

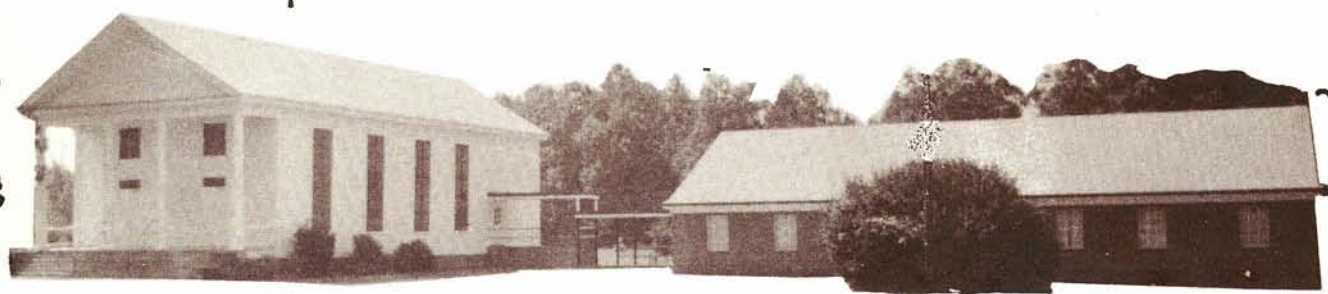
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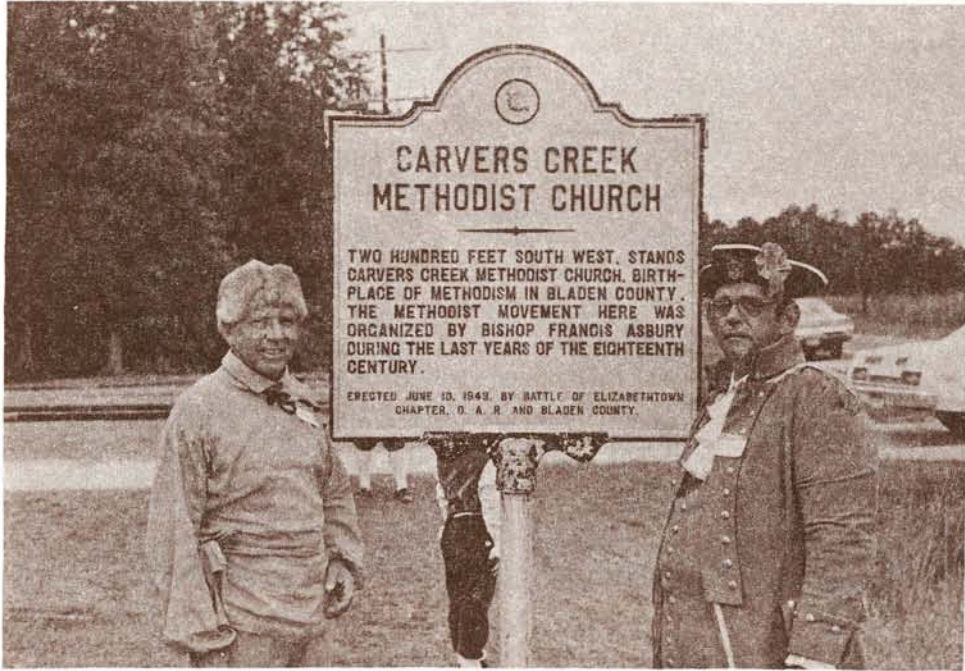
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Frank Payne & Johnnie S. Huggins



John D. Parks Sr. center being presented  
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American & Christian Flags presented to Carver's  
Creek Methodist Men's Club by Richard Bridgers  
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Front row L.-R.- J. B. Allen - B. A. Sigman -  
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C. F. Stevens Jr. - Frank Payne  
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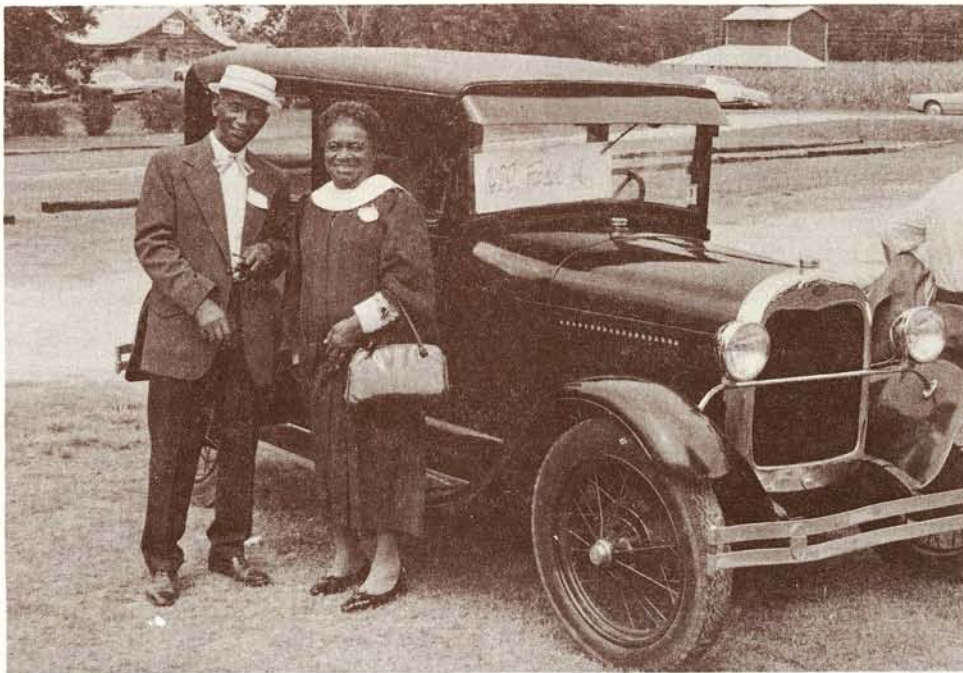


John D. Parks, Sr. receiving service award with  
members of his family standing by.



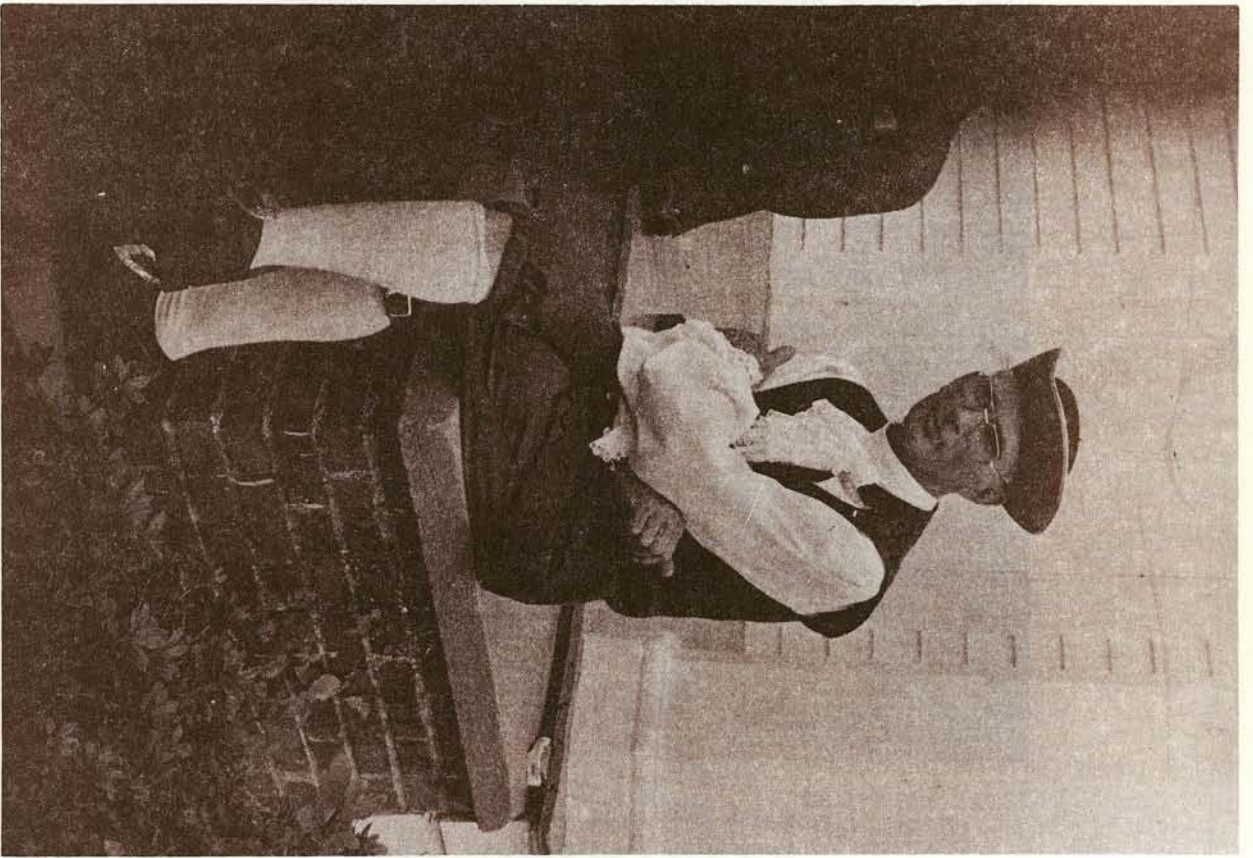


Left to Right - J. K. Nicholson - John O. West-  
Terry Macon - Bob Huffstetler - LeRoy Eason



Dudley and Lena Neill



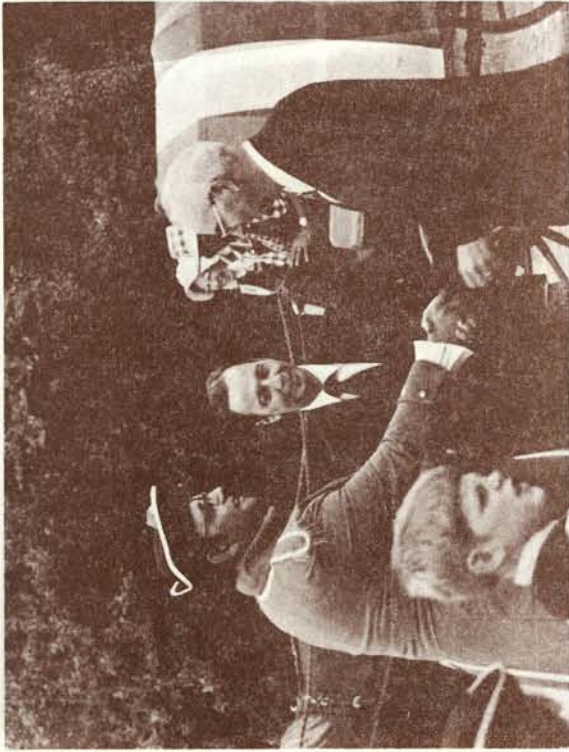


Paul R. Campbell Church Organist  
 Deep in Thought



W. Edgar Stevens Jr. and W. Edgar Stevens III  
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 and daughter Blanche.

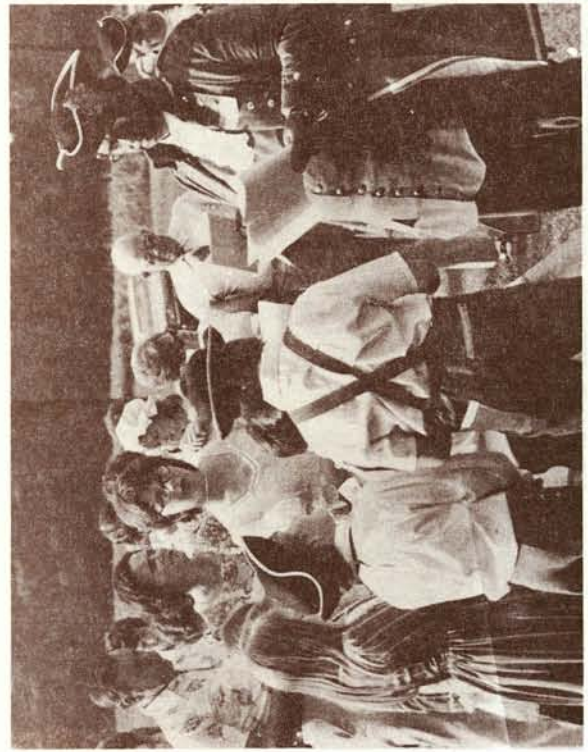




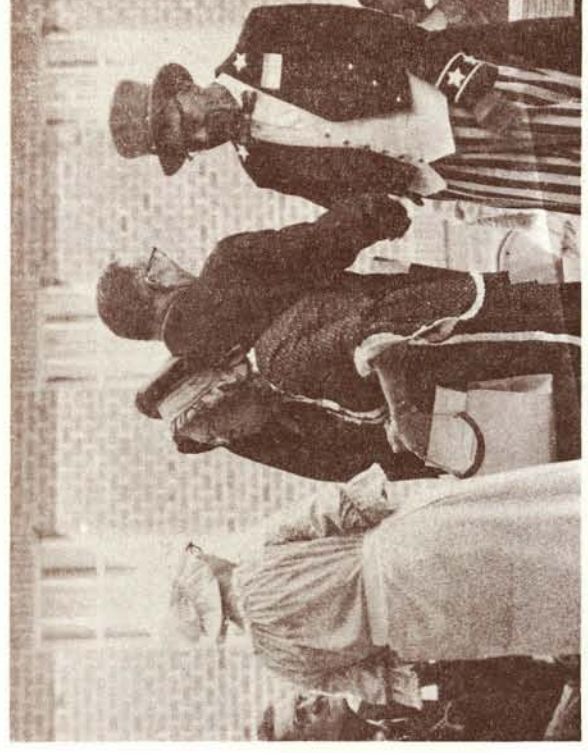
Welcoming James Auman by Rev. Huggins  
& Bishop Blackburn also Mr. & Mrs. Elliott  
Henry and Eric Charles



Rev. Johnnie Huggins and group  
during closing service



"Near the close of the Day"



Edward Fredere, Mary Haultsby, Francis Fredere  
shaking hands with E. C. Gughton

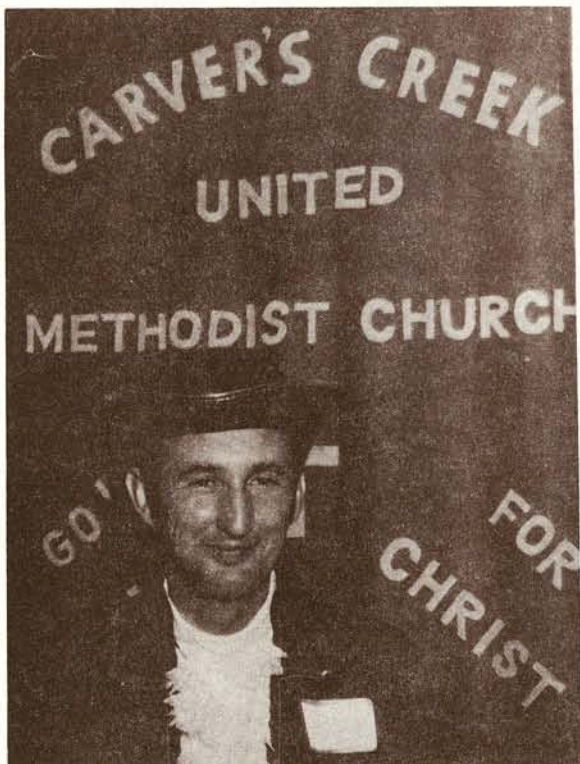




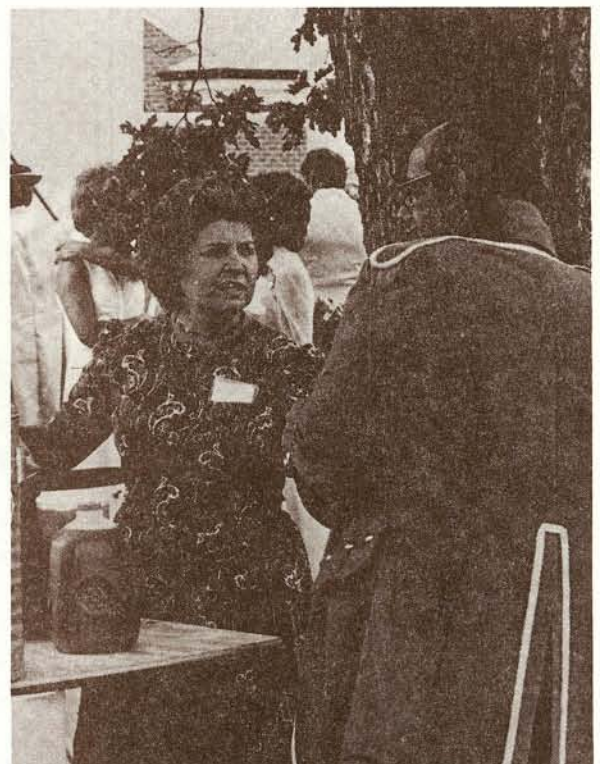
Barbara & William Turner talking to  
Bishop Blackburn



Eddie Stevens, Howard Johnson & Visitors

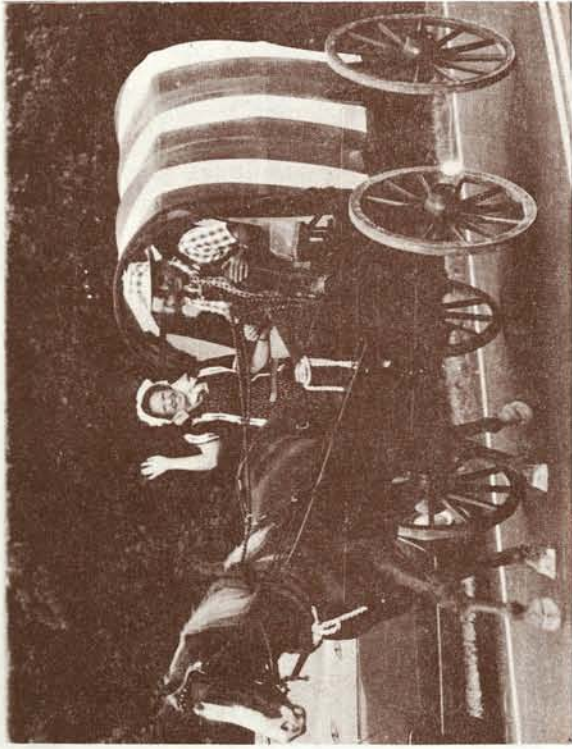


Bicentennial Banner of Carver's Creek  
United Methodist Church Terry Macon



Micky Nye, Rev. Johnnie Huggins

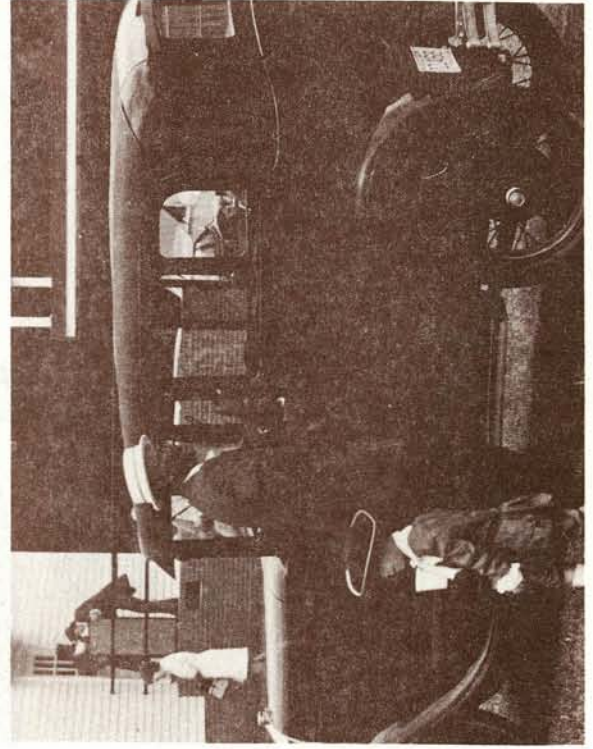




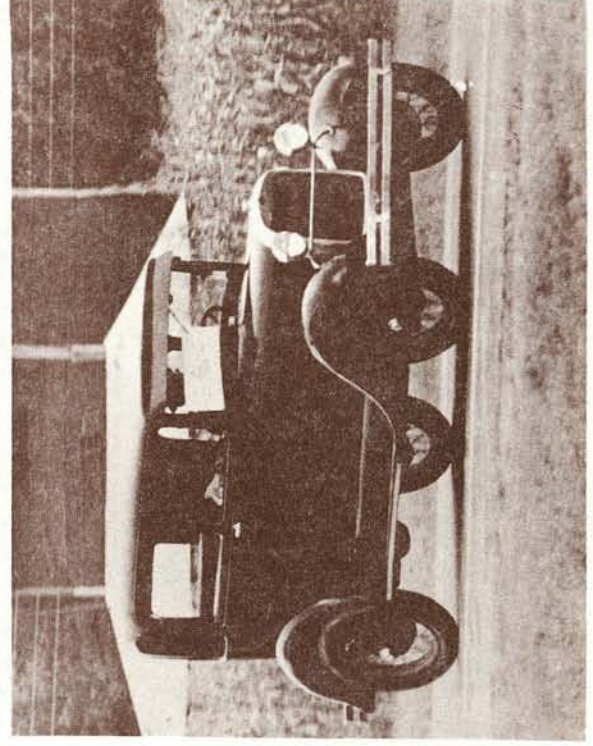
Elliot and Boris Henry



Bishop Blackburn & Mr. Claude Cains  
enroute to church

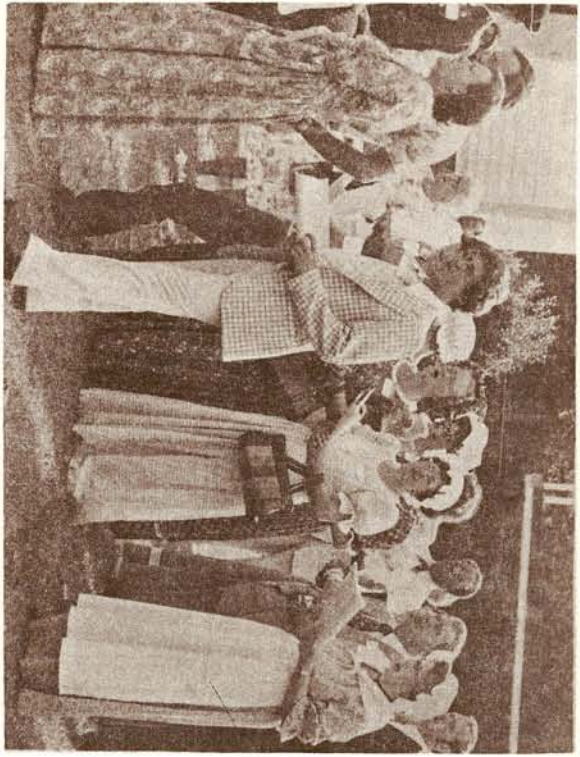


"Little" Tim Settemeyer and Dudley Neill



The Dudley Neills' enroute to church in their  
1929 Ford





Raising the voices in song



Hobson & Helen Sanderlin, Mirie Nye,  
 Rachel Hardg, Carrie Stevens, Jo Ruth  
 Odom, Maige Odom and Hectors



"Good Fellowship"



Mrs. Alma Rowless,  
 eldest member of Carvers Creek M. M. C.





