

The History of Horne Memorial United Methodist Church Clayton, North Carolina 1859 - 2009 This book is two histories in one. The first history (1859-1959) was written by a committee from the Wesleyan Service Guild and chaired by Miss Sarah Richardson. We reprinted this in its entirety.

The second history covers the years 1959-2009.

Bertha Crabtree Chairman, History Committee



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"Behold, I stand at the door and knock." Revelation 3:20

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The Wesleyan Service Guild gives to employed women of the church an opportunty to fellowship, to have a definite part in the work of the Woman's Society of Christian Service, and to enrich their spiritual lives.

The Guild of Horne Memorial Methodist Church began in January 1943. Mrs. Carl W. Barbee, wife of the minister at that time, was responsible for the organization, and she was installed as the first president. Other presidents were as follows: Mrs. Gordon Pruden, Mrs. Shelbon Hall, Mrs. F. W. O'Neil, Mrs. Y. M. Holland (elected but unable to serve), Mrs. Ernestine Butler, Mrs. A. P. Cavenaugh, Mrs. James T. Vinson, Mrs. Garland Young, and Miss Virginia Satterfield.

Although the Guild is only sixteen years old, it has been one of the most active units of our church, and during the years has undertaken several outstanding projects. We have contributed many times to needy families in the community, and have sent packages overseas. For several years we have made quarterly donations to the Children's Division of our Church School. We have also presented Life Memberships in the Woman's Society of Christian Service to Mrs. Y. M. Holland, Mrs. A. P. Cavenaugh, Mrs. James T. Vinson, and Mrs. Garland Young.

One of our happiest experiences has been the compiling of this history of our church. We hope you enjoy it, and may it mean as much to you now and in the years to come as it means and will continue to mean to us.

> CHURCH HISTORY COMMITTEE Miss Sarah Richardson, Chm. Mrs. Ernestine Butler Mrs. Shelbon Hall Miss Virginia L. Satterfield Mrs. James T. Vinson Mrs. Garland Young

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The Ministry of the Church



Bishop Paul N. Garber The Methodist Church Richmond Area Richmond, Virginia



The Reverend Graham Eubanks District Superintendent Raleigh District



The Rev. Clyde H. Dunn Horne Memorial Methodist Church Clayton, North Carolina

Message from our Minister

The first impression received upon arriving at our appointment in Clayton was the friendliness of the community. This first impression is one that has become fixed and permanent after living in Clayton and becoming a part of it. Clayton has indeed been a home for us. This is not only because of the friendships which we have made but also because it is the birthplace of two of our three boys.

Horne Memorial Methodist Church also has a very important place in our lives. I have been impressed by the deep loyalty and devotion of so many of the faithful members. Even though there is a segment of inactive members, I am continually grateful for the support which has been given me during my years as pastor of this church.

In a few months we will be leaving the United States to serve among a people of a different race and a different tongue. As we go to Southeast Asia to proclaim the "unsearchable riches of Christ," we shall take with us the love and concern of the people of this community and this church. The joyous experiences and rich fellowships which we have had will abide with us always.

> Clyde H. Dunn Horne Memorial Methodist Church Clayton, North Carolina 1956-1959

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HORNE MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH 1859 - 1959

One hundred years ago, April 1859, a new child was born to the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. This new baby, the Clayton Methodist Church, was organized and a plot of land consisting of one-half acre was deeded by Joseph M. Smith on April 15, 1859, to the newly appointed trustces: Harry Durham, Samuel S. Turner, Lucian H. Sanders, Hilliard Strickland, and William H. McCullers, Jr. This deed of trust, written in long hand, was subscribed to by three witnesses to the instrument; they were Lemuel Shell, Benjamin Trolinger, and J. Dal Smith.

Just prior to this, February 19, 1859, the quarterly conference report of the Smithfield circuit read thus: "The following committee was appointed a building committee to build a church at Clayton: Harry Durham, William H. McCullers, Jr., Benjamin Trolinger, Samuel Turner, and Lucian H. Sanders." At this time the Reverend William Clop was presiding elder, the Reverend Lucian Shell, preacher in charge; and John R. Brooks, associate pastor.

Our first building, as erected under the leadership of these men, was a small square frame building, without steeple, and set behind a small grove of oaks. While there is no available list of charter members, there are five families new remembered, the known members being Harry Durham, Martha Durham, Della Durham, Emma Durham, Mr. and Mrs. John W. O'Neil, Mrs. Nancy Barnes and some of her children, Mrs. Delia A. Ellington, and the Reverend Hines Whitaker and some of his family.

Our first pastors, the Reverend Lucian Shell and the Reverend John R. Brooks, 1859-61, were circuit riders with the following churches on their circuit: Clayton, Smithfield, Elizabeth, Bentonville, Boon Hill, Sanders's School House. Turner's School House, D. Smith's School House, Pine Level and Zion, and Elevation. This was the Smithfield Circuit. From the minutes of the first quarterly conference of 1860, our church was apportioned \$30 for current expenses for the year! At that same meeting, those present decided to hold the next quarterly conference in Clayton, this being the first to be held in our church.

Under the leadership of the Reverend Carson Parker, preacher (1861-62) there must have been some division in interest between home and foreign missions, for one of Mr. Parker's reports to quarterly conference was as follows: "The Presiding elder (William Clop) brought to the consideration of the conference our missionary apportion. On motion it was seconded that the preacher in charge be requested to take up a missionary collection where he may deem it proper and that each donor designate whether they wish the money applied to home or foreign missions."

During the latter part of 1861, J. D. Buic was added as associate preacher. At the same time Samuel J. Turner and William Durham were elected trustees of our Clayton church. In 1862, under the same ministers, Harry Durham and L. H. Sanders were elected stewards.

Now, in 1863, the Reverend L. S. Burkhead, our new minister (or circuit rider) reported, "As I have been so short of time on the circuit, I am not prepared to report the condition of the Sabbath School. I have received none into the church and have expelled none." In July of the same year, 1863, he reported that there was only one Sabbath School "in the bounds"—that he had been unable to start others due to the state of the country (Civil War time); however, he said in March 1864, "There is one Sabbath School at Smithfield in a healthy condition. Our members at Clayton are cooperating in a Union Sabbath School at that place." Mr. Burkhead also reported at this time the names of members received into full connection at Clayton: W. J. Jones, Harnett A. Jones, Ellen Ellis, Lucius Bryan, Mary J. Ellis, Pattie Pool, Amelia Pool, Jimmie Strickland, Susan A. Rhem, Fannie E. Rhem, Eumanius Ennis and Joanna Moody.

Mr. Burkhead made another report to quarterly conference on March 12, 1864, which was very significant: "The trustees of the Church at Clayton beg leave to report that the church and an half acre of land have been properly secured to the M. E. Church, South. by Deed. The Church is not finished; it lacks enclosing with a suitable finish, plastering, painting, and a stove. The trustees hope to be able to finish the Church at some time but perhaps not until the war ends. Respectfully submitted, Harry Durham, S. S. Turner, L. H. Sanders, Hilliard Strickland, Wm. H. McCullers, Jr."

Our preacher in charge during 1865-67 was the Reverend Joseph Wheeler, who, in spite of the Civil War, managed to keep the Clayton Church in operation though he stated that "owing to the peculiar and exciting times upon us, our religious interests have greatly suffered." He further stated that "Three Sabbath Schools were in successful operation at the beginning of the year, with promise of good. These schools have been suspended because of the passage of hostile troops through the country. Most of the churches have been closed for a time and the church at *Bentonille burned*. Under the providence of God we have resumed our labours and hope to see the work of God revive."

Mr. Wheeler's hopes and prayers were certainly heeded for he reported to quarterly conference, September 30, 1866, that the following twenty persons had been received into the Clayton Church: Thomas Sullivant, G. W. Gulley, Madison Durham, Robert Durham, Christopher Jones, J. W. Crocker, A. J. Ellis, Roxanna Sullivant, Tran-

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quilla Jones, Cernelia F. Lee, Josiah Duncan, W. H. Ellis, J. C. Ellis, Charles P. Lee, D. W. Boon, George W. Ellis, Rebecca Ellis, Etta McCullers, Mollie McCullers, and Julia A. Bryan.

Again the task of Sunday School work in Clayton came to light. The Reverend T. Page Ricaud, 1867-68, said in a report, "We also propose to inaugurate the Sunday School work at Clayton in a few weeks, and hope it will be successful. This same Mr. Ricaud, twelve years later in Wilmington. North Carolina, met and led Yao-ju Soong to Christ and arranged for his education in this country. Through his Christian influence, his daughter who became Madame Chiang Kai-shek converted her husband, the Generalissimo, to Christianity, giving one of the world's oldest civilizations its first Christian leader.

