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Garner United Methodist Church Garner, NC



1862-1992

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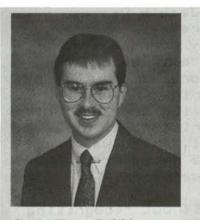
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At the meeting of the Charge Conference on February 24, 1992, a special Anniversary Committee was appointed to formulate plans for the celebration of what we thought at the time was the 125th Anniversary of Garner United Methodist Church. Upon investigation, we discovered that Garner Church, which had its beginnings in Beulah Church, is actually 130 years old. The name of the church was changed when the congregation moved from a site off present day Vandora Springs Road to downtown Garner. To compile the history of a church which has been meeting since the outbreak of the Civil War is no small task, and many thanks are due Mrs. Kaye Whaley and Mrs. Lucile Stevens for the wonderful job they did in compiling this history.

A special word of thanks also to Mrs. Jackie Umstead, Chairperson, and to the members of the Anniversary Committee, whose names are listed elsewhere, for the many hours they spent in making plans for a month-long Anniversary celebration in October 1992. The celebration includes a historical drama, guest speakers (Dr. Belton Joyner, Bishop C. P. Minnick, Reverend R.E.L. Moser), an Anniversary Banquet, Homecoming Sunday, 130 voice mass choir, special sanctuary banners, historical slide show, memorabilia display, and the church bell, which was cast in 1898, moved each Sunday in October from the basement of the church to the front lawn and rung for Sunday services.

Finally no history would be complete without recognizing those people which have meant so much these 130 years: Ministers who have preached, choir members who have sung, teachers who have taught, leaders who have led, and the faithful who could be counted on when the chips were down. This is their story.

> William D. Sabiston, III Minister October 1992



Craig Hauschild Student Associate Minister



Don Mason Director of Music



William D. Sabiston, III Minister



Nancy Harty Secretary



Lee Drayton Custodian



Susan Hobbs Program Director



Caroline Allen Organist & Children/Youth Choir Director

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FIFTY YEAR PLUS MEMBERS

Annie Carroll Lowery	1919
Clyde Broughton Schuster	1922
Ray Jewell	1926
Sallie Mitchiner B. Lentz	1927
Lucile Bryan Stevens	1927
Nell Wrenn Henderson	1927
Agnes Doub Jones	1928
J. H. Poole	1928
Elsie Mae Broughton Stephens	1929
Doris Broughton Williford	1932
Irene Penny Peacock	1933
Clarice Holder Bryan	1933
Annie Laurie Penny Frising	1934
Lawrence E. Penny	1934
Sam Burton Penny	1934
Dorothy Penny Gibson	1936
Madge Hamilton	1937
Worth A. Whitaker	1937
Kathryn Hockaday Mitchiner	1938
John Thomas Broughton	1938
John D. Moore	1939
Betty June Leathers Poole	1939
Carl Broughton	1939
Caroline Duncan Williams	1939
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Hazel Gillis Holder	1941
David Mitchiner	1942

FORTY YEAR PLUS MEMBERS

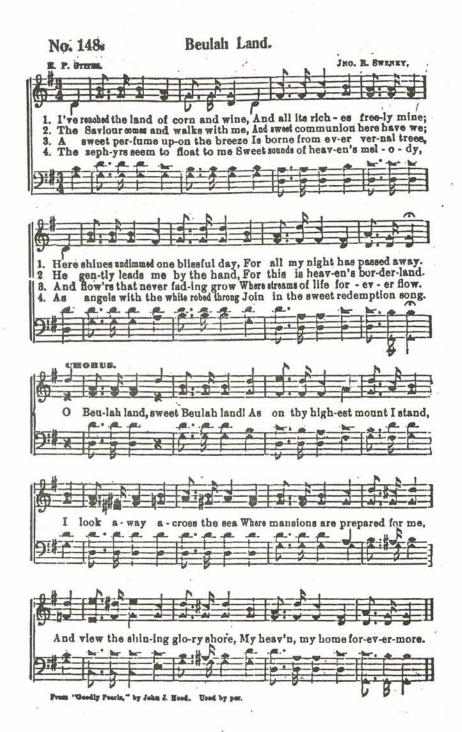
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A. B. Jenkins	1947
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Ralph B. Kelly, Jr.	1948
Mrs. Berry King	1948
Narrie Westbrook	1948
Craton Stephens	1948
B. R. Poole	1948
Evelyn Whitaker	1948
Charles Loftis	1948
Harry Cathey	1948
Katherine Cathey	1948
Thelma Berry	1948
F. Alvin Miller	1949
Mary Miller	1949
Ann Pumphrey Hudson	1949

Mary Alice Pumphrey Johnson
Grace Turner
Laurie Holder, Jr.
Oliver Bell
Barbara Creech Bozart
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Barbara Baker
James Purdue
John Phillip Price
Sara Straughr. Buffaloe
Hazel Barefoot
Beulah Broughton
Robert J. Knight
Wallace B. Knight, Jr.
Jessie Knight
Lucille McGee
Ralph L. Whaley Edna Ross Whaley
Minnie Kelly Williams
Patsy Harrison Lowe
Rufus Hickman
Audrey Hickman
Helen Kelly
Viola Merritt
Robert Mitchiner, Jr.
Mrs. John B. Strickland
William Kilgo Richard, Jr.
Abram Wade Dena Wade
Fadine Freeman
Evelyn Wooten
Brenda Fowler Poole
Donald Fowler
Clarence P. Holder, Jr.
Elizabeth Kelly
Clarence Pope
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In Bunyan's <u>Filgrim's</u> <u>Progress</u> it is a land of peace and quite where pilgrims await their summons to cross the river of Death.



EARLY CHURCH HISTORY BEULAH METHODIST CHURCH 1862 - 1892

"That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you may have fellowship with us; and our fellowship is with the Father and with his son Jesus Christ." 1 John 1:3 (RSV)

Garner Methodist Church had its beginning around 1862 at a small meeting house called BEULAH. The following account of its origin is taken from C. Franklin Grill's book on <u>Early Methodist</u> <u>Meeting Houses in Wake County</u>: "The only Methodist Church believed to have come into being during the War Between the States was Beulah...The William Snelling family built a simple wooden chapel about 1862 and named it Beulah...Snelling built the church on his own land, on what is now the west side of Vandora Springs Road, near Garner, about three quarters of a mile south of U.S. Highway 70. The Snelling home stood a short distance south of the church.

"Beulah was on the north side of Swift Creek only three miles northeast of Hollands. It became the place where the Snellings, Waltons, Bagwells, Rands, Pools, Broughtons and Whitakers worshipped. The initiators of the church had closer ties with the church in Raleigh than with the other churches in the Raleigh Circuit. At the beginning the pastor of the Raleigh City Mission, who was perhaps a local elder, came out to preach. Then Alexander R. Raven and Moses J. Hunt ministered until 1869 when Beulah became a part of the Wake Circuit. By 1890, Beulah was one of the eight churches on the Cary Circuit."

Methodism in and around what is now the Garner community, must have had its beginnings soon after the English school master, William Holland, came to the area. There is no doubt his influence helped establish Beulah Church, because his widow, Nancy Rhodes Holland, married William Snelling who built it.

Since Beulah was the beginning of what is now Garner United Methodist CHurch and this is a record of our history starting in 1862 it seems fitting to record the beginnings of Hollands Methodist Church taken from their church history, ONE HUNDRED-FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE HOLLANDS METHODIST CHURCH 1812-1962 SESQUICENTENNIAL PROGRAM, Sequicentennial Committee: Ransom Middleton, Chairman, Warren Bowman, Lillian Pagan, Nannie Lee Fogleman), published in 1962.

"Methodism was in the area of what is now Hollands Methodist Church long before the church was organized. It is believed that William Holland, an English school master, after whom the church was named, was a member of the Methodist Society of England, and that he after settling in this area organized Methodist Societies in the homes of people in the community. One such home was that of Sihon Smith, the first local preacher in the area.

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Bishop Francis Asbury tells in his Journals of visiting in Sihon Smith's home on several occasions:

> Page 226 Vol. II, The Journals, "Wednesday, 5 (1800) We rode to Sihon Smith's and I gave a lecture in the evening."

> Page 448 Vol. II, The Journals, "Saturday, December 1 (1804) We came to Sihon Smith's accompanied by Nathaniel Moore. I was glad to house here and escape the rain. It is a cordial to my spirit to reflect, that although we had but one preacher that ancient and good circuit of Tar, and that one was a young one, and esteemed by some of only moderate abilities, his labours have been signally blessed; it is true the local brethren helped faithfully; and there were some good seasons at camp meetings. My mind had great peace in God."

There are other similar writings in the Journals. The will of William Holland recently located among the records of the Wake County Court House in Raleigh, dated July 9, 1807, lists the following bequest:

"Item, I give and bequeathe the sum of four hundred dollars for the purpose of building a good Methodist Meeting House, that may have a partition at one end thereof for a class room and to be built on such a piece of ground as will be convenient to my wife and the rest of the family to attend."

Thus begins the history and the fact of Hollands Methodist Church. We should give space to the memory of the man responsible for this birth of a church, but there are few written records available. His epitph speaks for him:

"William Holland was born in the City of Chester, England, Jan. 3, 1750, and departed this life December 4, 1809. In his profession as English school master he was highly successful in this country, and in the matter of his life, he was peculiarly devoted to the worship and service of God. He lived respected by his neighbors, and died under the happy expectation of rising to endless life, leaving a considerable part of his worldly substance to be used in the furtherance of the Glorious Gospel of his Redeemer."

Mr. Holland was married to Nancy Rhodes and we have no records which refer to children. He accumulated or inherited what was considerable wealth in those days, since the total bequests of his will amounted to about eight thousand dollars. In addition to the amount he left to build a Methodist church building, he also left money for the building of a Baptist Meeting House, (what is now Middle Creek Baptist Church) and to the famous Methodist preacher, James O'Kelly, who later became a leader in the Christian denomination. This money was used to begin what was known as Pleasant Springs Church (now Catawba Springs Christian Church).

Sihon Smith, with whom Mr. Holland was affiliated in service to God, served first as a circuit rider, then as a local circuit rider, then as a local preacher. Mr. Smith had a church built on his land in 1812 near the location of the present Hollands Church with the money left by Mr. Holland.

The first church building was built by the men of the church and they used native timber, pulling the logs from the woods by teams of oxen. From 1812 to 1859 the church was known as the Red Meeting House in its new location...

Tradition reveals that it happened this way. During the latter half of the eighteenth century, about the time of the Revolutionary War, a church building was built for use of The Methodist Society, and the building was located on the road between Bands Mill and the Old Stage Road, immediately behind what is now Garner Country Club, and overlooking Swift Creek from a high hill. Members from the north and south side of the creek were dissatisfied with the location of the church because of the hills, bad roads, and slow and inconvenient modes of transportation used in those days. Jonathan Smith, Sr. (Sihon or Shon, as he was sometimes called) stated that "Because of the hills and ravines in the area, some wanted it on the north side of the creek and some on the south side. So dissenion and disagreement arose. The majority voted to rebuild the church on the south side of the creek. The money left by Mr. Holland had much to do with it too. So the congregation divided and the Red Meeting House as it was called was torn down and moved to the new location now Hollands Church. Part of the congregation built a new church called St. Mary's, which was located near what is now Echo Heights, on the Old Stage Road just south of Ernest Myatt Presbyterian Church. This church was later moved to Garner. Part of the pews from the Red Meeting House were carried to St. Mary's."

William Snelling, who built Beulah Church, married Nancy Rhodes Holland in 1822. She was the daughter of John Rhodes a staunch Methodist. She was older than Snelling and after her death he married Frances Warren on February 3, 1840. Her father, Nathaneil Warren, is listed as a trustee of Stoney Hill Meeting House built by John Rhodes on his property in the Swift Creek area. To this union was born several children who are listed on the early church roll. On November 1, 1866, their daughter, Martha Snelling married Joseph T. Broughton. They were married by Thomas G. Whitaker. It is not known if this wedding took place at Beulah Church. The Broughton home is still standing and is adjacent to the present location of the Garner United Methodist Church.

After the Civil War, Beulah grew and added many new members. By 1895 there were 121 names listed on roll. Some members transferred from Hollands, Ebenezer, and other churches. The names of Buffaloe, Banks, Mitchiner, Carroll, and others were among them. Many of their descendents are on our church rolls to this day.

Ebenezer church history records the following story about some of Beulah's church pews that were moved there during the War while Ebenezer was temporarily closed; "In the year 1862 or 1863 Captain Charles Nichlos Allen moved into this community. He was a staunch Methodist and he wanted to see the church reorganized. He began to inquire around and found that the benches were over at Beulah Church. He took his team and some of his men and brought the benches back to Ebenezer."

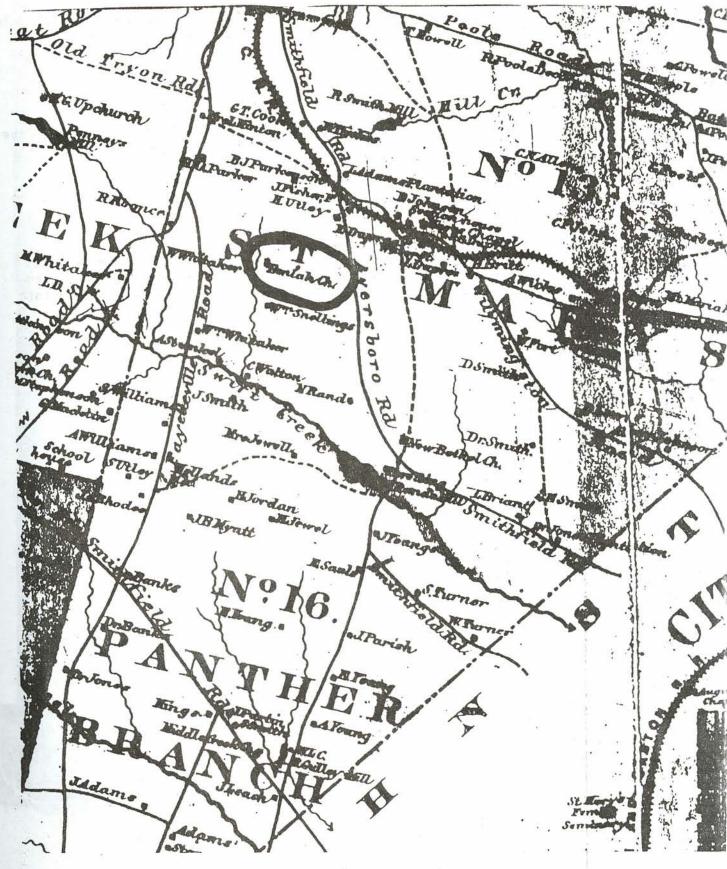
Captain Allen's son, C. N. Allen, Jr. was an outstanding teacher of the Men's Class at Garner Methodist Church as his son, Ed Crow Allen is today.

During the late 1800's, Beulah seemed to have outgrown the small chapel. It is thought some of the members returned to Hollands and some attended a small congregation of Methodists who met in a church near what is now Highway 401 near Myatt's Presbyterian Church. Today, many of the Buffaloe family attend Myatt's Presbyterian Church.

Beulah began to meet in the old Academy building in Garner and on May 24, 1890 the Trustees of Beulah bought a lot containing one-half acre on present day Main Street for three hundred and seven dollars for the purpose of building a new church from William N. and Sephronia L. Snelling and Joseph T. and Martha H. Broughton. The trustees were: Joseph T. Broughton, C. P. Rand, W. D. Buffaloe, George Mitchiner, A. Pool, D. P. Meachem and W. D. Johnson. These trustees have many descendents attending the church today. W. D. Johnson was the grandfather of William "Bill" Rand whose family influence is still greatly felt in our church. His wife, Elizabeth, kept diaries and scrapbooks which have helped with this history. George Mitchiner's family are Sallie M. Lentz, Mary Mitchiner (long time church treasurer), Jack Mitchiner and Kathryn Mitchiner, Alonza Pool's great-grandaughters are Clarice Holder Bryan and Jessamine Holder Bryan. William D. Buffalce's son, James H. Buffalce was a Methodist Minister and served our church in 1913-14; his grandson, Dudley Buffaloe was a very devoted member of our church; and his great-granddaughter Kaye Buffaloe Whaley and her family (Ronald L., Rodney L. and William E. "Bill") are members of this church. Joseph T. Broughton's granddaughters who are members of this church are Clyde Schuster, Lucile Bryan Stevens, Louise Broughton Price, Elsie Mae Broughton Stephens, Leola Broughton Drake and Dorothy Williford and his great-granddsons are John T. Broughton, Carl Broughton and Phillip Price. (We were unable to locate any decedents for Chauncy Porter Rand and D. P. Meachem who are members of our church.)

