



Flat Rock
United Methodist Church

Organized 1890

Satterwhite Point Road

PARSONAGE

Route 3, Box 743, Henderson, North Carolina 27536

Church Study: 492-0976

Parsonage: 438-3360

HISTORY OF FLAT ROCK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

It was in a sparsely settled rural community located about five miles north of Henderson that Flat Rock Church originated. The beginning of Christian education for these neighborly people, whose main mode of transportation was by foot, horse back, or buggy, began in a small two room frame building.

Ironic as it may seem, the building which served as a religious meeting place for this group of people was once a bar and a general store. The building was also used as a school in later years. The school, Silver Spring School, derived its name from a spring located nearby and known for its very large, clear fountain of water.

About the year of 1880, the people of our community, feeling the need of instructive teaching of the Bible for their children and the need of worship service for themselves, began holding a Sunday School in the Silver Spring School House. This school building was located between the present home of Mr. and Mrs. H.K. Neathery and the Baskerville house, across the road from what was known as "Cooper's Grove". There was no regular preacher, but services were held by any preacher who could be secured, or by laymen of the community.

After sufficient interest had been created, the people began talking about building a church building. Mr. J.P. Satterwhite, S.H. Satterwhite, and Captain Thomas D. Hester were the leading spirits of this movement.

In the year 1890, the Church was organized with the following charter members: James P. Satterwhite, Roberta R. Satterwhite, S.H. Satterwhite, Sallie E. Satterwhite, T.T. Hester, Adeline E. Hester, John W. Reavis, Rebecca Reavis, Peter L.D. Hester, Jaley A. Hester, Captain Thomas D. Hester, Ann Moss Hester, Lonnie Harris, W.K.B. Hester, and Mrs. Sallie H. Pleasants.

On May 31, 1890, Thomas D. Hester and wife, Ann M. Hester, Adeline E. Hester, Peter L.D. Hester, Jaley A. Hester, Willie K.B. Hester and Sallie H. Pleasants parties of the first part, deeded to S. H. Satterwhite, T.T. Hester, Dr. Fletcher Harris and James P. Satterwhite as Trustees of the newly organized church, one and 46/100 acres of land at the fork of Harris Mill Road and Glebe Road, now known as Satterwhite Road, for the sum of \$40.00. The deed is recorded in Book 7 on page 710, Register of Deeds Office of Vance County. In 1891 a strip of land six feet wide and fifty feet long was bought from Robert Green for the sum of \$10.00. This was used as a walk way from the church lot to the well of Robert Green. This deed is recorded in Book 8, page 239 in the Register of Deeds Office in Vance County.

Work on the church building began in 1890. After the building was completed in 1891 there was much discussion as to a name for the church. The members agreed on the name, "Flat Rock Methodist Protestant Church", because of the large vein of granite rock located under the church and road which formed a large flat rock in the field in front of the church. The first revival was held in the building the third week of September, 1891. The church was dedicated in 1893.

In 1891, the North Carolina Conference assigned the Rev. J. E. Swain as the first minister of the Vance Charge, which consisted of five churches. They were as follows: Flat Rock, Spring Valley, New Hope, Harris Chapel, and Gillburg. New Hope later burned and that congregation joined with members of the Drewry Methodist Church, leaving a four point charge.

When the need for a church cemetery arose, Captain Thomas D. Hester gave one acre of land whereon were buried members of his family. The cemetery began as a family burial plot for the Hester family, with Mr. Ciscero Pleasants being the first person interred there. After it was given to Flat Rock Methodist Protestant Church, Mrs. Martha Satterwhite Floyd, wife of the late Thomas Poindexter Floyd and only sister of James and Hunter Satterwhite, was the first person buried there.

The work of the church moved on in routine with preaching services held each first Sunday afternoon and each third Sunday morning of the month. Sunday School was held during the spring and summer months, but usually closed during the winter months of December, January and February.