Sometimes church members were reprimanded for violating church rules. The following is a report read before quarterly conference on May 11, 1868. by the pastor, the Reverend A. R. Raven: it is a good illustration of the church at that time:

"The spiritual condition of the churches on this circuit at most of the appointments is improving. At others the cause of religion has been seriously injured by many of our members engaging in dancing who do not only manifest no signs of penitence but contend that it is not wrong and that it is no violation of the rules of our church because not specified in so many words. Six members have been expelled from our church during the past quarter, three for dancing and three for drunkenness."

Dr. R. Hooker, a local preacher, was brought to account for drunkenness. He was permitted to make an extended statement as to his conduct before the conference: and after making an honest confession and showing a penitent spirit, he was not put on trial. He was, however, suspended from preaching for a while.

A steward since the beginning of our church, Harry Durham resigned in 1869. At that time, Lucian Bryan and Eumanius Ennis were appointed stewards. The next year J. B. Beckwith was appointed a trustee in the place of Harry Durham.

The year 1871 brought to this Smithfield Circuit the first preacher who stayed as long as three years, the Reverend J. E. Thompson (1871-74). There were times when he, as ministers today, was discouraged. One of his reports on the state of the church at quarterly conference was as follows: "I think there has been some improvement in the condition of the Church; but I must say that as far as I am capable of judging, the onward movement has been slow. We have had some revival influence, some awakening and conversion of sinners, but this has not been general. There are many things to be corrected in spiritual things to which God has called them." He also gave these figures for the circuit: 409 white and 5 colored members, 16 adults and one infant baptized.

Another familiar family name appeared in a notation of our next preacher, the Reverend James F. Smoote (1874-76): "Three weeks ago our church enjoyed a gracious revival influence with the Baptist Church at Clayton, and three joined our church–John W. O'Neil and wife, and Della Durham." At the end of Mr. Smotte's first year, he wrote, "We have been visited with a gracious revival influence at six of the appointments. Between 40 and 50 have professed to find peace by believing in Jesus."

Churches throughout these fifteen years have been dropped from and added to the Smithfield Circuit. At this time, 1874, it included the following churches: Smithfield, Selma, Princeton, Zion, Sanders's School House, Adams, Massengills, Antioch, Elizabeth, Clayton, and Elevation. Imagine one preacher in charge of so many churches, in horse and buggy days!

The Reverend Joseph H. Wheeler, though he served only one year, reported that a meeting of considerable interest was held during that year, 1876-77. New members were received, but their names were not given. Then the Reverend R. M. Brown (1877) continued in the same trend by saying that attendance at preaching was very good and that some good feelings were manifested. He ended by adding, "We are hopeful of results. Brethren, pray for us." On November 23, 1878, he mentioned that the church house at Clayton was being repaired to make it more comfortable. Some of his new members are familiar names to us: Ella Barnes, Arthur G. Smith, W. I. Whitley, Nancy Whitley, James J. Turner, and Gray Gulley.

The Sunday Schools under the Reverend P. L. Herman (1879-81) were "all in tolerable state of prosperity." The superintendent of our "prosperous" Clayton Sunday School was Hines Whitaker.

The Reverend M. C. Thomas in 1881 felt that "the spiritual wel-

fare of the children is a matter of prayerful, practical concern." Also at this church conference, in going over the rolls, he found that "there are a number who have been and are still walking disorderly, some of whom will have to be expelled, and in the cause of discipling, may have to be admonished." A few months later Mr. Thomas added. "The membership is made up in good part of those who are true

and faithful to the church, having a number who are of but little benefit to the church, and some who are none at all."

At the fourth quarterly conference in 1881, Dr. L. E. Kirkman made a motion that the conference request the Bishop to divide the

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Smithfield Circuit and put Elizabeth and Clayton in the Hannah's Creek Mission. The motion was carried, and this was done immediately.

Very little is known about our church from this time, 1881-1889, except the names of the ministers: R. C. Beaman (1881), A. M. Lowe (1882), A. E. Wiley (1883-86), B. C. Allred (1886-88), R. W. Bailey (1888-89). One notation of interest during this time was that Mrs. Ida C. H. Horne was church organist in 1886. Though the records are unavailable, a few items have been gleamed from the *Clayton Bud* (later the *Clayton News*):

"The Johnston County Sunday School Convention of the M. E. Church, South, convenes at Smithfield on next Sunday the 29th instant. The following named ladies and gentlemen have been appointed as a committee to represent Clayton Sunday School on the above occasion: Misses Alice Lindsay, Ella Barnes and Bettie Sturdivant; Messrs. T. A. Bingham, John W. O'Neil, C. C. Barbour, and Johnnie Barnes. All who attend can rely upon having a good time for the good people of Smithfield are noted for their hospitality and we can guarantee everyone a pleasant time in our sister town."

November 25, 1885

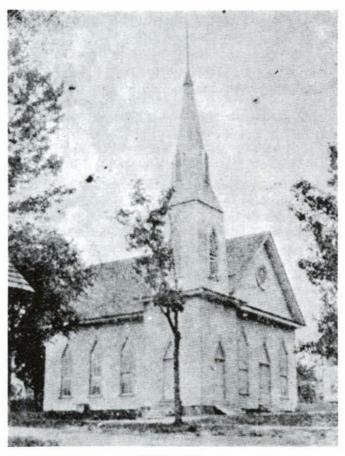
"The first quartely meeting of the M. E. Church will be held at the church in Clayton next Saturday and Sunday. The Reverend Dr. N. H. D. Wilson will preside." March 21, 1886

"Reverend A. E. Wiley made a very interesting talk to the children of the M. E. Sunday School last Sunday morning, and we are very much pleased to hear him say he would do so again soon."

June 30, 1886

In *The Clayton Bud*, September 1, 1886, the statement was that services were held in Clayton every fourth Sunday of the month. This question appeared also: "Why can't Clayton have a regular Sunday service at some of her churches every Sabbath? Is it because she is good enough?"

Under the new pastor, the Reverend B. C. Allred, the following familiar names appeared in the list of Sunday School officers in January 1887; superintendent, O. G. Smith; assistant superintendent. J. W. Ellis; secretary, John Barnes; treasurer, Miss Jennie Barnes; organist, Miss Kittie Ellington; librarian and sexton, Isaac Farmer.



1889-1911

The church continued to grow under the leadership of the Reverend R. W. Bailey during the year 1888-89. By the next conference year, 1889-90, under the guiding hand of the Reverend A. R. Raven, pastor, the membership decided that after thirty years of continuous use, the first church building needed a "face lifting" and enlarging. At this time the people wanted a steeple; so one was built on it, and within it was placed a bell, the very same bell which is beckoning worshipers today in 1959 to God's House.

Though the records from 1889 to the turn of the century are very inadequate, there is no doubt that the church continued to grow spiritually and in membership under the following ministers: the Reverend J. J. Barker, 1890-92; the Reverend J. M. Ashby, 1892-95; the Reverend M. M. McFarland, 1895-96; the Reverend J. T. Draper, 1896-99; the Reverend S. A. Cotton, 1899-1901.

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Under Mr. Barker the following people joined the church: Mrs. Pattie Duncan Barnes, Bettie Smith, A. R. Duncan, Mrs. Alma L. McCullers, E. B. McCullers, Mrs. Lena Barbour. Under Mr. Ashby these names appeared: John S. Barnes, Joseph T. Barnes, and Mrs. Emma L. Farmer. Many will be interested to recall that Mrs. Farmer was a nicce of Mr. Ashby, and she came here to live with him before she was married. She has remained up to 1959 a faithful Christian member.

Mrs. Martha E. Gattis joined the church under Mr. McFarland. The names of Mrs. Nina Duncan Whitley, Mrs. Claudia Robertson, Dr. J. J. Young, Porter T. Duncan, David Barbour, and Julia Robertson appeared in Mr. Draper's records.

On October 14, 1899, Mr. Draper said in a quarterly conference report, "I believe we have some as faithful Christians on the Clayton circuit as can be found anywhere and they are constantly growing in grace.

Clayton was on a circuit with four other churches at this time: Elizabeth, Mount Zion, Four Oaks, and Corinth. Garner had been removed from this circuit the year before.

Under the Reverend S. A. Cotton our stewards in 1900 were E. B. McCullers and O.G. Smith; Sunday School superintendent, C. M. Thomas; Trustees, O. G. Smith, J. D. Adams, J. M. Dodd, E. B. McCullers, and C. W. Horne. Mr. Cotton in his report of the general state of the church in 1901 uttered these remarks, "The general state of the church is reasonably good, not so good as it should be but there are many signs of encouragement. Since our last quarterly meeting we have received into the church Mrs. Bessie B. Horne and lost by death one of our oldest and most faithful members, Brother Merritt Holland of the Clayton membership." In 1902, he received by profession of faith Mabel Tomlinson. In his educational report at third quarterly conference, he said, "We have only one student attending our church schools.— Miss Floy Leach, who is at G. F. C." (Greensboro Female College.)

In addition to other duties, the minister marries couples: Mr. Cotton performed the wedding ceremony of Ivan Whitley and Nina Duncan.