A contract was given in 1891 to Mr. Ashley Johnson of near

Clayton to build the new church located on Garner's Main Street near the depot. Mr. J. T. Broughton furnished his wagon to haul lumber from Mr. Tom Turner's saw mill for the construction.



BEULAH METHODIST CHURCH MINISTERS

1862 - 1892

Beulah ministers were supplied by Raleigh Circuit, Raleigh City Mission, Wake Circuit and Cary Circuit over a period of 30 years. Among them are:

- 1862 R. C. MAYNARD He died in 1863.
 - J. B. BOBBITT During the War, he was preaching in all of the churches in the Raleigh area. In 1863, he was assisted by Moses J. Hunt.

JAMES J. HINES

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ALEXANDER R. RAVEN

About 1872 Rev. Raven, who served the newly formed Cary Circuit, prepared a roll listing the members of each church including Beulah and how and by whom they were received into the church.

- T. B. REEKS
- J. E. THOMPSON
- W. M. JORDAN
- B. B. CULBRETH
- R. C. BEAMAN
- J. B. MARTIN

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GARNER METHODIST CHURCH 1892 - 1992 ONE HUNDRED YEARS

The first minister of the new church was Rev. Peter L. Herman. In 1892, the church was dedicated with the Rev. Daniel Tuttle residing. It became, at that time, Garner Methodist Espicopal Church South, and was a part of the North Carolina Conference. It was placed on the Cary Circuit with five other churches.

Since the attractive new church had a belfry, a bell was the next addition. Mrs. Joe Broughton and Mrs. Hal D. Rand traveled by train to Raleigh to ask various businesses for contributions to buy a bell and an organ. They were successful in their endeavor. The bell cost \$150. A pump organ was purchased and Mrs. Rand became the first organist.

The little post like steeple was added to the top of the belfry at a later date. Years later when the church was sold and torn down, the little steeple was given to Lucile Bryan Stevens, and Ed Crow Allen put it on a stand to display in our present day Fellowship Hall. The bell is also displayed there. It was given to Mrs. Helen Bryan. She in turn gave it back to the church in memory of her mother, Martha Snelling Broughton and Margaret Johnson Rand. It was mounted for display by W. B. Knight, Jr.

The new church was heated in the winter with wood-burning stoves, and cooled in the summer by opening the many windows and using hand held fans given by area businesses and funeral homes.

Mr. Harvey Mitchiner, who joined the church in 1914, was faithful in his service to the church by making fires, attending to the windows, distributing fans, taking up the collection, and he is remembered by many as the bell-ringer. He died in 1961 at age 76.

One of the oldest pieces of furniture in the church is a marble topped table used as an altar table for communion, etc. Engraved into the marble is: "In memory of Mary F. Walton by Lilly W. Penny". Mary Walton and her husband, Joseph H. Walton were early members of Beulah Church. Their daughter Lillian Raven Walton (Lilly) was married to M. H. Penny a well-to-do Garner merchant. This table is now located in the church parlor. There are also two chairs in the present pulpit that came from the old church. Needlepoint covers are at present being made for them.

When members of the Garner Church began to have Sunday School, green burlap curtains were hung on wires across the sanctuary to be pulled and divide the church into classes. The beginners sat on the steps leading up to the pulpit.

In 1912 there were almost 100 members on the church roll. In 1913, the Garner Circuit was formed with Ebenezer, Hollands, and Mt. Zion joining Garner and they were served by the same pastor.

The first parsonage was built in 1916 by these four churches. It is still standing at 200 E. Garner Road next door to Elizabeth Buffaloe. The Rev. and Mrs. E. B. Craven were the first to make it a home for Garner Circuit ministers.

In 1916, under the guidance of Mrs. Craven the Ladies Aid Society was formed. The church grew during these pre-World War I years. At least one member of the church, Mr. Kenneth Mitchiner, brother of Mr. Harvey Mitchiner, served in that war.

Services were held on the 1st Sunday morning and 4th Sunday night at Garner. Since other local churches had a similar procedure, there was a lot of visiting back and forth among the Methodist, Baptist, and Christian members. They even sang in each others choirs. One of the Baptist who often helped with the music was Mrs. Minnie Buffalce, wife of the local doctor, Dr. Sam Buffalce. (Elizabeth Buffalce's brother-in-law.) She was a talented musician and not only played the piano but also sang alto at times when special music was needed for programs and funerals.

In the 1920's, two wings were added to the church. These had sliding doors that could be opened for church services and closed to form Sunday School rooms. Sometime later, rooms were added behind these wings. A door was opened into the pulpit from the one on the left. About this time a little log cabin was built on the right near the back of the church to be used for Boy Scouts. It was at times, used for Sunday School classes and Epworth League meetings.

During the late 1920's, a wonderful event happened, the Harvey Holder family moved to Garner. Our church's gain and was Ebenezer's (their home church) loss. The family was immediately involved in the church, Sunday School, and choir. All were musical. Mrs. Holder trained her four sons, Kenneth, Laurie, Poe, and Craven to sing as a quartet. They were in demand all over the county. Clarice became a Sunday School teacher as well as a public school teacher. Jessamine a graduate in music became our organist. She and Evelyn Lloyd Bryan, Choir Director, were devoted for years to leading the church in its music programs. Their influence is still felt in our church. Mary Lee, the youngest child, had a beautiful operatic voice.

Another family that moved to Garner about this time was the Arch Moore family. They have all left their mark on our church and contributed to its growth. Mrs. Moore was the beloved teacher of the Beginners Class for many years. Rufus and John helped to plan and supervise the building of the new church on Dak Circle. For many years, John gave of his time and talent as superintendent of building and grounds. The Moore's are also remembered for the big brunswick stew suppers they had at their home. There were over 100 members in 1934.

In 1939, the Epworth League for the Youth of the church became Methodist Youth Fellowship and the name of our church changed from Methodist Epicopal Church, South to Garner Methodisi Church.

Many members of our church served their Country during World War II.

Around 1948, the two story cement block addition was built behind the Church. This added needed rooms for the growing Church.

On November 5, 1950, Garner Circuit divided and Garner-Ebenezer Charge organized with the Rev. Robert E. Lee Moser as pastor. In March 1951, the first parsonage was sold and a new one started on 206 Penny Street on a lot donated by Wilbur Beasley and William "Bill" Rand. On November 1, 1953, Garner was approved by the Conference to be a one station church. Rev. Moser continued to be the pastor.

In 1954 a small house next door to the church was bought from Bennie Brooks and wife, Mae Brooks, (son, Wayne Books is a member of our church) to be used for more Sunday School rooms. Also, Ebenezer's one-half interest in the parsonage on Penny Street was purchased for \$3,791.54.

In October 1955, a Building Fund Canvass booklet was printed and the committee was: R. E. L. Moser, Pastor, C. Poe Holder, General Chairman of Canvass Organization, Mrs. Lucile Stevens, Canvasser, Mrs. Dwight Whitaker, Chairman of Publications Committee, Paul Banks, Chairman of Special Gifts Committee, Ralph L. Whaley, Building Fund Treasurer, William H. Stephenson, and Sallie M. Lentz, Team Captains. Rev Moser wrote in the booklet "Without a doubt our church is facing one of the greatest challenges it has ever faced. With the full cooperation of our membership and with the help of God this challenge can be met... As most of us know, we are taking the initial steps for a Building Fund canvass. The success of this will depend upon the support given by our members. We trust that each church member will give this matter his prayerful consideration as we go forth in this Building Fund canvass of the Garner Methodist Church." C. Poe Holder, General Chairman of Canvass Organization wrote "Garner Methodist Church stands today as a vigorous congregation of 500 members. Our Church School now has a membership of 530. An officer and teacher staff of 31 workers carries on the church school program. Our Church School is operating on a singe-grade plan through the primary department, and on a group-graded plan from the junior age group through the adult group. Our average attendance is about 280 for the past 12 months. Our Woman's Society of Christian Service and Methodist Men's Club meet monthly. We have both Senior and Junior Choirs, which meet and rehearse each Wednesday night. The Senior Choir has charge of music for the

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morning worship service and the Junior Choir has charge of music for the evening worship service. Our church school meets at 10:00 a.m. each Sunday, with morning worship at 11:00 o'clock. Methodist Youth Fellowship meets at 6:30 p.m. and evening worship is at 7:30...We now find ouselves placed together in a growing community and find a great need to build for worship, fellowship, and education...Every family should look upon this Building Fund Canvass as the opportunity to make the greatest sacrifice of their lifetime for their faith..."

The goal was \$75,000 and would be built on property hought from Mrs. Helen Bryan (niece of owner of first church property). They started accepting donations of cash, brick, lumber and other materials. Members of the church operated the booth at the fair for several years. Bake sales, fish fries and other projects were conducted to meet the goal.

On December 6, 1955 the Building Committee was appointed with Rufus W. Moore as Chairman, P. K. Banks, Mrs. J. N. Bryan, A. Bevan Hales, C. Poe Holder, Paul R. Merritt and W. R. Rand

From May 1956 to January 11, 1959 when the Ground breaking ceremony was held, an architectural firm was chosen and his plans were approved, the trustees negotiated a loan for \$150,000 and contracted William C. Vick, General Contractor, to build the church

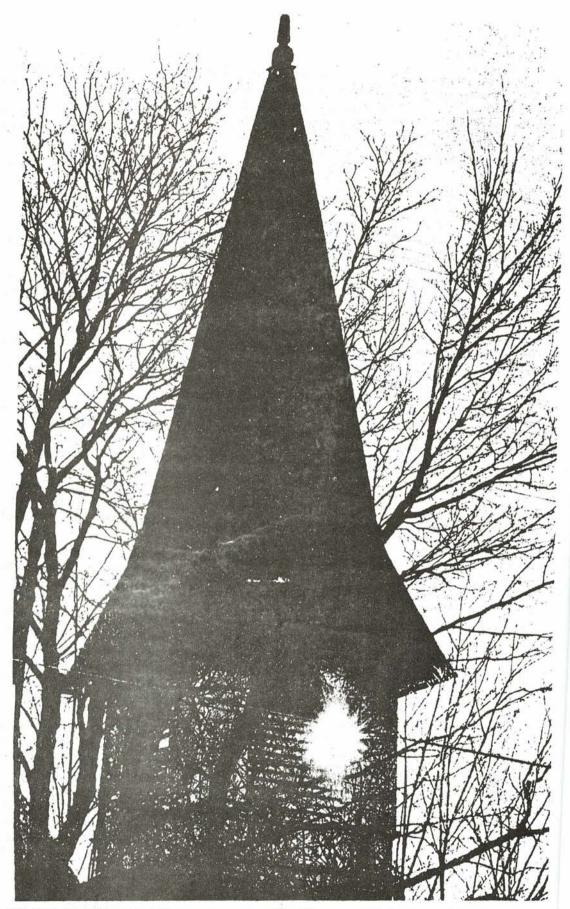
In March 1959 construction was begun on the new church at Dak Circle and the first service held in the new church was on December 20, 1959. The membership was 621.

The formal opening was held on January 5, 1960 with Bishop Paul Garber participating.

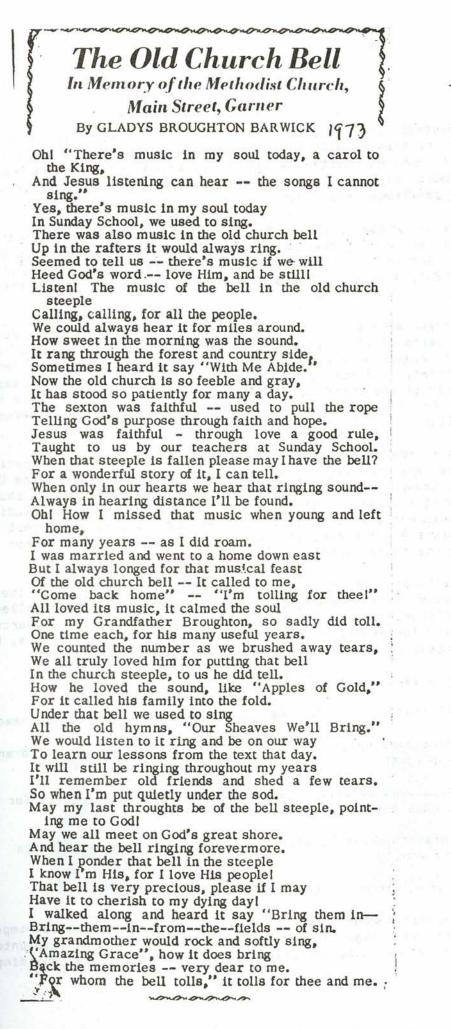
On September 2, 1962 approval was given to sale the Penny Street parsonage and to begin making plans for a new parsonage. Frank Ferrell, was appointed Chairman of the Pasonage Building Committee. On June 30, 1963, Mrs. Helen Bryan donated a lot for the new parsonage. The debt free parsonage was completed and an Open House was held on October 14, 1963.

Dedication ceremonies were held on April 7, 1974 with Bishop Robert M. Blackburn giving the message of dedication. Assisting in the service was Pastor Charles V. Bryant, Rev. R. E. L. Moser, and Rev. Johnny Joyce, former ministers and F. Steven Bryan, William Rand, and Marvin Daughtry, members. The trustees were: P. K. Banks, T. A. Banks, A. P. Barefoot, F. S. Bryan, C. P. Holder, G. A. Jones, R. W. Moore, W. R. Rand, T. B. Straughan. Superintendent of Building and Grounds was John O. Moore. The member for the longest period of time was Mrs. Helen Bryan.

> Written by Lucile Bryan Stevens Kaye Buffaloe Whaley



IT TOLLS FOR NO ONE - The silent The 81-year old structure has not been steeple of the empty church on Main used since 1959, when its congrega-Street filters bittersweet rays of sun- tion built and moved to another build-light through the barren January limbs.



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1975 - 1992

Depending on one's point of view, the seventeen year period from 1975 until the present will be remembered as a time when 5 ministers served the pulpit of Garner United Methodist Church, or as a time remembered by the completion of special events or activities, or as a time of ongoing change which parallels these years.

Herman Winberry was in his first year of serving our church when 1975 dawned, and during the summer of 1992 Bill Sabiston is beginning his fifth year. And in the intervening years, George Johnson (1976-81), Clyde Dunn (1981-84), and Dennis Ricks served the pulpit of Garner United Methodist Church.

If you were one of the many youth (UMYF) of our church during the early years of this period, you will recall that this was a time in which Lake Junaluska became one of the special places to be experienced and remembered. And during this same period, new evening programs for our children in the third through the sixth grades (36'ers) were begun, and later for those children in the kindergarten through the second grades (K-2 Club).

As in the past, the Sunday morning worship services, special services and speakers, the ongoing music program with emphasis on the Christmas and Easter Seasons, set the tone for the Spiritual Life of our church. Enriching this aspect of our church life have been Bible Studies, Spiritual Enrichment Weekends, the Handbell Choir, the Puppet Ministry, the Saints Alive Choir, and an ongoing program of studies for all ages during the church school hour.

Not to be overlooked, and too numerous to mention, are the many hundreds of acts of kindness by most of the groups which collectively make up "our church", acts which have touched members of this church and community for years, and which continue, sometimes anonymous, but always with a goal of serving others:

- scholarships given to our youth

- clothes, food, and money given to those with special needs
- donations by groups to help finance trips by our children and youth
- donations by groups to help finance special projects for our church building and facilities
- "prayer lists" by almost every class or organization in our family

- participation in the Garner Area Ministries

Many will remember that this was a period when physical improvements were conceived, begun, and completed. At one time, many volunteers gathered in the halls and classrooms of the educational building and painted and painted and painted, until it was completed.