Catherine Flynn, Dudley Neill



J. K. Nicholson, Johnnie Huggins,  
Teroy Fason, Charles Hobbs, Jean Powers  
and Gregory Fason



Crowd welcoming the arrival of  
J. A. Auman, Dist. Superintendent of  
Wilmington Dist. on covered wagon



Paul Campbell





"Coffee Hour"  
Rev. Johnnie Huggins



Ida Belle Huggins visiting with Nannie Parks



Duke & Linde' Morgan talking to  
Rev. J. M. Carroll, Retired



"Serious Talk"  
Melanie Settlemyer and Sherri Flowers





"Resting"  
Tim Settlemeier, and Brenda West



"Little Miss" Angela Macon



M. A. Settlemeier, Jr.

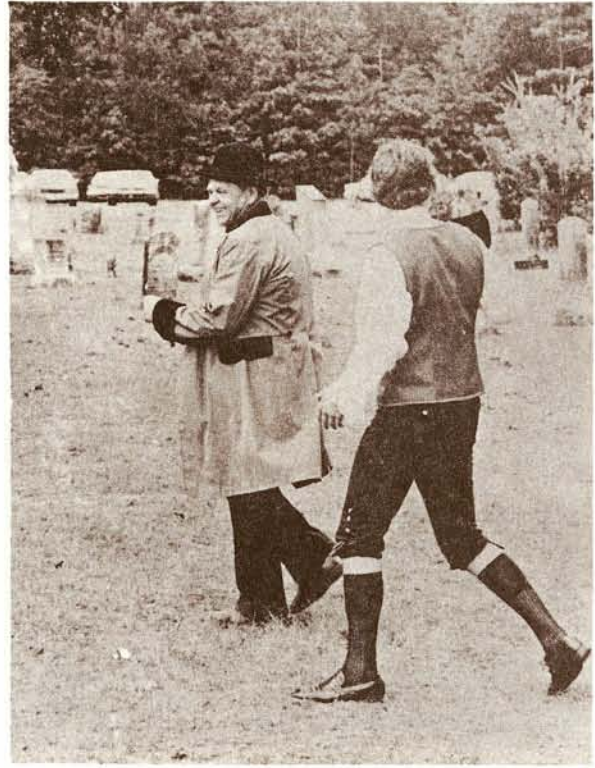


John B. Parks, Sr.  
receiver of "Service Award" for 1976





Mrs. Elliott Henry, Carrie Lou Hardy  
& Mr. Henry



Earl Miller, Sr.



Carole Stevens

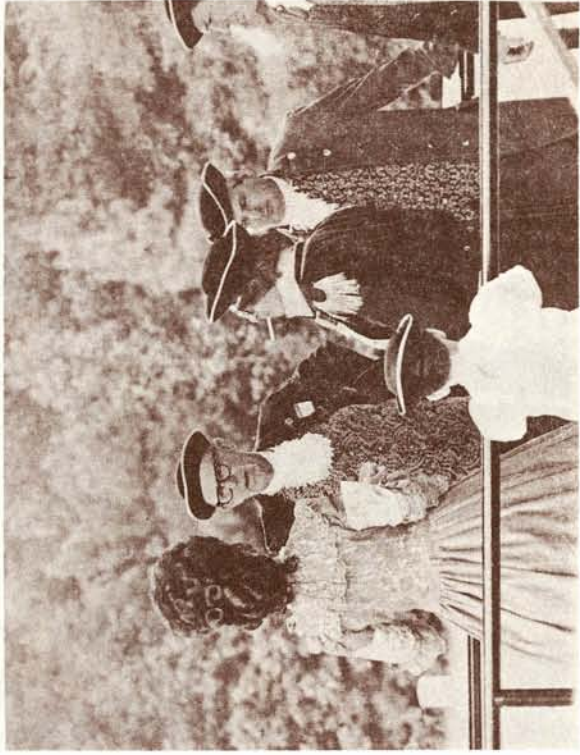


Tim Settlemyer

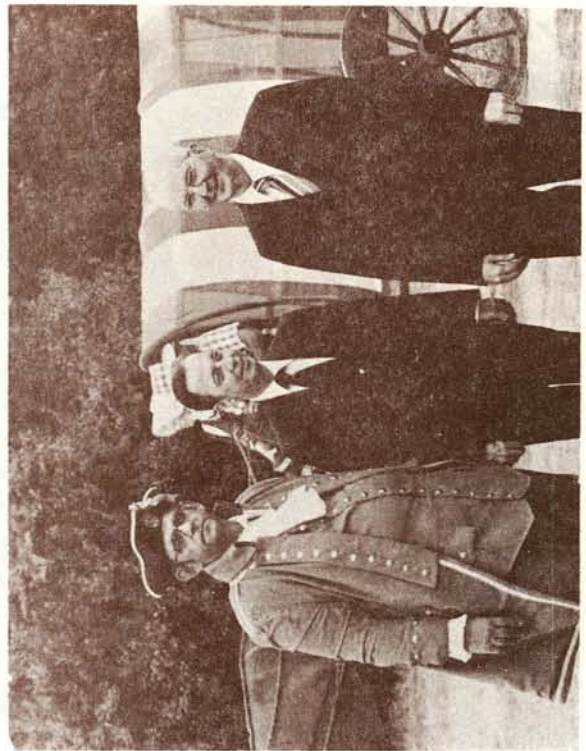




Mr. & Mrs. P. C. Guyton registering.  
Also Carl McCulloch, Mattie Settlemyer  
& Mrs. Claude Cain



J. B. Nicholson, B. A. Sigman, Charles Hobbs,  
Ernest Guyton

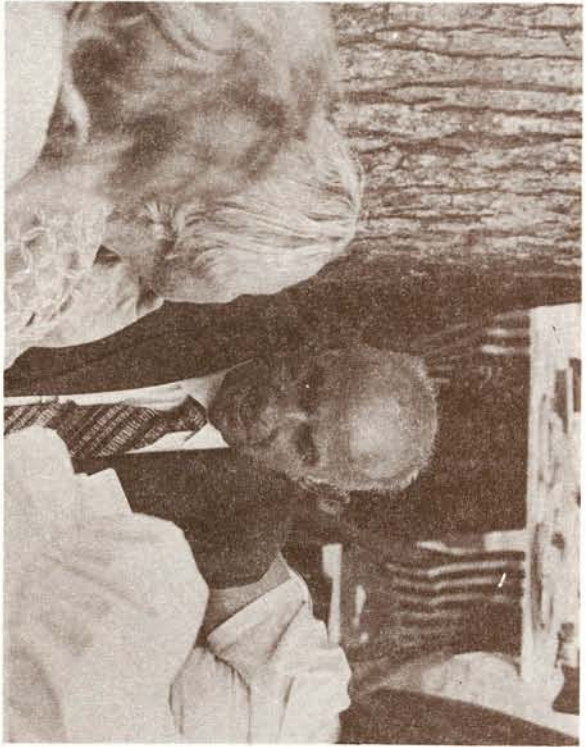


Mr. & Mrs. Elliott Henry and their Covered  
Wagon. Rev. Johnnie Huggins, Bishop Robert  
Blackburn and Rev. James A. Auman

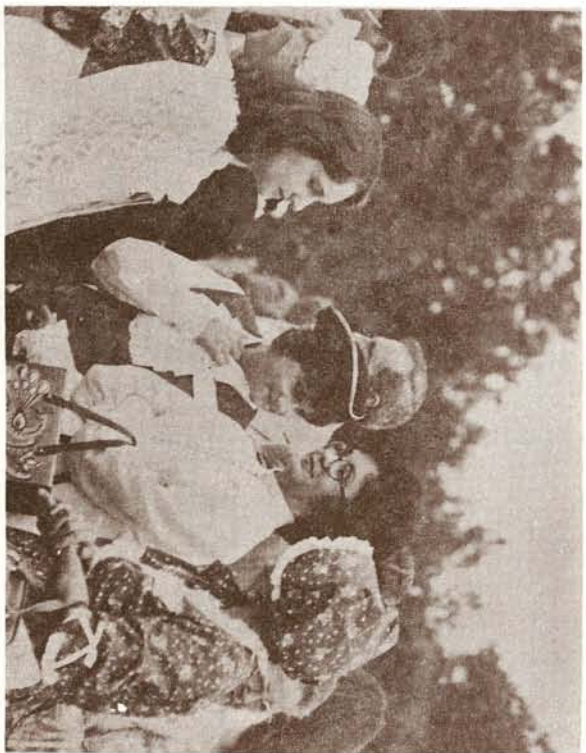


The Elliott Henrys', Johnnie Huggins, Robert  
Blackburn, and James Auman

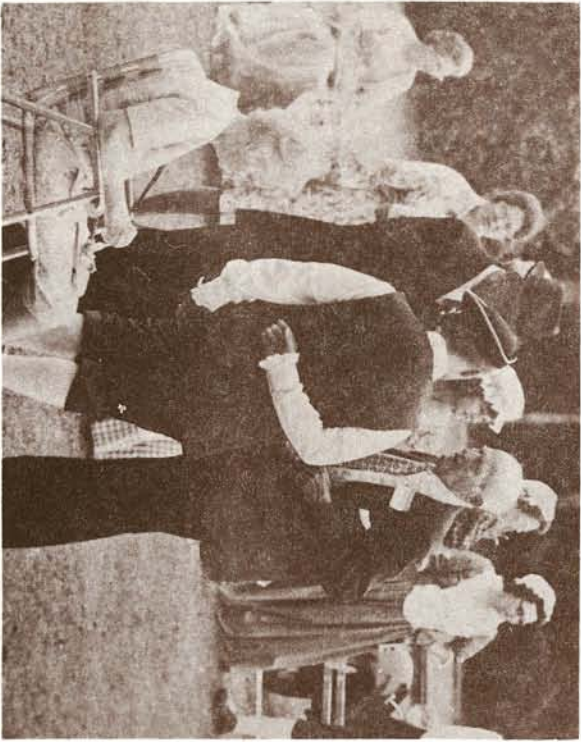




Thomas H. Higgins



Fiori Marcon, Ethel Flowers and Linda Smith



Alice Frederic, Maude Gaines, Amy Praddy,  
 Carole Stevens, George M. Praddy,  
 Ruby Campbell, and Mattie Setlemeyer



Jean Powers, Slade and Mary Applewhite,  
 Ruth Sigman



September 6, 1976

To The Reader:

It is with a humble and thankful heart that I dedicate this Bicentennial Historic Book of Carver's Creek United Methodist Church to the glory of God, and to my wife, Ruby. I also acknowledge and thank all the people of the Church who have contributed material to complete this book, and I especially thank all those who worked so hard in preparation for the Bicentennial Observance held on August 29, 1976.

Compiling and editing the material has been a rich and rewarding experience; one that has made me very much aware of the Christian faith and beliefs of the people of Carver's Creek United Methodist Church down through the years. This historical Church is steeped in tradition that dates back to the settling of the Carver's Creek section of Bladen County. It is a tradition that has been carried on by the people who have committed their lives to the principles set down by our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Down through the years Carver's Creek United Methodist Church has been aware of her mission and witness, and has carried on a program that has nurtured the Spiritual life of the people in her Charge. By the grace of Almighty God, and the future commitment of her congregations, she will continue to do so for many years to come.

Again, I thank God for the opportunity that He has given me to be a part of the ministry and leadership of this, His Church

The Reverend Johnnie S. Huggins



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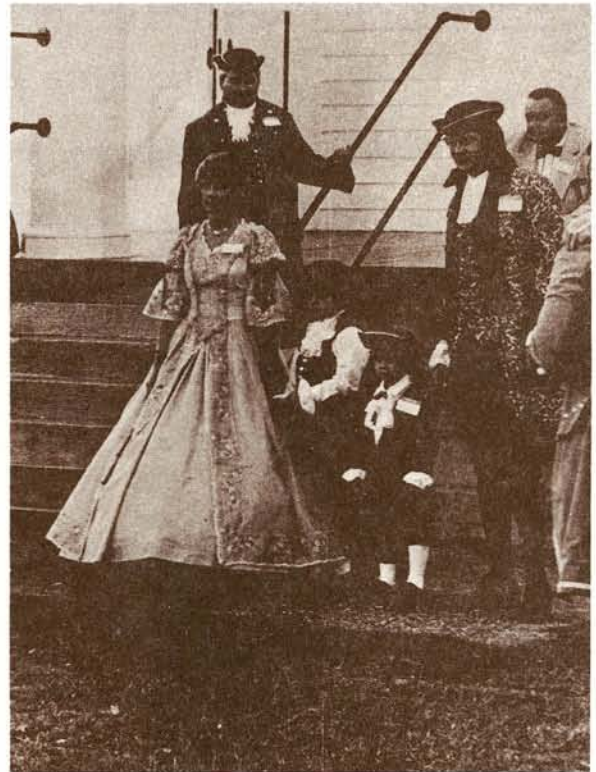




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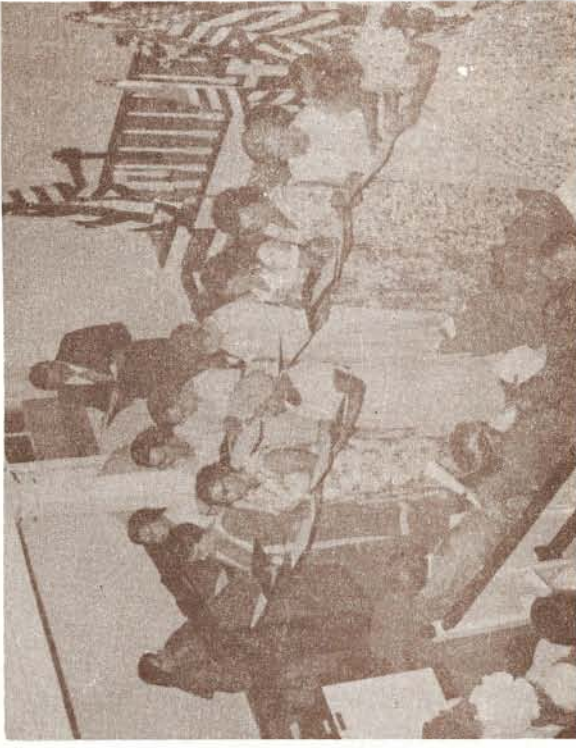


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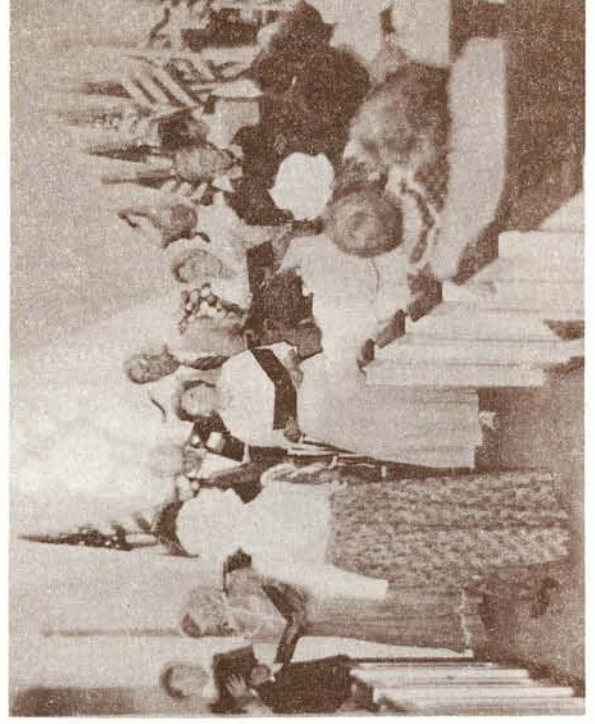


Charles Hobbs-Elizabeth, Brad, Tim  
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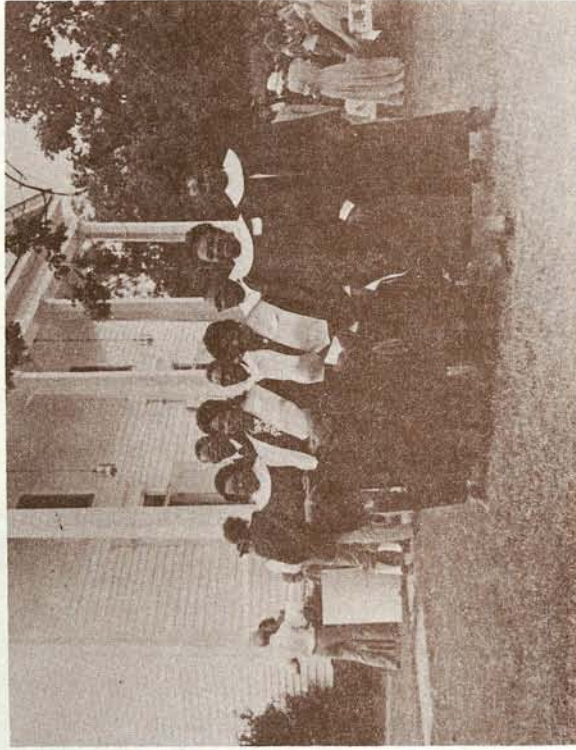




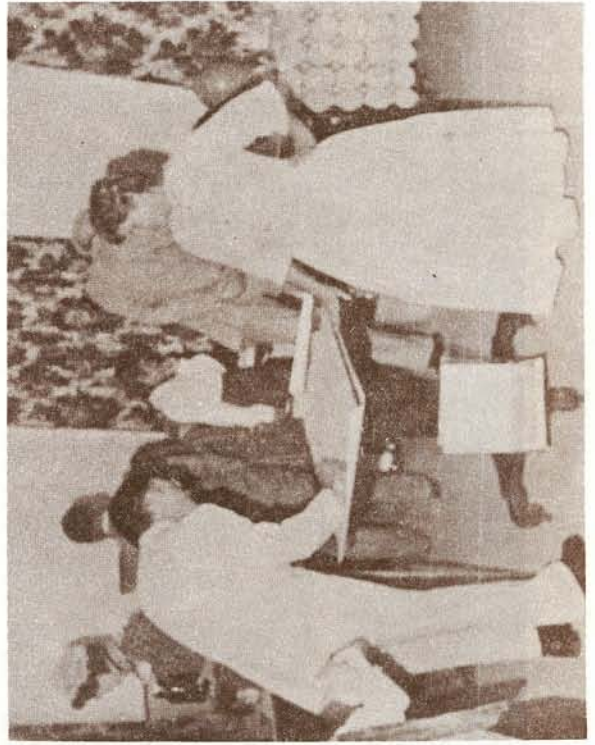
Choir - Shiloh United Methodist Church -  
Bolton Charge