In 1902, under the Reverend G. W. Fisher, other names appear in the records: Eliza Barnes, James L. Ellis, A. J. Farmer, Beulah L. Durham, and Phoebe Lancaster. Mr. Fisher reported a good Sunday School in Clayton. He also organized a junior Epworth League and made plans for organizing a Senior League, too. The records show, also, that the Missionary Society came into being in 1904 and became the strongest bulwark of the Church. Mrs. E. B. McCullers was its first president; Mrs. Lena A. Barbour, secretary-treasurer; and Mrs. B. M. Robertson, corresponding secretary. These ladies went to Fremont to a Missionary Conference but found upon arrival that they were a week early! They planned not to tell about this when they returned; so they stopped to spend the night in Goldsboro with relatives. The news preceded them to Clayton, however!

To the Fishers, while they were here, was born a son, the present Reverend Edgar B. Fisher, named for Edgar B. McCullers. Then, too, before Mr. Fisher completed his fourth year here, he united in marriage B. M. Robertson and Claudia Mitchell.

The Reverend J. J. Renn was assigned to us next, but death overcame him before he ever arrived. The Reverend Joseph V. Williams who had served a mission in the bowery in New York City, came for that year. Mrs. Emma F. Ellis and E. W. McCullers joined the church that year. Then, a much loved and respected minister, the Reverend G. B. Starling, came and served this Clayton charge for four years (1906-1910). This Mr. Starling has a brother, Julian Starling, who, with his wife, worships regularly in this church today (1959).

Though Mr. Starling in many of his reports seemed quite disturbed about the spiritual state of many members, much progress was made. Again the circuit was changed: this time it included Oaky Grove and Mount Zion in addition to Clayton. Many people joined the church either by profession of faith or by certificate; some of those who still have families here are A. Sam White, Mrs. Serena Robertson, V. Duke Duncan, Ashby Farmer, Garland Young, B. M. Robertson, Ivan Whitley, Y. M. Holland, Mrs. A. R. Duncan, Mildred Barbour (Pope), Garland Talton, Hugh A. Page, Carmin Gattis (Austin). Jasper Godwin, Rossella Mitchell, Mrs. Cadmus Young, Dr. J. H. Austin, Ashley Horne, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. John A. Young. (Today Mr, John Young is our oldest living member.)

During the time that Mr. Starling was our minister, the Reverend J. B. John was the Presiding Elder. He, too, was greatly loved wherever he went. This church is still privileged to claim his daughter, Margaret (Mrs. N. T.) Holland as a member.

Shortly before the end of Mr. Starling's pastorate in Clayton, Mrs. E. B. McCullers called him to her home and suggested that we needed a new church building. He agreed, and Mrs. McCullers wrote a preamble calling for subscriptions to build a \$10,000 church and headed the list with \$1,000.

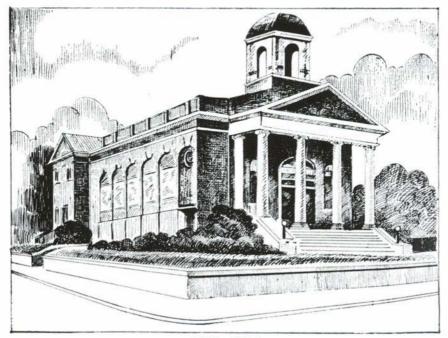
Many members knew that it just could not be done, but Mrs. McCullers and Mr. Starling never gave up: their enthusiasm soon *Twelve*

began to spread.

Early in 1911 during the pastorate of the Reverend C. W. Robinson, a building committee was appointed, consisting of E. B. McCullers, Charles W. Horne, B. M. Robertson, John I. Barnes, and A. Sam White. In October, 1911, Mr. Ashley Horne joined the church and was at once made chairman of the building committee. He suggested that they build a better church than they had planned; so the plans were changed without a limit. Mrs. Rena B. Horne, Mrs. Lena A. Barbour, and Mrs. E. B. McCullers had much to do with the beautiful architecture of the church. The first plan had no cupola, but Mr. Horne said a church did not look right without a cupola and bell.

The old building, now about 53 years old, had become sacred to many and the destruction of it brought sorrow to many. The bell, however, as mentioned before, was saved to be placed in the new building.

Mr. Robinson, minister, expressed regrets that "In view of the fact that we are now building in Clayton, we cannot hold a meeting (revival) here this fall." He, as did Mr. Starling before him, in spite of disruption due to building, pressed the work of the Sunday School under the leadership of Mr. A. Sam White, superintendent.



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Mr. George W. Ellis was employed as builder and began work in 1912. The membership named the church Saint James Methodist Church soon after the construction began; however, after Mr. Ashley Horne's very unexpected death the following year, they, in appreciation of his noble and generous help, decided to call it *Horne Memorial Me* hodist Church.

At Mr. Ashley Horne's death in October 1913, his son, Mr. Charles W. Horne, was made chairman of the building committee, and he carried on the work with all the fervor and zeal possible until the building was finshed, furnished, and paid for. Many times it seemed that the work would stop for lack of funds; but the people then would rally to the cause and pay more money until their efforts were crowned with success.

The Reverend G. S. Bearden, who was with us from 1913-15, gave a picture of conditions in one of his reports: "We are looking toward a bright future. The congregation has been hampered for the want of a comfortable place to worship; going from school house to the unheated basement of the new church. But these conditions are changed. Our women are regularly organized in their society and all departments of the work are being looked after by them: Cradle Roll, and the Bright Jewels Society. In June, a Wesley Bible Class for men was organized with 42 members. The Ladies' Wesley Bible Class has also been organized."

The building program continued to progress well under the guidance of the Reverend G. S. Bearden (1913-15) and the Reverend T. A. Sykes (1915-17). Regular services and other meetings were held in the basement of the church. The Bright Jewel Society of the church under the direction of Mrs. Y. M. Holland gave a "public entertainment" at the Church (in the basement) in September 1915. Also on September 3, 1915, the Clayton News said, "One of the most enjoyable musical treats ever given in Clayton was the sacred concert at Horne Memorial Methodist Church, and that it was appreciated was proven by the large audience of over 600 people who listened with eager interest from the first number to the last number." This concert, under the direction of Mrs. Charles Gulley, brought into use for the first time the handsome new Moller organ, which was played by Mrs. Kate Hayes Fleming of Raleigh. Also assisting in the concert were Messrs. Phillips and Betts of Raleigh's Edenton Street Methodist Church choir and by Mr. James Thomas, violinist.

Though it was time for Mr. Bearden to leave (December 1915), the church was still not quite completed. Early in January of 1916, our new pastor, the Reverend T. A. Sykes (1915-17), told his congregation that it was his present intention to hold the first service in

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the sanctuary of the church about the first Sunday in February, "the money to complete the interior having recently been provided." As he predicted, the church was ready for occupancy in 1916 at the cost of \$44,000, \$3,000 of which was borrowed.

The beautiful art glass windows, which were given in memory of William Henry Horne, Cornelia Frances Horne, John T. Pullen, Delia Smith Ellington, Harry Durham, and our soldiers who served in World War I, were donated by Mrs. Ashley Horne, Mr. Ashley Horne, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Horne, Mrs. Emma Ellington, and the Wesley Bible Class. The pulpit furniture was donated by Mrs. Lena A. Barbour in memory of her husband, David W. Barbour. The baptismal font was donated by Mrs. E. B. McCullers in memory of her son who had died. One half of the pipe organ was paid for by the Andrew Carnegie Fund.

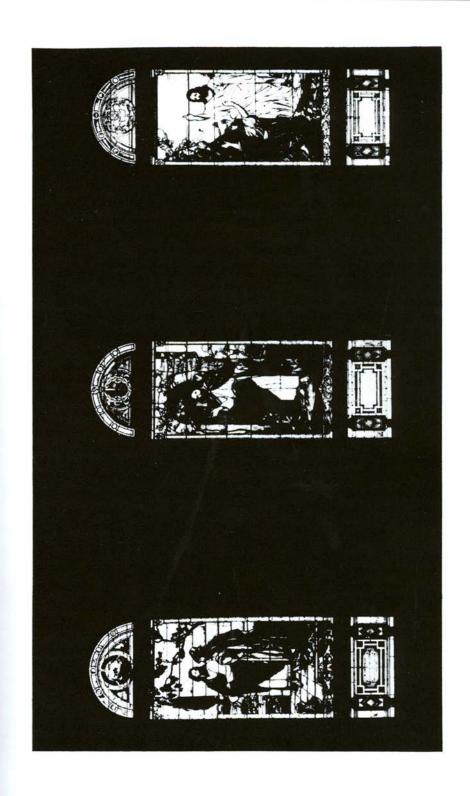
The notes were finally all paid and the church was dedicated on May 11, 1919, by our next minister, the Reverend O. I. Hinson (1917-1920), assisted by Dr. T. N. Ivey, who preached the dedicatory sermon. For special music with Mrs. Mildred Pope as organist, Mrs. Walter Priddy, formerly Miss Swananoa Horne, sang a solo, and Mr. Don Richardson played a violin solo.