In the early 1900's the young people of the church began to want an organ for the church, but some of the older members were opposed to the use of musical instruments in church. When the Rev. R. C. Stubbins was assigned to the church he said he would get an organ if we would raise the cost, so an ice cream supper sale was planned. The Rev. Stubbins said that there could be no buying or selling on the church ground, so our ice cream sale was held in Mr. John Reavis' grove. After three such sales we had the needed \$35.00 and our organ was ordered from Sears, Roebuck & Company. Miss Narcissus Jones was invited to play the organ on the first preaching Sunday. After that Miss Addie Satterwhite was organist until she married and left our community. Later a better organ was purchased, but there is no record of the date or price.

In 1920 the conference sent the Rev. and Mrs. W. N. Neese to serve Flat Rock. Early in 1921, Rev. Neese talked to the ladies about organizing a Foreign Missionary Society. In March, he invited all the ladies to assemble at the church to form the organization. On the appointed day, the following were present: Rev. and Mrs. Neese, Mr. & Mrs. T.T. Hester, Mrs. Thomas P. Hester, Mr. & Mrs. A.E. White, Miss Mary V. White and Hazel M.

White. The group decided to continue with the organization and leave it open for charter members until the first regular meeting. Officers elected were as follows: President, Mrs. Thomas P. Hester; Secretary, Mary V. White; Treasurer, Hazel M. White and Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W.N. Neese.

The first meeting was held on Thursday after the third Sunday in March at the home of Mrs. T.T. Hester. At this meeting Mrs. J.G. Mustian and Mrs. Brodie W. Jones joined and became charter members. Other ladies joined and the first budget of \$50.00 was raised. The following year the budget was increased to \$100.00. Some of the members felt we should not send all that money away when more efficient facilities were needed at Flat Rock.

In 1924 a Ladies Aid was organized to raise funds for our own church. Mrs. Sam W. Reavis was president and Miss Rosa Satterwhite was secretary-treasurer. Meetings were to be held after the Sunday School hour on the second Sunday of each month. Soon after this organization began to function, the need for Sunday School class rooms was felt. With the Ladies Aid backing the movement, a room was added to each side of the sanctuary. This was during the pastorate of Rev. M.P. Chambliss. After the Sunday School rooms were in use, the next project was to buy a piano for the church. This was purchased about 1929. Money was raised by barbecue dinners on the Reavis' lawn.

A new movement was underway to unite the three branches of Methodism. In 1939, the Methodist Episcopal, Methodist Episcopal South, and the Methodist Protestant Churches became The Methodist Church. The last Methodist Protestant Conference was held in Greensboro, and the first Methodist Conference was held in Fayetteville. Henry E. White represented Flat Rock at both events as a delegate.

Many organizational changes were made following the union. Our Foreign Missionary Society and Ladies Aid were combined to form the Woman's Society of Christian Service. We still kept separate treasuries - one for conference funds and one for local projects.

In 1945, Mr. S. F. Teiser, a local Jewish merchant, died. We were informed by the Citizens Bank and Trust Company, executor of his will, that each church in the county would receive the sum of \$100.00. The check came when the sanctuary needed a new roof; therefore, the money was used to purchase shingles, and the members put them on the roof.

In 1945, it was also decided that memorial stained glass windows would add beauty to the sanctuary. They were given in memory of departed loved ones. The W.S.C.S. gave a window in memory of Ola Spainhour Hester, wife of Thomas P. Hester, in recognition of her years of devoted service to the society, church, and community. She was also the first president of the Foreign Missionary Society. All memorial windows are listed in the appendix.

As new members were added to our church and Sunday School, we felt the need for more space, so a building project was started in 1950. First a basement was dug to house an assembly or dining room, a kitchen, and two rest rooms. Five classrooms were built on ground level. A well was bored. Finally, we had the modern conveniences of running water and central head. Soon after the completion of the educational building, a central heating system was installed to heat the sanctuary.