This was a period when storm windows were added to our educational building, when exterior trim work was completed, when a new sign was added to the grounds fronting Highway 70, when volunteers cleaned the grounds, and planted flowers and shrubs.

From the beginning of this period to the present, our church staff has continued to grow to the point that all areas of our church life and concerns have trained and committed leadership:

- The Pastoral Ministry
 - The Educational Ministry
 - The Music Ministry
 - The Secretarial Staff
 - The Janitoral Staff

With planning and discussion continuing through a long-term planning committee, Garner United Methodist Church looks to the future with a deep abiding concern to serve its members and the community.

Written by Davio L. Myers



GARNER METHODIST CHURCH

1892 - 1992

- 1891-92 PETER L. HERMAN The Reverend Herman served on the Cary Circuit and was the first minister for Garner's new church.
- 1892-93 B. C. ALLRED
- 1894 VAN BUREN A. SHARPE
- 1895-96 DANIEL H. TUTTLE The Reverend Tuttle presided at the dedication of the new Garner church. He continued to show interest in the church over the years. He lived in Smithfield with a daughter after he retired and died there around 1940.
- 1896-98 J. W. JENKINS

A. L. ORMOND

The Reverend Jenkins served the Cary Circuit churches during these years. A church in Raleigh was later named Jenkins Memorial in his honor. He was founder and the first superintendent of the Methodist Orphanage. However, he died before it was completed and opened for service.

1898-1902

The father of four children: Ophelia, Myra, Bill and Allison, Jr. His brother was Jesse Marvin Ormond of Trinity College/Duke University. He was the uncle of Kern Ormond (1964-69). The late Ormond Broughton, husband of Beulah Broughton, was named for him.

- 1902-06 G. B. STARLING
- 1906-09 J. D. PEGRAM

The Reverend Pegram served in Cary, Garner and Hollands churches. He performed at the wedding of Helen Broughton and J. S. Bryan in the Garner Methodist Church on February 14, 1907.

1909-13 G. W. FISHER

Rev. George Washington Fisher served the Garner charge twice.

1913-14 JAMES H. BUFFALOE

The only local minister to preach in Garner was James Henry Buffaloe. He, along with his parents, William D. (trustee in 1891) and Catherine, brothers, and sisters were members of Beulah and later Hollands. Jim, as he was known, was educated at Trinity College(Duke). He was converted to Christianity at the age of 12 and made the statement, "I am going to preach, and I am determined to be the very best preacher I can possibly be". He retired in 1940 after 36 years of service. He was married to his cousin, Martha "Mattie" Buffaloe in 1901. They had three children: Lois, James Henry Jr., and William David. Lois, as was her mother, was a talented musician. She sang at Carnegie Hall and in the area New York City churches where her husband was a Methodist preachor. James Buffaloe leaves many relatives in Garner and our church. Elizabeth Buffaloe is his wife's sister-in-law, Dudley Buffaloe is his nephew, and Mary Kaye Whaley is his great-niece. He died in 1942.

1914-18 E. B. CRAVEN

Rev. Craven was the first Garner minister to live in the new parsonage. He had two children at this time. E. B. Jr. was an infant and Jack was born while they were in Garner. They later had a daughter, Mary, who lived in Garner after her marriage during her parents second assignment to Garner. Mrs. Craven was remembered as being a very helpful wife and asset to Garner. The Craven Sunday School Class is name! in her honor, and the Clara Craven Book Club is also named for her. They lived in Garner and Auburn after his retirement. He died in the 1940's.

1918-19 M. B. COX

Rev. and Mrs. Cox are remembered as being a young, handsome couple. She played the piano.

1919-20 J. G. JOHNSON

Rev. Johnson is remembered as being a large jolly man with an infectious laugh.

1920-22 J. C. D. STROUD

He is remembered as being a big, tall man. Kermit Creech, one of our older members, tells he came to Garner in a big Buick and the parsonage garage, which up to this time had housed only Model-T Fords, had to be enlarged to hold the Buick. He died in Garner on November 1, 1922.

1922-24 G. W. STARLING

The Starlings had one daughter, Mary Lee, who is remembered for her lovely voice. The family is remembered for their gentle, kind ways.

1924-26 G. W. FISHER

Rev. Fisher was not young when he came to Garner for the second time. He died in Garner on January 15, 1926. It is thought the new Sunday School rooms were added to the Church about this time. He had a son, Edgar, who also became a Methodist preacher.

1926-27 W. G. PRATT

Mr. Pratt is remembered as a young, lively man.

1927-30 W. L. CLEGG

Mr. Clegg was an outstanding preacher. He was young when he came to Garner with his wife, Dorothy and their two children. He went on to serve as District Superintendent and minister to large churches in the conference. Mr. Clegg's father, grandfather, and great grandfather all were Methodist ministers.

1930-31 B. H. HOUSTON

Mr. Houston was loved by his congregration. Unfortunately, he became ill while in Garner and had to rest a year or two.

1931-33 E. R. SHULLER

Mr. and Mrs. Shuller were young when they came to Garner. He is remembered as being nice looking, tall and slim. They later had two boys and two girls. E. R. Jr. lives in Raleigh. The Shullers spent their retirement years at Yaupon Beach and the Methodist Home in Durham where he died in 1985.

1933-37 THOMAS B. HOUGH

The parsonage at that time was located at what is now 405 E. Garner Road. The house did not have running water. The church officials were trying to get this changed. In a meeting, a motion was made addressing the matter. Mr. Hough said they already had running water because every time it rained, plenty of water came down from heaven through the roof. They had one daughter, Mary Jane.

1937-39 BENSON H. BLACK

Rev. Black was a helpful pastor. He is remembered as helping raise funds and get advertisements for the cookbook the women of the church published. His children were in their teens while here.

1939-42 DAVID B. TRAYNHAM

The Traynhams had two children, a boy and a girl. The girl was born while the Traynhams lived in Garner. She married Emerson Thompson, Jr. who was also born in Garner

1942-45 ELI BAXTER CRAVEN

This was the second time he served our church. The Cravens had three children, 2 boys and a girl. Mrs. Craven was a teacher. She always helped Mr. Craven with visitation. She said that was really a good experience for her because it taught her that there are more important things in life than pushing dirt around in a house.

1945-47 NELSON P. EDENS

The Edens had one son and one daughter. The son had a beautiful voice and sang a lot at church functions. One of the things related about the Edens was that Mr. Henry Buffaloe had a mule to die. Mr. Buffaloe could not find anyone to bury the mule and Mr. Edens agreed to bury it. It could be said that "preachers do just about anything". We have several couples in this church who were married by Mr. Edens.

1947-50 ROBERT G. L. EDWARDS

The Edwards had one grown daughter who often visited in Garner. Mrs. Edwards was a teacher. She had such a beautiful voice that she was sometimes called another Kate Smith.

1950-58 ROBERT E. LEE MOSER

In 1951, the old parsonage on Garner Road was sold and a new one at 206 Penny Street was started. The Mosers lived in a rented house at 200 W. Garner Road until the new parsonage was ready. In 1950, the Garner-Ebenezer Charge was organized with Rev. Moser as pastor. In 1953, Garner was approved as a Station with Rev. Moser continuing as pastor. The Mosers had two children, a boy and a girl. Their son, David, and his family still live in Garner and are members of this church.

1958-61 JOHNNIE L. JOYCE

The Joyce Family were with us during the big undertaking of building a new church. Rev. and Mrs. Joyce and all three of their chilren, 2 boys and 1 girl, were an asset to our church. His daughter, Gerry Whitaker, live in the Garner area. He is retired and living in Durham, NC.

1961-64 JAMES A AUMAN

Rev. Auman and family were the first to live in our new parsonage. Their children were all active in the community. His son, who became a doctor, married a local girl. There is a crepe myrtle tree, that blooms at the parsonage, which was planted in honor of his wife, Rose and a Sunday School class was named for him. Rev. Auman is semi-retired and is visitation minister in Jacksonville, NC.

1964-69 J. KERN ORMOND

Rev. Ormond was the son of J. M. Ormond, a well known minister and professor at Duke University. His uncle, A. L. Ormond, preached in Garner in 1898. He was named for his grandfather, Bishop Kern. They had three children. He is retired and living in Elizabeth City. (We are sorry to learn that Mr. Ormond is ill at Elizabeth City and unable to attend the celebration of our church heritage in October.)

1969-70 ROBERT F. MOORE

The Moore family were with us only a short time, but are remembered for his dedicated ministry.

1970-74 CHARLES V. BRYANT

Dr. Bryant, Wanda and their four beautiful daughters brought excitement and interest to our church. Dr. Bryant has published several books and continues to study and write in his retirement at his home near Oriental, NC.

1974-76 HERMAN S. WINBERRY

Our church continued to grow and make progress during Mr. Winberry's ministry. His wife was very active in the UMW activities.

1976-81 GEORGE JOHNSON

The Johnson's and their two children, Mary George and Eric, were greatly loved by our church family. The couples retreat grew out of his ministry. A Sunday School class is named for him. He is now a District Superintendent.

1981-84 CLYDE DUNN

The Dunn's and their four sons and one daughter were very active in our church. Mrs. Dunn sang in the choir. Their daughter, Karen, is remembered as a track star at Garner High School, as well as, at Wake Forest University. Rev. Dunn served as a missionary during the early years of his ministry. He now serves a church in Jacksonville.

1984-88 DENNIS RICKS

Dur church continued to make progress during his ministry. Rev. Ricks and his wife, Lydia, had two daughters. Mrs. Ricks was an outstanding educator. Rev. Ricks is currently serving a church in Durham.

1988-92 WILLIAM SABISTON

As a young minister, Rev. Sabiston came to Garner to minister to the newly organized St. Andrews Methodist Church. He is now serving in his fifth year with Garner United Methodist Church. His two children are grown and living elsewhere. His wife, Norma, is a welcome addition to our choir. Rev. Sabiston gave us the inspiration "Celebrating Our Heritage, 130 Years" of trying to follow in the way our Lord Jesus Christ taught us.

Dur church has been blessed in so many ways. We are especially thankful for all of the ministers who have guided us through 130 years of following and did as well as we did in the way shown us by our Lord Jesus! We are also thankful for our founders of Garner Methodist Church, the trustees, members of boards and commissions, and our Sunday School leaders and teachers. Many over the past century have served as Sunday School Superintendents. Some who served were: Numa Broughton, Armistead Jones, Harvey Holdler, Carl Wilson, Poe Holder, Ralph Whaley, Ray Jennings, Ron Furr, Dwight Frye and for the past several years George Maddrey has been our dedicated Superintendent of study program.

We have also been blessed with associate ministers and retired ministers helping us in our spiritual growth. The first, Rev. Hampton M. Jackson, was with us during the twenties. He taught a Sunday School class as well as assisted in other services. E. B. Craven, Horace C. Jones and Gilbert Crutchfield were retired ministers who served as visitation ministers. A Sunday School class is named for Rev. Crutchfield which he likes to attend.



Written by Lucile B. Stevens and Lucille McGee

(Picture was made in 1963)

1911 MEMBERSHIP OF GARNER METHODIST E, CHURCH

GENEVA BUFFALDE EVIE BARBEE J. T. BROUGHTON MARTHA SNELLING BROUGHTON WILLIAM BROUGHTON MARVIN BROUGHTON JOHN BROUGHTON ALICE BROUGHTON NEEDHAM BROUGHTON NUMA BROUGHTON HELEN BRYAN NANNIE BANKS BRYAN CARRIE BANKS HERBERT BANKS CHARLIE BEASLEY EMMA BEASLEY NANCY CARTER JOE DURHAM LONNIE DURHAM FRANK DURHAM DORA COLLINS CORA DUPREE OLA HAMILTON WYLEY HAMILTON ZOLA R. HAMILTON LON HARPER NELLIE HARPER W. D. JOHNSON SARAH JOHNSON ALLIE JOHNSON CLOE JOHNSON FANNIE JOHNSON EVIE JOHNSON JENATUS KING JOHN W. KING ALSA RODA KING BESSIE KING AGNIS M FANNIE POOL CALLIE POOL MISTIL PRICE ED RAND H. D. RAND MAGGIE RAND JOHN RIDEOUT OCTAVIA RIDEOUT LUCY RIDEOUT LUCINDA SPENCE

ALEX SNELLING ARELIA SNELLING FRANCIS SMITH ELIZABETH SMITH ALEX SMITH SAPHRONA SMITH SINGLETON TOMLINSON W. F. TOMLINSON LILLIAN WALLACE BURT WILDER LOUISA WILDER MYRTLE WILDER MAMMIE WILDER NELLIE WILDER BEATRICE WILDER HILMAN B. WILDER LOUISA MAY WILDER AMANDY YOUNG FLOY JEWELL ANNIE JEWELL G. W. RIDDLE NELLIE RIDDLE IDA CARROLL JOHN CARTER VIRGINIA BAGWELL MRS. SAM DUPREE JOHN KING, JR. JESSIE TURNER

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JOSEPH T. BROUGHTON MARTHA BROUGHTON THOMAS BROUGHTON WILLIAM BROUGHTON JOHN BROUGHTON ALICE BROUGHTON MARVIN BROUGHTON EDNA BROUGHTON IRMA BROUGHTON NEEDHAM BROUGHTON HELEN BRYAN NANNIE BRYAN HERBERT BANKS CARRIE BANKS ZEBULIN BELVIN EVE BARBEE JINNIE BAGWELL J. N. RIDEOUT ALLICE RIDEOUT ALEX SNELLING AMELIA SNELLING FRANCIS SMITH LUCINDA SPENCE ALEXANDRIA SMITH ELIZABETH SMITH NANCY SMITH SAPHRONIA SMITH RALPH SMITH CLOE TERRY ANDREWS LENA TURNER MAMMIE WILDER HILMAN WILDER LOUISA MAY WILDER C. W. BEASLEY EMMA BEASLEY NUMA BROUGHTON LULA BROUGHTON NANCY CARTER IDA CARROLL DORA COLLINS MAGGIE CARTER FANNIE CARROLL LILLIE MAY CARROLL CORA DUPREE HELDA DUPREE ELLA DUPREE JOE DURHAM JESSIE HARTFIELD J. N. KING MELVIN E. KING LILA NINES

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NEW MEMBERS IN 1914

ALONZO FOWLER CARRIE FOWLER HARVEY MITCHINER ORMOND BROUGHTON M. C. BARBEE THOMAS BANKS W. J. BRYAN R. N. BROOKS WILLIE BROOKS JOE BROUGHTON BRAXTON BANKS DALLIE DODD PAUL BANKS RALF/ROLF PICKET GRACE KING HARMON DUPREE HALLIE HARPER CECIL CARROLL

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GARNER METHODIST CHURCH ROLL OF 1934 -1935

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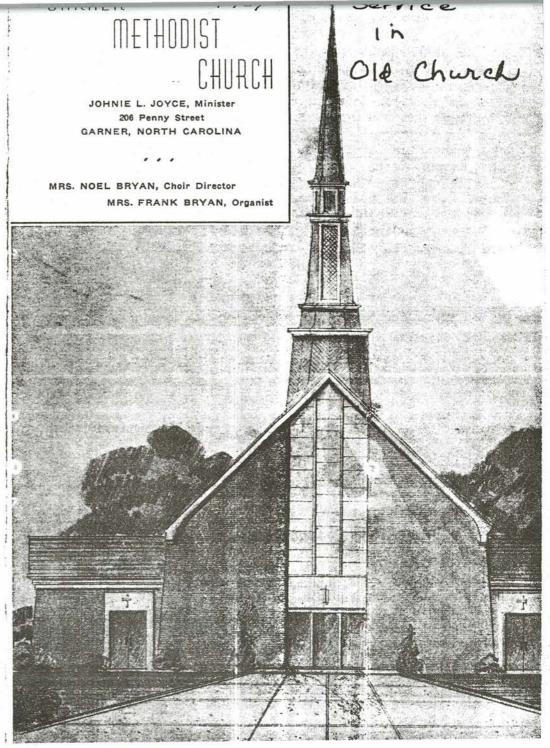
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ELEVEN O'CLOCK MORNING TORSHIP SERVICE DECEMBER 13, 1959 Mrs. Frank Bryan The Organ Prelude (Please Stand) The Choral Call to Worship The Hymn No. 18 For the Beauty of the Earth The Affirmation of Faith Mrs. Frank Bryan The Organ Interlude The Choir Anthem The Responsive Reading, P. 518 (First Reading) The Gloria Patri The Lesson From the Holy Scriptures The Prayer, followed by the Lord's Prayer The Presentation of Tithes and Offerings The Choral Dedication of Tithes and Offerings The Hymn No. 88 As with Gladness The Sermon The Invitation to Follow Christ The Hymn No. 96 O Come All Ye Faithful The Benediction and Choral Response

E VENING WORSHIP SERVICE

SEVEN-THIRTY C'CLOCK

fhe Service this evening will be the Christmas music presented by the Junior Choir.