Choir - Carver's Creek  
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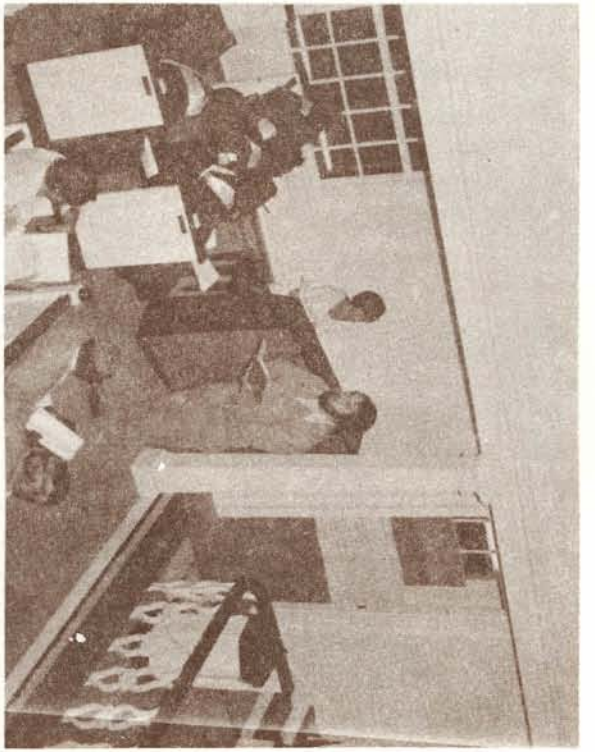


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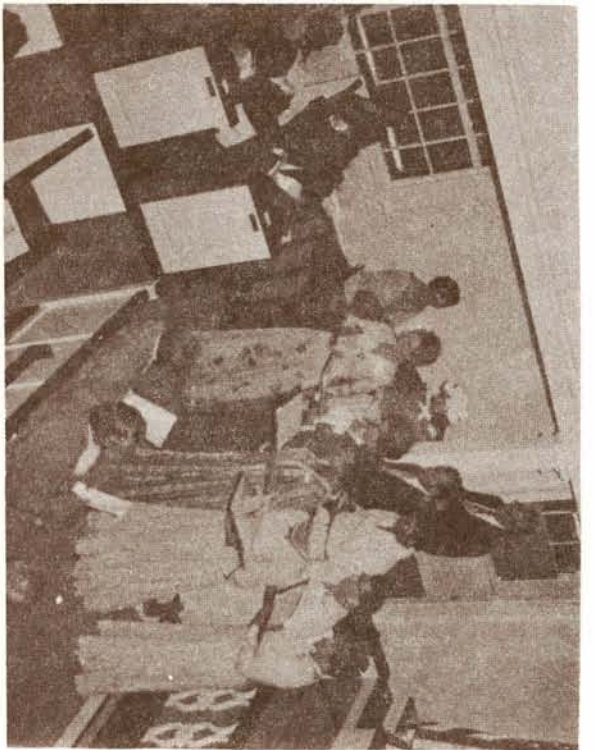


Carl McCulloch signing Scroll  
in Historical Room, also Piza Flowers

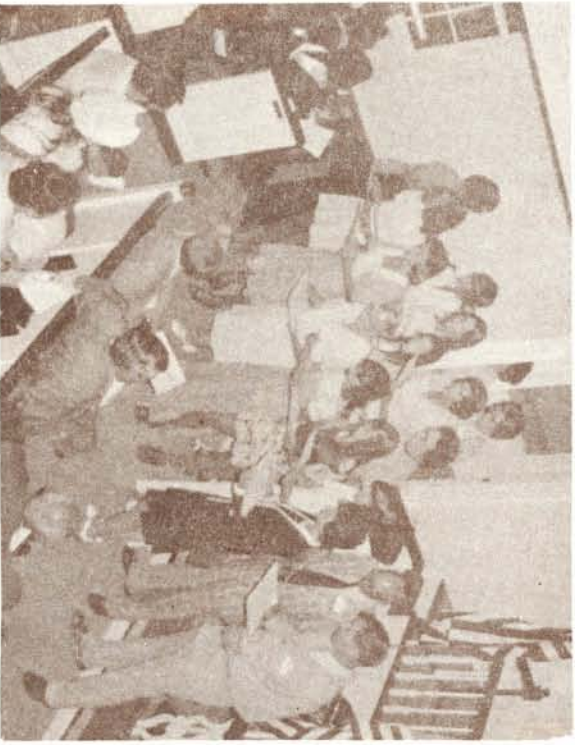




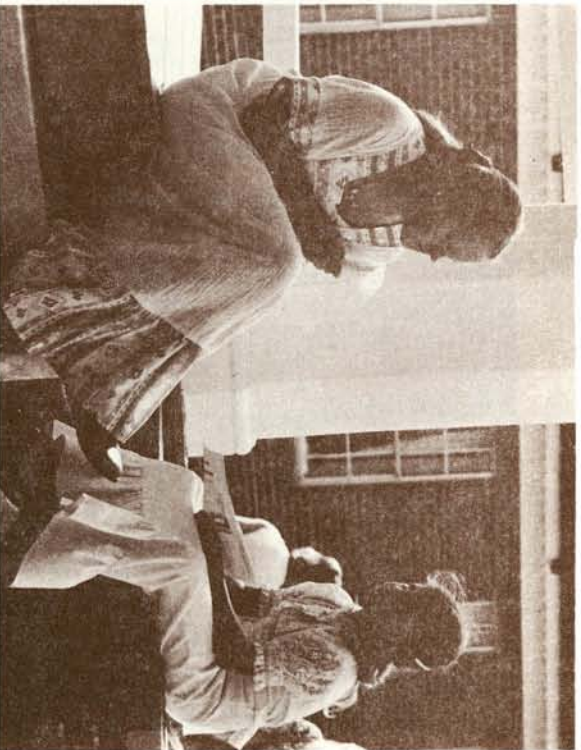
Rev. Roger Paxton  
Mrs. Jo Ruth Odum, Pianist



Choir - Bolton United Methodist Church



Choir from Trinity - Ballg-  
United Methodist Church



"So Tired"



Carver's Creek United Methodist Church is rich in history and steeped in tradition that dates back to the settling of the Cape Fear River Community of Carver's Creek, Carver's Creek was one of the first sections of Bladen County to be settled by our forefathers. Between 1730 and 1750 many families had acquired land, either by grant from the King of England or by purchase from the Lord's Proprietors.

Back in those days the western bank of the Cape Fear River was rich with tracts of well timbered land which came into the possession of the early settlers. The people who first inhabited the Carver's Creek section were mostly of English stock. Like other pioneers of that age they were a sturdy, industrious, peace-loving, and God fearing people. They at once began to clear the forest and establish homes along the river, and became an agricultural region. The woods were filled with virgin long leaf pine; therefore, their homes were built of the best timber in the country and all the work was done by hand with great care and pride in their workmanship.

At the time two houses were built with brick brought over from England. They were the Brown Home at Oakland and the Andres Home at Ramah. Ramah has long since burned, but Oakland still stands today as it did before the Revolution. Other early plantations were White Hall, Mount Holly, Ashwood, Strawberry (which was part of Ramah), Brighton, Nancy Hall, Westbrook, and Kings Bluff.

By the year of 1750 a large number of people had established homes and plantations along the banks of the Cape Fear River in the Carver's Creek section of Bladen County. Among were a group of Quakers who built a log meeting house on the site where Carver's Creek United Methodist Church now stands. The Quakers worshipped there until the outbreak of the War of the Revolution. Being a peace-loving people they dreaded the horrors of war so they refused to take part in the hostility. Many of them moved from Carver's Creek and settled in Mecklenburg and Guilford Counties. As the war spread, they found once again that they were in the midst of hostilities; so therefore, they joined wholeheartedly and fought valiantly for the cause of the Colonies until the surrender of Cornwallis. At the end of the war they remained in Mecklenburg and Guilford Counties.

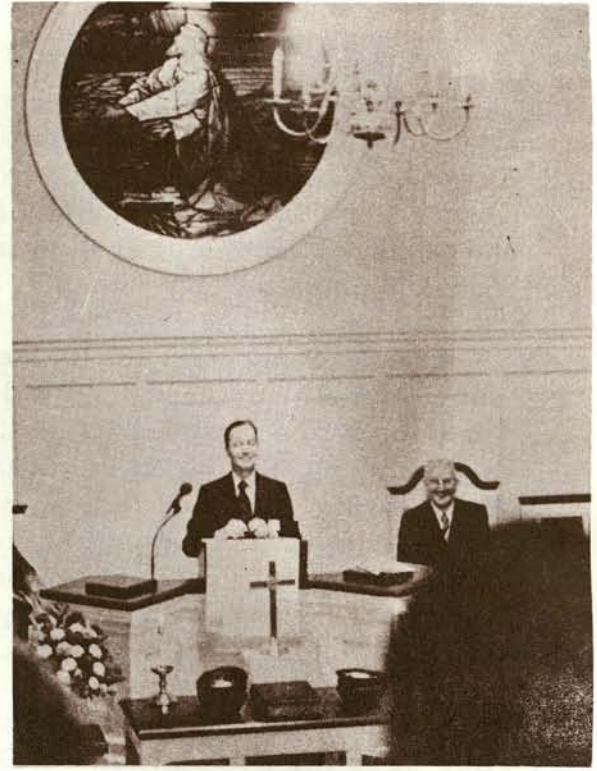
In 1776 a group of Christians began to use the Quaker Meeting House at Carver's Creek for the worship of God. These same folks and the Meeting House were to become the first congregation of the Methodist Church in Bladen County.

No people in Colonial times were more devoted to the cause of liberty and freedom from English rule and tyranny than those of Carver's Creek. Their patriotism was unquestionable. At the very onset of the Revolution, young men from the community took up arms against the British and fought with the army until they had achieved victory.





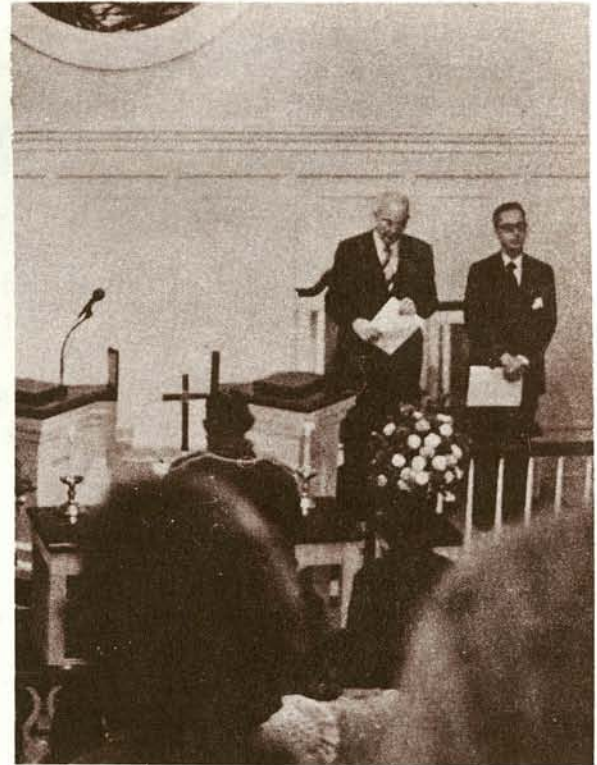
"Mrs. Paul Campbell writing her name."



Bishop Robert Blackburn delivering  
"Message of The Day."



Enjoying the fellowship



Dedication of morning offering



Major General Thomas Brown of Carver's Creek commanded our forces in the Battle of Elizabethtown. He also took an active part in leading men of our community in many other battles during the war for our nation's independence. His men demonstrated their patriotism and bravery, sacrificing everything for the cause that they believed to be just and right. It was with great pride that Carver's Creek community furnished its "flower of manhood" in freeing this country from the yoke of the British crown. The memory of these brave men shall never be forgotten.

The Wesleyan Revival, which had swept England and had made its way to the Colonies before the Revolutionary War, established the Carolina Circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1776. The growth of the Methodist Episcopal Church in North Carolina toward the close of the war and in the 1780's and 1790's was greatly due to the Reverend Francis Asbury. Prior to the war John Wesley had sent a few preachers to the Colonies before he sent Asbury; but, when the Revolutionary War broke out, all returned to England except Asbury. In March of 1778 Francis Asbury wrote the following in his journal: "I was under some heaviness of mind. But it was no wonder: three thousand miles from home---my friends have left me---I am considered by some as an enemy of the country---every day I'm liable to be seized by violence, and abused. However, all this is but a trifle to suffer for Christ, and the salvation of souls. Lord stand by me."

When Francis Asbury arrived in New York in 1771 there were only 1,000 American Methodist Christians. At the time of his death in 1816 there were 200,000 members. At the "Christmas Conference" of 1784 in Baltimore Francis Asbury, a Lay-preacher until this time, was ordained Deacon, Elder, and Superintendent on three consecutive days. In the minutes of the Conference of 1789 he, along with Thomas Coke and John Wesley, was voted to "exercise the episcopal office in the Methodist Episcopal Church, in Europe and America."

Bishop Francis Asbury was indeed a man of no ordinary power. He was considered a great pulpit orator and, along with his preaching ability, he had an unusual gift of organization. He was a natural born leader and one of America's great Evangelists. He traveled the Circuits of Methodism and preached the Gospel wherever he had the opportunity. It is recorded that he crossed the Alleghenies no less than sixty times.

After being elected to the Episcopacy at the 1789 Conference, Bishop Asbury was traveling by horseback from New York to Georgia. It was on this trip that he passed through the Carver's Creek section of Bladen County. He spent some time in the community, and it was through his preaching that Methodism had its beginning in this area. The small band of believers, who were using the "Old Quaker Log Meeting House" at Carver's Creek, along with many non-believers who were converted, were organized into a Methodist Episcopal Church. The Quakers deeded the "Meeting House" to the Methodist. Since that time Carver's Creek Methodist Church has been a religious center of the community.

In 1790 Carver's Creek Methodist Church became a part of the Bladen Circuit.





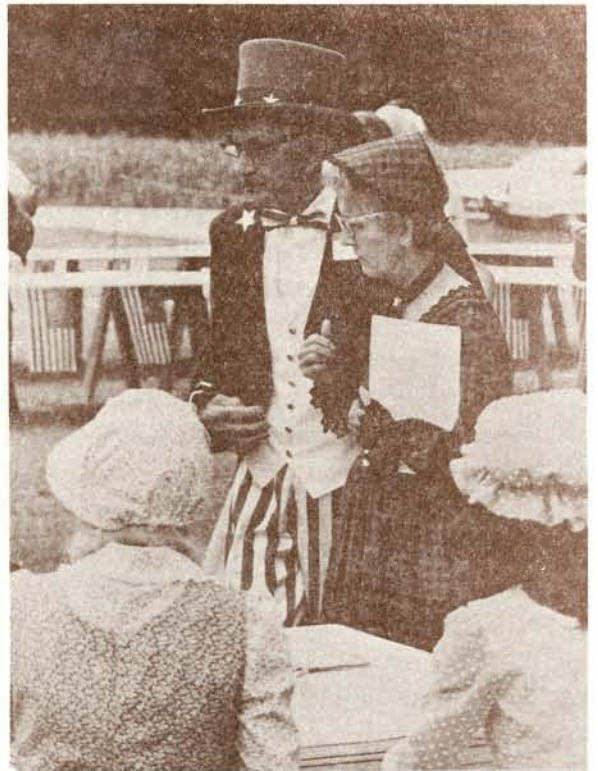
Mike Hobbs, Sandy Bulter, Joanie Jackson



Mr. & Mrs. B. A. Sigman  
Mr. & Mrs. C. C. Counts of Wilmington, N. C.



A. C. Guyton, Shelby Jean Hobbs



Mr. & Mrs. Norma Guyton



The circuit had a total membership of 167 whites and 61 blacks. It was part of the Wilmington District of the South Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The first minister serving the church and circuit was The Reverend Jonathan Byrd.

During the first sixty years of the 19th Century much progress was made throughout the Carver's Creek section. New homes were built, fields were cleared, roads were opened, and a spirit of good will prevailed among all the people. The plantation owners had their slaves and the slaves were faithful to their masters. In several instances, after they were granted their freedom, some elected to remain where they were and worked on the plantations until their death. During those days hundreds of acres of the Cape Fear River lowlands were cleared and put under cultivation.

In 1810 "The Old Log Meeting House" was replaced by a crude frame church building. The Reverend Anthony Senter was pastor of the circuit at that time. In 1814 The Reverend James O. Andrew became pastor of the circuit. In 1832 the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church met in Philadelphia, and it was at this conference, that the Reverend Andrew was elected Bishop. He was a modest and quiet man, who never felt quite at home in his elevated position of Bishop.

Bishop Andrew became a "slave owner". A lady of Augusta, Georgia, left him a slave girl upon the condition that he would liberate and send her to Liberia; but, when she reached the required age, she refused to go. Legally she remained the property of the Bishop. He had also inherited from his first wife a slave boy, which the law of the state of Georgia prohibited him from setting free. His second wife had also inherited slaves from her first husband's estate.

When the Bishop went to the General Conference in New York in 1844, he was "Affectionately requested to resign" due to his ownership of slaves. The Southern Delegation to the conference took the position that the conference had no constitutional right to make this request. They contended that Bishop Andrew had violated no rule of the church, since a resolution had been passed in 1840 legalizing slave-holding in all of the ministry; however, the Northern Brethren at the conference denied this action.

A meeting of the Southern Conference was called in Louisville, Kentucky on May 1, 1845. On June 17th a vote was taken of the delegates at the conference and by a 95 for and 2 against, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South became a fact. The new church declared its independence from the jurisdiction of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church. One year later, May 1846, the first General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South met in Petersburg, Virginia. It adopted the old Discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

In 1832 Shiloh Methodist Episcopal Church was founded in Columbus County near the Bladen County line. It became a part of the Bladen Circuit. The Reverends Jackey M. Bradley and J.H. Massey were Pastors of the circuit at the time.





Dorma and Lynnette Guyton



"Family Portrait"  
Ferd, Treassa, and John Redford  
and Sudie Redford.



"Such a wonderful day"  
Hester Nicholson



Melanie Settlemyer and Son, Heath



In 1858 the frame building used by Carver's Creek Methodist Episcopal Church, South burned. In 1859 the members of the church saw the need for a new and larger building. Through the generosity of the late Andrew Jones, a bachelor and member of the church, and the sacrificial giving and spirit of the membership, the present building was erected. The structure was built by a Mr. Carter who was recognized as one of the most skillful carpenters and builders of his day. This part of the structure is still being used today. The building is sixty by forty feet and about thirty feet from the ground to the eaves. Inside the building two aisles and three rows of seats are on the main floor of the sanctuary. The balcony consists of three sides that allows the people a total view of the pulpit area. The very best of timber was used in the construction. The sills and stringers are twelve by twelve and hand hewn from the heart of pine. Also, practically all of the frame work was hand hewn and mortised as was the custom in that day. The weather boarding and flooring are hand dressed fat lightwood. The pulpit and chancel still show the handiwork of a master workman.

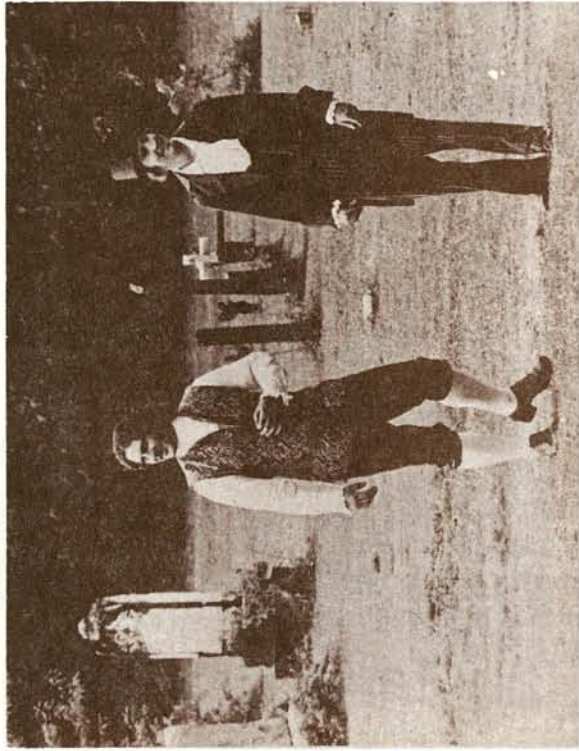
During those days the balcony was used for the slaves who came to worship. Often they were called upon to take part in the service, especially in the singing. The entrance to the balcony, or "slave gallery" as it was called in those days, was by doors on each side of the rear of the building on the outside.