In 1956 Miss Gladys Satterwhite gave a new piano for the sanctuary in memory of her father, Henry Hunter Satterwhite. Among a number of gifts to the church at this time was a large pulpit Bible in memory of C.A. Wortham by his family, and a Bible for use in the primary department by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Reavis in memory of their daughter, Kaye. One of the class rooms used by the beginners was furnished with 25 chairs, a table and desk, window draperies, a Bible, and wall plaques by Mrs. Maggie D. White, Mary V. White and Dr. Adolphus G. White in memory of Margaret C. White.

In 1959, it was suggested that the Vance Charge be divided. Because of increased membership in all four churches, one minister was unable to serve effectively. Since Spring Valley and Flat Rock were in close proximity, we voted to become a two point circuit, keeping the name of the Vance Charge.

In 1959, a youth choir was organized with the help of Rev. Kenneth E. Halcott's wife, Shirley, and Brenda Robinson who served as pianist for the choir. The choir wore short, white robes with black ties. They were honored to sing on a Sunday afternoon television program and needless to say we were proud of our young people. The following two Christmas seasons, Mrs. E. J. Abbott wrote and directed an original Christmas pageant in which the youth choir assisted her in presenting, during the holiday season. After a few years, when the members grew older and went their separate ways, the choir disbanded.

In 1959, the members purchased a Brass Altar Set for Christmas and Henry E. White gave a wooden cross which was attached to the wall behind the altar. A few years later the cross was replaced with a memorial stained glass window given by Mrs. Raymond Reavis in memory of her husband, Raymond, and daughter Kaye. The local cemetery, located near the church, was enclosed in a chain link fence, a gift of Sam Satterwhite.

In 1964, Mrs. J. H. (Claire) Satterwhite bequeathed \$500 to the church and the same to the cemetery trust fund. The same year, Miss Annie Satterwhite bequeathed \$500.00 to the church and the same to the cemetery trust fund. Interest from this and other gifts were expected to help keep the cemetery beautiful.

A project to replace the original pews was started in the sixties. Oak pews, which harmonized with the pulpit furniture,

were selected. They were dedicated on March 22, 1965. Pews are listed in the appendix as to the persons honored or remembered.

Another union of churches took place in 1968. The Methodist Church and the Evangelical United Brethren Church merged and became The United Methodist Church. Previously, the Church of the United Brethren in Christ and the Evangelical Church had united to become the Evangelical United Brethren Church.

In 1971, an adult choir was organized with Anne Reavis Creech, great granddaughter of John W. Reavis, as director and Joy Mangum as pianist. Later, Marilyn Parrott became the pianist and Joy played the organ which was donated by one of the church's former pianist, Gladys Satterwhite.

Over the years the Woman's Society of Christian Service had various projects to raise money. There were numerous bake sales, ice cream suppers, plate dinner sales and even a sample sale. However, desiring more extensive improvements in the church and on its grounds, the W.S.C.S. made plans for a Fall Harvest Sale which was held in the National Guard Armory in Henderson. It was so successful that it became an annual project for many years under the leadership of Katherine R. Wortham.

With funds from the Harvest Sales the following projects were completed: 1967 - Painted Sunday School classrooms and hall. Purchased bulletin boards for classrooms and sanctuary; 1968 - Purchased light fixtures for the vestibule and outside. Carpet for vestibule. Poured concrete walkways and bought gravel for parking area; 1969 - Renovated ceiling in the sanctuary; 1970 - Purchased lighting fixtures for sanctuary; 1972 - Renovated basement dining room. Purchased five folding tables; 1973 - Planted shrubbery and grass. Purchased more gravel for parking area; 1974 - Painted sanctuary.

Under the leadership of the Reverend Johnny Williams the Vance Charge membership built a new parsonage in our community on a one acre lot given by Gladys Satterwhite. The building committee was composed of the following members: Chairman-Clement Short, Vice-Chairman-Howard Blalock, Secretary-Treasurer-Mrs. Jack Ashcraft, Ray Buchanan, Mrs. Simon Harris, Thomas Hester, Mrs. Edgar Pernel, Mrs. Thomas Richardson and Charles Wyche. Parsonage trustees included Jere Parrott, Charles Martin, and David King, Jr. from Flat Rock.