This will be the last service in the Old Church. We think everyone who can will want to be present.

The Flowers were placed in the Sanctuary of the Church today by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Richardson.

There will be an Eagle Scout Court of Honor this morning immediately after the Choir Anthem. We Congratulate Harry Brogden and George Butler on this high achievement.

We are glad to welcome you with us today.

THIS WEEK IN THE CHURCH

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This afternoon at 1 P. M. Channel 5 WRAL-TV will run pictures and story of our Church.

Church School attendance last Sunday - 376 the offering was \$448.00.

Today is one of the landmarks in our church, Ne end a long time of services in this church. We do so. however with appreciation for all that this place has meant, and appreciation to the people who have made it so.

Next Sunday at 9:45 let's all assemble at the New Church for our opening service, Church School, followed by the 11 1. M. Worship Service - and then the Christmas Music by the Choir at 5 P. M.

Our Formal Opening will be held January 3rd at 11 A. M with our Bishop and our District Superintendent prosent. This service will be broadcast over WRAL-Radio.

's invite the -ltar Guild: - Hrs. H. P. Banks, Hrs. L. A. Lentz, Mrs. . T. Rand, Mrs. T. R. Penny and Mrs. Frul Banks to most of it right after Church.

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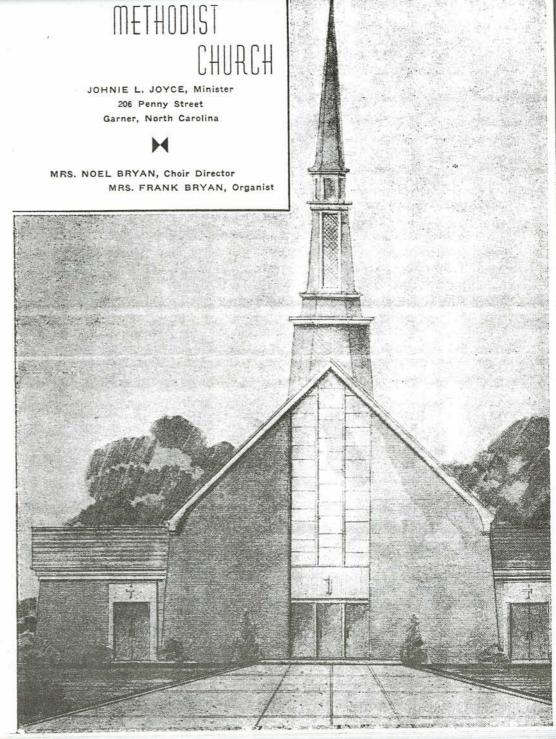
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MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

May 28, 1961

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

The Organ Prelude Mrs. Frank Bryan The Lighting of the Candles Acolvte The Choral Call to Worship (Please Stand) The Hymn No. 1 Holy, Holy, Holy! The Affirmation of Faith The Organ Interlude The Solo Mr. John E. Hills The Presentation of Life Memberships WSCS The Presentation of Eagle Scout Award The Lesson From the Holy Scriptures The Prayer, followed by the Lord's Prayer The Offering Offertory Dedication The Hymn No. 213 My Faith Looks Up To Thee The Sermon The Invitation to Christian Discipleship The Hymn No. 231 Pass Me Not The Benediction and Choral Response The Postlude Mrs. Frank Bryan ***** *****

The Flowers were placed in the Sanctuary of our church today by Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Pearce.

The Bible School will be held June 12-16, hours 9 - 11:30 A. M., for Children between the ages of 4 and 12. But we very much need some more adult workers. If you will volunteer to help, please get in touch with Mrs. Ralph Whaley, or Mrs. H. E. Wilson.

We were happy to have received on Profession of Faith last Sunday, Mr. Bennie Wayne Brooks, and Miss Janie Lee Brooks, Son and Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Brooks of Creech Rd.

We wish to congratulate the following Seniors who are our Church Members: Mr. Oliver Bell, Jr., Mr. Lonnie Dill, Jr., Mr. Billy Fish, Miss Lois Humphries, Miss Jerry Joyce, Miss Carol Marr, Miss Andra McCollum, Miss Beth Stevens, Mr. Jimmy Thigpen, Miss Rosalind Troxler, Mr. Billy Turner, . Mr. Ronnie Whaley, and Mr. Robert Williams.

We congratulate James Guy Wilson on the signal honor which is his in receiving the Eagle Scout Award.

REPORT OF LAST WEEK	
Church School Attendance	4.01
Ofering	41.7.00
Budget Asking to date	33,135,00
Paid to date	29,351,20
Deficit	3,785.80

This Week In The Church TODAY: 6:30 P. M. The MYF - all groups. This will be the last meeting for the summer. The Senior group will meet only on Second Sunday evonings. 7:30 P. M. Evening Worship Service Monday: 7:30 P. M. THE WORLER'S CONFERENCE 7:30 P. M. The Explorers TUESDAY: 7:30 P. M. The Explorers 7:00 P. M. Methodist Men's Fellowship. Wednesday: 7:00 P. M. The Jr. and Youth Choirs 7:45 P. M. The Adult Choir

LT US REMIND YOU that today is <u>Church Loyalty</u> Sunday in our Church. We ask you to mike every effort to catch up on the Budget if possible. Our Annual Conference meets at Trinity Church Durham on June 26th.

Next Sunday at the ll A. M. Service, Dr. D. A. McLaurin will be the speaker. The evening Service will be at the Baptist Church (Baccalagreate). On June 11th, Dr. Hiram K. King. of Raleigh. will have the Eleven o'clock Service and Mr. Bob Branch will hold the evening Service.

Since the Pastor is to leave soon, it will be necessury to have all announcements for June 2 and 11 in by next Wednesday evening. The Bulletins will be in. Garner, N. C. Permit No. 5

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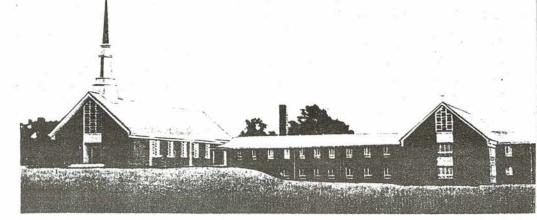
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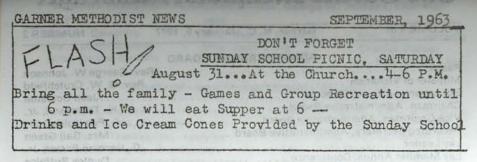
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"The Church is of God, and will be preserved to the end of time, for the promotion of his worship and the due administration of his word and ordinances, the maintenance of Christian fellowship and discipline, the edification of believers, and the conversion of the world. All, of every age and station, stand in need of the means of grace, which it alone supplies."



COMMISSION COMENTS

August was a month of meeting with Commissions, looking at plans for the year's activities, and projecting hopes and ideas: Here are a few "gleanings".....

All Commissions will participate in the church attendance crusade in September.

CHRISTIAN SOCIAL CONCERNS: Discussion of alcohol education; teen-age code for youth of our town as requested by school principal; bi-racial committee for community planning.

EDUCATION: Workers Conference Supper meeting on Sept. 23; recruitment of teachers and staff; discussion of new children's curriculum for September 1964; plans for Promotion Day and Rally Day on Sept. 29.

MEMBERSHIP AND EVANGELISM: Assimilating of members; regular attendance at Sunday School and Church; deepening the spiritual life.

MISSIONS: Expressed hopes for a missionary speaker this year; made plans for church-wide study of "Our Mission Today", in November; plans to promote World Service.

STEWARDSHIP AND FINANCE: First Sunday in September -Catch-Up Sunday. It is hoped that all who are behind with contributions will catch up. Continued stewardship emphasis; work toward keeping budget up to date. We need \$970 weekly to meet financial obligations.

WORSHIP: Discussion of Altar Guild responsibilities; promotion of church worship attendance during September.



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AT THE LEFT IS AN INTERPRETATION OF THE ALDERSGATE EXPERIENCE: The DOVE for the Holy Spirit; the CROSS for Christian faith, and the FLAME for that which sprang to life when Wesley's HEART was "strangely warmed."

TEN RULES FOR CHURCH GOING

TO ATTEND CHURCH SUCCESSFULLY, skill is required. Worship is not a hit or miss affair. We trust that these ten rules will help you have an Aldersgate experience.

 Think of church going as an art with rules to follow.
Go regularly to church. A prescription designed to be taken regularly is useless if taken only once a year.
Spend a quiet Saturday evening and get a good night's sleep. Get in condition for Sunday!

4. Go in a relaxed state of body and mind. The absence of tension is a requisit to successful worship. 5. Gain a spirit of enjoyment.Church is not a place of gloom. Christianity is a radiant and happy thing. 6. Sit relaxed in the pew. Divine power cannot reach your personality through a tied-up body and mind. 7. Don't bring a problem to church. Think hard during the week, but let the problem "simmer" in the mind over Sunday. God's peace brings creative energy to help the intellectual process. You will receive insight to help solve your problem.

8. Don't bring ill will to church. A grudge breakes the flow of spiritual power. To cast out ill will, pray in church for those you do not like or who dislike you. 9. Practice the art of spiritual contemplation. In church don't think about yourself. Think about God, Think of some beautiful and peaceful thing. The idea is to get mentally away from the world, into an atmosphere of peace and refreshment.

10. Go to church expecting some great thing to happen to you. Believe that a church service is the creation of an atmosphere in which a spiritual miracle can take place. Men's lives have been changed in church through faith in Christ. Believe it can happen to you.

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9:45 a.m.-Church School 11:00 a.m.-Worship Service 1:30 p.m.-Jr. and Sr. Highs Skating 4:00 p.m.-Children's Choir Monday, 10 January 3:00 p.m.-Garrison Circle Tuesday, 11 January 9:00 p.m.-Ladies' Basketball Wednesday, 12 January 7:30 p.m.-Chancel Choir 8:00 p.m.-Alpha Prayer Group Thursday, 13 January 7:00 p.m.-Ladies' Basketball 7:30 p.m.-Finance Committee 000 THE GARRISON CIRCLE will meet on Monday afternoon, Jan. 10, at 3:00 p.m., with Mrs. Kathryn Mitchiner. 000 THE FINANCE COMMITTEE will meet on Thursday night, Jan. 13th, at 7:30

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DUZ you DREFT with the TIDE? VEL now is the time to CHEER up, if you want real JOY.

The TREND is to BREEZE to church on Sunday.

Too many people WOODBURY their heads in a pillow, or work to make their cars SPARKLE, forgetting that the Lord's Day was made for LESTOIL. When the Lord is put first a DOVE will never need to be sent with an S.O.S. to put God first. Maybe we ought to DIAL you, so why not WISK yourself out of bed next Sunday, dress up SPIC -& SPAN and DASH like a COMET to Church and Sunday School, as you sing PRAISE to God and hear his word, it will be a wonderful CLEANSER for your soul and you will feel like MR. CLEAN all week long.

000 EVERY MEMBER COMMITMENT

As of press time, Monday, January 3, we have received the following commitments. 194 cards have been returned with 153 individuals or families commiting themselves toward the programs of the church:

Budget (Program) \$55,413.80(62%) Capital Improvements 9,681.00(60%)

\$65,094.80(61%)

Total

We urge you to make a pledge toward the work of our church for 1977.

If you have not received a pledge card, or have lost yours please notify the office.

The church needs your support. Thank you.

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CONGRATULATIONS

The members and friends of the Garner United Methodist Church wish to congratulate Ronnie Lee on receiving a football scholarship in order to pursue his studies at North Carolina Sate University. Ronnie played midget and little league ball under several of our men coaches here at this church.

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METHODIST MEN will meet Sunday morning, Jan. 9th, at 8:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Church.

ICE SKATING-YOUTH

The Jr. and Sr. Highs will go to the Daniel Boone Ice Skating Rink in Hillsborough this Sunday afternoon, Jan. 9th. The bus will leave at 2:00 p.m. and will be back by 6:30. \$2.00 will cover the cost.

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THE BABY NURSERY would like to thank the Girl Scouts for the cut stuffed dolls they made for Christmas.

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YOUNG ADULT

There will be a Young Adult Faith Pilgrimage Weekend January 21-23 at Camp Chestnut Ridge, Efland, N. C. This will be an opportunity for participants to look inward at their own spiritual life, and to share openly with other pilgrims and to fellowship with other Christians In an atmosphere of caring. The cost will be \$20.00.

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THANK YOU

I want to personally thank all Jr. and Sr. Highs who attended MYF last night. Thank you for your support and cooperation. See you Sunday!

Jean

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THE CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE

The Christian Advocate, the Methodist newspaper, is available for \$4.50 per year. Sample copies are available upon request. Sign up now if you would like to subscribe to this newspaper.

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OUR KNOWN SICK

Mrs. Sally West, Rm., 312, Rex Hosp.

LADIES' BASKETBALL

The Ladies' Basketball Team will play next Tuesday night, Jan. 11th, at 9:00 p.m. and next Thursday night, Jan. 13th, at 7:00 p.m. Let's all go out and support our ladies. We wish them good luck.

The following ladies are on our team: Anita Johnson, Carleen Massey, Debbie Lane, Sherry Rose, Diane Thompson, Martha Bryan, Hazel Lee and Billie Alford.

If you are interested contact Mrs. Ann Pearce.

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Lay Leader	
Lay Member Annual Conference	John H. Davis
Lay Member Annual Conference	Bruce Butler
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President, United Methodist Men	Eugene Monroe
President, United Methodist Women	
President, United Methodist Youth	
Membership Secretary	
Superintendent of Study Program	
Chairman, Building and Grounds	
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arry McCluskey	John Moore	Don Rose
Clarence Johnson	Howard Hudson	Cecil Austin
Melvin Whisnant	Ruby Everette	Ron Whaley
. W. Moore	Doug Weathers	Bill Pickett
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COUNCIL ON MINISTRIES

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Ecumenical Affairs	Joanne Stanley
Education	
Evangelism	Jackie Smithey
Higher Education and Campus Ministry	Martha Tippette
Missions	
Social Concerns	Honoree Butler
Stewardship	David Myers
Worship	
Religion and Race	Betty Dunn
Coordinators	
Adult Ministries	Ann Gassaway

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Children's Ministries	Tommy and Becky James
Family Ministries	Clarence and Nell Hudson
Communications	Harriette Taylor
Youth Members	Sharon Umstead and Sharon Pope
Young Adult	Rick Carpenter and Kim Bennett

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John H. Davis	Danny Lee	Bill Collins
Ruby Everette	Wanda Hudson	Helen Cochrane
Joseph R. Rand	Ricky Hines	Larry McCluskey
Worship	Mrs. Ca	rol Tharrington, Chairperson
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Sarah Davis (AL)	Ray Pearce (AL)	Karen Furr (AL)
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Ann Gassaway		s Clarence and Nell Hudson
Susan Taylor	Harriette Taylor	Ken Foster
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		Steve Bryan, Chairperson
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John Davis	Charles Frederick	Mitchell Bennett
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Missy Godfrey	David Myers	Kay White
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Building and Grounds	Gra	ham Singleton, Chairperson
Bill Collins	Hilda Richardson	Harriette Taylor
Nell Henderson	Jesse Denny	Coy Batten
Joe Rand	J. D. Umstead	Bill Stanton
Parsonage Committee		Sallie Lentz, Chairperson
Jessie Crutchfield	Betty Dunn	Lucile Stevens
Anna Weathers	David J. Lane	
		. Peggy Lanier, Chairperson
Mrs. Elizabeth Buffaloe	Mrs. Elizabeth Rand	Lucile McGee
	Ed Crowe Allen	

Memorials	Ms. Lucile Stevens
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Gifts and Wills	W. R. Rand, Joe Rand
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Board of Trustees

1984	1985	1986
Dudley Buffaloe	Ms. Lucile Stevens	James Stevens
W. R. Rand	John H. Davis	Ed Austin
John O. Moore	Mrs. Nelda Rand	Poe Holder

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Chairperson, Council on Ministries	Anne Godfrey
Pastor	Rev. Clyde Dunn
Youth Director	
Director of Music	Don Mason
Chairman, Administrative Board	Larry C. Roberson
Vice-Chairman, Administrative Board	Harry Pitts
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President, United Methodist Men	Eugene Monroe
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Superintendent of Study Program	Ron Furr
Mr. J. Anna Obalmana	

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

The first Sunday School in the United States was established by Bishop Asbury at the home of Thomas Crenshaw in Hanover County, Virginia in 1786. The Methodist Conference of 1790 voted in the formation of Sunday Schools and to compile a book for them.