The new Carver's Creek Methodist Episcopal Church, South Building was dedicated within the same year as it was begun, completely debt free. The pastor, The Reverend Washington B. Richardson, opened the Dedication Service with the congregation singing "All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name". The Dedication Sermon was preached by The Reverend Doctor Charles Deems, presiding Elder of the Wilmington District. Dr. Deems was one of the most noted clergymen of his day. After leaving the Wilmington District he became the pastor of The Church of The Strangers in New York City where he served until his death.

When the first guns were fired on Fort Sumter in the spring of 1861 the patriotism of the people of Carver's Creek community was aroused. Many of the young men left their homes to join Confederate Forces on the battlefield. Braver men had never followed a general into battle than did the men of Bladen County. Among those who fought in the Civil War from Carver's Creek Community were Captain Willie Brown, James Dickson, Joseph Dickson, Captain K. H. Braddy, Major R. M. DeVane, D. G. Robeson, W. J. Maulsby, George and David Gillespie, Henry R. Daniels, Will Pritchard, Henry Maulsby, Robert Council, Solmon McNorton, and many other fine young men of the community. Joseph Dickson, David Gillespie, Will Pritchard, and Henry Maulsby were all killed in the line of action.

During the Civil War the people of the community suffered many hardships horrors. A wing of Sherman's Army passed through Carver's Creek in the spring of 1865 taking with them horses, provisions, and other things. When the Confederate Soldiers returned home later in the spring they found everything in "rack and ruin"; but, these men and their families faced the future with

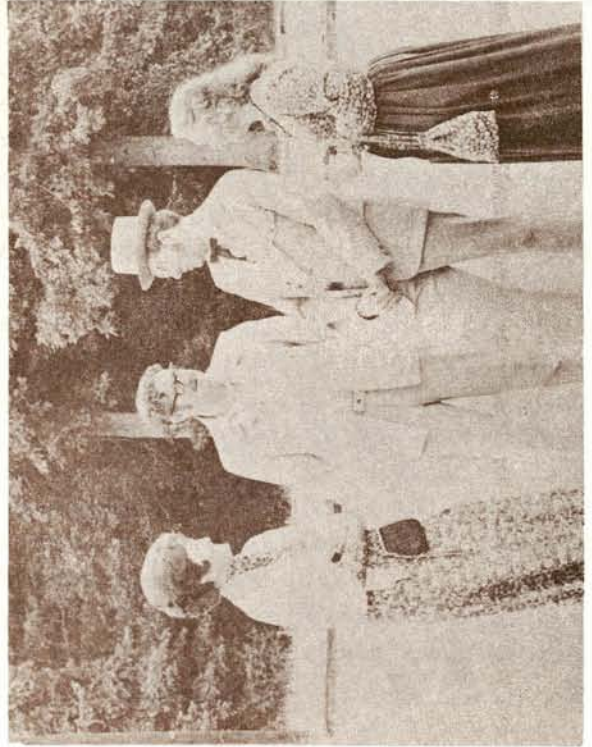




Glenn Campbell and Jack West



"Getting it together"  
Billy Bordeaux and Tommy Hobbs



Mrs. U. V. Cain, Ronald King  
and Mrs. & Mr. Richard Bridgers



Brenda West



a determined will. They came through the trying times of the Reconstruction Period a stronger, braver, and more upright community.

Before and after the Civil War, for many years, White Hall was the commercial center of Carver's Creek Community. The Carolina Central Railroad had been built during the 1850's; however, the Cape Fear River boats were still the means of transportation for both freight and passengers and were operated daily up and down the river. Turpentine, tar, and timber were the products of the forest to be shipped. It is said that many people from as far away as Whiteville rolled barrels of turpentine all the way to White Hall to be shipped aboard the boats. Captain Green ran a General Store there for years and the first cotton gin in the community was erected there. Many boat landings could be found along the banks of the Cape Fear. The mail was received at White Hall and a ferry was maintained by Bladen County for years.

In 1858 another Methodist Episcopal Church, South was built at Bladen Springs. This church was also added to the Bladen Circuit with The Reverend Daniel Culbreth serving as pastor.

During these years the community was very prosperous. Mr. D. G. Robeson had a Mercantile Store at Robeson's Landing. Major DeVane had a store at his home. Mr. Council had a store at the railroad siding at Council Station. Other merchants in the community were John P. Council, A. G. Holmes, James L. Nicholson, W. E. Flake, L. E. Squires, and Robert Green. John C. Daniels had a very good business at Daniels Landing.

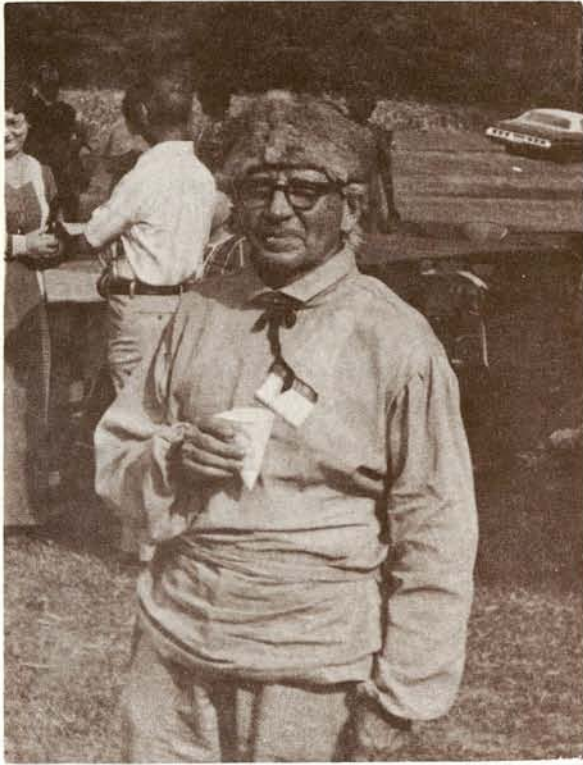
The schools in Carver's Creek community, as in other rural areas in the late 1800's, were of the one room, one teacher type. The first noted school was the Gage School at the Gillespie School House. Mr. Gage, a yankee, came to the community immediately following the Civil War and taught school there and all the young boys and girls living within a five mile radius attended. A few years later Mr. Thomas Sloan taught at a school located near Carver's Creek Church. Next, came Mr. Calvin Hines, a native of Duplin County, and his students were numbered by the scores. School buildings, in those days were located at White Hall, near the home of D. G. Robeson, also near the home of J. T. Stevens at Council, on the Kings Land near the Flowers' home, and at East Arcadia. The one-room building at Carver's Creek was named the Hines School House.

In 1884 the Carver's Creek Circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South was formed. The churches of the new circuit had a combined membership of 360 members. The Reverend S. R. Belk was pastor of the circuit.

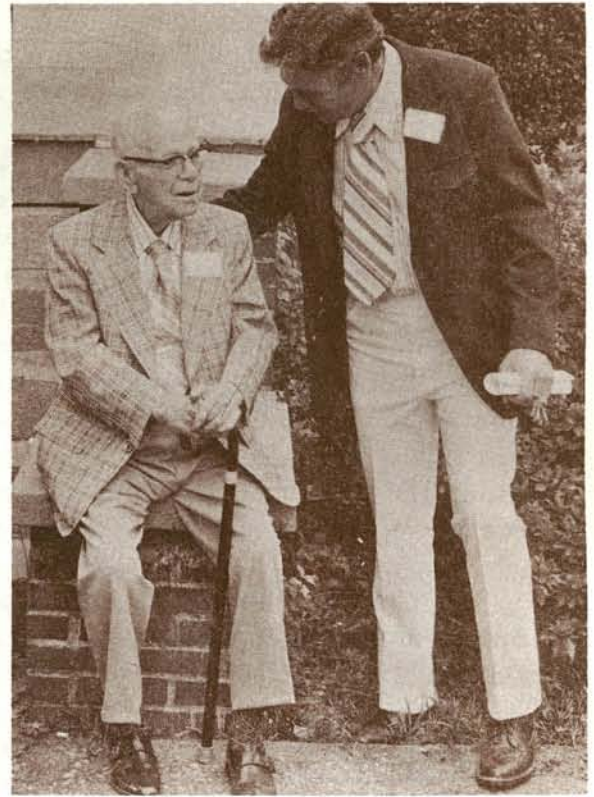
In 1904 Council Methodist Episcopal Church, South, along with the Carver's Creek Methodist Parsonage was built at Council. The Council Church became part of Carver's Creek Circuit with the minister for the circuit living at Council. The Reverend J. J. Porter was the pastor of the circuit at the time.

In 1905 another Methodist Episcopal Church, South was built at Bolton. The Bolton Church became part of the Carver's Creek Circuit with The Reverend





Frank Payne



Clay Bullard and Allen Grimstead



Clovis Settlemyre, Iva Bush,  
Gregory Eason & Mary Lou Eason



B. A. Sigman



J. J. Porter still as the pastor of the circuit.

In October 1913 another Methodist Episcopal Church, South was built at Freeman and it also became one of the churches on Carver's Creek Circuit when The Reverend W. E. Brown was pastor of the circuit.

In March 1914 the New Berlin Methodist Episcopal Church, South was built at Delco. It too became part of the Carver's Creek Circuit with the Reverend W. J. Watson serving as circuit pastor.

During the First World War, once again, the community sent five of its young men to serve in the Armed Forces. Two of which came from Carver's Creek Church: Dorma C. Guyton and Edgar Flowers. The other three were Henry Cromartie, Ernest Savage, and L. J. Prevatte.

In 1919 Weyman Methodist Episcopal Church, South was built near East Arcadia. It, also became one of the churches making up the Carver's Creek Circuit. The next church to be built and added to the circuit was French's Creek Methodist Episcopal Church, South at Kelly. Both of these were built when the Reverend T. W. Siler was pastor of the circuit.

As of 1920 Carver's Creek Circuit consisted of Carver's Creek, Bladen Springs, Bolton, Council, Delco (New Berlin), Freeman, French's Creek (Kelly), Shiloh, and Weyman Churches.

From 1844 until April 25, 1939 there were three main bodies of the Methodist Church in America. They were the Methodist Episcopal Church, The Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and The Methodist Protestant Church. In 1934 these three bodies met and set up machinery for the preparation of a plan for reunion. The General Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church ratified the plan at once by a vote of 142 for and 39 against. The Methodist Episcopal Church, in its General Conference of 1936 voted 470 in favor of the plan while 83 voted against it. At the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in 1938 only 26 votes were recorded against the reunion with 434 in its favor. On April 25, 1939 a Uniting Conference was held in Kansas City, Missouri. At that time The Methodist Church started with a membership of more than eight million, the largest Protestant body in the United States. Pastor of Carver's Creek Circuit at the time of the union was The Reverend C. C. Wood.

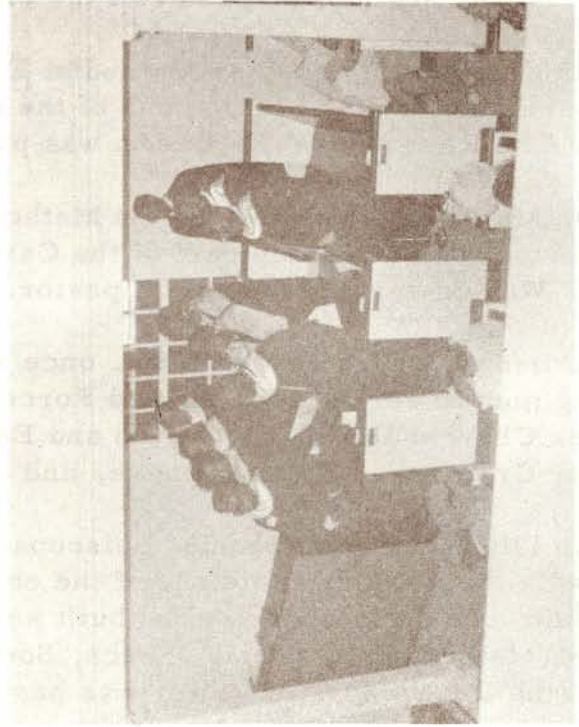
When the Japanese attack took place at Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared war on Japan, Germany, Italy, and the Axis forces. As before, many of the young men of Carver's Creek Church showed their bravery and patriotism by serving in the United States Armed Forces. They served valiantly as did those who were called later to serve in the war in Korea and in Vietnam.

In 1950 a three-acre lot on N. C. Highway # 87 was deeded to the Trustees of

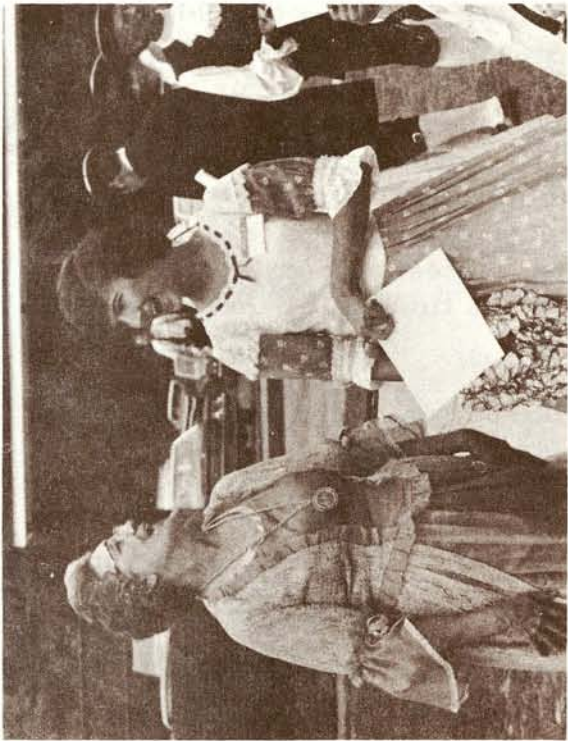




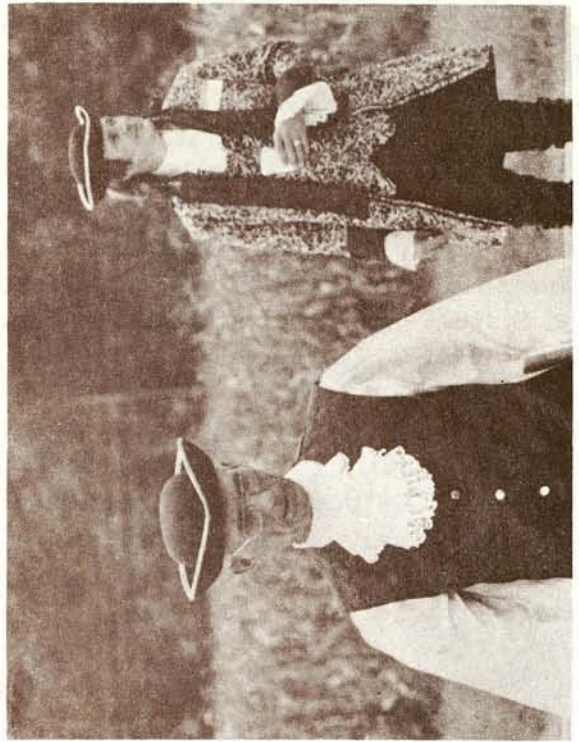
Small Boys at play



Choir from Carver's Creek A. M. E. Zion Church



"It's a beautiful day"  
Alice Frederic and Emily Huffstetler



Paul Campbell and Billy Setlemeyer



Carver's Creek Methodist Church by Mrs. Nannie Parks. A new parsonage was built on the site for the future ministers and their families who would be appointed to serve Carver's Creek Circuit. The old parsonage at Council was sold to Council Baptist Church and it is still being used as their parsonage. The Reverend A. D. Byrd, Jr. was pastor of the circuit at the time the men of the church built the new parsonage and was the first pastor to occupy it. During the past 26 years some additions have been made, the upstairs completed, and various renovations done. It now consists of four bedrooms, two baths, den, kitchen, utility, dining, and living rooms.

In 1952 the membership of Carver's Creek Methodist Church had grown so, that an addition of some Sunday School Class Rooms were necessary. At the time classes were being held in the "Slave Gallery". The members voted to make the first addition to the building. Five class rooms, an assembly hall, kitchen, and restrooms were added.

On April 23, 1968 "A Plan of Union" uniting the Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church into one body, to be named the United Methodist Church, was made effective by the Uniting Conference in Dallas, Texas. The Reverend Travis W. Owen was pastor at that time.

Although Carver's Creek United Methodist Church now has a new look, it still exemplifies its original architecture. This last building program began "on paper" in 1966, at which time The Reverend Travis W. Owen was Pastor. In September 1969 a "Ground Breaking Service" was held and shortly thereafter construction began. The major phase of the program was to restore and renovate the church. The second phase was to build an educational building consisting of five class rooms, a large Fellowship Hall and Assembly Room, a kitchen, two restrooms, and a furnace room. The educational building was joined to the main church by a covered walkway. Both buildings are air-conditioned and heated electrically. Mr. J. Kadell Peterson of Elizabethtown was the contractor and Ballard, McKim, and Sawyer of Wilmington were the architects. Mr. Paul Campbell, Lay Leader of the church, was Chairman of the Building Committee. The building program was completed in the fall of 1970 at which time The Reverend J. J. Juren was pastor.

Adjacent to Carver's Creek United Methodist Church is the Carver's Creek Community Cemetary. Approximately thirty very old Quaker graves can be pointed out. These graves date back to 1730. The simplicity and plainness of the Quaker beliefs would not permit marble tombstones, which would have had to be imported from Europe. Instead they used a plain crude-cut stone at the head of the grave. Many of these are still there. The cemetary has been used by the community since the above mentioned date. It is well kept and cared for by a Cemetary Committee and visited annually by people from many parts of our nation.

Carver's Creek United Methodist Church, as of today, represents the merger of three churches into one congregation. They were Carver's Creek, Bladen Springs, and Council Churches. When Ashwood Presbyterian Church closed in 1959 several of the members united with Carver's Creek Church.



Bladen Springs Methodist Church was founded in 1854, when a group of devout men and women of Bladen Springs community realized their need for a place of worship. Their first services were held under the trees on a small plot of land given to them by Mr. Winnen Russ as a site for the church building. Bladen Springs Methodist Episcopal Church, South was erected on the site in 1858. The Reverend Daniel Culbreth was pastor. In 1967 the membership became too small to execute a strong soul winning program, so on June 15th of that year the church building was closed and the congregation merged with Carver's Creek Church.

Council Methodist Church was founded in 1902. A site for the church, along with a site for the Circuit Parsonage was deeded to the appointed Trustees of the church by the late D. W. Council. The church and parsonage was built in 1904. The church was named Council Methodist Episcopal Church, South and The Reverend J. J. Porter was the pastor at the time. In May 1965 it too, as Bladen Springs Church, was closed and the congregation merged with Carver's Creek. Other churches that had been part of the Original Carver's Creek Circuit, have either closed or merged with other churches except Bolton and Shiloh. They are a two church charge at this time with The Reverend Robert E. Rattz, pastor.

Today Carver's Creek Circuit is made up of two churches, Carver's Creek United Methodist Church and Trinity Methodist Church at Kelly. The Charge has a combined membership of 273 of which 213 are at Carver's Creek and 59 are at Trinity. The Charge is a part of the Wilmington District of The North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church, Southeastern Jurisdiction. The Reverend Johnnie S. Huggins is Pastor; The Reverend James A. Auman is District Superintendent; and Robert M. Blackburn is Bishop.

Throughout the years Carver's Creek Church has been "Going Forward For Christ" in her mission, ministry, and witness. One of the most outstanding things that was an annual event for approximately 33 years except two years during World War II, was a "live" Easter Pageant. Mrs. Hobson V. Sanderlin, member of the church, wrote, produced, and directed it each year. Other members of the church portrayed the characters of the event and the music was furnished by Carver's Creek AME Zion Church choir. It was so realistically told about the Easter Story that people from far and wide came to see it.

For almost two centuries many, many people have worked diligently to carry on the mission and programs of Carver's Creek Church. In 1974 it began a "token" recognition of an individual for "The Outstanding Service Award" of the year.