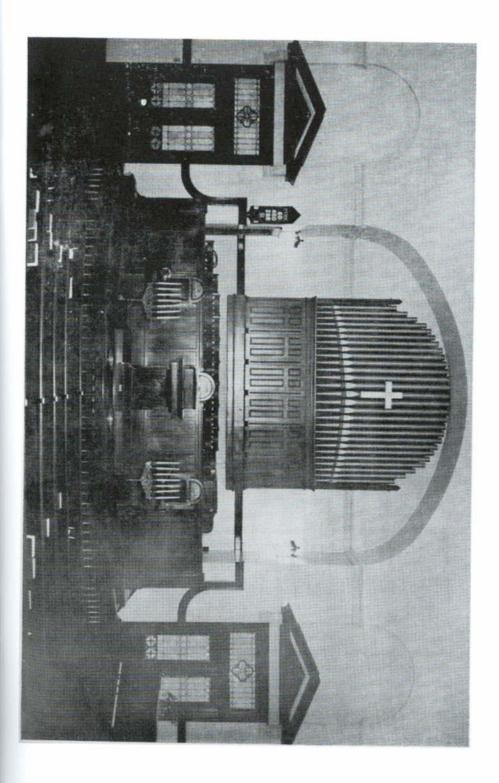
Now, with the church built and paid for some of the members must have decided to rest by taking a vacation on Sunday mornings. Mr. Hinson had this brief article in the *Clayton News* in April 1920: "Did you choose visiting or automobiling instead of Sunday School? The Lord chose the Sabbath School, as was His custom. He went to the House of God on the Sabbath. He was brought up to it."

Mr. Hinson believed in beginning his services on time and ending on time. One night when Mrs. Mildred Pope, organist, walked in, he was announcing the first hymn: only he and the jaintor were present!

November 1920 brought to us the Reverend C. T. Thrift, a new minister to this conference. The choir, as always, was adding much to the worship services. The *Clayton News* carried an account of their Christmas cantata which was under Mrs. Charles G. Gulley's leadership. The program was declared "by those who heard it to be the best ever rendered in Clayton." At the conclusion of the program, the Reverend C. T. Thrift, our pastor, presented to Mrs. Mildred B. Pope a beautiful silver basket, a gift from the church in recognition of her splendid services as organist.

During this time the Henrictta Thomas Missionary Society continued to grow in service and influence. Their officers in 1921 were Mrs. D.W. Barbour, Mrs. B. M. Robertson, Mrs. John S. Barnes, Mrs. Y. M. Holland, Mrs. W. S. Penn, and Mrs. R. A. Wall.





The Raleigh District Conference held its annual meeting in our church in May 1922. At all the services the choir was in its place rendering line music. Presiding Elder, the Reverend J. C. Wooten, expressed his great satisfaction. Again the *Clayton News* said, "The people of Clayton were delighted with the results, for it was undoubtedly one of the most successful things held in this town. The Reverend C. T. Thrift wore a broad smile and said, 'Me and Betty, we killed the bear!' The District Conference was a huge success."

Dr. and Mrs. J. T. G³bbs followed the Thrifts. An elderly Christian, Dr. Gibbs brought to us a rich, humble, full life. He led the congregation into a closer walk with God. At the end of one year with us, he, on account of his age, decided to superanuate; therefore, the conference selected another wonderful parsonage family for us, the Reverend Marvin Y. Self, Mrs. Self, and son, Harold. Immediately upon arrival, Mrs. Self jokingly remarked, "What's the matter with you folks, keeping a preacher only a year? We are in the habit of staying four years." They stayed four years, and truly no minister and family had ever been more respected or loved. They worked on the Church register and brought it up to date, and they added to the church family seventy-nine new members. There was a good Sunday School with Mrs. Y. M. Holland the first woman superintendent. Very regretfully the congregation gave them up at the end of four years, feeling that they had never had a more beloved pastor and family.

Dr. and Mrs. J. B. Hurley came to us then. He was another elderly gentleman who had walked with God many years. Mr. Self, before him, had paved the way for another fine leader, and Dr. Hurley carried on diligently the wonderful work. According to the records, fifty-two new members came into the church during his one year of ministry with us.

Dr. J. B. Hurley left us at the end of this year to go to Maxton. To take his place, came the Reverend and Mrs. E. D. Dodd (1928-30). Notations complimentary of the Sunday School appear in the records under Mr. Dodd's leadership. Mr. W. S. Penn, then and for many years, served as a faithful secretary. Some of the adult classes were enthusiastically working: the Lena Barbour Bible Class under their teacher, Mrs. J. M. Turley, and the Wesley Bible Class under the guidance of their president, Mrs. R. W. Sanders. Along with his work in the Sunday School and with the young people, Mr. Dodd will be remembered for a very fine revival he held, also. He was always enthusiastic and eager: therefore, he was a good leader. Having been reared in Clayton made the congregation even more appreciative of him.

The year 1930-31 brought to us a supply pastor who worked his Eighteen way into the hearts of many. This young man was the Reverend W. I. Wolverton. Among the many things he did that year was the reconstruction of the building and the making benches for Calvary Methodist Church in a farming community five miles north of Clayton. The members, working with Mr. Wolverton and using Mr. John I. Barnes's saw mill, did a \$1.000 job for about \$100. On October 18 of that year, this new church was dedicated. Mr. Wolverton presented the Reverend C. T. Thrift, who started the work of founding it nine years prior to this time. Preceding the dedicatory service, members of the church with many from Horne Memorial, mother church of Calvary, joined together in a big picnic and barbecue dinner in the church yard.

On Sunday, August 29, 1931, Miss Grace Robertson presented to the Sunday School a picture of her father, the late B. M. Robertson, who had been an active member. Mr. M. H. Wooten accepted this gift on behalf of the Sunday School, and placed it in the class room of the Men's Wesley Bible Class, of which Mr. Robertson was a former president.

When the Reverend B. H. Houston came to lead us for a year, he found the following ladies steering the Henrietta Thomas Missionary Society: Mrs. Walter Davis, Miss Margaret Arthur, Mrs. J. L. Godwin, Mrs. A. Sam White, Miss Bettie Smith, Mrs. M. H. Wooten, Mrs. John I. Barnes, Mrs. H. G. Pope, and Mrs. Marshall Holland.

Another organization which has always backed the ministers is the choir. So many references have already been made to it. Through the choirs, the Methodist and Baptist Churches worked so beautifully together. In the *Clayton News* of December 24, 1931, was this statement: "Horne Memorial Methodist Church was filled to capacity Sunday evening, and an immense throng enjoyed to the fullest the program of Cristmas music given by a chorus from the combined choirs of the Baptist and Methodist Churches under the direction of Mrs. A. Sam White and Mr. Norvelle Bryan with Mrs. Glenn Pope as organist.

Mr. Houston also reported that the Sunday School was doing fine with about 125 in attendance each Sunday. The two intermediate classes were doing their part by having 100 per cent present almost every Sunday. Some of the men who were in official position at this time were I. W. Farmer, R. W. Sanders, H. A. Page, John I. Barnes, A. Sam White, O. G. Smith, Y. M. Holland, C. W. Horne, and W. A. Davis.

Another young minister, the Reverend John A. Guice, came in November 1932 to stay with us for three and one-half years (1932-1936). Under him other names were added to the official list: Duke Duncan, Mrs. B. M. Roberton, J. S. Starling, Mrs. D. W. Barbour, M. T. Lambeth, H. E. Brooks, J. R. Satterfield, J. E. Nelson. Death took another, Mrs. John A. Young, who was especially loved for the large amount of visiting she did, particularly among those who needed someone so much.

Mr. Guice made this report to quarterly conference in January 1931: "We have made some distinct advance in our young people's work. A league has been organized. These young people under the leadership of Mrs. M. T. Lambeth and Miss Grace Robertson have been meeting for a month now on Sunday evenings. They have organized a boys' choir and are rehearsing each week. James Riley Barnes is president of this group." He also reported that Miss Rosa Smith had joined our church by certificate and Mr. Jim Ellis was removed by death. "The Church School gives evidence of being the most wide awake work in our church. Attendance at the Sunday morning session has been increasing for some time with new members being added each Sunday." (Quarterly Conference report. May 1935.)

The Reverend W. Stanley Potter came to us in the middle of this conference year. Exchanging conferences with Mr. Guice, he came to us from Missouri. He found some of the organizations hard at work. The Wesley Bible Class needed some money; so they served a turkey dinner at the club house. Dinner was 50 cents including dessert and coffee! The Woman's Missionary Society was well attended in the home of Mrs. W. E. Pennington. Yes, the choir was still making a great contribution; appearing in new white robes and black caps for the first time on Easter Sunday morning (1937), this choir gave a beautiful program of music under the direction of Mrs. R. W. Sanders with Mrs. Mildred B. Pope, organist. One hundred new Methodist Hymnals were used for the first time at this same Easter service. The Clayton News of June 23, 1938, carried this interesting item: "An overflow crowd greeted Gov. Clyde R. Hoey at 11 o'clock on Sunday, June 19, at the regular worship service at Horne Memorial Methodist Church. His Excellency was introduced by the pastor, the Reverend W. Stanley Potter." The Governor took as his topic, "The Church," and spoke as only a great Christian layman could speak. "It was a great message from a great heart."