Older members of our church recall attending every Sunday morning around the turn of the century. The sexton was always present to ring the bell and make the fire in the wood burning stove. Mr. Harvey Mitchiner, member, was the sexton until the 1950's.

In 1913, the Church roll showed a membership of 79 (not including young children) which consisted of four or five Sunday School classes. At that time, everyone gathered for opening exercise which consisted of talks, prayers, announcements, and hymn singing. Mrs. Gladys Broughton Barwick recalled some of the favorite hymns being "The Way of the Cross Leads Home", "If Jesus Goes With Me I'll Go", "Count Your Blessings" and "Bringing In The Sheaves". Sometimes the Holder Quartett (Poe, Laurie, Craven and Kenneth) would sing.

Sometimes the children would have charge of the opening exercise. There was a "Children Day Program" once a year and this event became known as "Promotion Day". Certificates were given each child being promoted and later Bibles were given to the children being promoted to the Intermediate Department. Perfect attendance pins were also presented. This custom continue until recently. Mrs. Sallie Lane and Dudley Buffaloe had the most number of perfect attendance pins in 1980.

In 1926, the adult class was divided into classes for married and single people. Mrs. G. A. (Agnes) Jones recalls having been promoted along with her husband to the married class.

In 1939, Vacation Bible School was held for one week during the summer. Ministerial students from Duke University would helr with the school and stay at the home of a church member.

In the early 1940's, additional rooms were needed for Sunday School classes. With the help of Rev. D. D. Traynham, class rooms were added at the back of the sanctuary. In the 1950's, a two story educational building was constructed.

The date is not known when the custom started of having a Sunday School picnic in the summer but there are those that remember the picnics were held in the New Bethel Baptist Church grove and at the site of the old Beulah Methodist Church on Vandora Springs Road. The favorite spot later came to be Pullen Park in Raleigh where you could ride on the Merry-Go-Round, swim in the pool, and enjoy the never forgotten food and the barrels of lemonade. The children would ride in the back of a truck to Pullen Park but you had to be a certain age (probably when your mother thought you were of the age).

Other treats for the children was the annual Christmas Program with a tree and gifts from Santa and the Easter Egg hunt in the Spring.

In 1959, Sunday School attendance had grown to 400 and on December 15th services were held in the "Old Church" for the last time. The transition to the new church on Dak Circle was made with mixed emotions.

1992-93 SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

Sunday School Superintendent

- George Maddrey

Children's Department

Infant Nursery 18 Month-Two Year Olds Three Year Olds Four & Five Year Olds First & Second Grades Third & Fourth Grades Fifth & Sixth Grades

Sunday School Music

Youth Department Junior High Senior High

Adult Department

Men's BIble Class

Craven Class

Ladies Bible Class Nannie Bryan Class

Fellowship Class

Wesleyan Class

James Auman Class

George Johnson Class Gilbert Crutchfield Class Bible Class

- Debbie Bliss, Coordinator
 - Nancy Austin, Sharon Lilley
 - Joanne Davis, Kim Stevens
 - Des Nelms
 - June Piland
- Kim Byars, Betsy Cox
 - John Creech, Steve Gantner
 - Susan Hobbs

- Dollie Bryan

- Doug Brown, Coordinator
- Ricky Hines, Coy Batten
- Robert Williams

- Gayle Hines, Coordinator

- John Davis, Ed Allen, Bill Stanton, James Stevens, Bill Picket
- Evelyn Stevens, Jeannette Adams, Clarice Bryan
- Dorothy Hodges, Lucille McGeee
- Sara Davis, Isabelle Kelly, Alice Jennette
- Tony West, Georgia Mitchell, Gilbert Crutchfield, Krisan Gregson,
- Gayle Hines
- Harriette Taylor, Gayle Hines, Gilbert Crutchfield, Mike Herman, - David Myers
- Don Ward, Greg Stahl, Ken Foster
 - Craig Hauschild

Writter by Kaye B. Whaley

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS (Non-denominational) Garner United Methodist Church

In the year of our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Thirty Four the Garner United Methodist Church had three Sunday School Classes. One class for the children, the youth and the adults. In that year the women of the church formed a class of their own with a retired Methodist minister, Rev. Hampton Jackson, as its teacher. The men also formed a class and called it the Men's Bible Class. It was organized as a non-denominational class. To be a member did not require your being a member of the Methodist Church or any other church.

The first teacher of the class was Mr. Nick Allen who had been approached earlier by Paul K. Banks and G. A. Jones to undertake this assignment. It is not quite clear who the first president of the class was but it is believed that it was either P. K. Banks or G. A. Jones. The class grew in membership to forty within six months.

In the year of 1946, after Tom Banks had returned home from World War II, he was approached by Mr. Allen to take over as the teacher of the class. Mr. Allen had a strong desire to start a similar class in the Ebenezer Methodist Church on the Rock Quarry Road. This was one of the sister churches on the circuit along with Hollands, Garner and Mt. Zion which was served by one minister who preached at each once a month.

Later in that year, the class membership stood at sixty. For the next fifteen to twenty years the class rode a wave of popularity and the membership continued to grow to over one hundred. Mr. Banks would, from time to time, bring in guest speakers to teach the class, the most prominent being the Governor of the State of North Carolina, Governor J. Melvil Broughton.

In the sixties the class had a gradual decline in membership due to members moving, deaths, and other classes being formed. By the early seventies the membership had fallen to less than thirty members.

Mr. Banks continued as the class teacher up until his death in 1973. Earlier, he had convinced Ed Crow Allen, the son of the first class teacher, to assist him in teaching the class. He became a fill-in teacher in 1962 on his return from the U.S. Air Force.

Mr. Allen took over as the class teacher on a full time basis in 1973. He taught until 1976 when he approached various class members to assist him in the teaching. Fourteen or more men agreed to help and from that group four men became permanent teachers, each taking a specific Sunday. Mr. Allen, William Stephenson, Bill Stanton and John Davis were the teachers. After a short while, William Stephenson resigned and James Stevens immediately filled the vacant spot. In 1982, Bill Pickett took over the fifth Sunday teaching assignment. This slate of teachers has continued to the present date. Memorable events, projects and occasions have of course transpired over these fifty eight years. The most memorable are as follows:

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS/SUNSHINE BASKETS-The original idea for the Christmas baskets was born out of the heart and mind of Paul K. Banks in the middle 1940's. This project of love sprung forth from the kitchen of his home on Garner Road where he would prepare the bags of groceries or fruit for the needy of Garner and surrounding areas. Paul bore the entire cost of this endeavor until it became too large for one person. He solicited the help of the membership of the Men's Bible Class to take this on as a class project. The men of the class gladly arose to the challenge and it became the largest outpouring of love and charity ever seen in this community by a single class of any church.

Under his guidance and supervision the program continued to grow. As the years passed many men participated in the project as chairman and co-chairman such as Mr. T. B. Straughn, Mr. Boyd Creech, Mr. Oliver Banks, Mr. Ed Crow Allen, Mr. Jimmy Creech and Mr. Harry Pitts.

During those years of packing and delivering it was hard to tell who received the greatest pleasure, the giver or the receiver.

So it was from that modest beginning that the dream of Paul K. Banks became a reality. His project had been transformed into a full scale program of love and concern for one's fellowman.

In 1983, Ralph and Nancy Stump, Paul's daughter and son-in-law, donated \$5,000 to the class in memorial to Paul Banks. The money was to be invested and only the interest to be used each year toward the continuation of his pet project. Food for the needy.

<u>SCHOLARSHIP FUND</u> - Another major accomplishment of the class was the establishment of the Scholarship Fund in 1981. From a modest beginning with funds given by Margaret Banks, Tom Banks wife, the fund has grown to over \$50,000. Three scholarships were given this year, a total of \$3200. An annual barbecue, which was started in 1977 and held the middle of November each year, has provided the bulk of monies for the fund.

In 1992 the average attendance is 35-40 and Bill Pickett, Bill Stanton, John Davis, James Stevens and Ed Crow Allen are the teachers.

P. K. Banks Class President

MUSIC MINISTRY

An important adjunct of the worship experience at Garner United Methodist has been its music. Singers as well as musical leadership in the training of children and adults has been largely volunteer, although professional musicians have assisted from time to time. A salaried Director of Music and Organist have been retained for at least the past quarter-century. Directors prior to the present time have been James Piver, Henry Batten, John Smith and Robert Piper. A chronological list of recent organists: Jessamine Bryan, Donald C. Clapp, Mary Ann Smith, Nanc O'Neal, Shelley McCotter, Bill McClure and Doris Johnston, Les Thompson, Neal Padgett and Caroline Allep.

A notable contribution was made by the Harvey A. Holder family. His wife, children and grandchildren were stalwart contributors. A daughter, Jessamine, still a member of the congregation, served commendably as organist for over forty years. A tribute to the memory of a son, C. Poe Holder, is evidenced by silver crosses worn each Sundy by officers of the Chancel Choir. Other current members who have played a significant role in the musical mission of the church are Mrs. Noel Bryan, Mrs. Marvin Daughtry, Jim Kelly, Mrs. Harold Long, Mrs. Ray Pearce and Mrs. Webb Reiber. In 1985 Mrs. Ralph Kelly, organized and currently conducts the Saints Alive Choir, a singing group of senior citizens.

Aside from the Model 5 Allen Electronic Organ, purchased for the present sanctuary, three pianos were recently acquired: a Kawai Studio model for the Choir Room in 1985, to replace a Yamaha studio piano purchased in 1972; an ebony Young Chang grand for the sanctuary in 1986 and a Samick studio model for the Church Parlor in 1987. The sanctuary piano was realized by a substantial gift from the United Methodist Women, while the parlor piano was a memorial gift of Virginia Bell honoring her parents, Albert Walker Hewett and Annie Lewis Hewett Todd.

A two-octave set of Schulmerich handbells were purchased when Henry Batten was music director, and a third octave with carrying cases was purchased in 1983 with substantial gifts made by Mrs. Ralph Kelly and Mrs. S. F. Smithey. Various music funds have also been established.



Don Mason Director of Music

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WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

During the early years the Garner Methodist Church had many good hard working women. The organization was called The Ladies Aid Society and was started in 1916 by Mrs. Eli B. Craven. There were many money making projects and fun to work.

Mrs. Numa Broughton, known as "Miss Lula" was always ready to help and had many good ideas.

One special project was called the "One Dollar Luncheon". Each member was given one dollar and asked to make it grow as she saw the best way. Pies were made and sold for \$1.00. Some women churned milk and sold the butter and others made cakes. There was success and fun. The luncheon was held at "Miss Lula's". It was fun to see who could make money grow.

Another project that the Ladies Aid Society did during the 1940's and 1950's was a "Silver Tea". Each person came and would bring nickels or quarters to cover their age. Refreshments were furnished by the members.

When a minister and family moved to Garner, the ladies had what was called a "pounding". Members took what they thought could be used. Such as food, cooking utensils, linens etc.

In the 1930's, a particular project was very unusual. The meeting was held in the church. The members prepared chicken stew, vegetables, salad and deserts. The stew was set on the wood heater to simmer along, during the program. The food would be placed on the pews and a good time was enjoyed.

Submitted by Mrs. Evelyn "Dollie" Bryan

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

On May 23, 1973, Methodist women from the North Carolina Conference assembled in the First Methodist Church in Wilson for a service of celebration. On that date Women's Society of Christian Service and Weslyan Service Guild united to become United Methodist Women. October 14, 1973 officially marked the date of the name change for Garner United Methodist Church women who have continued the work begun by W.S.C.S and W.S.G.

The purpose of UMW is to know God and experience freedom as whole person through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in global ministries of the Church.

Under the capable leadship, since 1979, of the following Presidents: Mrs. Dot Wilson, Mrs. Kaye Whaley, Mrs. Nelda Rand, Mrs. Betty Starling, Mrs. Mary Felton and Mrs. Dorothy Hodges; Garner UMW has been engaged in a wide range of activities in carrying out our purpose.

Through an annual budget of \$3000, Garner UMW has continued to support mission programs on the local, state, national and international level through pledges and special collections. Programs are presented to keep

our members informed about needs and to provide a better understanding of how funds are dispenced. Garner UMW contributes to missionary support, Methodist Home for Children, Walnut Terrace Day Care Center (in Raleigh), theCenter for Abused Women (in Wake County), and sponsors volunteers once a month for the Red Cross Blood collection center. Mrs. Marian Davis has served as chairperson for this group for 15 years.

In addition, to pledges, special collections are taken for National and World Missions projects, Love Offering for some special group or project, Candle Burning Funds memoralizing those who have been and are now a part of our Christian heritage and World Thank Offering for additional gifts over and above the pledge.

Upon the death of a member of our church or the death of a relative of a member, UMW serves a meal at a time indicated by the family.

A highlight of the year is the awarding of two Special Memberships to two adults and one youth in the church who have made special contributions to the work of the church during the year.

In 1979 plans were made and carried out to furnish a parlor with a small kitchen on the main floor of the church. In the early eighties, the main kitchen was remodeled with new major appliances and cabinets. Through a variety of fund raisers, these projects were funded by the UMW.

Today Garner UMW has seven circles with a total membership of 105 members. The circles are: Abrams, Burwell, Garrison, Addie P. Kelly, Lorena Kelly, McGill, and Elizabeth P. Rand.

> Submitted by Mrs. Dot Hodges President of United Methodist Women (1992-93)

> > Mrs. Mary Felton

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

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Christian Social Involm.