Since the organization of the Bladen Circuit in 1786, which later became the Carver's Creek Circuit, scores of men have served as pastors and ministers of the various churches. Below is a list of them on the pages that follow.



## BLADEN CIRCUIT ORGANIZED IN 1786

The Bladen Circuit had 167 white and 61 colored members in 1790. It was part of the Wilmington District of the South Carolina Conference until 1850 when it was added to the North Carolina Conference.

1790	Bladen Circuit	Jonathan Byrd
1791	" "	John Ahair, William Bellamy
1792	" "	Joshua Cannon, Samuel Edney
1793	" "	Sihon Smith, Benjamin Denton
1794	" "	William Bellamy, Robert Cox
1795	" "	Rufus Wiley, John Shepherd
1796	" "	Anthony Sale
1797	" "	Christopher S. Mooring, Moses Black
1798	" "	James Jenkins, M. Wilson, T. Milligan
1799	" "	John Simmons, Moses Wilson
1800	" "	Jeremiah Norman, John Campbell
1801	" "	Jeremiah Norman, Hanover Donnan
1802	" "	Moses Matthews, Samuel Mills
1803	" "	William Jones, William Avent
1804	" "	Benjamin Jones, Hugh Porter
1805	" "	Lewis Myers, James Russell, J. Porter
1806	" "	Wiley Warwick, Samuel Dunwoody, R. Porter
1807	" "	Stephen Thompson, Solomon Bryan
1808	" "	Robert L. Edwards, Thomas Porch
1809	" "	John Gamewell, Nathan Kimball
1810	" "	Anthony Senter
1811	" "	Michael Burdge



1812	Bladen Circuit	Lewis Hatton, Samuel Jenkin
1813	"	Reuben Tucker
1814	"	James O. Andrew
1815-1816	"	John Boswell
1817	"	Samuel Johnson
1818	"	John Dicks
1819-1820	"	Jeremiah Norman
1821	"	Nicholas Ware
1822	"	Charles Betts
1823	"	John W. Norton
1824	"	Malcolm McPherson
1825	"	Nathaniel H. Rhodes
1826	"	Henry W. Ledbetter
1827	"	James Hitchener
1828	"	John Watts
1829	"	Francis C. Spraggins
1830	"	E. Legget, F.C. Spraggins
1831	"	Morgan C. Turrentine
1832	"	Jackey M. Bradley, J.H. Massey
1833	"	J.M. Bradley
1834	"	A.B. McGilvray, J.N. Davis
1835	"	J. Covington, M Russell
1836	"	W.M.D. Moore, A. Kelley
1837	"	M.C. Turrentine, N. Monroe
1838	"	Willis Haltom, William P. Mouzon



1839	Bladen Circuit	John R. Pickett, George R. Talley
1840	" "	A. Hoyle, H.E. Ogburn
1841	" "	J.M. Bradley, John A. Porter
1842	" "	Marcus A. McKibbon, Allen Huckabee
1843	" "	James M. McPherson, N. Goudelock
1844	" "	Michael Robbins, Samuel Green
1845	" "	Sampson D. Laney, H. A. Bass
1846	" "	Sampson D. Laney, William M. Lee
1847	" "	Allan McCorquodale, Hilliard C. Parsons
1848	" "	Allan McCorquodale, L. A. Johnson
1849	" "	D. J. Simmons, R. Washburn
1850	" "	Territory in S. C. Conference added to N. C. C.
1851	" "	John H. Robinson, D. D. Byars
1852	" "	J. T. St. Clair
1853	" "	Joseph B. Martin, Shockley D. Adams
1854	" "	James B. Martin, Clarendon Pepper
1855	" "	Charles B. Jones, Simeon D. Peeler
1856	" "	M. N. Taylor
1857	" "	Daniel Culbreth
1858	" "	Daniel Culbreth
1859-1860	" "	Washington B. Richardson
1861	" "	Williamson Harris
1862-1863	" "	Perley H. Scoville
1864-1865	" "	James B. Bailey
1866	" "	No appointments listed



1867-1868	Bladen Circuit			C. M. Pepper
1869-1871	"	"	"	C. M. Anderson
1872-1873	"	"	"	J. T. Bagwell
1874	"	"	"	Miles Foy
1875-1877	"	"	"	J. Sandford
1878	"	"	"	Lemon Shell
1879-1880	"	"	"	J. Tillett
1881-1882	"	"	"	F. A. Bishop
1883	"	"	"	Z. T. Harrison
1884	"	"	"	T. B. Reeks

Carver's Creek Circuit formed in 1884 with 360 members

1885-1886	Carver's Creek Circuit			S. R. Belk
1887-1888	"	"	"	R. L. Warlick
1889-1890	"	"	"	T. J. Browning
1891	"	"	"	W. B. Moore
1892	"	"	"	Daniel Reid
1893-1896	"	"	"	L. S. Etheridge
1897	Elizabeth Circuit			C. W. Smith
1898-1900	Carvers Creek Circuit			C. W. Smith
1901	"	"	"	U. J. Millis
1902-1905	"	"	"	J. J. Porter
1906-1909	"	"	"	J. M. Marlowe
1910-1912	"	"	"	L. E. Sawyer
1913-1914	"	"	"	W. E. Brown
1914-1918	"	"	"	W. J. Watson



1918-1921	Carvers Creek Circuit			T. W. Siler
1921-1924	"	"	"	J. L. Smith
1924-1926	"	"	"	J. C. Harmon
1926-1927	"	"	"	W. J. DuBois
1927-1931	"	"	"	W. D. Yarborough
1931-1932	"	"	"	R. J. Lough & D. D. Trayham
1932-1935	"	"	"	W. J. Watson
1935-1937	"	"	"	E. L. Stack
1937-1940	"	"	"	G. C. Wood
1940-1942	"	"	"	J. F. Starnes
1942-1946	"	"	"	Z. V. Cowan
1946-1947	"	"	"	W. J. Freeman
1947-1950	"	"	"	W. G. Lowe
1950-1953	"	"	"	A. D. Byrd
1953-1954	"	"	"	Okey Cooper
1954-1956	"	"	"	W. R. Garrard
1956-1958	"	"	"	Kenneth Townsend
1958-1959	"	"	"	Paul G. Bunn
1959-1963	"	"	"	W. C. Teachey
1963-1968	"	"	"	Travis W. Owen
1968-1972	"	"	"	J. J. Juren
1972-1974	"	"	"	H. W. Burnside
1974-	"	"	"	J. S. Huggins





"Attention, please"



Mrs. Johnnie Huggins

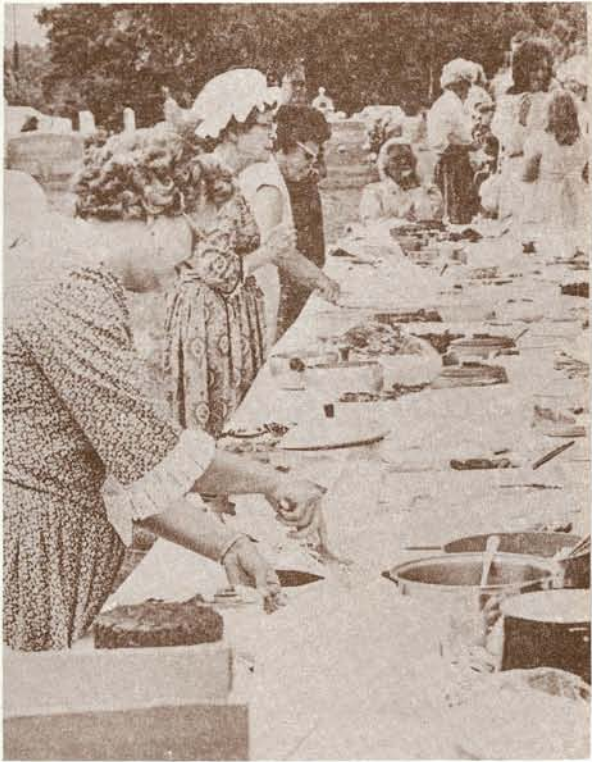


Anna Lura Lasley, Emily and Velna Huffstetler



"Please Register Here"  
 Ruby Huggins and Johnny, Lisa  
 and Miriam Lewis





Betty Parks, Hester Nicholson, Annie Neil Russ,  
Doris Williams, and Miriam Lewis



"Do I have to wait"  
Robert Turner

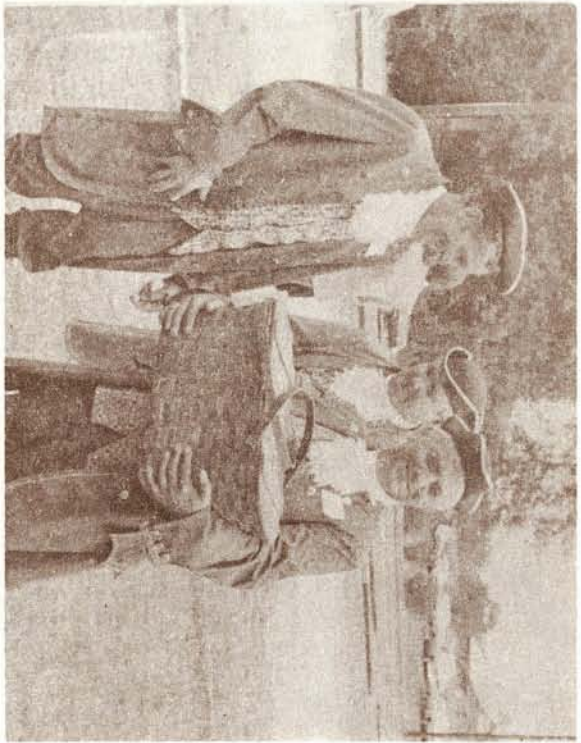


Registration - Doris Williams, Mary Applewhite,  
Ruby Huggins and Sherri Flowers

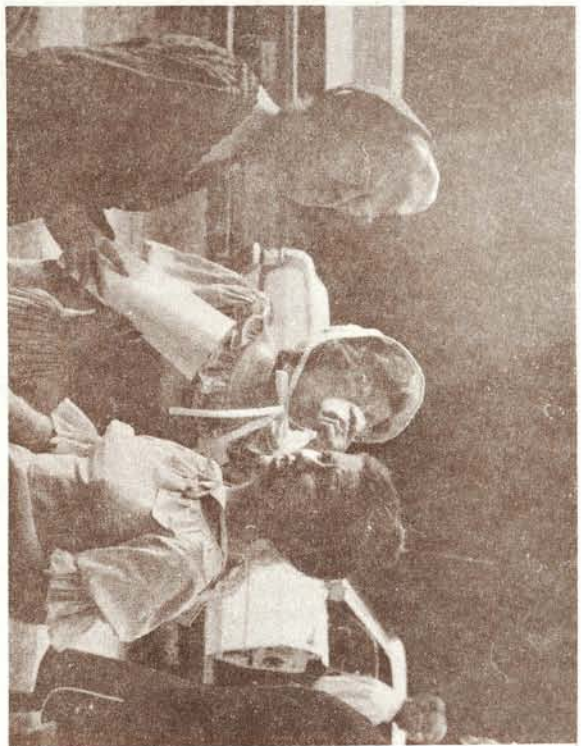


"Food anyone"  
Mattie Heath Settlemyer

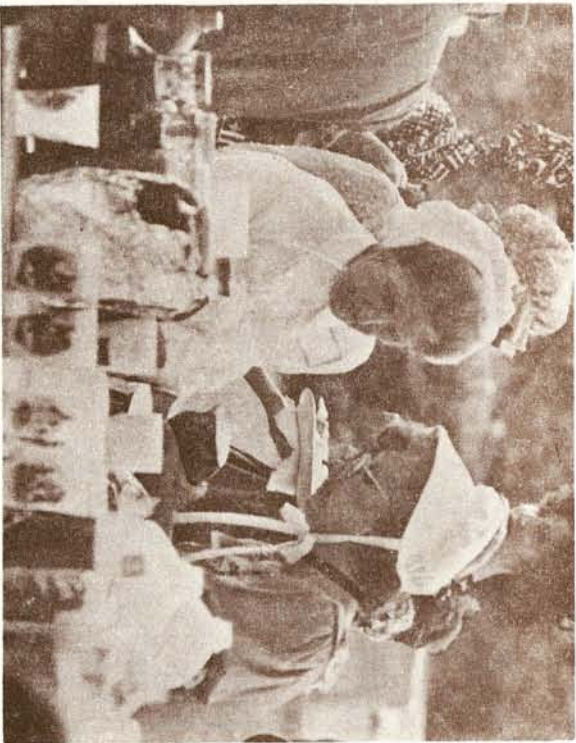




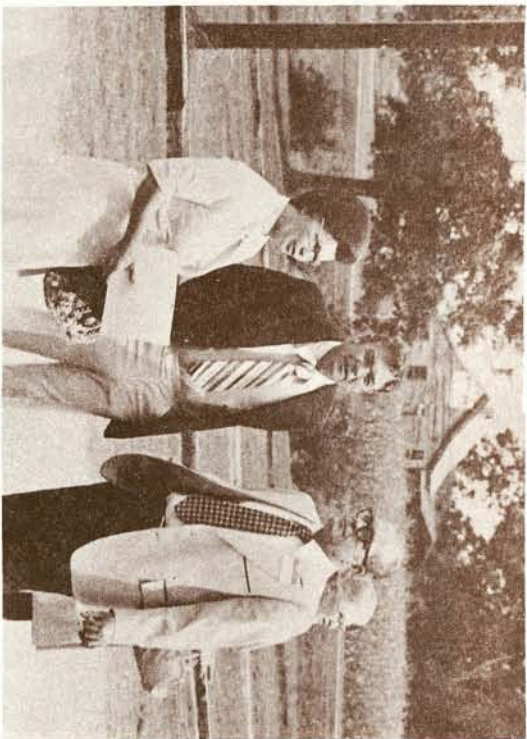
"I got the food"  
 Aug Priest, Charles Hobbs, Albert Settemeyer



Yvonne Gington, Norma Stevens  
 and Margie Stevens



"Something to drink, anyone"  
 Mrs. W. F. Stevens, Sr.  
 & Mrs. W. F. Stevens, Jr.



Catherine Flynn, Allen Grimstead, Curtis Flynn





Janis Nye Margaret Maulsby, James Monroe



Sudie Ledford, Hester Nicholson,  
Eddie Stevens and Parks Tinney



"Spreading the meal"  
Shelby Jean Hobbs, Alice Long,  
Liza Flowers & Sara Grimstead



"A Bountiful Table"

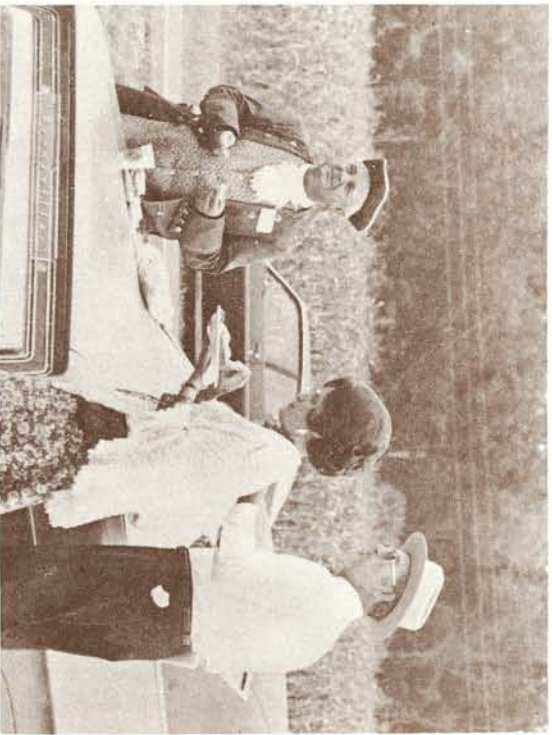




"In Time"  
 Sharon Stephens, Jack West, Becky McRuffie,  
 Sabra Stephens, Daleen, Daleen Stephens & Pat  
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"A Visiting Family"



Mr. A. Settler, Sr. & Mr. & Mrs. Claude Cairns



Redding Hardy, Amos Hardy, Hugh Savage,  
 Jimmy Flowers, and Ronald King

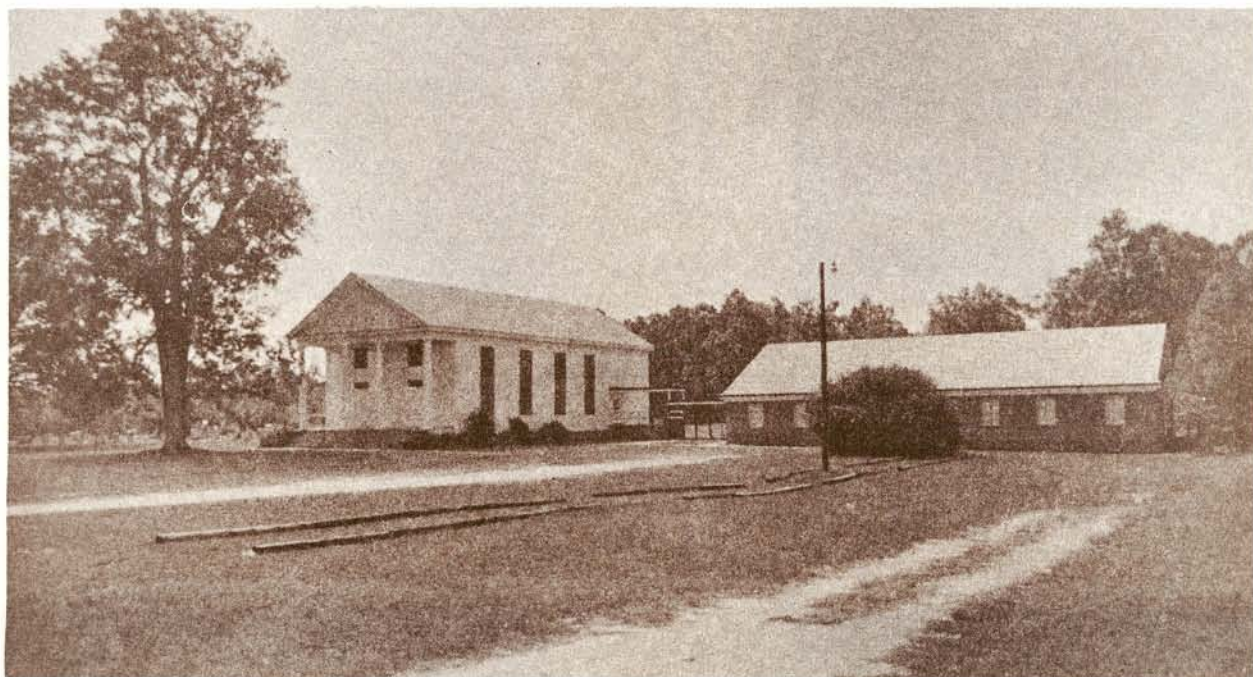


PART TWO



# Carver's Creek United Methodist Church

Route 1 Box 223 - Council, North Carolina 28434



Bicentennial Observance

August 29, 1976

Johnnie S. Huggins, Pastor

Robert M. Blackburn,  
Bishop  
North Carolina Conference

James A. Auman  
Wilmington  
District Superintendent



## THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude - Mrs. Helen M. Sanderlin, Pianist  
Miss Carole Stevens, Organist

Processional:

The Holy Bible - Dean Bordeaux, Bearer

\*Processional Hymn # 1 - "Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory"

Lighting the Candles - Ferd Ledford & Tim Stevens, Acolytes  
Christian and American Flags - Sabra & Sharon Stephens, Bearers  
The Clergy  
The Choirs

\*Call to Worship - The Reverend Johnnie S. Huggins

\*Invocation

\*Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag: In Unison

I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America,  
and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation, under God,  
indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

\*Pledge of Allegiance to the Christian Flag: In Unison

I pledge allegiance to the Christian flag, and to the Savior for  
whose Kingdom it stands, one brotherhood uniting all mankind  
in service and love.

\*Pledge to the Holy Bible: In Unison

I pledge allegiance to the Holy Bible, God's Holy Word, and will  
make it a lamp unto my feet, a light unto my path, and hide its  
words in my heart that I may not sin against God.