Finally, the members of the Board of Stewards will never forget the hospitality of Mr.and Mrs. Potter or the delightful roast turkey dinner they served at the parsonage.

During the annual conference in the fall of 1939, the Bishop took from us our beloved pastor and family, but he sent us another who soon won the love of his new congregation. This was the Reverend P. O. Lee, who came to us from Maxton. His effective and large prayer meeting groups on Wednesday evenings and his most

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effective work and popularity among the young people will long be remembered by the church membership. The records show junior and intermediate choirs and young people's pageants. When conference sent Mr. and Mrs. Lee back to us for their third year, the *Clayton News* said, "Mr. Lee's return met with the unanimous approval of the membership of the church. This is his third year in Clayton, the past two years having been marked by unusual progress in the church under his leadership."

In a social way, the Board of Stewards enjoyed a most appetizing quail dinner annually in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee. "No one," they said, "could serve them quite as graciously and well as Mr. and Mrs. Lee."

Again the time came for another minister. This time (1943-1947) the new parsonage family was the Reverend and Mrs. Carl Barbee and Suzie and Patsy. Happy or not, Mr. Barbee came with a most winning smile which served as an inspiration to many during his ministry here. Many have said, "Mr. Barbee was always at the right place at the right time." Under the leadership of Mrs. Barbee, the Wesleyan Service Guild came into being and became one of the most dynamic organizations of the church. Mrs. Barbee served as the first president and Mrs. Gordon Pruden, as second. Not only among his own members but throughout the community Mr. Barbee's good influence was felt.

In 1946, our organ had to be sent back to the factory and rebuilt at a cost of \$3,200. This was paid for by a legacy left for this purpose by Mrs. Lena A. Barbour in her will, which legacy was added to through the efforts of J. R. Satterfield with the help of many loyal friends. Chimes, given by Mr. and Mrs. Waite Hamrick in memory of their grandmother. Mrs. Lena Barbour, were installed. At a very special service on January 12, 1947, the organ and chimes were dedicated "To the glory of God, and in memory of Mrs. Lena A. Barbour, 1868-1941." Particiating in this service in addition to the pastor, the Reverend Carl Barbee, were the following: E. B. McCuller's, invocation; A. Sam White, scripture: Mrs. Dewey Farrell, solo; J. Ralph Satterfield, presentation of organ and chimes; John I. Barnes, Sr., and J. E. Nelson, unveiling of Plaque; Hugh A. Page, acceptance of organ and chimes; the Reverend Eph Whisenhunt, prayer of dedication; John M. Meares, benediction.

Needless to say, the choir had a special anthem, too. Members of the choir presented flowers in grateful appreciation to Mrs. Carlotta B. Sanders and Mrs. Mildred B. Pope, choir director and organist. These two ladies were daughters of Mrs. Lena Barbour.

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Of interest to many will be the notation that one of our choicest young people, Norwood Jones, a student in Duke Divinity School, preached for us in February, 1947. Then in the fall of that year two of our most devoted members, Mr. E. B. McCullers and Mr. A. Sam White, departed this world for their heavenly home.

Time moved on and so did our parsonage family who had shared a full, rich spiritual life with us. To live with us and lead us for the next two years (1947-1949) came the Reverend W. C. Martin and his fine wife. Mr. Martin came to us with a background of years of successful ministry. A scholar and a very devout Christian, he seemed to know so well the art of leading people to a closer relationship with our Lord and Master. He worked closely with the Board of Stewards, encouraging them to set the example for others. He started the system of rotation of stewards. Under his leadership, too, the streets abutting the church property were paved.

Though Mr. Martin was physically sick during his second year here, never was he at any time approaching spiritual illness. The Reverend E. C. Durham, a retired minister of Raleigh, North Carolina. very ably filled our pulpit when Mr. Martin's health kept him away.

On account of his ill health, however, at the end of his second year, Mr. Martin decided to retire. How happy was the membership of Horne Memorial when he selected Clayton to be his home. Though retired, he is still active. He has meant a great deal to the Lena Barbour Class as one of its very fine teachers. That class, in fact the whole church, still loves, honors, and respects him.

How God has blessed this church throughout the years with so many wonderful ministers! When Mr. Martin had to give up preaching regularly, the Reverend R. L. Hethcox and his wife came to us for four years (1949-53). Never was there a parsonage family who seemed to love the "old parsonage" as did this new family. The "covered dish" suppers, once called "covered bowl" by Mr. Hethcox, highlighted many a happy fellowship hour during these years. During these same four years O. B. Welch was chairman of the Board of Stewards for three years and Shelbon Hall, one. These men, under the prayerful guidance of Mr. Hethcox, led this organization and the congregation through many wonderful experiences. It was at this time that the four year plan for Evangelism in the southeastern jurisdiction started. A concentrated invitation program began.

Other things were happening. In the summer of 1950, the members of the Lena Barbour Bible Class who had been working on a class library decided to name it the *Grace Holland Library* in memory of one of their former members who loved *her* class and *her* church

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devotedly. The class held a most impressive memorial service for her soon after her death in May, 1950.

As a means of saying a genuine "thank you" for their unselfish contribution to the church through the choir as director and organist. the membership presented to the church, in honor of Mrs. Carlotta B. Sanders and Mrs. Mildred B. Pope, a beautiful brass vase in which flowers are arranged in the Sanctuary almost every Sunday.

Then to show appreciation to one of our most beloved members for his many years of sacrificial service, the church school in August 1953, under the leadership of the Lena Barbour Bible Class, presented to the church in honor of Mr. John I. Barnes, Senior, a beautiful brass candelabrum. About a month later Mrs. Julian Starling, Mrs. Garland Young, E. W. O'Neil, Mrs. Miley Johnson, and Mrs. A. P. Cavenaugh presented an identical brass candelabrum to the church in loving memory of their devout, Christian mother, Mrs. Jane Edwards O'Neil.

Still another gift came to the church during Mr. Hethcox's leadership. Mr. Hugh Page, Senior, a great church leader, had placed an order for an attractive outside bulletin board to be placed on the church lawn in memory of his wife, Mrs. Blanche Page. Before it arrived, however, Mr. Page died. As a result, though it was a gift of Mr. Page, the church erected it in memory of the much loved couple, Mr. and Mrs. Page.

Though Mr. Hethcox was sick during his fourth y e a r, neither his humble leadership nor his keen sense of humor lessened. He will always be remembered and loved for his devout life of faith and humility, his love for the Master and for all his people. (By means of parentheses, let it be said that one of the happiest experiences of our church life was the return of this beloved couple to Clayton to live after he retired four years later. They continue to fill an important place in Clayton, in Horne Memorial Church, and in the hearts of many.)

Going back to 1953, Mr. and Mrs. Hethcox packed up at the end of four years and left the "old parsonage." The Reverend and Mrs. R. H. Caudill came to direct and guide our church for the next three years (1953-56). Mr. Caudill was especially known for his visiting. He also worked on revising the membership roll; and in so doing, began work on publishing a church directory. With the help of Mrs. Ayden Lassiter, this task was completed.

During his pastorate, four new brass collection plates were given to the church by Mrs. J. D. Bain, Mrs. Mildred B. Pope, and Mrs.



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Carlotta B. Sanders. Also Miss Faye Corbett, one of our members and a leader of young people, presented a most inspiring electrically lighted Cross to hang before the eyes of the congregation at all services. Then, too, Mrs. Duke Duncan gave a most attractive silver candelabrum.

Much repair work and painting were done, too. At the same time the Wesley Bible Class decided to give iron railing for the four sets of steps on the side of the church.

Mrs. Caudill made a big contribution to the church also by taking over the directing of the choir when illness caused Mrs. Carlotta B. Sanders to resign. Mr. Caudill and their son, Charles, also sang in the lovely special musical services directed by Mrs. Caudill. This pastor will be remembered best for his dynamic personality, his striking illustrations, and his varied experiences.

Finally, the story has reached the present time. Almost three years ago in 1956, a fine consecrated young man, the Reverend Clyde H. Dunn, his wife and a small son, Mark, came to live with us and lead us. Under his leadership, a new parsonage was planned, constructed, and is being paid for. Also, in love and appreciation for Mr. H. C. Abbott, a great Christian leader in our church, his fine wife and

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family presented a handsome new pulpit Bible and a Communion table runner to the church on December 22, 1957. Mr. Dunn made the presentation.