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Wedding Receptions

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Mrs. Alethea Jennings

Mrs. Clarice Bryan

Mrs. Carol Tharrington

Mrs. Alice Jennette

Mrs. Barbara Umstead

SPIRITUAL LIFE PIN

Mrs. Jeanette Adams Mrs. Clarice Bryan Mrs. Evelyn "Dollie" Bryan Mrs. Sara Davis Mrs. Ivy Folsum Mrs. Alethea Jennings Mrs. Elizabeth Rand Mrs. Daisy Strickland Mrs. Sallie Lane - 1977 Mrs. Alice Jennette - 1978 Mrs. Shirley Midgette - 1979 Mrs. Dot Wilson - 1980 Mrs. Lucille McGee - 1981 Mrs. Jessie Crutchfield - 1982 Mrs. Nelda Rand - 1983 Mrs. Isabelle Kelly - 1984 Mrs. Helen Cochrane - 1985 Mrs. Krisan Gregson - 1986 Mrs. Nell Henderson - 1987 Mrs. Eunice Pitts - 1988 Mrs. Harriet Wright - 1989 Mrs. Gail Hines - 1990 Mrs. Mary Felton-1991

SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP PINS

Mrs. Jeanette Adams Mrs. C. N. Allen Mrs. Portia Banks Mrs. Hazel Barefoot Mrs. Clarice Bryan Mrs. Evelyn "Dollie" Bryan Mrs. Helen Bryan Mrs. Jessamine Bryan Mrs. Elizabeth Buffaloe Mrs. Helen Cochrane Mrs. Hope Cramer Mrs. Jessie Crutchfield Mrs. Sadie Dill Mrs. Marian Davis Mrs. Sara Davis Mrs. Marie Godwin Mrs. Nell Henderson Mrs. H. A. Holder Mrs. Anna Hudson Mrs. Alice Jennette Mrs. Agnes Jones Mrs. Alethea Jennings Mrs. Sallie Lane Mrs. Sallie Lentz Mrs. Lucille McGee Mrs. Catherine Mitchiner Mrs. Edna Mitchiner Mrs. Shirley Midgette Mrs. Arch Moore Mrs. Irene Peacock Mrs. Ed Penny Mrs. Guy Penny Mrs. L. H. Quillan Mrs. Elizabeth Rand Mrs. Elsie Mae Stephens

Mrs. Daisy Strickland Mrs. Betty Thomas Mrs. Evelyn Staley

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Mr. Dudley Buffalce Mrs. Isabelle Kelly Mrs. Dot Wilson

1978

Mrs. Margaret Humphries Mrs. Mildred Register Mrs. Kaye Whaley

1979 Mrs. Katherine Cathey Mrs. Eunice Pitts Mrs. Betty Tracy

1980 Mrs. Virginia Bell Mrs. Nelda Rand Mrs. Leslie Rogers Dr. and Mrs. Don Rose Mrs. Jean Yeargan

1981 Mrs. Ruby Hobby Mrs. Rudine McGee Mrs. Sherry Parker Mrs. Lucile Stevens

1982

Mrs. Garchia Carroll Mrs. Alice Holder Miss Betty Jean Rand Mrs. Edna Whaley

1983

Mr. Jesse Denny Mrs. Hazel Holder Mrs. Letha Lloyd Mrs. Jeannie Moore Mrs. Helen Picket

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Mrs. Ann Fish Dr. Ann "Missy" Godfrey Mrs. Jackie Smithey Mrs. Evelyn Stsevens Mrs. Mildred West

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Mrs.	Pam Penny
Mrs.	Carolyn Green
Mrs.	Maxine Bennett

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Mrs. Beulah Broughton Mrs. Caroline Williams Mrs. Polly Umstead Mr. Clarence Johnson

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Mrs. Jean Mansfield Mrs. Ann Pierce

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Mrs. Mary Felton Mrs. Krisan Gregson Mrs. Lois Gamble Mrs. Eva Wade Mrs. Louise Price

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Mr. George Davis Mr. Bill Picket

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Mrs. Martha Middleton Mrs. Jackie Umstead

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Mrs. Dot Hodges Mrs. Honoree Butler



SOME RECIPIENTS OF SPECIAL MEMBERSHIPS (L to R) 1. Mrs. Lucy Quillen, 2. Mrs. Simon Mitchiner, 3. 4. Mrs. T. B. Straughan, 5. Mrs. Arch Moore

PETHODIST MEN OF GARNEF METHODIST CHURCH

On December 28, 1954, a group of 16 men of the Methodist Church of Garner, NC met for a supper in the high school cafeteria. Following the supper, a business meeting was held with Mr. Rufus Moore presiding. During the meeting nominations were made for the slate of officers of the new club. Nominations were made by Mr. Ralph Kelly who had previously met with a group of men and Rev. Moser, for the purpose of forming the new club and drawing up a slate of proposed officers. The nominations were as follows: Mr. H. E. Pitts, President; Mr. K. T. Pumphrey, Vice-President; Mr. Donald M. French, Secretary; Mr. G. A. Jones, Treasurer; Mr. Crayton Stephens, Recorder.

A motion was made by Mr. Paul Merritt that the slate of officers as proposed be accepted by the group. Motion was seconded by Mr. Donald Staley. Following discussion relative to the number of men present and the expected number of members, the motion to accept the slate of officers was withdrawn. Mr. Kelly then made the suggestion that the slate of officers be accepted by acclamation following the individual introduction of the name of each officer. Officers were accepted by acclamation.

Mr. K. T. Pumphrey advised that Grayton Stephens would not be able to serve as Recorder due to business activities which would prevent him from being regular in attendance. A motion was made and carried that Mr. Crayton Stephens be carried as the Recorder until such time as the officers could meet to appoint another Recorder.

Following a short discussion of dues and Charter Night, the group adjourned.

The Methodist Men's Club currently have up to 30 men attend their monthly meetings. They help with the maintenance of the church grounds, financial support of church projects and assist in various other church related activities.

Current officers are:

President.... Mike Herman Vice President . . . Harry E. Pitts Secretary/Treasurer. . William "Bill" Stanton

THE MEMORIAL LIBRARY

From a single bookcase in one Sunday school classroom, our church library has grown to a collection of over one thousand volumes, most of them given in honor or memory of individual loved ones. During its thirty-year history, the library has enjoyed the direction of many fine ladies from Clota Wilson who served the early "Nannie Bryan Library" to Elizabeth Rand who faithfully chronicled much of our church history.

Library accession records were begun in 1966, about the time the library moved into its current location. After 1980, memorials to several special friends sponsored the present handsome mahogany furnishings crafted by Ed Allen, and the name became The Memorial Library. Holdings have expanded to include a vertical file on various topics, audio visual equipment, audio and video cassettes, special sections for children and youth, reference and archival materials, and large print titles. The goal of our church library continues to be that of offering patrons of all ages materials to enhance Bible study and teaching, and to encourage growth and joy in the Christian life. Garner United Methodist can be justly proud of the lasting testimony shared in these materials.

Submitted by Krisan C. Gregson, Librarian



Over the years many beautiful and useful additions have been added to our church, especially to the sanctuary. The large stained glass window was given by Rufus and Joan Moore in memory of Nancy moore; the reredos also was in her memory given by her family and friends. The altor was given by The Reverend A. Jarvis Hobbs, D.D. and his wife, Edith Savage Hobbs. Brass candle holders were given by Mr. and Mrs. Noei Bryan and Draper Rhodes in memory of Ruth E. Rhodes; the altor vases were given in honor of Mrs. Nannie A. Bryan by Ralph and Nancy Stump; the brass cross was given in loving memory of Mary Mitchiner by her sisters and brothers; the brass offering plates were given in memory of L. A. Lentz by family and friends; the paraments were given in memory of Mary W. Nash and Lina Ferrell by Frank, Doris, Kathy and Bill Ferrell. A Christmas cloth and four markers have recently been given by Kay and Marvin Daughtry in memory of her father, Eddie E. Best, Sr. The altor Bible was given in memory of Sue Best West by her friends and family. The brass Advent Wreath is in memory of Helen Broughton Bryan given by her family and friends. The baptistry is in memory of Margaret J. and Hal D. Rand given by their daughter Linda Rand Burton. The tower music system is dedicated to the Glory of God in loving memory of Billie Frances Rand by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William R. Rand. The santuary sound system was given by Mr. and Mrs. John H. Holmes, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Moore, and Mr. and Mrs. William R. Rand. The hearing aid system is given in memory of Boyd Creech by the James A. Creech family.

Ail of the windows and pews have been given in memory or in honor of loved ones. These are recorded in the Memorial Books in the library.

The Memorial Library which is lovingly kept in order by Krisan Cochran Gregson, is filled with beautiful furniture made by Ed Crow Allen. The shelves were given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Arch Moore; the table in memory of Lona Allen; and the desk in memory of C. Tommy Hobby, Jr.

Our church has benefited by the will of Marvin Turner, a life-long faithful member. It was also remembered in the will of Mrs. Nellie L. Stephens of San Francisco, CA, a friend of Garner native and 50 year member, Lawrence Penny. A funeral pall was given to the church in memory of Mrs. Stephens.

Shelves in the pastor's office were given in memory of W. B. Knight, Sr. by Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Knight, Jr.; the console desk for tapes was given in memory of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Straughan by Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Buffalce. The parlor cabinet is in memory of Preston Price and choir room chairs in memory of Sue B. West. Nursery cribs were given in memory of Margaret K. Banks by her family and friends.

New carpet and pew cushions, hymnals, and Bibles have been added recently as gifts from our members and friends.

Needlepoint kneelers are at present being done under the leadership of Nelda Rand and several memorabilia cabinets are being made under the leadership of Ed C. Allen for the 130th celebration.

Other memorials are recorded in the Memorial Books found in the Memorial Library.

It is hoped the members will continue to use our library and look at the scrap books Elizabeth Rand kept, which are all on display.

Written by Lucile B. Stevens

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	1703	a serena Serena serena		John Wesley was born in Epworth parsonage in in Lincalnshire, England.
1.000	1739			First Methodist society was organized in London by John Wesley.
	1768		E	The first American society was organized in New York by Philip Embury and the first Methodist chapel was built on John Street. It
	1769			still stands in the Wall Street district. Richard Boardman and Joseph Pilmoor, the first itinerant preachers sent by Wesley to
	1771			"American Circuit", arrived. John Wesley sent Francis Asbury to America.
Aller and a	1773	a di a sec aligne a		The first Annual Conference was held at Philadelphia. There were ten preachers present. By that time there were 6 circuits and 1,160 members.
189 N.C.	1773-83			Societies were organized in Virginia and two years later the "Carolina" Circuit came into being.
19日 19日 19日 日 日 日 日 日 日 日 日 日 日 日 日 日 日				In spite of the outbreak of the American Revolution, great revivals were held in the tidewater county of Virginia and North Carolina. Eighteen hundred souls were added to these societies in one year.
	1943) 1943 - 1945 1945 - 1945			The Methodist congregations, which called themselves societies, became a Church after America was free and no longer a part of the Church of England.
ik.	- REPARE 1	8 I.,		The Methodist Episcopal Church was formally organized at a conference of Methodist ministers in Baltimore in the last week of December, 1781.
H D	1784-85			This conference, know as the Christmas Conference (as it began December 25 and lasted until January 2, 1785) elected two men as bishops, Francis Asbury and Thomas Coke.
dist.	1786			The first Sunday School in the United States was established by Bishop Asbury at the home of Thomas Crenshaw in Hanover County, Virginia
nii i	1790			The Methodist Conference voted-ordering the

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	formation of Sunday Schools and to compile books for them.
1796	Methodism increased to 56,664 members.
1804	The 4th General Conference passed a law limiting the ministerial term to two years. (Before this there had been no limit and the practice was to change every year and often
	twice a year.)
1844	The original Methodist Episcopal Church divided, and the Methodist Episcopal Church South, was organized.
1860	At the time of the Civil War there was 1,032,184 members.
1862	Beulah Methodist Church, Garner, NC was formed.
1878	The Woman's Missionary Society was organized
May 24, 1890	Property on Main Street, Garner, deeded by "Wm. N. Snelling, et al, to Joseph T.
	Broughton, et al, Trustees" for the first building.
1891	Contract let for building
1892	Church dedicated, with the Rev. Daniel H. Tuttle, presiding. Garner listed as one of six churches on Cary Circuit. The Rev. Pete L. Herman, Pastor.
1894	Epworth League was organized.
1916	The first parsonage in Garner built on Garm Road, the Rev. Eli Baxter Craven, Pastor.
1939	Methodist Episcopal Church, Methodist Protestant and Methodist Episcopal Church South reunited as The Methodist Church.
March 1951	The first parsonage sold and a new one started on Penny Street.
November 1, 1953	Garner approved by Conference as station with the Rev. Robert E. Lee Moser continuing as pastor. Membership now 434.
November 2, 1954	An adjacent building bought for use by chur School.
December 7, 1954	Growing need for new building felt. Recom-

mendation made by Bishop Paul Garber that a new site be secured. Selection Committee appointed with P. K. Banks as Chairman. March 13, 1955 Present site approved. (Dak Circle, Garner) Property bought from Mrs. Helen Bryan. Special Building Fund canvass started with March 31, 1955 C. P. Holder as Chairman and Ralph Whaley. Treasurer. Building Committee appointed with R. W. Moore December 6, 1955 as Chairman. May 1956 The Architectural Firm of Simpson and Savage chosen to draw plans with Russell White as designer. April 28, 1957 Architect's plans unanimously approved by congregation. November 30, 1958 Trustees authorized to negotiate loan of \$150,000 to complete amount of \$206,500 needed for construction and to enter contract with Wm. C. VIck, General Contractor, to build the church. January 11, 1959 Ground breaking ceremony held. February 8, 1959 Funds declared sufficient to start the building. March 1959 Construction begun. December 20, 1959 First service held. Membership now 621. Formal opening held with Bishop Paul Garber January 5, 1960 participating. September 2, 1962 Approval given for sale of Penny Street parsonage and beginning of plans for new parsonage, Frank Ferrell, Chairman of Parsonage Building Committee. Approval given for completion of ground floor October 31, 1962 portion of educational unit. June 30, 1963 Approval given of plans for new parsonage to be built on lot donated by Mrs. Helen Bryan on Oak Circle. October 14, 1963 Debt free parsonage completed; "Open House" held. 1968 The union of the Methodist Church and the

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Evangelical United Brethren Church is the largest Methodist body which is now United Methodist Church.

1968

UMYF - Youth organization of the United Methodist Church which activities include study, fellowship groups, service projects, tours, summer camps, choirs, and conferences. (for Junior High and High School youth) The name was changed to UMFY when we became United Methodist Church--before this is was M.Y.F.

Summer 1970

Exchange Minister from England, the Rev. Richard Davison and Family.

December 1973

Final payment made on church bulilding indebtedness.

April 7, 1974

The Dedication Ceremonies of Garner United Methodist Church 1959-1974 was held at 3:00 p.m.

Information was taken from <u>Understanding The Methodist Church</u> by Bishop Nolan B. Harmon; <u>The Southern Methodist Handbook of 1906</u> by Thomas N. Ivey, Editor; and The Dedication Ceremonies of Garner United Methodist Church 1959 - 1974 booklet.



Mrs. W. R. (Elizabeth) Rand receivin the crown in May 1963.

GOLDEN GIRLS QUEEN REBECCA PENNY placed her crown on the head of the new queen in Saturday, May 6 at the Golden Girls luncheon which was given

MEMORIES

Preacher Hough was in Garner for two weeks during the fall before he preached his first sermon. Having been a football player at Duke he sought out Coach J. C. Clark, Garner High School players, and practiced with them. When he was questioned about his name, he told the players it was pronounced as rough and tough were-so the football players always called him rough, tough, Hough! (submitted by Ed C. Allen)

As a young boy in downtown Garner, one of my favorite things to do was get to Sunday School early. Mr. Harvey Mitchiner was the church sexton at the time and one of his duties was to ring the church bell for Sunday School and church. If I was there early enough, he would let me ring the bell. Being small, the bell rope would pull me about two feet off the floor each time the bell spun. Mr. Harvey would always be there to bring me back to the floor. (submitted by F. K. Banks)

From the first Sunday in Garner Methodist Church, I enrolled in Tom Banks Sunday School class. (not sure of the name of the class) Belonging to that group was one of the rarest privileges I've ever received. Tom was a truly great speaker and teacher and a dedicated christian. He kept me enthralled always. (submitted by Elizabeth S. Buffaloe)

We are indeed proud of our present Garner Methodist Church. But we miss that oak shade tree which grew near our front door at our Main Street location. Before and after services members of the congregation gathered there and shared many happy experiences. In 1937 Rev. Black baptised our son, Jack Jr., in our home after an evening meal at which Rev. and Mrs. Black were our guests. At that time my husband was also baptised and joined the church. (submitted by Mrs. J. J. (Kathryn H.) Mitchiner)

We moved to Garner in 1939 and started going to Garner Methodist Church right away. I'm not sure what month our letters from the churches in Charlotte that we belonged to were received in the Garner Church. We have attended this church since that time. (submitted by Caroline D. Williams)

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1930's and 40's

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Remember Aunt Lula Broughton being faithful to organize "poundings" for new preachers. (submitted by Elise Mae Broughton Stephens)

Remember Aunt Lula Broughton for having church parties at her home--Ladies Aid Society--Woman's Society--some parties in-side the home, some out in her yard. One of the best ones I remember, she had set up card tables and chairs all over their back lawn- for a lunch and social. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

> Remember Mrs. Ed Penny for always providing her kitchen and backyard (with iron pots) for cooking large quantities of food for church suppers and for church money making affairs. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

Remember the Methodist Women would put on oyster suppers in the building next to Mrs. Minnie Williams' home. (That same building served as a town library) After the oyster suppers, sometimes there would be a program. Often we children would slip out and run up and down the sidewalks because we didn't like the "long talks". (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