\*Hymn #2 - "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Call to Prayer - Silent Meditation - The Reverend James A Auman,  
Wilmington District Superintendent

Collect Prayer: In Unison

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God,  
who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend  
us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we  
fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all  
our doings may be ordered by thy goverance, to do always that  
which is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



Pastoral Prayer

Solo: "The Lord's Prayer" Mrs. Jo Ruth Odom, Wesley United Methodist Church

Anthem - "Lord I Want To Be A Christian" Carver's Creek A.M.E. Zion Church

\*Psalter #8 - "I Will Greatly Rejoice" The Reverend Travis W. Owen  
Ayden United Methodist Church

\*Affirmation of Faith #9

\*The Gloria Patri #10

Words of Welcome - Mr. Paul Campbell, Carver's Creek United Methodist  
Church Lay Leader

Special Announcements - Pastor

Offertory

\*Dedication

\*Doxology #11

\*Hymn #3 - "Faith of Our Fathers"

Carver's Creek United Methodist Church Outstanding Service Award for 1976

Anthem - "A Nation's Praise and Prayer" Carver's Creek United Methodist  
Church Choir

Guest Speaker - Robert M. Blackburn, Bishop, The United Methodist Church  
North Carolina Annual Conference

Scripture Lesson - Hebrews 11:39 - 12:2

Sermon - "OUR HERITAGE AND DESTINY" Bishop Robert M. Blackburn

The Invitation to Christian Discipleship

\*Hymn #4 - "My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

\*The Benediction - The Reverend James A. Auman

\*Extinguishing the Candles - Acolytes

\*Recessional

Postlude

( \*Denotes to Please Stand )

The flowers on the Altar are given to the glory of God,  
and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. James Edgar  
Flowers by their children.



Hymn # 1 - "Mine Eyes Have Seen The Glory"

Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord;  
He is trampling out the vintage where the grapes of wrath are stored;  
He hath loosed the fateful lighting of his terrible swift sword:  
His truth is marching on. (Refrain)

I have seen him in the watchfires of a hundred circling camps;  
They have builded him an altar in the evening dew and damp;  
I can read his righteous sentence by the dim and flaring lamps;  
His day is marching on. (Refrain)

He has sounded forth his trumpet that shall never call retreat;  
He is sifting out the hearts of men before the judgement seat;  
O be swift, my soul to answer; be jubilant, my feet:  
Our God is marching on. (Refrain)

In the beauty of the lilies Christ was born across the sea;  
with a glory in his bosom that transfigures you and me;  
As He died to make men holy, let us die to make men free;  
While God is marching on. (Refrain)

He is coming like the glory of the morning on the wave;  
He is wisdom to the mighty, He is honor to the brave;  
So the world shall be His footstool, and the soul of wrong His slave.  
Our God is marching on. (Refrain)

Refrain:

Glory; glory; Hallelujah; Glory; glory; Hallelujah;  
Glory; glory; Hallelujah; His truth is marching on. Amen.

Hymn # 2 - "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

All hail the power of Jesus' name; Let angels prostrate fall'  
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all,  
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye ransomed from the fall,  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all,  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace, And crown Him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget, The wormwood and the gall;  
Go, spread your trophies at His feet, And crown Him Lord of all,  
Go, spread your trophies at His feet, And crown Him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe, On this terrestrial ball,  
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all,  
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him Lord of all.

O that, with yonder sacred throng, We at His feet may fall;  
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all,  
We'll join the everlasting song, And crown Him Lord of all. Amen.



Hymn # 3 - "Faith of Our Fathers"

Faith of our fathers; living still, In spite of dungeon, fire, and sword;  
O how our hearts beat high with joy, Whene'er we hear the glorious word;  
Faith of our fathers; Holy faith; We will be true to thee til death.

Our fathers, chained in prisons dark, Were still in heart and conscience free.  
How sweet would be their children's fate, If they, like them, could die for thee;  
Faith of our fathers; Holy faith; We will be true to thee til death.

Faith of our fathers; we will love, Both friend and foe in all our strife;  
And preach thee, too, as love know how, By kindly words and virtuous life;  
Faith of our fathers; Holy faith; We will be true to thee til death. Amen.

Hymn # 4 - "My Country, 'Til of Thee"

My country, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of liberty, Of thee I sing;  
Land where my fathers died, Land of the pilgrims pride,  
From every mountain side, Let freedom ring:

My native country, thee, Land of the noble free; Thy name I love;  
I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and templed hills;  
My heart with rapture thrills, like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees, Sweet freedoms song;  
Let mortals tongues awake; let all the breathe partake;  
Let rocks their silence break, The sound prolong.

Our father's God, to thee, Author of liberty, To thee we sing;  
Long may our land be bright, With freedom's holy light;  
Protect us by thy might, Great God our King. Amen.

Hymn # 5 - "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty;  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,  
God in Three persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, holy, holy; all the saints adore thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
Which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy; though the darkness hide thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see;  
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee;  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy; Lord God Almighty;  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty,  
God in Three persons, blessed Trinity. Amen.



Hymn # 6 - "Blest Be The Tie That Binds"

Blest be the tie that binds, Our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds, Is like to that above.

Before our Father's throne, We pour our ardent prayers;  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, Our comforts and our cares.

We share each other's woes, Our mutual burdens bear.  
And often for each other flows, The sympathizing tear.

When we asunder part, It gives us inward pain;  
But we shall still be joined in heart, And hope to meet again. Amen.

Hymn # 7 - "O Beautiful for Spacious Skies"

O beautiful for spacious skies, For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties, Above the fruited plain;  
America, America; God shed his grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea.

O beautiful for pilgrim feet, Whose stern, impassioned stress,  
A thorough-fare for freedoms beat, Across the wilderness;  
America, America; God mend thine every flaw,  
Confirm thy soul in self control, Thy liberty in law.

O beautiful for heroes proved, In liberty and strife,  
Who more than self their country loved, And mercy more than life;  
America, America; May God thy gold refine,  
Till all success by nobleness, And every gain divine.

O beautiful for patriot dream, That sees beyond the years,  
Thine alabaster cities gleam, Undimmed by human tears;  
America, America; God shed his grace on thee,  
And crown thy good with brotherhood, From sea to shining sea. Amen.



Psalter # 8 (To be read responsively,)

Minister: I will greatly rejoice in the Lord,

People: My soul shall exult in my God;

Minister: For he has clothed me with the garments of salvation,

People: He has covered me with the robe of righteousness,

Minister: As a bridegroom decks himself with a garland,

People: And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

Minister: For as the earth brings forth its shoots,

People: And as a garden causes what is sown in it to spring up,

Minister: So the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise

People: to spring forth before all nations.

Affirmation of Faith # 9 - The Apostles Creed - In Unison

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried, the third day He rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri # 10

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.

Doxology # 11

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,  
Praise him, all creatures here below;  
Praise him above ye heavenly host;  
Praise, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.



THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
HOLY COMMUNION

Prelude - Mrs. Helen Sanderlin, Pianist  
Miss Carole Stevens, Organist  
Lighting the Candles - Donna Hobbs and Angela Macon  
Processional

\*Call to Worship - The Reverend Jerry Juren, Pembroke: First - Calvary  
United Methodist Churches

\*Invocation

\*Hymn # 5 - "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Call to Prayer - Silent Meditation  
Collect Prayer: In Unison

Grant, we beseech thee, merciful God, that thy Church being gathered together in unity by thy Holy Spirit, may manifest thy power among all peoples, to the glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit, One God, world without end. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer - Solo: Mrs. Jo Ruth Odom, Wesley United Methodist  
Church, Riegelwood

\*Responsive Act of Praise - "Christ Our Passover" - The Reverend James Pollard  
Carver's Creek A.M.E. Zion Church

Minister: Christ, our paschal lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us, therefore, celebrate the festival,

People: Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Minister: For we know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him.

People: The death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God.

Minister: So you must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

People: Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Minister: For as by man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

People: For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

\*Affirmation of Faith # 9 The Apostles Creed

\* The Gloria Patri # 10



Words of Welcome - Special Announcements - The Reverend Johnnie S. Huggins

The Offertory

\*Dedication

\*The Doxology # 11

Scripture Lesson

Meditation: "The Bread of Life" - The Reverend Travis W. Owens  
Ayden United Methodist Church

Solo: "Let Us Break Bread Together" - The Reverend Roger D. Paxton  
Wesley United Methodist Church, Riegelwood

The Order for the Administration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion

\*Invitation

Ye that truly and earnestly repent of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbors, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from herceforth in His holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort, and make your confession to almighty God.

(The minister and people, kneeling or bowed, shall make together this general confession.)

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine majesty. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life, to the honor and glory of thy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

(The minister shall pray saying:)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy great mercy hast promised forgiveness of sin to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn to thee; Have mercy upon us; pardon and deliver us from all our sins; confirm and strengthen us in all goodness; and bring us to everlasting life; through Hesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(The minister standing facing the congregation, shall say:)

Hear what comfortable words the Scripture say to all that truly turn to the Lord:

"Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest."

"God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

"The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."



"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

"If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the expiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also the sins of the whole world. "

(The people shall bow; the minister, facing the Lord's Table, shall offer the Prayer of Consecration.)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there by the one offering of Himself, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in His holy gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of His precious death until His coming again:

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee, and grant that we, receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of His passion, death, and resurrection, may be partakers of the divine nature through Him:

Who in the same night He was betrayed, took bread; and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me. Likewise after supper He took the cup; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying: Drink ye all of this; for this is my blood of the New Covenant which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins; do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. Amen.

(After a brief silence, the minister and people together shall pray.)

We do not presume to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to partake of this Sacrament of thy son Jesus Christ, that we may walk in newness of life, may grow into his likeness, and may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

(The minister shall receive the Holy Communion in both kinds, and then shall deliver the same to any ministers who are assisting him. Then the minister and those assisting shall deliver the elements in both kinds to the people.)

(When the bread is given, one or both of the following sentences shall be said:)

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy soul and body unto everlasting life.

Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on Him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.



(When the cup is given, one or both of the following sentences shall be said:)

The blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy soul and body unto everlasting life.

Drink this in remembrance that Christ's blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

(When all have communed, and the elements covered, the ministers kneeling, and the people bowed, shall pray;)

O Lord, our heavenly Father, we, thy humble servants, desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in His blood, we and thy whole Church may obtain forgiveness of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy and lively sacrifice unto thee, humbly beseeching thee that all we who are partakers of this Holy Communion may be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounded duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses:

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by whom and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father, Almighty, world without end. Amen.

\* Hymn # 6 - "Blest Be The Tie That Binds"

\* The Blessing - The Reverend Jerry Juren

The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. Amen.

\*Extinguishing the Candles - Acolytes

\*Recessional Postlude

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#### CEREMONY OF THE NINE AMERICAN FLAGS

Organist - Miss Carole Stevens

\*Processional of the Nine American Flags

Bearers: Tommy Hobbs, Mike Flowers, Eddie Stevens, Lori Macon, Mike Hobbs,  
Johnnie Parks, Sheila Bordeaux, David Settlemyer, Emily Huffstetler

Narrator: Charles Hobbs

\*The National Anthem

\*Recessional of the Flags



CHORAL CONCERT:

Carver's Creek A. M. E. Zion Church

Bolton United Methodist Church

Trinity (Kelly) United Methodist Church

Wesley (Riegelwood) United Methodist Church

Shiloh United Methodist Church

Carver's Creek United Methodist Church

CLOSING CEREMONY AT THE FLAG POLE

Hymn # 7 - "O Beautiful For Spacious Skies"

Lowering of the Christian and American Flags

The Benediction - Reverend David D. Traynham, Retired

Taps - Miss Jenny Flowers, Trumpeter



MEMBERS AND GUESTS WHO REGISTERED THEIR ATTENDANCE

Mary Fredere	Chester Counts, Jr.
Mr. & Mrs. W. S. Applewhite	Bennett A. Sigman
Boyce & Clara McCrary	Mr. & Mrs. Amos R. Hardy
Augusta Counts	Donna Hobbs
Ruth F. Sigman	Susan Heath
James S. Gainey	John D. Parks
Lydia Lasley	Annalura Lasley
Tammy Barnhill	Mattie H. Settlemeier
Mrs. Belvin Heath	Steve Guyton
Leroy & Lena Mintz	Eric Charles
Ruby H. Campbell	Vonnie Rae Guyton
David & Melanie Settlemeier	W. R. Jackson
Jean Powers	Margaret Smith
David Powers	L. J. Prevatte
Jeff & Sherry Flowers	Dorothy K. Everette
Ernest Guyton	Ruby H. Huggins
George T. Everette	Treassa Ledford
Rosa G. Everette	Ferd Ledford
Iva S. Bush	Hester E. Nicholson
John G. Ledford	Dean Bordeaux
Susan N. Ledford	Tim Stevens
J. K. Nicholson	Mildred Auman
Carrie T. Lasley	Becky Auman
Doris Williams	Esther Cain
Lashawn Akers	Lillie Mae Clark



Mr. & Mrs. W. A. Settlemyer, Jr.

Mr. & Mrs. Leroy D. Eason

Shelby M. Hobbs

Carl McCulloch

J. O. West

Clovis Settlemyre

Velna McDuffie Huffstetler

Francis B. Fredere

Lumie Hines

Thelbert N. Maultsby

Mr. & Mrs. George C. Flynn, Sr.

Lynette P. Guyton

Mrs. Alice Fredere

Mrs. Lena Neill

Mrs. Marjorie Smith

Lorrie Macon

Sherry Huffstetler Sarson

Eddie Stevens

Mrs. Ralph Pickett

Rev. James Auman

Ralph Pickett

Frank C. Payne

Thelma Carr

Brad & Tim Settlemyer

Gregory Lee Eason

Charles M. Hobbs

Dewey Bruce

Johnnie S. Huggins

Clarence Settlemyre

Gladys Benton

Carole Stevens

Madeline Smith

Paul R. Campbell

Mary Maultsby

Dorma Guyton

Mr. Edward Fredere

Mr. Mitch Evans

Emily Huffstetler

Natalie Macon

Joni Huffstetler Jackson

Elijah Beatty

W. Robert Turner, III

Terry Macon

Dudley Meill

Carrie Hardy

Lida Flowers

Allen & Sara Grimstead

Mrs. Robert G. Maultsby

Freda Bracey

Rhonda Bracey

Alta Dowless

Ruby Edwards



Johnny, Audry & Jamie Wallace	Mr. Clay Bullard
Duke & Linde' Morgan	James Monroe
Rev. C. Franklin Grill	H. V. Sanderlin
Mr. & Mrs. Howard Johnson	Johnny Parks
Dean, Alice, Melody Morton	Mrs. Nannie Parks
Mr. & Mrs. Woodrow Parks	Mrs. Edgar Stevens, Jr.
Kimberly Davis	Wanda Campbell
Mrs. John Parks	Suzanne Savage
Edgar Stevens	Hugh Savage
Mr. & Mrs. Marcus Longs, Sr.	Marjorie Stevens
Mollie Savage	Clark Braddy
Mr. & Mrs. William R. Turner, Jr.	Mettie Moore
Mary Beatty	W. A. Settlemyer, Sr.
Garland Prevatte	David Savage
Carrie Stevens	Mrs. Mickey Nye
Mr. & Mrs. J. W. Priest	Vonnie Bush
James, Linda, Penny & Kelly Carroll	Rev. & Mrs. J. M. Carroll
Jessie C. Williams	Loretta Jane Smith
Lynn Parks	Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Mercer
Stanley Brill	Linda, Michael & Jamie Smith
Robert M. Clackburn	Mr. & Mrs. John O. West, III
Nora Gravis	Mr. & Mrs. Lonnie Smith
Maude Grant	Mrs. Eula Mae Noble
Pebo & Nancy Collier	Mrs. Pauline H. Russ
Elliot & Doris Henry	Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Tinney, III



Mr. & Mrs. I. M. Hobbs

Ruby Hobbs

Ann & Ronald King

Mr. & Mrs. I. Milton Hobbs

Mike Heath

Mrs. A. O. Burns

Kent Allen

Dick Bridgers

Pat Braddy

Amy Braddy

Danny & Becky McDuffie

Mr. & Mrs. W. J. Bordeaux

Mr. & Mrs. Jerry E. Marshall

Mike Nye

Janice Nye

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas V. Parks

Dot & French Lewis

Mr. & Mrs. Mike Sasser

Mavis West

Mr. & Mrs. Joe Priest, Karen & Joey

Mr. Larry Guyton

Bertha L. Long

Mrs. Esther M. Brogden

Mr. & Mrs. Maurice Hobbs

Earl W. Miller, Jr.

Claude T. Cain

Mr. & Mrs. Willie Bryant

Sandie Butler

A. O. Burns

Mrs. Alice W. Alford

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Bridgers

Teresa Tyree

Annie McDuffie

Janice Heath

Clyde Pridgen

Jacqueline Ridenhour

Vera H. Russ

Bonnie Melvin

Blanche Dowless

Roscoe Dowless

Louise Long

Terri Long

Inez Brown

Lee Carter

Sue Flynn

Hazel Bordeaux

Mr. & Mrs. Billy Moore

Mrs. Sadie Davenport

Rev. & Mrs. Robert E. Rattz & Melody

Tammy Ward

Miriam W. Lewis

Ellen Henry

Gene F. Jackson

George F. Ankers

Kim Robinson

Ray Heath

Mary Heath

Hazel Heath

Elvin R. Heath

Lee Roy Russ

Roger Paxton

Lester G. Dowless

Trula Dowless

Graham Long

Lisa Long

Gertrude Peterson

Jeanne Kelly

Leo Johnson, Jr.

Alma B. Dowless

Mr. & Mrs. Thomas E. Cinils

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Goodwin

Mrs. Virginia Ward

Johnny Lewis

Lisa Lewis

Susan Henry

Jenny Flowers

Travis Owen, Margaret & Carl

Isaac W. Stephens

Coleen Stephens

Sabra Stephens

Jane Sanderlin Morgan

Martha Shuffler

Rick Campbell

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Mrs. William Odom

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Tammy Clayter

Mrs. Helen Sanderlin

Geraldine Cromartie

Linda Gillespie

Walter S. Hobbs

Mr. & Mrs. Calvin Sasser & Jean

D. W. Dowless

Richard Hozz

Elouise F. Williams

Phillip Pridgen

Jackie Green

Sally Baker

Mr. & Mrs. James V. Baker, Sr.



Myrtle H. Fowler

Gayle Ward

Wallace Stephens

Sharon Stephens

Camellia, Angela, Christopher Smith

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Huggins

Mr. & Mrs. L. G. Jackson, Sr.

Jack Brent Juren

Inez Elliott

Paige Odom

Mr. & Mrs. Radford Allen

Alice Flowers Long

Vicki Clayter

Gail Cromartie

Mr. & Mrs. Horton Clayter

George Washington Braddy

Mrs. F. E. Kelly & children

Beulah Blake

Mrs. A. J. Harris

Jim Harris

Belle Smith

Mrs. K. M. (Martha) Holmes

Mr. & Mrs. James V. Baker, Jr.

Tisha Squires

Pat Hargrove

Donald Rattz

Jay Juren

Beatrice Pollard

Glenn H. Campbell

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Alma Davis

Tommy Hobbs

Rev. & Mrs. D. D. Traynham

Bob Huffstetler

Sunday, August 29, 1976 was a day that will be long remembered and cherished by the members, past members, and guests of Carver's Creek United Church.

The day's activities began at 8:00 AM with 112 people for the presentation and dedication of the Flag Pole. It was given to the church by Acme-Delco-Riegelwood V.F.W. Post # 10401. Members of the Post raised the American Flag, also a gift, from the Wilmington Chapter of The Woodmen of the World Society. Mrs. Rosa Everette received the flag for the church. The following is the program given by the members of the Post and its Auxiliary:

COMMANDER: Boyce McCrary

"Pastor, Members, Visitors and Comrades of Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Post 10401 and the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars: We have the honor today of presenting the National Standard, the Flag of the United States and a Flag Pole to this organization. On this occasion, Comrade George Hohnsbehn, our Presentation Chairman, will formally present the Colors." (This flag was given by the Woodmen of the World Society, Wilmington Chapter.)