In March of this year (1959), Mrs. A. P. Cavenaugh and daughter, Martha Sue Goguen, and son, Arthur, Junior, gave to the church the lovely Altar Kneeling Cushien and the Pulpit Scarf in loving memory of their husband and father, A. P. Cavenaugh, who had been a most faithful and loyal member of this church.

Easter Sunday (1959) found some freshly painted walls, two renovated rest rooms, and two new water fountains. Many thanks went to Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Peele for all of these improvements.

Attendance at church school. Sunday worship services, and prayer meeting has been much better for the last few months than it has been for a long time. Our preacher has had the conviction, the courage, the faith, and the Christian devotion to his calling to preach so convincingly, so plainly, and so truthfully that he has stirred the hearts and souls of his congregation. We shall forever love him for his faith and courage.

He, too, was always a comfort to the sick and sorrowing. The Church lost during this time many members who were among the best loved and most loyal: Mrs. John S. Barnes, Mr. John I. Barnes, Mr. A. P. Cavenaugh, Mrs. Pattie Bailey, Mrs. A. Sam White, Mrs. A. P. Carde, and Mr. J. L. Godwin.

Another big contribution of Mr. Dunn has been his leadership in the planning for this, our centennial, April 12, 1959. All the organizations of the church have worked with him to make this a glorious day. The Wesleyan Scrvice Guild under the guidance of the president. Miss Virginia Lee Satterfield, assumed the sponsorship for this occasion, and she and many others have been untiring in their efforts.

These three years with Mr. and Mrs. Dunn (known to many as "Clyde" and "Betty") and their now three little sons—Mark, Steve, and Ted—our Church, in spite of some "ups" and "downs," has truly grown spiritually. It is with sorrow and joy that the congregation will give them up within a very few weeks: sorrow, over having to give them up; joy over the realization that they will soon be going as missionaries to carry the gospel of our Christ to our Chinese neighbors.

As we look back over these hundred years, a tinge of sadness creeps into our throats when we recall the many who, giving of their time, energy and love, have left us and gone on to Heaven; yet we rejoice in the heritage which is ours because of them. What the future of this grand old church will be, only time can tell. Strong sons and diligent daughters of the great ones of the long ago still work eagerly for its welfare and success. Many others have come to join with them in their undertakings. It may be that the prophet's words will apply to Horne Memorial Methodist Church as they did to the temple of old: "The glory of the latter house shall be greater than that of the former." Please, God, may the church continue for centuries yet to come—"A city that is set upon a hill and cannot be hid."

CALVARY METHODIST CHURCH

Horne Memorial Methodist Church has one child, Calvary Methodist Church, which is located in a farming community five miles north of Clayton. The Reverend C. T. Thrift, in 1921, began holding services at Barnes's Cross Roads. Soon the church was begun on a piece of land given by Mr. Troy Pulley. It, a young church, had many discouragements. In 1930, the Reverend W. I. Wolverton and his members took on new life. By doing the work themselves, they did a \$1,000 job for about \$400. They reconstructed the church and made benches. The Reverend C. T. Thrift, who started this church nine years previously, returned to preach a dedicatory sermon. From that time on, quite often an announcement appeared that Calvary was having a barbecue dinner or a big home-coming affair.

In 1945, under the Reverend C. W. Barbee, Calvary organized a Sunday School with thirty-eight present. Mr. Charles Williford was elected superintendent: Mr. Henry Gay, assistant superintendent: and Tolcust Gay, secretary and treasurer. Miss Matrid Barnes was superintendent of the Sunday School for years also. Many names will always be remembered in connection with Calvary Church: Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Barnes, Miss Matrid Barnes, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Pulley, Mr. Carl Barnes, Mr. Fab Poole, Mr. Flyson Gay, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Dixon, Mr. Daniel Wall and Mr. Joseph Penny. There are many others.

Under the Reverend R. H. Caudill, Calvary began to grow again. A great deal of repair work was done. The Methodist Youth Fellowship of Horne Memorial worked to raise money to purchase a good piano for them. The church is continuing to thrive under the Reverend Clyde Dunn.

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THE BRIEF PARSONAGE HISTORY

In 1891, some of the members of the Clayton Methodist Church decided that it was time to have a home for our preachers in Clayton; so they looked around and found a house and lot which they bought from W. S. Turner and wife Amelia T., and J. M. Turner and wife Mary E. for \$1,000. This was deeded on December 18. 1891, to the trustees of the Clayton circuit: George A. Turner, W. H. Sanders, J. D. Smith, R. C. Gulley, and I. O. Snead.

Our first minister to occupy this parsonage was the Reverend J. J. Barker, and the last one was the Reverend G. W. Fisher. The Reverend J. M. Ashley, the Reverend M. M. McFarland, the Rev. J. T. Draper, and the Reverend S. A. Cotton came in between. A birthday party of much interest was given in 1899 for the benefit of the parsonage. The following was the clever invitation issued (a little bag was attached):

"This birthday party is given to you, 'Tis something novel, 'tis something new. We send to each this little sack— Please either send or bring it back With as many cents as years you are old, (We promise the number shall never be told.) The ladies will give you some good things to eat, And kind triends will furnish a musical treat; And now we extend to you greetings most hearty,— Feeling sure that you'll attend your own birthday party."

Birthday Reception for Benefit of M. E. Parsonage Clayton Academy — Friday, March 3, 1899 — from 8 to 11 o'clock

In 1906, this small one-story home was sold to Mr. Hugh A. Page and moved back to the next lot. Then a lovely two-story parsonage was erected. The Reverend and Mrs. G. B. Starling were the first to occupy it.

For fifty-one years this was the home of our last twenty preachers and their families. In 1957, the third parsonage was built on a lot purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Paul Keller for the sum of \$2,750. This home, located on the corner of Page and Blanche Streets, was built at a cost of \$21,988 and was ready for occupancy by February 3, 1958. Our minister, the Reverend Clyde H. Dunn, who was our leader in the building program, moved immediately into our new parsonage with his wife and sons, Mark and Steve.

The trustees who were responsible for all the business transaction of this new home were J. Elbert Jones, Chairman, Roy Justice, D. G. Satterfield, Cooper O. Starling, R. W. Sanders, Jr., Charlie Aiken, and J. D. Bain, Sr.

Thus ends the brief history of the parsonage except to say that the present members are proud of it and are still working diligently to pay off the indebtedness. Our earnest desire is that the not-too-distant future will find us with a new, paid-for-in-full parsonage!

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FULL-TIME CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Reverend Norwood Jones — Trinity Methodist Church Burlington, North Carolina



A few years ago two members of the same family of Horne Memorial Methodist Church dedicated their lives to full-time christian service. These two young people were Norwood and Alice Jones, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Elbert Jones, who are still among the most active and loyal members of this church.

Norwood, now the Reverend Norwood Jones, graduated from Clayton High School, attended Lou-

isburg College, and graduated from High Point College, and received his B.D. Degree from Duke University. He then became Wesley Foundation Director in Auburn, Alabama. He joined the North Carolina Conference, and the Bishop sent him first to Keener and Goshen churches just out from Clinton, North Carolina. Now he is a very successful preacher in Trinity Methodist Church, Burlington, North Carolina.

Norwood married Helen Meredith of Trinity, North Carolina, while he was a student at Duke University. They have two fine sons: Maurice and Meredith.

Mrs. R. Thomas Hobbs — (Nee, Alice Jones) Haw River, North Carolina



Alice, now Mrs. R. Thomas Hobbs of Haw River, North Carolina, graduated from Clayton High School and then attended High Point College, where she received her degree in Religious Education. Her first position was that of Director of Christian Education in the Burkhead Methodist Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. From there she went to the First Methodist Church in Rocky Mount. While there, she fell in love and married R. Thomas Hobbs, son of her preacher

and "boss," Dr. A. J. Hobbs. They moved to Dunn, North Carolina, where she became the education director of Divine Street Methodist Church.

After her family began to arrive, Alice had to give up her position in the church, but everyone knows that she continues her work in christian education in the training of her two lovely little daughters: Kathy and Caren.

Horne Memorial Methodist Church is proud of you, Norwood and Alice, and it is very happy to honor you both.

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Messages from many former Ministers



During my ministry in Clayton, the rather large circuit was changed from Clayton, Mount Zion, Elizabeth, Four Oaks, and Corinth to a circuit with only three churches, as I remember—Clayton, Mount Zion, and Oaky Grove. I remember, too, that my family and I were the first family to occupy the new, fine two-story parsonage.

During the latter part of my ministry, Mrs. E. B. McCullers called me to her home to say, "We need a new church." Immediately plans began to

be made for the present Horne Memorial Methodist Church.

How I wish that my health would permit me to join you in your happy Centennial celebration! I will be with you in spirit. May it be a most glorious day of praise and thanksgiving to God the Father who made the day possible.