A beautiful brick veneer home, including a living room, family-dining-kitchen combination, study, utility, three bedrooms and two baths was completed and furnished. The total value of the parsonage was set at \$27,400. This included the following costs: Lot, \$2,275.00; House, \$21,178.31; Furniture, \$1,639.71; Carpet, \$1,411.10; Well and pump, \$896.50. Members of both churches gave gifts and services to make this a lovely and comfortable home. All members were invited to an open house on March 31, 1971. The dedication took place on February 8, 1976. The Raleigh District

Superintendent, the Reverend Warren B. Petteway and Bishop Robert M. Blackburn attended the dedication service.

In 1971, Thomas S. Hester installed the central air conditioner in the main sanctuary and now the need for air conditioning in the class rooms was realized. The W.S.C.S. provided the funds and Thomas provided the labor to keep us cool during Sunday School, as well as morning worship service.

In 1973, the W.S.C.S. experienced another name change. The women were called the United Methodist Women. However, we kept our same meeting date, Thursday evening after the third Sunday.

Miss Mary V. White, the young adult class teacher for many years, and Mrs. Madeline Reavis were honored by John and Page Reavis who erected a church name sign in their honor.

Miss Mary V. White gave her collection of about five hundred books to the church to establish a library in memory of her parents, A. Eugene and Maggie D. White, in 1975. A class room was converted into a library. Miss Mary furnished it with bookcases, a table and two chairs, a red carpet and accessories.

Colonel Henry E. White, who sold his historical home, Ashland, in 1975 and moved to Lexington, South Carolina, gave the church several very nice pieces of silver hollow ware. It was left at the home of Gladys Satterwhite for safe-keeping. Colonel White also gave a membership to Kerr Lake Club for use by Flat Rock ministers. Many boxwoods planted around the foundation of the church were also given by Colonel White.

Gladys Satterwhite, who had always been generous with her donations to the church, was honored by the members when a pew for the choir was purchased in her name. A brass flower urn, in memory of C. J. Wyche, was given October 5, 1975 by his wife and son, Charles Wyche and family. Honoring Miss Margaret Reavis in 1974, Mr. & Mrs. R. E. Satterwhite, her employers, gave a large Bible.

The first copy of the Vance Charge Newsletter was published by the Reverend Mike McCoy on November 16, 1975. This was mailed monthly to all members. It not only included the news but a monthly calendar of events.

The entire church and community joined in mourning the loss of Gladys Satterwhite on March 31, 1976. She was a long time benefactress of Flat Rock Methodist Church. Almost the entirety of her estate, several hundred thousand dollars, was left to the church and cemetery committee. We were saddened by her death at a young age, but rejoice in her victory of eternal life through Jesus Christ.

The members of the Vance Charge, composed of Spring Valley and Flat Rock Churches, in 1976 joined together for an Easter Sunrise

Service. The service was held by the mill pond on land owned by Mr. & Mrs. Tom Verzaal. About forty people joined in singing and meditation. Beyond a large wooden cross located at the pond, just as the service began, the sun was observed as it rose across the pond. After sunrise service, conducted by Rev. Mike McCoy, breakfast cooked by the men of the church was served in the church kitchen. Not only did everyone enjoy the breakfast with no after effects, but the men left the kitchen and fellowship hall in tip top shape.

In the spring of 1976, in recognition of the Bicentennial of our country, Colonel Henry E. White remembered the church with a gift of the United States and Christian flags which added much to the sanctuary and worship service.

The vestibule was refurbished in memory of Katherine Reavis Wortham in 1979. The U.M.W. gave an oak table, styled similar to the communion table. Her sister, Margaret R. Sturges, gave a matching lectern for guest registration. The lighting fixture was given by friends. Katherine served the church in many capacities. She was a Sunday School teacher, Bible School teacher and W.S.C.S. President for two terms of office totaling fifteen years.