SR. VICE COMMANDER: George L. Hohnsbehn

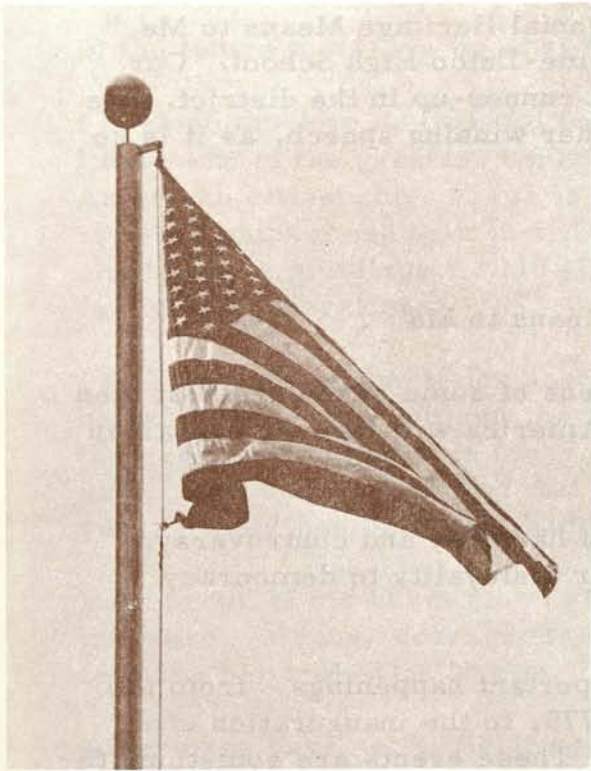
"Pastor, Members, and Visitors of Carver's Creek Methodist Church, I bring you the heartiest greetings from the officers and members of Acme-Delco-Riegelwood Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. As one of the highlights of our community service and youth activities program, it is with great pleasure to us to be able to present to you this symbol of our great Republic. To you the members of Carver's Creek Methodist Church, we ask only that you always respect and, if necessary, defend this great and beautiful flag -- even at the risk of giving your own lives to our nation's cause. We will now hear from our Auxiliary President. Madam President."

AUXILIARY PRESIDENT: Mrs. Clara McCrary

"It is an honor to be here today on this solemn, important occasion, one we shall remember with pride for the small part we are contributing. Before you is the Flag of our Nation. That Flag is the symbol of all that is sacred to us. Look at it closely for a moment. The Flag of the United States reflects what we are - and what we hope to be. The white stripes symbolize purity of purpose in our freedom of thought, expression and worship. Also, in that Flag, we see the red stripes of courage, our willingness to die, if necessary, for preservation of American ideals. Then there is the blue of tranquility upon which the stars of our states are united to hold intact all that is truly ours - the desire for peace, prosperity and happiness throughout our nation."

"The Voice of Democracy Scholarship Program, sponsored by the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary, is conducted annually in our Nation's high schools during the fall term. It is a national broadcast script writing program which permits 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students in public, private and parochial schools to think, write and speak up for our country - and for freedom, democracy and citizenship."

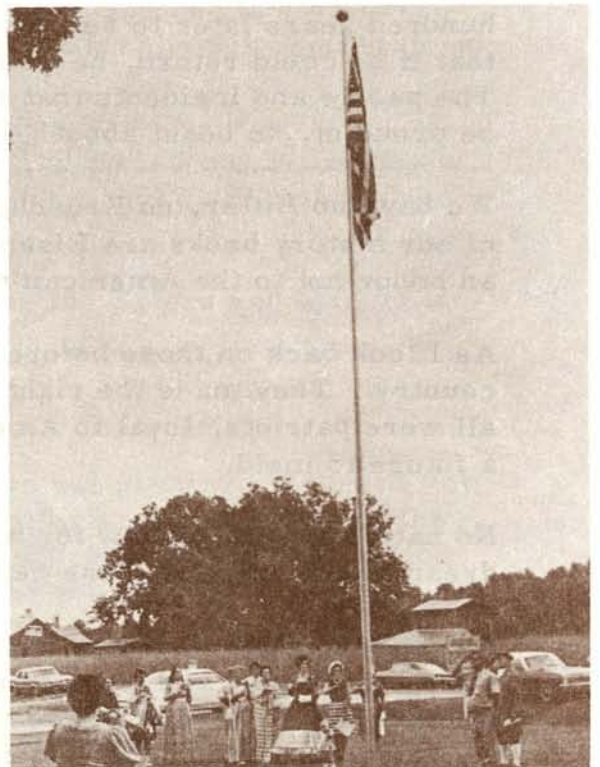




"Old Glory"



Presentation of American Flag to  
Carver's Creek United Methodist Church -  
Mrs. Rosa Everette receiving it.





"The theme last fall was on "What Our Bicentennial Heritage Means to Me." Post 10401 sponsored this program through Acme-Delco High School. Our Post winner, Susan Heath, went on to win first runner-up in the district. We have asked her to come this morning and give her winning speech, as it is so fitting for this historic occasion."

SPEAKER: Susan Annette Heath

"What Our Bicentennial Heritage Means to Me"

"America's birth certificate is signed by the pens of some of the greatest men who ever lived. Their exceptional service to America will forever prevail in the annuals of history.

Our bicentennial heritage signifies 200 years of harmony and controversy, peace and war, victories and defeats, but never disloyalty to democracy and freedom. Success is belief come true.

The formation of our country was guided by important happenings - from the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1775, to the inauguration of Gerald R. Ford as our 38th president in 1974. These events are something to cherish and be proud of.

Thank God for the uncommon men in American history, He made so many of them. Men like John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, and Robert E. Lee are "Heros" in the eyes of all Americans. Their hopes and dreams for a new nation were often dampened, but their determination was never weakened. To me every man is a creator. His productive imagination makes his goals limitless. One such man, Benjamin Franklin, once said that he would like to return to earth a hundred years later to see what progress mankind had made. I feel certain that if he could return, he would be satisfied with the progress we have made. The people and incidents that shape our American Heritage are something to be proud of. .to boast about! I only wish Ben Franklin could see us now!

We have no Hitler, no Kruschev, in our past records of leaders; in the pages of our history books are Eisenhower and Truman! Leaders of America are an honor not to the American nation only, but to all humanity.

As I look back on those before me, I know they chose the right paths for our country. They made the right decisions. Some may have been radicals but all were patriots, loyal to America. They gave us a past to remember and a future to mold.

No nation is without flaw for man is only human. But America today is the dream come true for those before us.

Our Bicentennial Heritage, to me, means I have an obligation to those who were before me, and to those of the future. To the dreams of those past, who worked so hard and gave their lives to create something as wonderful as America. And I must, in return, work equally as hard to see that it continues to be the great country it is today, for there will be those who



in the future must live by what I see as right today.

I have so much to be thankful for and to live up to - being an American. For I have one of the greatest heritages' in world history from which to grow. American citizenship, to me is so much more than just being born in this country - so much more than just living under this Flag. It is more of an honor, a challenge, a privilege. I MUST insure that this great heritage is carried on for future generations.

I feel that one of the major assets in our Bicentennial Heritage is the strong belief in God. For without the help and Grace of God, America would not be the great nation that it is today. We must reflect on God's blessings in our past. The unity under God that America has exercised during the past 200 years, I feel has definitely had a strong hold on her success.

I am proud of my heritage. I am proud of what I am and what those before me were - strong, courageous, daring, yet united for one cause...America, to make her truly One Nation, Indivisible, and servant only to God.

Americans have set difficult goals for themselves through these 200 years. This is an inspiration to all. There must always be, as before, a consistent faith in progress. The doors of America must always remain open to newcomers who will carry on the work of making America a model to the world.

I truly believe each one of us has separate and individual inner feelings about our Bicentennial Heritage.

I am proud of America and proud that I am a part of this great land. I can only stand in awe and wonder at the great nation those before me have created and set my goal at continuing to progress forward for the Spirit of Achievement is the Spirit of America."

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COMMANDER: Boyce McCrary

"Officer of the Day, you will with assistance raise the Colors and lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance to The Flag."

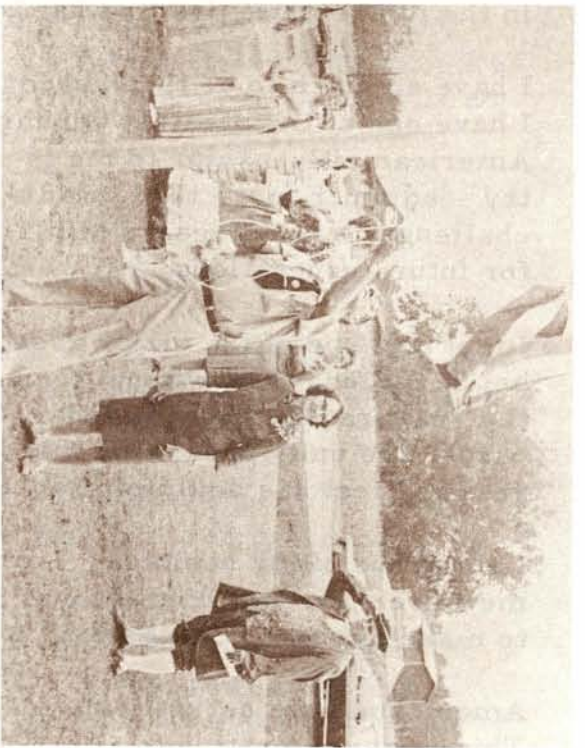
OFFICERS OF THE DAY: Marcus Long

"We will nor rededicate ourselves and this Flag to our country. You will now join me in the Pledge of Allegiance. - I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

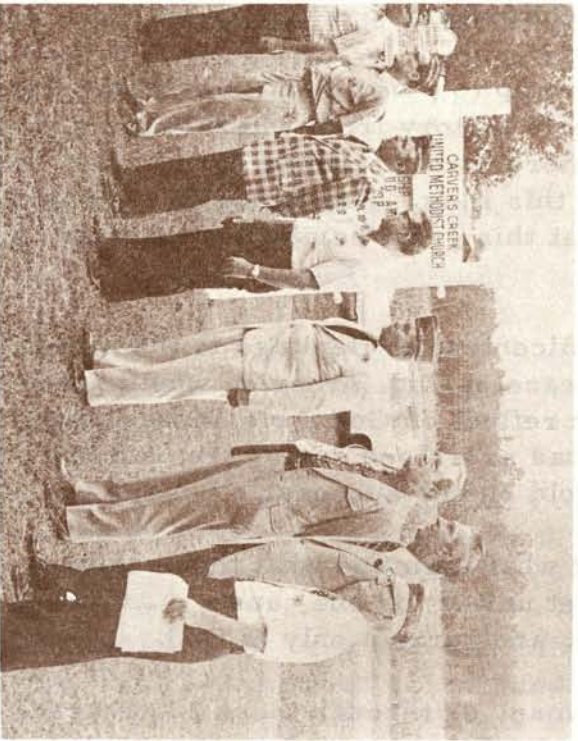
COMMANDER: Boyce McCrary

"Comrade Chaplain, you will ask the Divine Blessings on this our National Colors."

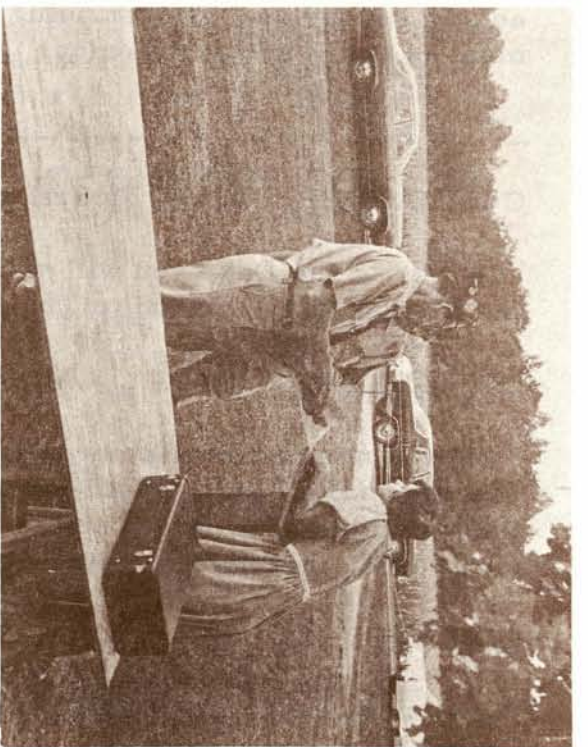




Raising of the flag by Arkans Young



Acme - Belco Kieglwood Post No. 10401



Boys Arkans Young and Jenny Flowers



Folding the American flag



CHAPLAIN: L. J. Prevatte

"O God, bless our Nation's Emblem. May it ever symbolize freedom and justice for all people. Help these citizens to always respect those high principles that are noble and right, that they might better understand the high ideals represented by this Flag, and, if need be, that they have to trod on foreign soil to defend it, may You abide with them always. AMEN."

The group sang "God Bless America" and the National Anthem was played on the trumpet by Miss Jennifer Flowers. The Reverend Johnnie S. Huggins closed the service with a prayer of acceptance and thanksgiving.

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For the next hour or so the people greeted and visited with each other, admiring the costumes of the day. During this time the United Methodist Men's Club served coffee, juice and "Old Fashion Johnny Cakes" in the fellowship hall. Since the Johnny Cakes were such a hit with everyone Mrs. W. D. (Lena) Neill has agreed to share her recipe with us.

#### JOHNNY CAKES

2 1/2 qts. plain flour or 10 cups	3 1/3 tbsp. baking powder
1 tsp. salt	1 qt. & 1 1/2 c. sugar or 5 1/2 cups
3 cups butter	8 eggs
2 tbsp. vanilla	

Cream butter, sugar and eggs until light and creamy. Sift together and add dry ingredients to creamy mixture. Use extra flour to make mixture soft enough to handle. Divide into 3 parts and wrap each part in wax paper. Chill 3 or 4 hours. Roll out on wax paper to 1/8 inch thick, cut and bake at 350 degrees until brown.

At 10:15 AM a horse-drawn buggy, similar to those used by the early Methodist circuit riders, driven by its owner, Mr. Claude Cain of White Oak, arrived at the church with Robert M. Blackburn, Bishop of the North Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church. Also, arriving at the same time, was a covered wagon, driven by its owner, Mr. Elliot Henry of Kelly, with The Reverend James A. Auman, Wilmington District Superintendent. Both were greeted by the host pastor, The Reverend Johnnie S. Huggins, and the crowd all colorfully attired in the dress of the 18th century.

The morning worship service began with a capacity congregation. The song of Praise was "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" which had been the first hymn sung in the church building in 1859. The entire service reminded us of not only our nation's heritage, but of our Christian Heritage and Tradition that has been with us even longer.

The order of worship used was one of several recommended and left to us by the Founder of Methodism, John Wesley, with only a few variations. The bulletin of the day is included in this book.





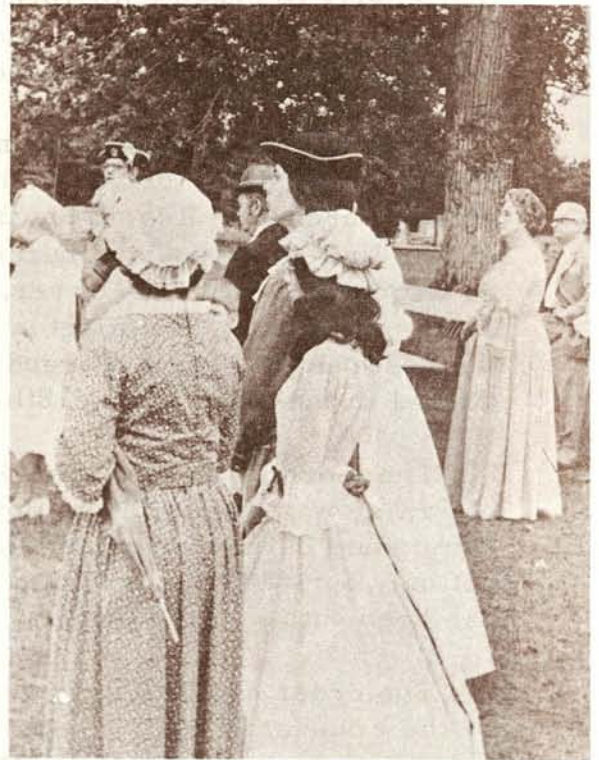
Lowering of the flag



George T. Everett



Susan Heath reading her award winning essay-  
"What Our Bicentennial Heritage Means To Me"



During Morning Service-  
Dedication of Flag & Flag Pole



One other highlight of the morning service was the awarding of the "Out-standing Service Award" for 1976 to John D. Parks, Sr.

A covered-dish dinner was spread on a 72 foot table on the church yard. Some dishes of a historical nature were enjoyed as well as the bountiful amount of food of the modern day. There was ample time for eating and fellowship. At this time everyone had a chance to visit the Historical Room, which was filled with items, documents and pictures of interest. In this room you were invited to sign the scroll, which will be included in the time capsule to be "planted" at a later date.

Our afternoon activities began with Holy Communion. The Reverends Roger Paxton, Travis Owen, J. J. Juren, James Pollard, Robert Rantz and Johnnie Huggins participated in serving The Lord's Supper to over 200 of those present. This climatic Celebration to our Lord's Supper was followed by a very patriotic pageant "The Nine American Flags". The narration for this pageant was written by one of the members of Carver's Creek Church, Mrs. C. E. Stevens, Sr. The nine flags used were hand-made by the women of the Homemakers Extension Club of Bladen County. It was most interesting to hear how and when the different flags our nation have come to be.

Following the pageant each of the churches which are active today as a result of the original Carver's Creek Church rendered several selections for us.

The congregation moved once again to the church yard for the lowering of the flag and "Taps" by Miss Flowers. The Reverend David D. Traynham, former pastor, now retired, closed our day with the Benediction.

Other ministers in attendance for the days activities were The Reverend C. Franklin Grill, Coordinator of Resources, Conference on Ministeries and The Reverend James M. Carroll, Retired, who entered the ministry from Shiloh Church when it was a part of the Carver's Creek Circuit.