> G. B. Starling, Retired Kenly Methodist Church Kenly, North Carolina 1906-1910

As to any outstanding event, the only thing that occurs to me is that I held a meeting at Barnes's Schoolhouse; and as a result, what is the present Calvary Methodist Church was organized. I returned nine years later to preach the dedicatory sermon.

You have my best wishes for a grand and glorious occasion on the 12th of April, your one hundredth birthday.

With all good wishes,

Very sincerely yours, C. T. Thrift, 406 Bon Air Avenue, Durham, N. C. 1920-1922

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My appointment to Horne Memorial Methodist Church carried a responsibility and a challenge which called for the dedication and consistent exercise of such talent as I possessed. It was here that I witnessed an encouraging and very substantial progress in the activities and growth of interest among the membership of the Church and the Church School. It was here I found a beautiful and worshipful sanctuary and a substantial and loval people; it was here I formed friendships

which gave assurance of strength and security-a support which was dependable.

My experience as pastor of Horne Memorial Church has been an abiding joy and an inspiration through the intervening years. Mrs. Self and 1 treasure the memory of our pastorate with you as among the happiest years of our ministry.

> Marvin Y. Self, Retired The Methodist Church Calvary Charge Littleton, N. C. 1923-1927



We were very pleased to receive your invitation to be at the One Hundredth Anniversary of Horne Memorial Methodist Church. As you know, we are a long way distant from Clayton so we must send our regrets.

I do wish to express my felicitations to the congregation on the splendid occasion of its hundredth anniversary. I remember my year at Clayton with great pleasure. It was at Clayton that our son was born and you will be interested to know

that he completes his training for the Ministry in June, and that his father will have a part in his Ordination on the 28th of June at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Greenville, North Carolina. Perhaps on the occasion of our visit to East Carolina in June we may have the opportunity to pay a short visit in Clayton.

Mrs. Wolverton joins me in the best of good wishes to the people of Horne Memorial Methodist Church.

Wallace I. Wolverton, Ph.D. Dean of Divinity, St. John's College, University of Manitoba Winnipeg 9, Canada 1930-1931

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My husband, three children and I moved to Clayton to serve Horne Memorial Methodist Church at a time when he was just recovering from a serious illness. We found an intelligent, well-informed and co-operative group of people, devoted to their church and to its world mission.

I can think of a thousand kindnesses received from members of this church and of the other churches in the town. A neighbor used to send over for our baby and would always say, "and

DON'T clean him up, I want him just like he is." Another woman, head of a children's organization in another denomination, formed a friendship with our little girl which endures to this day, despite the difference in ages.

Our baby was christened in this church and was given a life membership by the Woman's Society. Our little girl and boy became members of the church at Horne Memorial.

I well remember what an interest the women took in the parsonage and how determined they were to have nice furnishings in it. I walked around the old parsonage the other day and stood beneath the big tree under which we had picnics and took kodak pictures which I still cherish.

There was the school close by where many meetings were held, including concerts and recitals, for Clayton folk were ever music lovers. There, too, was the Woman's Club, where civic work was friendships cemented.

Horne Memorial Methodist Church lives in our memories largely because of the people who compose its membership, and the nicest memory of all is of those friendships which, begun then, have carried on and friendships cemented.

> Mrs. B. H Houston 132 North Second St. Smithfield, N. C. 1931-1932

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To remember the condition of Horne Memorial Methodist Church and Clayton at the time I came to be the minister in November of 1932, is to recall a desperate time, and yet in some ways Winston Churchill's words to the English at the time of Dunkirk scems applicable. He said they would respond to the tragedy in such a way as to make men remember and say, "This was their finest hour."

Practically everything in Clayton had failed financially in 1932. All of the Horne enterprises had gone down; the bank, the store, the farm operations, the cotton oil mill, the cotton mill, etc. Everyone in Clayton had suffered great losses. Early in the evening of the first day I was in town I heard that a meeting of the Board of Stewards of the church was being held. I had not been asked to attend but I went, perhaps to the dismay of some of the members. They were meeting with the former minister trying to work out some agreements with him about the part of his salary which was still unpaid. Besides failing to pay his salary, the church had been unable to pay any Conference obligations.

The other minister had left by the time I arrived. Soon after I got into the meeting, someone described their predicament and then said. "Let's be very realistic, I move that the salary of the new preachbe be set at S50 a month." I told them that I would gladly suffer with them but that at S50 a month I was being asked to do most of the suffering. Instead of this they agreed with me that it was better to set no goals until we had begun to work together and had some idea of how things would develop.

That year I was paid \$1400, and for the first time in some years all conference obligations were paid in full. Long overdue coal bills and bills for Sunday School literature were paid and the parsonage was completely replastered and redecorated inside. All of the people went to work in the church. They were soon joined and given great encouragement by a number of the young men who had come to town to take over the management of the businesses which had failed. There was a substantial growth in church membership during my ministry in Clayton. The church building was completely redecorated one year, the benevolent giving was doubled, and the whole life of the church was greatly revived.

In May of 1936 Bishop Paul B. Kern announced that I was being transferred to Missouri and there I have been ever since, for the past nineteen years in the same church in Kansas City.

John A. Guice Saint John's Methodist Church 6900 Ward Parkway Kansas City 13, Missouri 1932-1936

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Around May 15, 1936, the three Potters arrived in Clayton after a ride of three days from Missouri. It was the first step in a new land, where we were introduced to turnip "sallet," collards, self-rising flour, snuff, and pork barbecue. There was regular tropical weather; it rained the first month, but the heat was only surpassed by the warmth of the Southern welcome.

The people proved as adept at entertaining District Conference and the first citizen of our state,

Governor Clyde R. Hoey, as they were at barbecuing pigs and having a booth at the State Fair to pay off the debt on the new oil furnace.

The beautiful Colonial Church inspired all of us to wage a continual war against the devil in our soul and the bees in the front pillars of the church. The bees only hummed, but the choir within raised their voices in mighty anthems at every worship service. A church with such material blessings could only have been built through the loyalty of a congregation dedicated to Christian discipleship.

As a result of Christian fellowship within the church, we call to mind many people whose names we cherish in friendship, admiration and honor.

> W. Stanley Potter The Steele Street Methodist Church Sanford, N. C. 1936-1939

Horne Memorial Methodist Church meant to me an opportunity to have one of the finest mid-week services in the North Carolina conference. We had young and old. We over-ran the prayer meeting room and were forced to the basement for space. We had 150 people often in attendance.

Horne Memorial meant to me an opportunity for City-wide recreation. We built the Recreational Center and had the whole town meeting to have fun.

Horne Memorial meant to me an opportunity to lead the Conference for a brief time in additions to the church and the Kingdom.

Horne Memorial meant to me an opportunity to witness and suffer for the cause of my church and Christ. It gave me the opportunity in a crisis to live with a Christian conscience.

> P. O. Lee Whiteville Mcthodist Church Whiteville, N. C. 1939-1943

> > Thirty-Three



Arriving at Horne Memorial Methodist Church in the fall of 1943, we found a lovely sanctuary in which to worship and a friendly congregation. The good people gave loyal support, and we think of our ministry in Clayton with gratitude. Soon after our arrival we knew that Clayton was a friendly community. It was good to have friends throughout the community. Our four years passed rather swiftly and it scemed not so long until the fall of 1947. As Methodist preachers are taught to "go where

they are sent," we were under orders from the North Carolina Conference to begin our work in a new field. During our ministry at Horne Memorial our oldest daughter, Susanna Newman, passed from the elementary to high school, and our youngest daughter, Patricia Ellen, started in the first grade. If I remember correctly, both of our girls came into church membership at Horne Memorial Methodist Church.

Both the girls and Mrs. Barbee would join me in our best regards to all of you. May you have a wonderful one hundredth anniversary. And now last but not least, let it be said with emphasis that I am deeply grateful for our four years at Horne Memorial.

> Carl W. Barbee Bethel Methodist Church Bethel, N. C. 1943-1947

Thirty-Four



My ministry at Horne Memorial Church was limited to two years, 1947-49. A serious operation at the close of my first year kept me in Duke Hospital for two months and out of the pulpit four months. I retired at the Conference of 1949 after 42 years of service.

I recall no phenomenal events or exciting experiences during the two years I served this rather conservative church. Everything moved along just about as they did before I came and as they have

since I retired. The most delightful experience of my association with Horne Memorial Church was the three or four years I was the teacher of the Lena Barbour Sunday School class. A more loyal, cooperative and appreciative class can't be found in Methodism. I am anxiously waiting and listening for my doctor to tell me I can again teach this class of noble women. "I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, having the eyes of your heart enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you."

> W. C. Martin, Retired Clayton, N. C. 1947-1949



In November 1949 I was appointed to Horne Memorial Church. For eight years I had been serving a six point charge at Newton Grove. This appointment was quite a change for me. Aware of my weakness, and in the spirit of humility, I found myself depending on God and the leadership of the Holy Spirit; I set forth to do my best for the Master and this part of God's Kingdom.