Rachel and Robert Mangum gave the church a beautiful silver communion set in 1979. The lovely old communion set that became inadequate was placed on display in the church library.

The choir, under the direction of Anne Reavis Creech with Joy Mangum as pianist, presented their first cantata, "When Love was Born." This was well received by the large audience.

In 1979, the parents of children, ages six to twelve, organized a Children's Fellowship which met twice a month. Interesting programs, trips to local and out of town attractions and family outings provided the children with many pleasant Christian experiences. At one time, twenty-five children were enrolled as members.

May 20, 1979 brought a real surprise for Mary V. White. She was honored by the church with "Mary V. White Day" during the celebration of her 90th birthday. Following services by Rev. Keith Nanney, she was guest at a covered dish dinner in the church's fellowship hall. She served the church in many ways including organist for 18 years. However, she is best remembered as a church school teacher for a period of over 60 years. The Young Adult class is named for her. A part of the service was the ground breaking of a new educational wing for the church.

The year 1980 was a full and busy one for the church. Funds from the Gladys Satterwhite estate enabled the church to add a new wing. The consecration of the Gladys Satterwhite educational building was held April 30, 1980. This educational building consisted of nine rooms, including a pastor's study, parlor,

kitchen, fellowship hall, classrooms, restrooms and storage rooms. In keeping with the church's name, two of the outside walls and the two fireplaces were built of rock. Noted stone mason, Lucius Geter, who was 74 years old, did most of the stone work for the sum of \$17,000.00. In his younger days, he was one of the stone masons doing the stone work on the First Methodist Church in Henderson. Doors and windows in this building were given in honor and in memory of various individuals by families and friends. These are listed in the Appendix.

When the new educational facility was added, the library's size was enlarged. The U.M.W. had a large book case and a cabinet made to complete the furnishings. Jere and Betty Parrott donated a new wall-to-wall carpet.

Anne Creech gave an oak piano to match the other furnishings in the sanctuary. The older one was moved to the fellowship hall.

A brass lectern for use of the choir director was given in memory of Clement G. Short who passed away in 1980. The light fixtures in the side wings of the sanctuary were given in 1980 in memory of Major R. Wynn by the adult choir and in memory of Mary V. White by the Mary V. White Sunday School Class.

A community club for older adults was organized by Liz Floyd. Under her direction interesting programs, shopping trips, and other activities were enjoyed. "Happy Days" was selected as the club's name and members look forward to great fellowship and good food at the monthly meetings.

Liz Floyd organized a puppet team and her husband, Curt, constructed the stage. Liz made many of the original puppets. Later some were purchased and the older puppets were donated to a church desiring to begin their own puppet ministry. The puppets have added much interest for both the children and adults during the church services and at many community functions.

Bernice Verzaal interested the women of the U.M.W. in making Chrismons. When Christmas came in 1981, we decorated a cedar tree given by Robert Mangum. Liz Floyd served as chair of this project. Others in the church became interested in the Chrismons, and the following year every family had at least one Chrismon on the tree. Later, the children got into the act, and made a number of lovely ones to add to the growing collection.

Anne Creech thought a movie projector and screen could be used to a good advantage in the church ministry, so she donated them. The church school members enjoyed a religious film during class time on every fifth Sunday for several years.

For awhile in 1981, the church bulletin contained an interesting interview of a church family or member. Everyone looked forward to the humorous articles written by Brenda Creech Richardson.

Easter services in 1983 saw the choir members in new gray robes, another gift from Anne Creech. The choir now has a set of white, black, and gray. Anne, who is often giving gifts to the church, gave a set of lights for the organ. Rachel Parrott had given a light for the piano. Other members often remembered the church with needed gifts for which we are thankful.

On Mother's Day and Father's Day, beginning in 1984, the U.M.W. has conducted a candle burning service with the proceeds being used mostly for missions. A banner depicting Flat Rock Methodist Church was made by some of the U.M.W. members in observance of the Bicentennial of the Methodist Church. We were proud of the banner and the hard work done by the ladies.