Remember that Bible School was a must to attend. In later years, to serve as a teacher and/or refreshment server. The old tree provided the shade for refreshments. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

At this period of time, Sunday School held an assembly before breaking into separate classes. Always on the Sunday after Bible School, the program at assembly would be given by the children. A typical program would be one child quoting all the books of the Bible, another having memorized several pasages and lots of special songs. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

1940's Remembering working with Nell Henderson on Bible School projects. She made the first outing cloth board plus outing cut-outs to demonstrate stories of the Bible. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

1930's and 40's Remembering the choir having so many relatives in it-always my parents, Alice & John Broughton. Papa even rose on his tip toes singing "Amazing Grace". By the time

I could join the choir it was full of Holders and the ever faithful Evelyn Lloyd Bryan. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

Remembering the Epworth League was always something to look forward to on lots of Sunday afternoons. My biggest memory is thinking how lucky most of the children were that their parents brought them and came back and picked them up. I had to walk! But so did Mary Lee, Annie Laurie, Irene, and Doris Penny, Worth, Dwight, and Wade Whitaker and Marshall and Dorothy Perry, et al. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

Remembering how Aunt Helen Bryan never minded how many guests her children would bring home from Sunday School and church for dinner at her house. With 5 daughters, there could be 5 or more guests coming for lunch. Yet, the table was bountiful with food. (submitted by Elsie Mae Stephens)

Remembering Uncle Numa Broughton always handed out tickets to the Merry-Go-Round at the annual Sunday School picnic held at Pullen Park. Uncle Clyde Whitaker made and furnished lemonade and he served it from large wooden barrels. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

Remembering Christmas music-not just the choir-but while the Christmas Carols were played in Garner on Christmas Eve night were not a church function, surely it was an outgrowth of our Methodist Church. As my brother, Craven and Sallie Mitchiner (later his wife) B. Lentz rode throughout the Garner area with music playing-he had his car rigged with a record player and amplifiers. This was a novel experience for that time. It was anticipated from one year to the next. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

Remembering Sunday School Easter Egg Hunts as such a treat. A favorite hunt location was the wooded area across the road from Evelyn and Noel Bryan. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

Remembering Sunday School teachers such as L. W. Umstead, Clara Craven, and Portia Banks (submited by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)

It was a complete disastser !! Our Sunday

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School Superintendent, Mr. Armistead Jones. would from time to time ask me to be the substitute pianist. Almost everytime, he would say "Let's turn to 'Onward Christian Soldiers'". This is a most difficult song to play as it is written in 5 sharps. T would try to change the 5 sharps to 4 flats: hence, I played part sharps and part flats. No one could figure out what song was being played. Everyone in the congregation was seen rapidly turning the pages to try to find a hymn which sounded familiar; therefore, they were singing very loudly trying to drown out the piano. Afterward, I would always try to convince Mr. Jones to sing something else that I could play !!! (submitted by Louise Broughton Price on the day she went to the hospital and to our sadness, she died there on August 31, 1992)

Being Superintendent of Sunday School of Garner United Methodist Church for twentysix years, I recall some very interesting and comical instances that have happened at our church. For years we always had a Sunday School picnic every fall around the first of September over at Pullen Park in Raleigh. Everyone would bring food and drink. Somone would go out early in the morning and sit under one of the sheltered sections to hold it for our picnic or all the places would be taken as there were only a few spaces and in case of rain we would be out of the weather. At that time, we were averaging about 400-450 people in Sunday School and we always had a good attendance at our picnic and everyone had a good time together.

In those days we would meet in the sanctuary and have a short devotion before going to our class and quite a few of our men would stand out front under a huge maple tree and visit while we had our devotion. We had a new preacher to come to Garner as pastor of New Bethel Baptist Church, a young and very likeable man by the name of Rev. Lacy Oliver. I asked him to come up one Sunday morning and give our devotion. On the designated Sunday in his talk, he remarked that he would like to compliment us on one of our outstanding classes, that one "outstanding under the tree". Since that time, the Men's Bible Class has very often been referred to as Garner Methodist's "outstanding" Sunday School class.

1940's and 50's

Our Pastor at that time was the now retired Rev. R. E. L. Moser and a man we all loved very much. He loved homemade ice cream more than any man I think I ever knew. It was nothing for him to eat a half-gallon at a time, especially if Frank and Jessamine Bryan made it. He was a very dear pastor and friend to us all. We hated to see him go when we moved into our new church after being with us for eight years. (submitted by Ralph L. Whaley)

Remembering when the Woman's Society worked on the cookbook. Margaret Banks worked hard on selling advertisements, Sallie Lentz was the advisor on selection of recipes and the work was done around the dining room table at Annie Laurie Penny Frising's home. It is still to us-a classic among bookbooks. (submitted by Elsie Mae B. Stephens)1951-52

I don't recall anything on any event relating to the church that I would consider as unusual since I've been a member. I came to Garner in November of 1951 and was made to feel welcome by the church family. I moved my membership to the Garner United Methodist Church in the early part of 1952 and have enjoyed being a part of it. (submitted by Beulah S. Broughton)

In June of 1952 we had an unforgetable Vacation Bible Schoo. We were in the church on Main St. with the "big maple tree" out front. We had our classes in the cement block building in back of the church. We had no air condiltioning or fans. The heat was terrible. On Monday, the temperature was 105 degrees; Tuesday 104; Wednesday 103; Thursday 102; and Friday 101. We would not have been able to tolerate the heat were it not for the help of the Methodist Women. Every day from 9 to 12 they had a large wooden tub of real lemonade with lots of ice under the famous We really had to use it, too. tree. At least twice every morning in order to survive the heat. There are several women in our church who will always remember that week. (submitted by Lucille C. McGee)

A committee was appointed by the President of the Mens Bible Class to determine if a Methodist Men's Club would be wanted. The organizational meeting was held on December 28, 1954. The Charter was awarded on Jan-

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uary 7, 1955. Boys Scout Troop 391 is sponsored by the club. (submitted by Harry Pitts)

A church is really its people and there have been so many people in Garner United Methodist Church who have given us memories to cherish and to enjoy as well as events that changed our lives. In September 1957, Mrs. Paul (Miss Portia) Banks and Mrs. Tom (Miss Margaret) Banks started the Garner Kindergarten in the Education Building of the church on Main Street. How exciting it was and how grateful parents were to be able to have some fo the opportunities for there five year olds that larger towns did. Mrs. Walter Rand, Jr. was music director and the fee was ten dollars a month. The school introduced many newcomers to our churchpeople who through the years have meant much to the life of the church. (submitted by Evelyn Stevens)

In 1958 when the post office was located on Main Street in downtown Garner, I recall one Thursday morning, one of my co-workers, Laurie E. Holder, coming in saying "Did we have a good singer at choir practice last night!" He was talking about Jim Kelly. I've recalled that enthusiastic announcement so many times as Jim has been such a faithful and such a talented member of the choir and the Garner United Methodist Church. (submitted by Helen Cochrane)

We got a new pastor named Rev. James A. Auman. A most likeable but unpredictable He drove a red Renault car with the fellow. right side damaged. One of the first places he visited after coming to Garner was my home. My wife, Edna, had never met him but he got out of his car, came right in through the kitchen, opened the over, looked in and said "Um, I never did like meat loaf". He was one of the few pastors we have had that stayed as many as four years and when he left, he was still driving that little damaged Renault. (submitted by Ralph L. Whaley)

Moving from Durham in November 1961 we were looking for a church home. Thinking that we might join another demonination (since I was a Methodist, Tom a Baptist and Durward not old enough to become a church member).

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We had just about decided to become Presbyterians when Durward meet the Banks children, Mike Rand, Chris Allen, and the Wilson boys, Charlie and Kenneth, at school. They all attended Garner Methodist. They invited him to go to their church, which he did. They made him feel so welcome and "at home" that he insisted that we all become members of Garner Methodist Church. It was a great decision. Durward joined the church and Tom and I had our memberships transferred. From then on Garner Methodist became a great influence in all our lives. Appreciating the Christian teachings, the warmth and fellowship of the church we knew we had found the right church home. Durward and Mike went on together to pursue a naval career at the U. S. Naval Academy graduating in 1971. T am sure the religious training and the leadership they had received at Garner Methodist helped them through many hard and difficult tasks. Since Tom's death, Garner Methodist continues to be a great strength and guidance to me. God Bless our wonderful church! (submitted by Jeannette R. (Mrs. T.D.) Adams)

I remember our surprise during church services one morning my husband, Harry Sloan Cathey, was called to the front and awarded a Certificate of Appreciation for "faithful service to the Garner United Methodist Church as Church School Secretary for twenty-three years". At that same time Chili Rogers, who was custodian, was also presented a certificate. (submitted by Mrs. Harry S. Cathey)

The Crutchfield's arrived in Garner on Thursday, May 31, 1972. This was a new experience for us. We moved into our own home instead of the church parsonage and my husband was not the minister at the Methodist church. On Sunday morning we went to Garner United Methodist Church and Sunday School. The first person we saw was Jack Benfield, He said he thought I would like the Craven Class and he went with me to the door. This was a wonderful day for me! All the ladies were so friendly and the teacher was outstanding. She was Portla Banks. Over the last 22 years I am still attending this same class. The other teachers, Elizabeth Rand, Evelyn Stevens, Jeanette Adams, and Clarice Bryan, have carried on

June 25, 1972

May 31, 1972

the good teaching and I hope I can be a member of this class for many more years. (submitted by Jessie M. Crutchfield).

Another pastor we had that stayed with us for five years was the Rev. George Johnson. Like myself, he could get very depressed at times. One Sunday morning when he was feeling low, he suprised us all when he began his sermon by saying "I'm so tired of so many sick people and preaching so many funerals that I'm about ready to give up". Of course, this threw quite a shock into some of our people but after he explained what he meant, we could understand what he was driving at and he was telling it like it was. (submitted by Ralph L. Whaley)

As one of the older members it is understandable that I have many memories. Some of my most cherished ones, however, are of my years in the new church-next door. I am so thankful for the ministers and their families I have known. They have made such good neighbors. The Bryant family and George Johnson family even grew vegetables which they shared. Jessie Crutchfield always shared a few rows with Mr. Johnson and again with us.

I am thankful for my Sunday School teachers, Lucille McGee and Dot Hodges. They are truly inspiring!

I am thankful for my life long friend, Nell Henderson, who has graced our altar with her artistic arrangements at Thanksgiving and Christmas. She has made banquets, homecoming dinners, and weddings beautiful with her loving touch.

I am thankful for Nelda Rand who, has over the years, kept us on our toes adding to the kitchen, parlour, and beauty of our church.

I am so grateful for the many visits Rev. Dunn made to my mother, Helen Bryan, during the last weeks of her life. Thank you God for my blessings in your church. (submitted by Lucile Bryan Stevens)

"Lots of water has gone over the dam" since my wife, Edna, and I moved to this area in November of 1943. Our oldest child, Ron, was only two months old at that time. So you see

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all four of our children, Ron, David, Sandra and Betsy, knew of no other home but Garner, Garner Methodist Church, and Garner schools. We love our many friends and loved ones here and we all agree, there is no place in the world we had rather be than here. (submit ted by Ralph L. Whaley)

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For we sorrow not as those which have no hope. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even si them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him-1 THES. 4:13-18.

My Dear Friend.

Death came close to you recently. It is no lonely experience that has come to you. In your special grief you but enter into the common fellowship of sorrow.—1 Cor. 10-13.

For some time you can only be "dumb with silence," from the shock.—Psa. 39:9. But by and by faith will again remember the divine promise, and hope will begin to dream of the glad reunion of the better land. Meanwhile let grief have its way. It is natural and Christian to do so. But do not try to understand it.— 1 Cor. 13:12. Leave all that and fall back on God. Go to God with the anguish and the desolate home, and wait for His salvation. Wait in the faith that God has not forgotten, and that He was never more your Father than just now. He is the only one that can help you. I pray that the tenderest ministries and consolations of the Comforter may be yours.—11 Cor. 1:34.

It will take time to readjust yourself. Every familiar object and association gives pain by recalling:

. . . "the touch of a vanished hand; the sound of a voice that is still."

This we must endure; but here, too, comes a transformation. The pain becomes something tender and sacred — something for which the heart grieves, but from which we would on no account be separated. It binds us to the dear ones gone. And gradually they, too, are freed in our thought from earthly limitation and imperfection, and remain aperpetual treasure and inspiration in life service.

> My lost, my own and I Shall have so much to see together by and by. For I am sure, that just the same sweet face, But glorified, is waiting in the place Where we shall meet, if only I Am counted worthy of the by and by.

In the midst of our sorrow let us also thing of them, of their unfading and radiant life, and of the divine revealings which have come to them.—1 Cor. 2, 9.

God is not the God of the dead, but of the living. They live there to Him, and are with Him. And have a knowledge of us which we could not safely have of them.

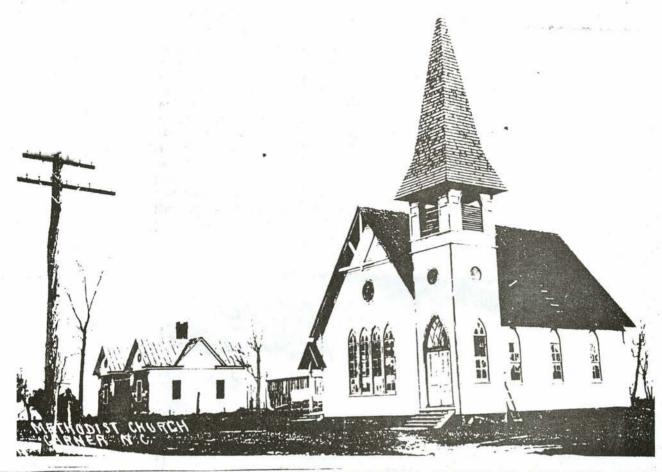
If we live faithfully, and having learned by loss how much we loved them, we meet them again to be with them forevermore, I am sure that then we shall not regret the brief earthly separation.

God is now testing your confidence in Him. Be calm and trust.

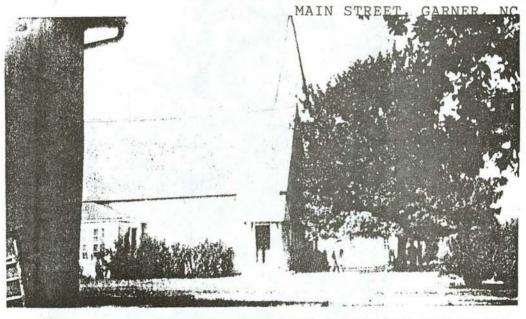
Yours in all sympathy,

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DANIEL HERNDON TUTTLE Smithfield, N. C.



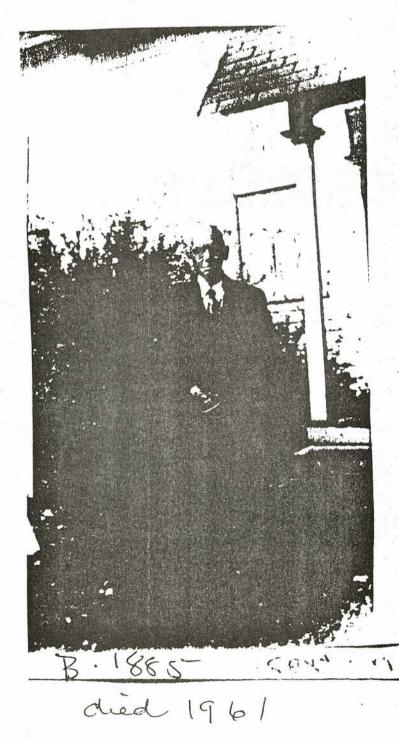
GARNER METHODIST CHURCH IN THE VERY EARLY YEARS.