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Closing of the day



Susan Heath

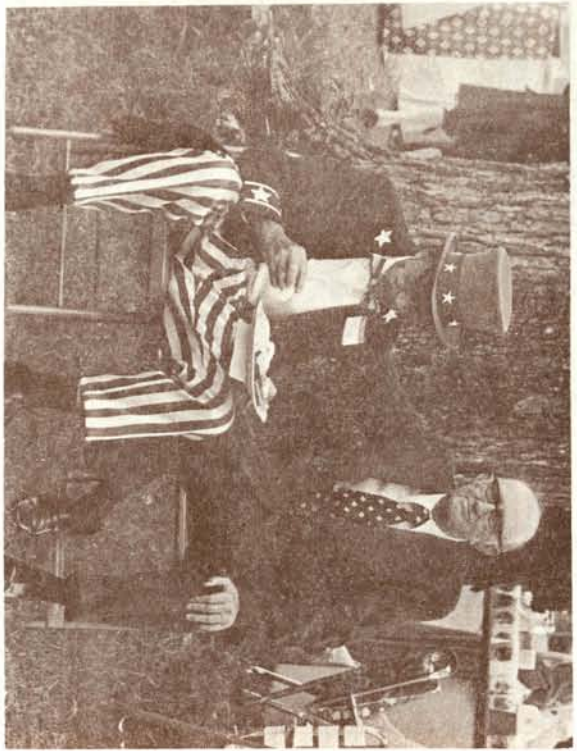


Jay, Elizabeth, and Joe Priest

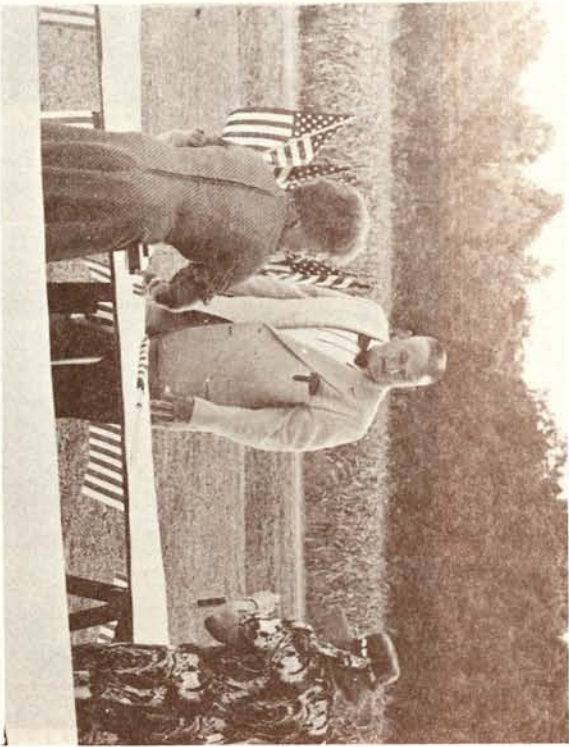


Susan Heath, Mrs. Belvin Heath,  
and Mrs. George Everett





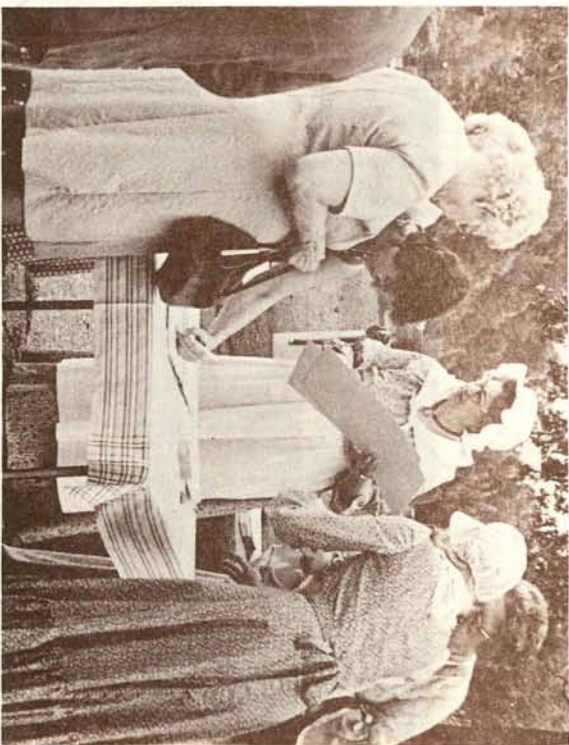
*H. C. Gungton and Roscoe Rowless*



*Getting decorations in place  
Gene Jackson, and Chester Counts*



*Bishop Robert Blackburn, Sheriff John B. Allen  
and Jamie Wallace*

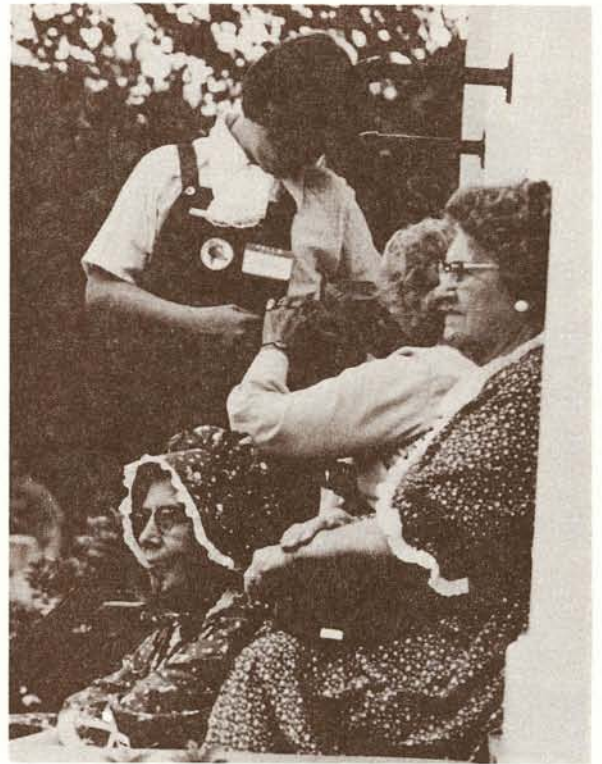


*Mrs. Carrie Rushleg signing her name.*





Hester Nicholson, Jo Ruth Odom & Hazel Parks



Dean Bordeaux getting an adjustment.  
Margaret Smith & Iva Bush



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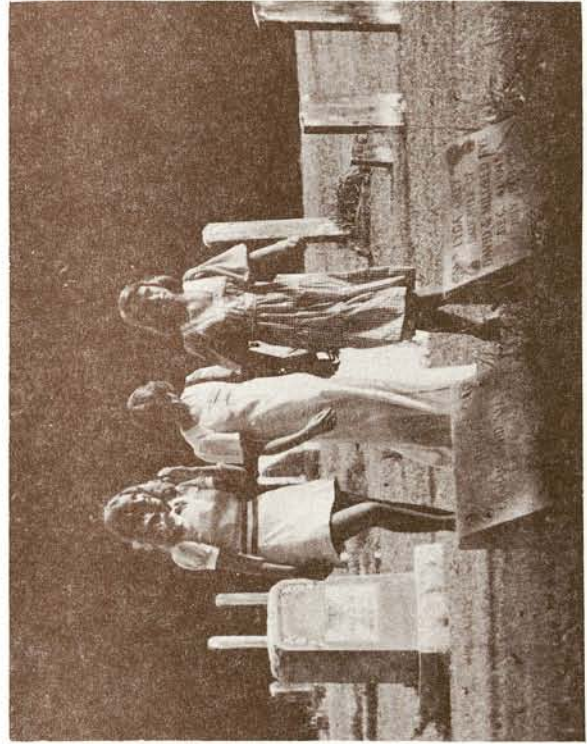




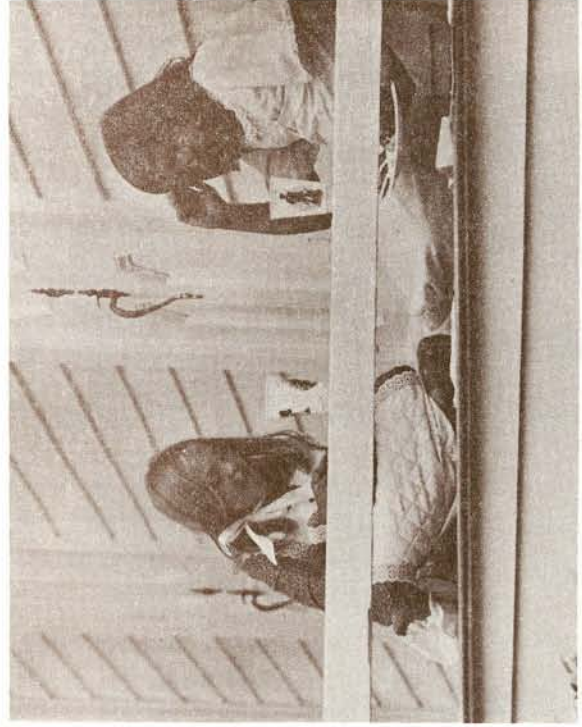
"Serious Conversation"  
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Ann Guyton and Jean Sasser  
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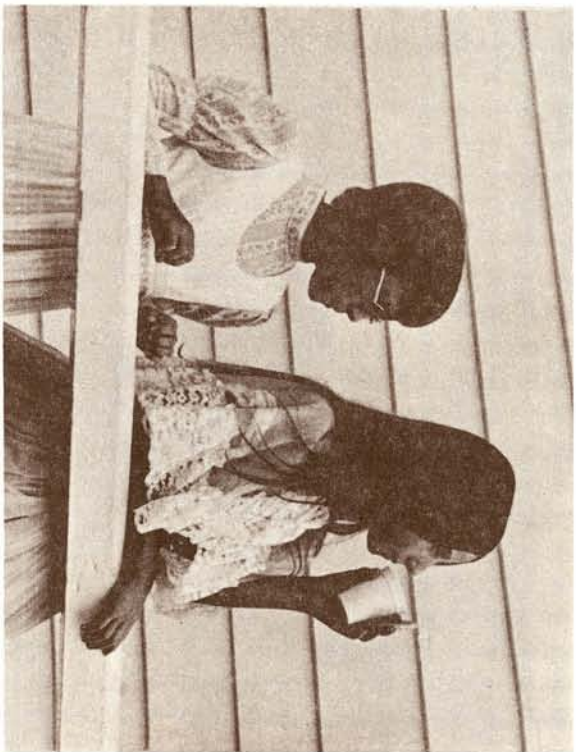


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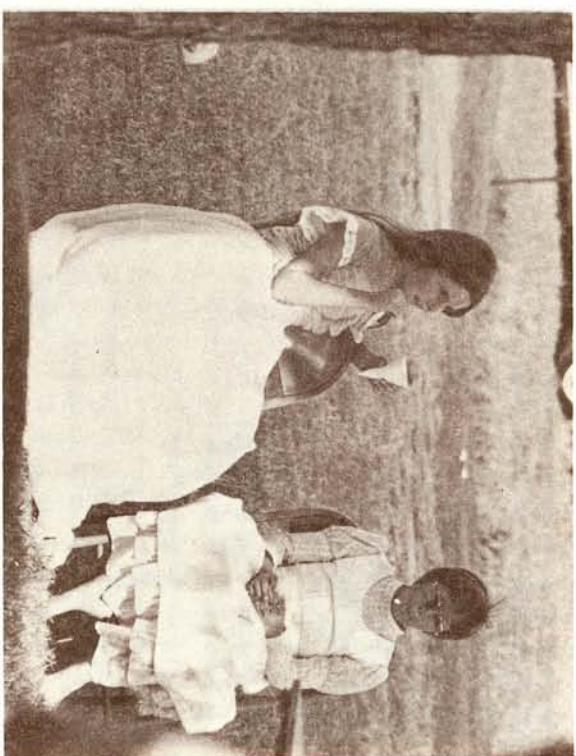


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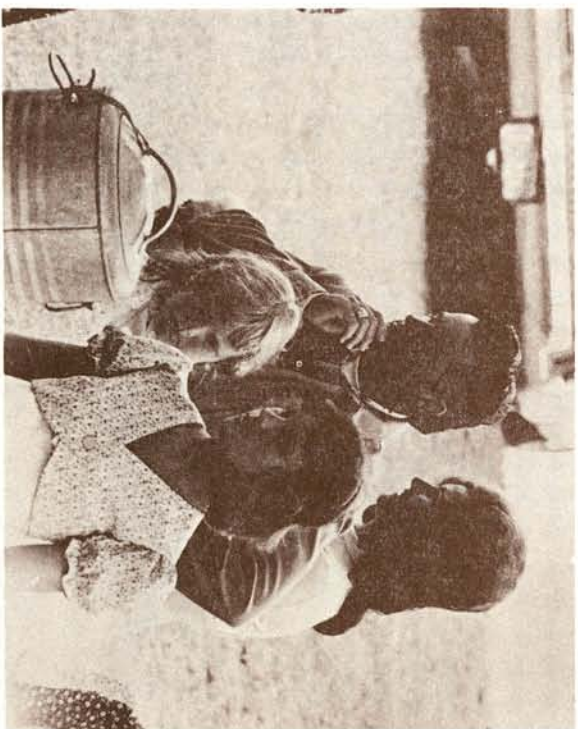




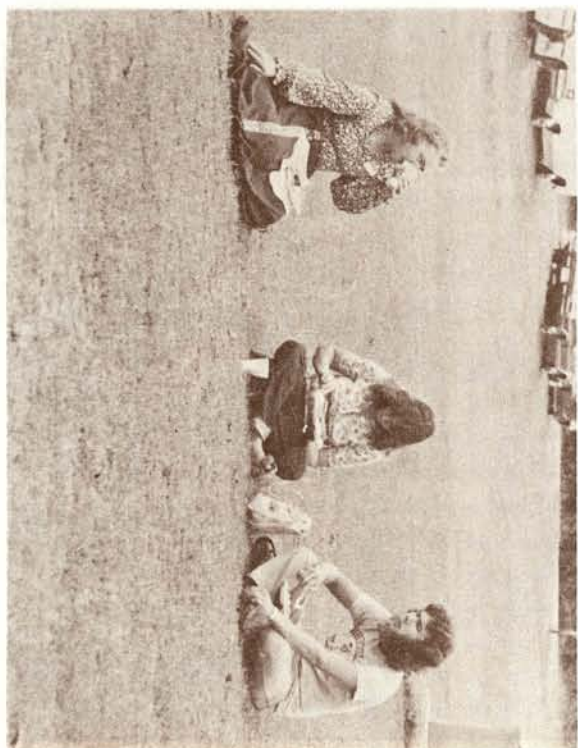
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"Resting"  
Donna Hobbs and Tommy Barnhill



Johnny & Miriam Lewis & daughter, Lisa.  
Also Frieda Bremer

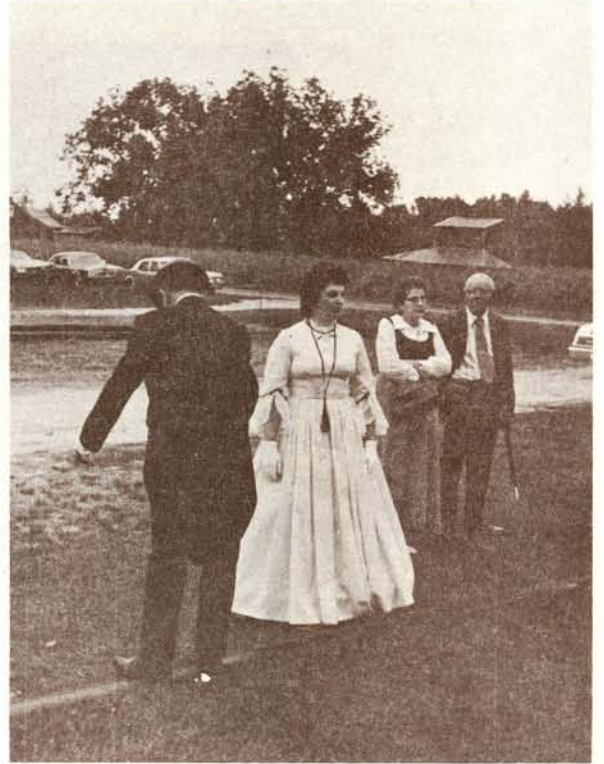


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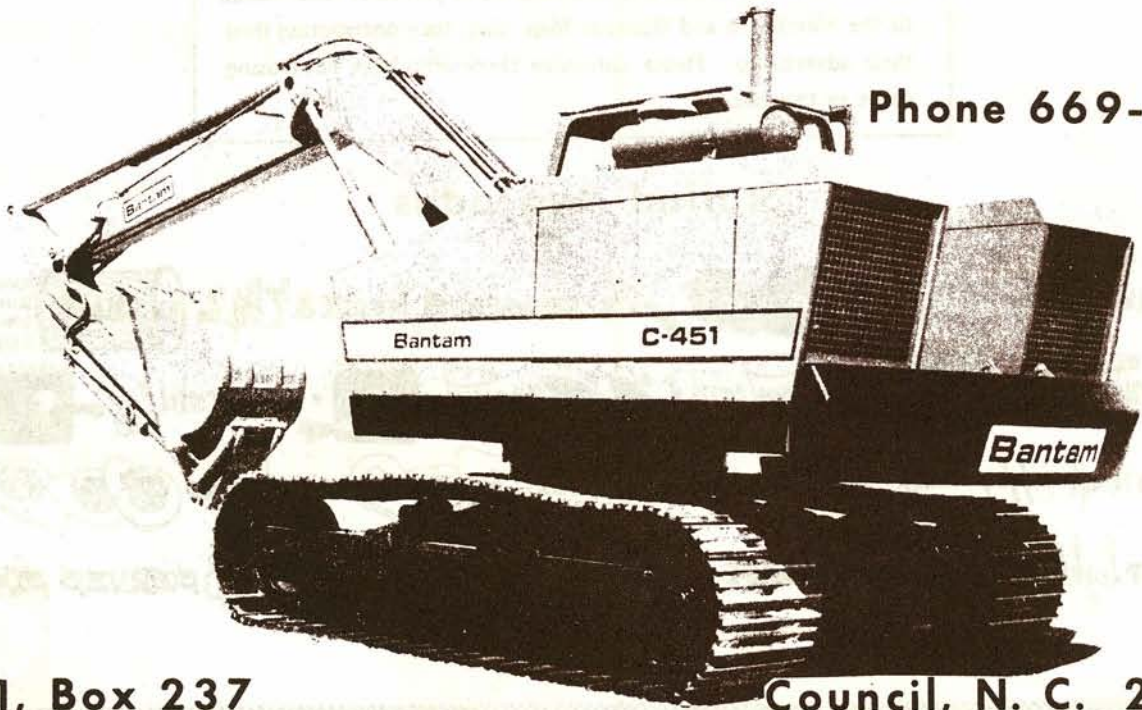


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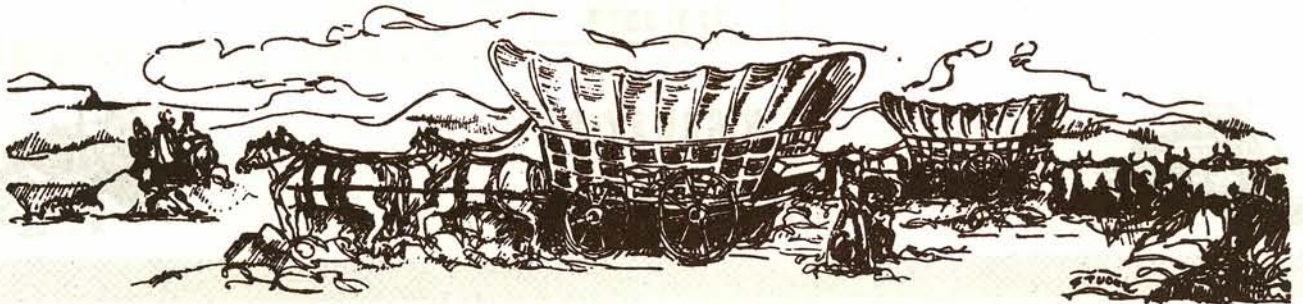
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

























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**1**  **teaspoon** **EACH**:  **thyme** &  **marjoram**, **1/8**  **teaspoon** **EACH**:  **sage** &  **cayenne**, **AND**  
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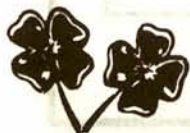


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 3 tablespoons grated SWISS CHEESE • 1/2 cup MILK • Salt to taste • add 1/2 cup sliced, stuffed olives  
 pour into greased 1 1/2 to 2 quart casserole BAKE in 350° oven 35-40 minutes or until Top browns. serves 4-6

## Greek Eggplant Salad

Bake 1 LARGE eggplant in a preheated 350° oven 1 hour or until soft • Dip into cold water and peel off skin.  
 DICE MEAT • add 1 small onion grated • 1/2 cup olive oil • 2 tablespoons white wine  
 Salt to taste and mix well • throw on a platter • Sprinkle with chopped PARSLEY  
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 blend in  2 cups diced TURKEY •  1/2 cup white wine or. cat.  1/2 cup salt •  pepper to taste  
 Pour into a Casserole & add 1 package  • Bake in 350° oven 35-40 minutes • Serves 4

## Eggplant in Coconut Cream

PEEL & THINLY SLICE 1 large eggplant. ARRANGE in BUTTERED oven. COVER with  
 three large onions FINELY CHOPPED. SPRINKLE With 1 Teaspoon DRIED Chili Pepper, SALT &  
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1. 3 tb. cocoa=1 square chocolate (if the desired richness is desired, add 1 tb. margarine).

2. To make sour milk from sweet milk, add .1 tb. vinegar or lemon juice to 1 C. sweet milk. Let stand few minutes.

3. To tint coconut. Toss in a little milk or water, add a few drops of food coloring. Drain, dry.

4. Electric range units are so reliable. They can be turned to warm or simmer for cooking things for which you formerly thought you needed a double boiler. Begin your heating on higher temperature, then turn immediately to simmer, stirring as it cooks.

5. To get grated orange and lemon peel, grate before fruit is cut. Rub washed fruit diagonally across grater in long strokes. Peel won't stick to grater.

6. To peel and cut onions hold them under the exhaust fan (turned on) of your range hood; no watering eyes.

7. Corn starch has twice thickening quality of flour. For 1 tb. of corn starch 2 tb. flour are needed.

8. Keep dry bread crumbs frozen for use at a moment's notice. Dry bread ends, trimmings, etc. in a partially opened paper sack. When crisp, run in blender to make crumbs.

9. To peel tomatoes for any use, place in boiling water 1 minute, then place in cold water. Skins will slip off.

10. To freshen crackers or cereal, heat in moderate oven for 3-5 minutes depending on staleness.

## 11. Washing fruit:

Strawberries: Place in cold water to cover, lift out with hands. Remove caps after washing. (Wash other fruits same way.)

When fruit is to be kept several days in refrigerator, wash only the fruit as it is used.

## 12. These are given elsewhere, but you might miss them:

(1) To measure solid shortening as 1/2 cup: Fill cup 1/2 full with cold water then put in shortening until water rises to top. All shortening is under water.

(2) To melt chocolate: Put wrapped square on electric range unit turned to simmer or warm with cut side of paper up. Chocolate gets soft and can be poured directly from paper.

To hull fresh coconut: pierce 3 holes in one end, drain out milk. Heat in moderate oven (350°) for 30 minutes. Break shell with hammer. The meat loosens easily from hull. Pare off brown skin.

13. To cook meat—chicken, beef, or pork for use in other dishes as salad, casseroles, etc.:

1. Simmer covered on top of range in small amount of water or amount to have the amount of stock required for recipe. Cook until fork tender. Salt during last part of cooking. If more water is used, keep it for soup, etc.

2. Cook covered in oven, using small amount of water. Oven setting 300° to 350° until tender.

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7. Bake near the center of the oven if a single cookie sheet is used. If two cookie sheets are placed in the oven at the same time, space far enough apart to allow for proper circulation of heat.
8. Bars or squares are done when the sides shrink from the pan, or the top springs back when lightly touched with the finger. Soft cookies will also spring back when touched. Crisp cookies are done when they are fairly firm, and lightly browned around the edges.
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