The sound system installed by Curt Floyd, enabled the "hard of hearing" to enjoy the services through the use of ear phones. Tapes of the services are made and distributed to those unable to attend the services. The tape player is used by soloists and the puppeteers.

Beautiful new pew cushions were ordered in 1984 with hopes that they would arrive before Christmas, but it was not until 1985 that we were able to enjoy the beauty and comfort of these full length, rich red cushions. A wall plaque, bearing names of the contributors and those honored and remembered, was placed in the south wing of the sanctuary.

A baptismal font was given in memory of T. P. Hester in 1985. His great grandson, Michael Gantt, was the first to be baptized from the font in October, 1985.

The annual Brunswick stew began in 1984 as a money making project for the U.M.W. Florence Neathery and Margaret Struges served as co-chairs for the stew for many years. All church members contributed vegetables from their freezers, as well as, purchased many other ingredients.

The fires under the iron wash pots were started at 6:00 a.m. It was a great time of fellowship with the men and boys stirring the stew and the women gathering and adding ingredients. Then, there was the fun of washing pots and pans, filling the containers with stew and delivering orders to our customers.

For several years, we added an extra pot until we were cooking nine pots of stew. After a few years of putting up a tent, we built a picnic shelter which protected us from the weather. Unfortunately, it didn't help much with the smoke and heat, but we were thankful for the men who endured them.

In 1988, Flat Rock church became a station church. Spring Valley's portion of the parsonage was purchased and Reverend Mallie Hinnant continued as our pastor. Spring Valley joined with Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church as a charge and was

assigned a student minister. Flat Rock's membership began to grow.

A new name for the church newsletter was needed, and a contest was held to select the name. "Flat Rock Pebbles", a name submitted by Betty Harris Parrott was selected. The "Pebbles" includes a bit about the church's activities, announcements, and other items of interest in the church and community.

Charles and Louise Parham gave the church a steeple and its installation. It was beautiful and made the church look complete.

Sixty pew Bibles were given in memory of Irene Hamm Hester by her husband, Thomas S. Hester, in 1988.

Bibles for each Sunday School class room were given by Rachel and U.J. Parrott in honor of their daughter, Marilyn Parrott Smith on April 17, 1988.

Chimes were added to the church's steeple in 1989; a gift of several members. Their sound can be heard at noon and 6:00 p.m. for several miles around the church. They were dedicated at homecoming services. (See appendix for list of contributors.)

Winston Hester crafted a .05 scale model of the original church, complete with furnishings. He noted there were over 3000 hand made shingles on the roof of the model. This was also dedicated at homecoming in 1989.

An oak mantel for the fellowship hall and a picture of Jesus was given by Jim and Judy Pulley in 1989.

Added to the church was a ramp at the front entrance. Black wrought iron handrails added to the convenience and beauty. This is a real asset since many members are older adults. The U.M.W. contributed a portion of the cost of this project, and the trustees completed the job.

The men's Bible club continued their Saturday morning breakfast meetings. The men did a good job of cooking and cleaning up although we already knew that because of the spaghetti and pancake suppers they had prepared and served in the past as money making projects.

On July 1, 1991, Mary Martha Hatch, a young woman minister on her first assignment held her first service after being assigned to Flat Rock Church. There was a large crowd in attendance for this first service because until now, Flat Rock had only had male ministers and a female in the pulpit was quite a change!

In July of 1991, a concrete skirt was added around the concrete entrance and a walk laid on the north side leading out to the road. This will save shoes and be convenient to those parking on

the north side of the church. Thanks to the U.M.W. for the funds and to the trustees for overseeing the work.

Since the U.M.W. decided not to have its annual stew in 1991, the men headed by Ray Owen, Charles Harris, Thomas Hester, Bobby Brooks, Mac Mangum and others decided the stew cooking must go on as a fellowship day. After everyone had eaten, the surplus was sold and the profit of more than \$400.00 was given to the U.M.W.

Because of the economic pinch in the nineties, the Brunswick stew profits in 1992 and 1993 went to the church budget.