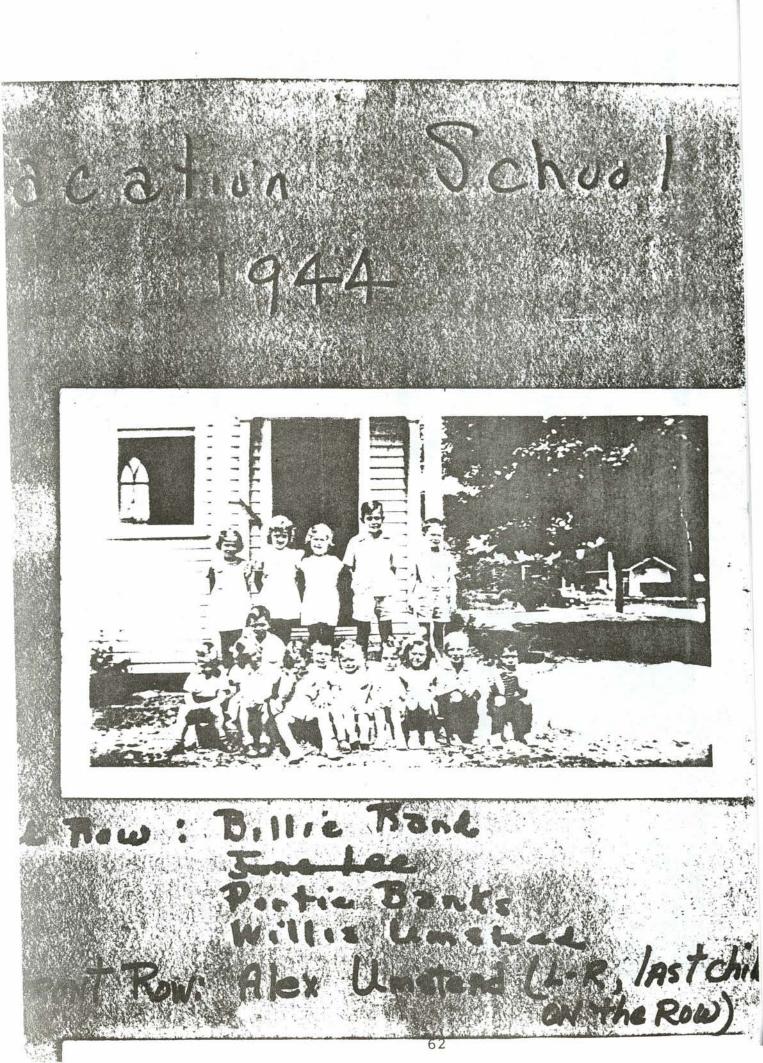
GARNER METHODIST CHURCH IN THE 1940's.

HARVEY S. MITCHEVER.

Harvey Samuel Mitchiner, 76 of 219 St. Mary St. in Garner. diec at Rex Hospital Saturday. Funer al services will be conducted today at 3 p.m. at the Garner Methodist Church by his pastor, the Rev. Johnny L. Joyce, assisted by the Rev. R. E. L. Moser, pastor of the Trinity Methodist Church in Garner. Burial will be in the Mitchiner Family cemetery, Rt. 1, Garner. Surviving are three brothers, John, Simon, and Sam Mitchiner, all of Garner.

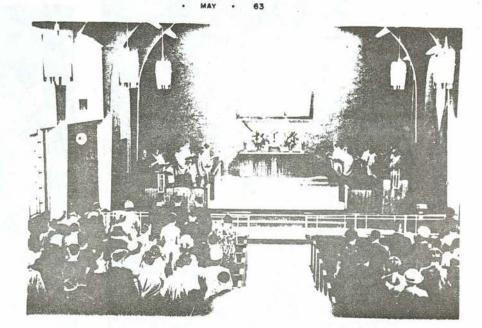


MR. MITCHINER WAS THE CHURCH SEXTON AT GARNER METHODIST CHURCH WHEN IT WAS LOCATED ON MAIN STREET, GARNER, NC

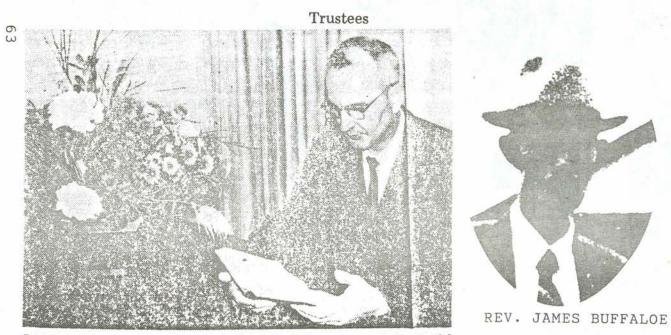






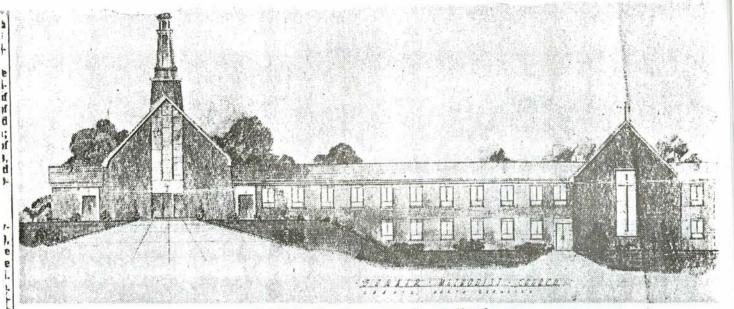


Paul Kennon Banks and Thomas Allen Banks





Rev. James Auman sits at his desk in the study of the new parsonage. (Special o)



Architect's Drawing of New Garner Church

Began With Only Four Families

Garner Methodists Planning \$180,000 Church

By KAY DAUGHTRY Times Correspondent

GARNER - Garner Methodist Church has come a long way since it was organized with four families in 1870.

Today it has a membership of 587 and is planning a new \$180,000 plant.

Church members recently approved plans for the building, to be located directly across new Highway 70 from the proposed Forest Hills business development.

Plans call for a modern Gothic design with exposed rafters supported by laminated trusses in the sanctuary. Seating capacity counting the balcony will be about 400. The chancel is divided into two choir lofts. A huge stained glass window will be in back of the balcony.

A 21-room educational building will adjoin the sanctuary. Additional rooms will include a choir room, a pastor's study, educational office, a fellowship hall that will seat 200, a kitchen, scout room and a church parlor.

Until 1950 Garner was one of four churches on a charge. At

that time, Garner Methodist and Ebenezer Methodist became a two-point charge. In 1953, Garner was made a fulltime station. The present pastor, Rev. R. E. L. Moser, came to the Garner church in 1950 when membership was 271. Today there are 587 members.

Frank Simpson and Eugene Savage of Raleigh are the architects for this project.

This cost includes the four-acre tract of land owned by the church and the purchase of additional furniture for the new building.

An unfinished portion of the lower floor will not be completed until the need arises. Estimated square feet in the entire plant: 20,000.

An xtensive building fund campaign was begun in November of 1955. Those who have worked as the building committee since that time are Rufus Moore, chairman; Poe Holder, Frank Bryan, Paul Banks, W. R. Rand, Paul Merritt, Biven Hales, and Mrs. Noel Bryan.

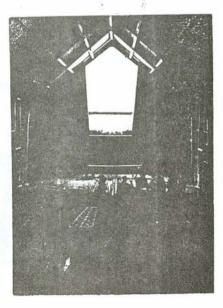
No definite date has been set for beginning of the construc-

(Raleigh Times -1958)

Photos showing the construction of the new church in 1959. (loaned to us by) (George Frising)



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Our Custodian "Chilly"



Our Lay Leader Robert Lively



Your Youth Minister Miss Donna Davis



Our Organist Mrs. Frank Bryan



Our Council Chairman Graham Singleton



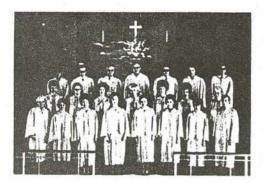
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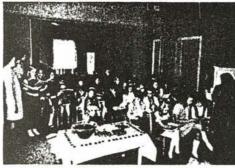
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Our Board Chairman James Kelly



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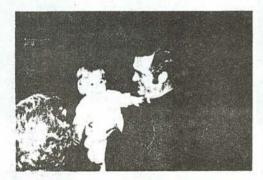
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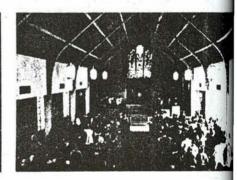
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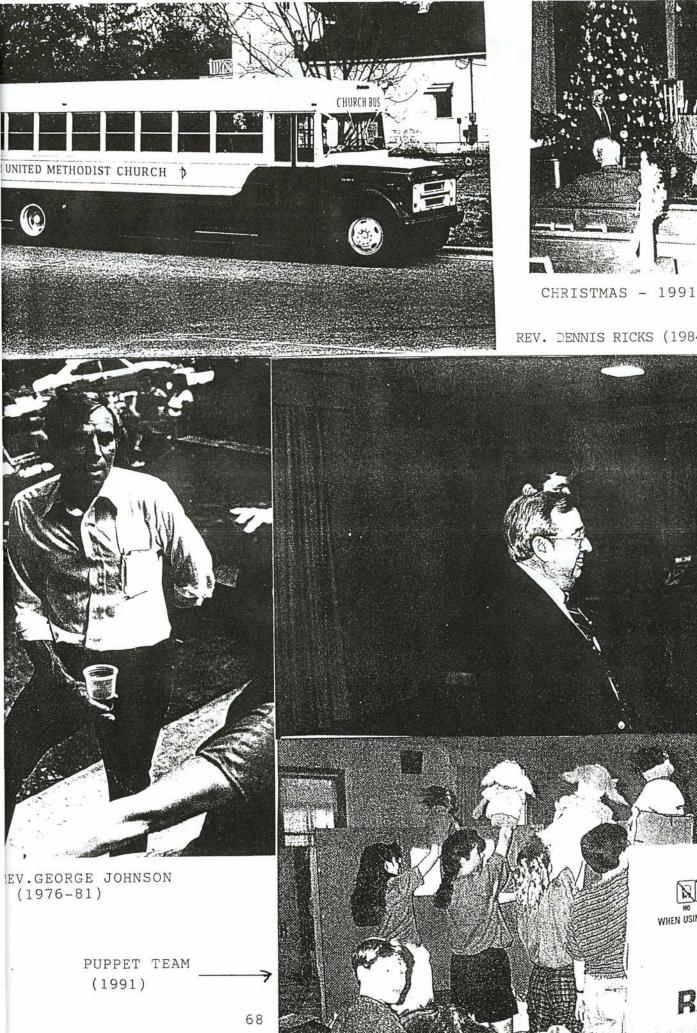
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CHRISTMAS - 1991

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FINANCIAL REPORT

\$5.046.33 needed per Sunday to meet Budget of \$262,409.

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SEPTEMBER 27, 1992 Sunday Worship 276 Sunday School 234 Budget & Cap. Imp..... \$6,908.26

OUR STAFF Craig Hauschild Minister Emeritus..Gilbert W. Crutchfield Program Director Susan Hobbs Director of Music Don Mason Organist Caroline Allen Church Secretary Nancy Harty Building Maintenance Lee Drayton







OCTOBER 11, 1992 VOL. XXII NO. 39 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

OFF TO GREAT START!



In spite of last Sunday's inclement weather, our monthlong 130th Anniversary celebration got off to a great start. Promptly at 11 o'clock, W.B. Knight called us to worship by ringing the old church bell which had been placed on the front lawn. The new memorabilia cabinet was filled with artifacts; the historical display in the library was ready for browsing; the anniversary banners were hung in the sanctuary; commemorative buttons were given out; the choir loft was filled to overflowing; and in spite of a hard rain, we had a well attended service as we celebrated World-wide Communion Sunday.

This Sunday, we will begin the worship service by singing "Beulah Land" (our church grew out of Beulah Church) accompanied by an old pump organ. There will be a hymn sing, a baptismal service and a circuit rider dialogue sermon, with much levity, presented by Craig and Susan. Following the service, refreshments will be served on the church lawn by ladies in period costumes. See you Sunday,

Bill Solita

DATES TO REMEMBER

UNDAY, OCTOBER 11 1:00 AM - Collège & Careers Group 6:00 PM - James Auman Singers 7:00 PM - Pastor-Parish Committee

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12

12:45 PM - Garrison Circle meets at Hickory House for lunch, Beulah Broughton, hostess 7:30 PM - Comm. on Nominations

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13 2:00 PM - United Methodist Women.

Church Parlor 7:00 PM - Fellowship of Stitchers 7:30 PM - Evangelism Committee - Garner Gleaners (Women)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

6:00 PM - Saints Alive Singers 7:00 PM - Handbell Choir - Garner Gleaners (Men) 7:30 - Chancel Choir - Board of Trustees

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 7:30 PM - Missions Committee - Stewardship Meeting

OCTOBER 11 NURSERY INFANT Lisa Nickalson, Heather Koch TODDLER Gwen Goodman, Greg Byars

NO EARLY SERVICE SUNDAY

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K-2 CLUB will meet Sunday, October 11, from 6:00-7:00 PM for music and a scavenger hunt.

3RD-5TH GRADERS meet Sunday, October 11, from 6:00-7:00 PM.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR (2nd-5th Graders) will meet each Wednesday from 6:45-7:30 PM. We need a Children's Choir Mom or Dad to help with the choir. Please call Caroline. 872-0579, if you would like to help.

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UMYF will meet Sunday, October 11, 5:00-6:30 PM. Caswell deposit of \$25.00 is due Sunday.

PUPPET TEAM PRACTICE - Wednesday, October 14, 7:15-8:30 PM. The Puppet Team will be sharing in the October 18 worship service.

MANY THANKS to all who supported our youth through the car wash and donut sale last Saturday. The youth raised over \$600.00.

DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR ANNIVERSARY BUTTONS SUNDAY!

PEOPLE, PLACES AND EVENTS

HOSPITALIZED

Jennifer Mull - Raleigh Community

BOOKMARKS

In memory of Portia Banks: <u>Bible</u> <u>Stories in Rhyme</u> (Thompson) by the Ladies Bible Class, <u>The Brown Bag</u>: <u>a Bag Full of Sermons for Children</u> (Jordan) and <u>God Uses Cracked Pots</u> (Clairmont) given by Helen & Mickey Cochrane. Krisan Gregson

ALTAR FLOWERS

A word of apology has been received from the florist for failing to deliver the flowers last Sunday given by Bill and James Creech.

NEEDED

A new carpet remnant has been obtained for the 4 & 5 year old room. Contributions of any size are needed to finance this purchase. If you wish to donate, call Lee Ellen Coffey (662-0206).

OCTOBER 24 BANQUET

Have you signed up for the Anniversary Banquet? (125 have signed up to date.) Buffet Menu: Broccoli salad, tossed salad, ambrosia, chicken cordon bleu, pepper steak, rice, green beans, honey-glazed carrots, rolls & butter, coffee & tea, brownies, pineapple upside down cake.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

In memory of Louise Price by Elizabeth Britt; by Garchia Carroll to Library Fund. In memory of Portia Banks by Mr. & Mrs. Wm. Stephenson, by Ilene Stump, by Cecil & Amelia Harrison, by Maurice Bunch, by Robert Wright, by Caroline Nelson, by Mrs. D.H. Buffaloe, by James & Evelyn Stevens, by Robert & Gayle Horton, by Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Price; by Garchia Carroll to Library Fund: by Lucile Stevens. by Edward & Ruby Everett to Kneeling Cushion Fund.

1993 BUDGET REQUESTS

The Finance Committee is asking all work area chairpersons and age level coordinators to submit their 1993 budget requests to the Church Office by October 18.

MANY THANKS TO ...

... Bill Creech and W.B. Knight for unplugging the sewer line on September 27.

... Ed Allen & W.B. Knight for the new memorabilia cabinet. Kaye Whaley & Lucile Stevens for compiling the church history, Barbara Umstead and Carol Tharrington for providing the refreshments after next Sunday's service, Ed Austin for the anniversary buttons, Nelda Rand & Ed Austin for heading up the church spruce-up committee. Dear Church Families and Friends:

We have worked very hard in a short period of time researching, writing and printing the history of Garner United Methodist Church. The surface has only been dented and if time permitted we would have gone into more detail. There are important events, special people and very special things that may have been omitted but it was not done intentionally.

We hope you enjoy the special events that will be held during the month of October when we will be CELEBRATING OUR HERITAGE, 130 YEARS.

God be with you,

Lucile B. Stevens

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Mary Kaye B. Wheley

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