV.

The state has been providing free and anonymous HIV testing at county health departments since 1985. The Health Services

Commission is conducting public hearings in five cities this month and will make a decision on the proposed rule change on Feb. 12.

Bell and others at the public hearing accused a group of doctors called the North Carolina Chapter of Americans for a Sound AIDS Policy of not putting public health at the top of their agenda. ASAP and Lt. Gov. Jim Gardner have advocated the banning of anonymous testing in the state as a way to protect the public from HIV infection.

"If ASAP and Jimmy Gardner were truly concerned with halting the spread of AIDS in this state, they would be lobbying to keep anonymous testing," Bell said.

Bell said the problem with

confidential testing is that information always leaks and ultimately ends in people losing their jobs, apartments, health and life insurance and homes.

Tom Blackburn, a clinical psychologist in Chapel Hill who spoke at the public hearing, said his clients who are infected fear discrimination if anonymous HIV testing is ended. Hate crimes are at a high level in North Carolina, he said.

"The attitudes that lead to some of these crimes are validated by our own senior senator, Jesse Helms. He has delighted in leading the fight to cut funding for AIDS research and education. His distaste for gays and lesbians is legendary," Blackburn said at the hearing.