A Fall Harvest Sale, under the direction of Liz Floyd, cleared \$4000.00 and created great fellowship. This was a joint effort of everyone and larger than the Harvest Sale held by the Happy Days the year before.

In time for the 1992 annual homecoming and revival in October, the church steeple was lighted by flood lights. Mary Wortham Hester funded part of this in memorial to James Wortham.

The North Carolina Garden Club Association selected a photograph of the church to be used in its 1993 calendar. The picture submitted by Evelyne Hester, taken in the fall of 1991 by Ricky Stilley, a Henderson Daily Dispatch photographer, showed the black gum tree on the front lawn with bright red leaves. Rachel and U.J. Parrott gave a large framed copy of the picture entitled "Heavenly Hues", to the church in honor of their daughter, Marilyn and her husband, Gary Smith. It was placed in the foyer of the Sattewhite building. We are proud of our lovely church and are often complimented on its beauty, especially in the fall.

On May 30, 1993, new hymnals were dedicated. They were given in memory and in honor of church members and their families.

Gas logs for the fellowship hall were given in memory of Charlie Martin by his wife and family.

A harvest sale featuring a yard sale, bake sale, children's corner, white elephant table, crafts, and hot dogs was held in September to benefit the budget. We made \$2,225.00

The beauty of our sanctuary was enhanced by a new paint job, given by Charles and Louise Parham.

Since our church was dedicated in 1893, we decided to celebrate it, along with our one hundred and third birthday at our annual homecoming and revival services. A committee was appointed to plan these events and included Anne Creech as chair, with Estelle Creech, Margaret R. Sturges, Winston Hester, and Betty Parrott as members. A former pastor, the Reverend R.E.L. Moser was invited

to speak on Sunday morning, October 10, 1993. Local ministers conducted the revival services Sunday through Tuesday night.

Special activities included the printing and distribution of the church history, the sale of stationery with a picture of the church, sweat shirts and T-shirts with the church's emblem. A display of pictures, bulletins, and items used in the past helped us remember our heritage. For several Sundays prior to the homecoming, Winston Hester told of his recollections of earlier days at Flat Rock.

Church Historians

Mary V. White	- 1958
Estelle H. Creech	1959 - 1992
Betty H. Parrott	1993 - Present

APPENDIX

I - Windows

Memorial windows in the sanctuary and vestibule were given in memory of the following members:

- A. Eugene White and Maggie D. White
- Claude Alexander Wortham
- John W. Reavis and Rebecca W. Reavis
- Sallie Hester Pleasants
- Thomas T. Hester and Adeline E. Hester
- Samuel W. Reavis, Blanche M. Reavis and Kate P. Reavis
- Ola Spainhour Hester and T. P. Hester (in honor)
- Hunter Satterwhite and Sally E. Satterwhite
- J. Henry Satterwhite
- James P. Satterwhite and Roberta R. Satterwhite
- Willie B. Reavis
- Pearle Reavis Satterwhite

Windows in the original educational building were given in honor of the following:

- Annie Haithcock Hamm
- Cynthia Hester
- Deborah Irene Hester
- All children by James and Judy Pulley

In memory of the following:

- Anne Pleasants Wortham
- Madeline Hoyle Reavis

Given by the following:

- Mary Ellen, Frank, and Carolyn Powell

Windows in the Satterwhite Building were given in honor of the following:

- Hazel White Parrott and in memory of U.J. Parrott, Sr.
- Lottie Hester and in memory of J.T. Hester
- Reverend John E. Williams
- Mary Gill White and in memory of Fletcher M. White
- Simon and Nell Harris
- Reverend R.E.L. Moser

In memory of the followins:

- Louise Satterwhite Reavis
- George A. Neathery
- Charles W. Bussey, Sr.
- Major R. Wynn
- Willie M. Robinson

Given by the following:

- Robert, Mary, and Robin Richardson
- Tom and Bernice Verzaal

II - Doors

Memorial Doors in the Satterwhite Building were given in honor of the following:

- Her family by Hazel W. Parrott
- Thomas Polk Hester
- Emmitt and Lula Moody
- Estelle and Ralph Creech

In memory of the following:

- Katherine R. Wortham

In appreciation of the following:

- 1979-1980 Board of Trustees by Keith Nanney

To the Glory of God by the following:

- Oscar Lee Creech Family

III - Pews

Memorial pews in the sanctuary were give in memory of the following:

- James P. Satterwhite
- J. P. Satterwhite
- Leonidas O. Reavis
- Claire R. Satterwhite
- U. J. Parrott, Sr.
- Katie White Paschall
- Claude A. Wortham
- Richard A. Nethery
- Mrs. Lillian Vowell
- Mr. & Mrs. S. W. Reavis
- Ola Spainhour Hester
- Vassie R. Richardson

In honor of the following:

- Hazel White Parrott
- Mrs. C. A. Wortham
- Mr. & Mrs. J. T. Hester
- Mrs. Mary Gill White
- Mr. & Mrs. David W. King, Sr.
- Gladys Satterwhite
- Mary V. White
- Mr. & Mrs. Jesse J. Edwards
- Thomas Polk Hester

Given by the following:

- Adult Sunday School Class
- Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Richardson and Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Ray Richardson
- Mr. & Mrs. Jere P. Parrott
- Mr. & Mrs. H. K. Neathery and Mr. & Mrs. George A. Neathery
- Mr. & Mrs. Edward Moody & Family
- Mr. & Mrs. Simon Harris
- Mr. Major R. Wynn and Family

IV - Steeple Chimes

The Steeple Chimes were given by the following members:

- Mavis Short
- Thomas S. Hester, Sr.
- Mr. & Mrs. Charles Wyche
- Dorothy Forrest
- Charles W. Bussey, Jr.
- Margaret Hester
- Nell Jackson
- Lee Roy Kearns
- Thomas C. Richardson, Sr.
- Florence Neathery
- Mr. & Mrs. Palmer Blanks (in memory)

V - Ministers

The following ministers have served Flat Rock Church

- 1891 - 1893 J. E. Swain
- J. E. Dosier
- 1893 - 1896 William Porter
- 1896 - 1899 Cary H. Whitaker
- 1899 - 1901 W. M. Pike
- 1901 - 1904 J. E. Hartsell
- 1904 - 1906 C. E. Raper
- 1906 - 1908 J. E. Hartsell
- 1908 - 1909 W. J. Hackney
- 1909 - 1911 R. C. Stubbins
- 1911 - 1914 J. A. Burgess
- 1914 - 1917 A. L. Hunter
- 1917 - 1920 H. L. Powell
- 1920 - 1924 W. H. Neese
- 1924 - 1928 M. P. Chambliss
- 1928 - 1929 J. B. O'Brient
- 1929 - 1933 J. W. Braxton
- 1933 - 1934 D. D. Broome
- 1934 - 1939 J. D. Cranford
- 1939 - 1940 J. D. Starnes
- 1940 - 1941 Aubert M. Smith
- 1941 - 1945 O. V. Mathison
- 1945 - 1950 R. E. L. Moser
- 1950 - 1951 Ivey T. Poole
- 1951 - 1955 I. J. Strawbridge
- 1955 - 1959 William W. Sherman
- 1959 - 1961 Kenneth E. Halcott
- 1961 - 1962 Oscar Williams
- 1962 - 1963 W. L. (Bill) Barbee
- 1963 - 1966 Jack Benfield
- 1966 - 1971 Johnny Williams
- 1971 - 1975 John E. Wood
- 1975 - 1978 Michael McCoy
- 1978 - 1982 Keith Nanney

- 1982 - 1-83 John Bowman
- 1-83 - 6-83 Dr. Horace Ferguson
- 1983 - 1986 Jack Radford
- 1986 - 1990 Dr. Mallie Hinnant
- 1990 - 1991 Henry Bizzell
- 1991 Mary Martha Hatch