I found here one of the most beautiful churches I had ever known. A church when entering one

could not help from feeling the presence of God. When days were dark, and things uncertain, I would find my way to the Altar; kneeling there. I would find the peace of God flood my soul, and the light would shine again. Thus from month to month, and year to year under the blessing of God, I spent four years of one of the happiest pastoral experiences of my life. Some of our happiest experiences were in our Passion Week services. There many of us experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit and the meaning of our Lord's death as never before. What Horne Memorial Church has meant to us cannot be expressed in words.

The church is made up of its people, another reason why this church has meant so much to us. Except for a bit of doubt as to what they had when we first came, they received us gladly; and as the time moved on, our friendship and love grew more and more, until ou love is one that is everlasting. It was their kindness to us, and our love for them, and a nice town in which to live that brought us back here to spend our declining years. On our return after serving the Oriental charge for four years, we were received with open hearts: and in our sickness and in health, they have been wonderful friends and a great blessing to us. I wish I could find words to express just what Horne Memorial Methodist Church has meant and is meaning to us. Since I cannot find those words, I will just say, "May God bless others as He has blessed me as the years roll by. Amen."

> Yours still in His service, Robert L. Hethcox, Retired Clayton, N. C. 1949-1953



I have been asked to give my impressions of Horne Memorial Methodist Church and the town of Clayton when I began my work there as Pastor. My wife and I arrived there in November of 1953 and served for three years. We were met by a group of fine people to welcome us upon our arrival.

We found the people of Clayton very friendly to us, and I am not speaking for Methodist only because the Baptist, Christian, and other denomi-

national people there were most cordial to us during the three years we served the Church.

My greatest impression was that the job was great and exacting: so I plunged into the work with all my might. The Church reacted to my efforts and began to grow in membership. Calvary Church gave me an even greater challenge since, when we got there for the first service, only four people attended. The window panes were falling out, the floor had cracks so wide that the ground was plainly visible, there was no underpinning, the heat was one coal stove, the piano was out of tune and the whole place showed desolation.

My wife sat down at the piano and played the prelude as though she was playing a score from Bach. This gave me the que; so I took courage and preached as though the house were crowded. Very soon the house was filled, and the subsequent history is in the record.

We had three very happy years at Clayton, interspersed with the usual sadness and heartaches which go with being a Minister.

My prayers and best wishes go with God's people there as they move forward to greater acheivement in the service of the Master.

> R. H. Caudill Westover Methodist Church Raleigh, North Carolina 1953-1956

MINISTERS WHO HAVE SERVED HERE

Lemuel Shell-John R. Brook, Associate	18-9-1861
Carson Parker-John Buie, Associate	1861-1863
L. S. Burkhead	
Joseph Wheeler	
T. Page Ricaud	1867-1868
Alex R. Raven	1868-1870
William H. Moore	1870-1871
J. E. Thompson	1071-1874
James F. Smoote	1874-1876
Joseph H. Wheeler	1876-1877
R. M. Brown	1877-1879
P. L. Herman	1879-1881
J. T. Finlayson (Intenerant)
M. C. Thomas	1881-1883
A. E. Wiley	1883-1886
B. C. Allred	1886-1888
R. W. Bailey	1888-1889
A. R. Raven	
J. J. Barker	1890-1892
J. M. Ashby	1892-1895
M. M. McFarland	
J. T. Draper	
S. A. Cotton	1899-1901
G. W. Fisher	1901-1905
J. J. Renn (appointed; died before arriving)	1005 1000
Joseph V. Williams	1905-1906
G. B. Starling	
C. W. Robinson	
G. S. Bearden T. A. Sykes	
O. I. Hinson	
C. T. Thrift	
J. T. Gibbs	1022 1023
Marvin Y. Self	1922-1923
J. B. Hurley	
E. D. Dodd	1928-1930
W. I. Wolverton	
B. H. Houston	
John A. Guice	1932-1936
John A. Guice W. Stanley Potter	1936-1939
P. O. Lee	1030,1043
Carl Barbee	
W. C. Martin	
R. L. Hethcox	
R. H. Caudill	1059 1050
Clyde H. Dunn	

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Reminiscences

The following stories are just additional items of interest. Several of the older members of the church gathered one evening and had a reminiscent party. Here are some of the results, not given in chronological order at all. Some of the articles came from the *Clayton Bud* and the *Clayton News*, also.

"Quite a large gathering of our citizens assembled this 12:30 noon at the Methodist Church to witness the marriage of Mr. Joseph J. Rogers of Apex and Miss Willie A. Tomlinson, of Clayton, the Reverends J. M. White and J. F. Ellington, officiating. The attendants were Dr. J. R. Rogers and Miss Rena Beckwith; Mr. J. B. H. Tomlinson and Miss Lizzie Avera; Mr. J. E. White and Miss Eugenia Brown: Mr. J. R. Hunter and Miss Lela V. Ellington; Mr. W. R. Hinton and Miss Martha Pool; Mr. J. C. Pool and Miss Mary Strickland; Mr. J. V. Robertson and Miss Pattie Smith. Ushers were Mr. W. H. McCullers and Mr. O. G. Smith. Flower girls-Misses Maggie and Pearl Robertson. The bridal party took the 1:20 train for Apex, where a reception will be given them at the groom's home."

From The Clayton Bud, August 18, 1886

This does not say which church, but it appeared in the *Clayton Bud* on November 18, 1885: "We would advise Mr. — and Miss to cease their cooing in church as they may receive a reprimand when they least expect it, and it is justly deserved for the church is no place to be whispering."

"The pulpit at the Methodist Church was filled by the Reverend Amos Weaver last Sunday morning and by the pastor, the Reverend A. E. Wiley, at night. Both sermons were instructive and edifying." From *Clayton Bud*, July 1886

The Reverend G. W. Starling married Miss May Gulley and Mr. Jasper Godwin in the First Baptist Church here in Clayton.

Mrs. Julian Starling often went to the old church barefoot and wearing a white sunbonnet. Mr. E. B. McCullers was her Sunday School teacher. He promised a pair of red shoes to the ones who would attend a year without missing a Sunday. Mrs. Starling and Mrs. Garland Young (Ethel and Stella O'Neil) had not missed a Sunday until they came down with the mumps. Stella went anyway and received a pair of black shoes, as red ones were not available!

Mr. Ashley Horne used to go to church wearing a Prince Albert coat, striped trousers, and a high-topped hat, and carrying a goldheaded cane. His wife was soloist in the choir.

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Mrs. Mildred B. Pope started playing the piano for Sunday School when she knew only two hymns. Mrs. B. M. Robertson knew only two. One Sunday found "Mildred" playing her two hymns at the opening of Sunday School and "Claudia" playing her two for the closing exercises. The next Sunday they reversed their procedure: Claudia at the beginning and Mildred at the end. Mrs. Carmine Gattis Austin was the third to help with her one or two numbers!

Mr. John Poole used to ring the bell and do other janitorial duties in the old church. He also sang in the choir.

Dr. J. B. Ivey, who was editor of the Christian Advocate for years, used to come to our church to preach once a month. He alternated with the regular pastor who preached once a month. He was greatly loved. His salary was underwritten by several members of the congregation.

Mrs. E. B. McCullers was always dressed to the very letter when she went to Church. One Sunday when she bowed her head for the opening prayer, she almost broke up the service when she discovered that she still had on her apron! She very quietly tried to slip it off unnoticed but not before some young people saw her. They could hardly suppress their laughter.

Mrs. Marshall Hall related this good story (she said, however, "not to be printed"): People were expecting a law to be passed prohibiting the making of wine. These two fine women, Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Emma Ellington, were eagerly getting their berries "juiced" ready for wine, when who should appear but the preacher, the Reverend O. I. Hinson. They saw him through the crack. So quietly they stayed that he left without making his pastoral visit! What happened to that wine? It turned to vinegar and made the very best pickles they ever had!

Mrs. O. I. Hinson also had an interesting experience in her kindergarten class. She was asking her little pupils about what their parents did.

"Jack," she asked of the son of the Reverend A. O. Moore (a fine Baptist minister here), "what does your daddy do?"

"Aw, my daddy just goes fishing and hunting," was Jack's quick reply.

"Why, Jack," said Mrs. Hinson, "your daddy is a preacher."

"I know, but that's nothing, that's just talking," replied Jack.

William Horne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ashley Horne, died when quite young of typhoid fever. Jessie Ellington (Mrs. Easom) sang at his funeral, Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar." It seems that this was the first time that this poem had ever been sung in Clayton.

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There were a few graves in our church yard. One large stone has names on three sides: on one side are Martha and Harry Durham; on another are the names of their three sons, Harris T., William A., and Robert: on the third side are Ella and Della, two daughters. The son William had died away from home during the Civil War. His brother Harris went to bring his body home. Harris contracted pneumonia himself and died about two weeks later.

Buried, also, was the infant of the Reverend and Mrs. J. J. Barker, our minister and wife in 1890, 1891, 1892. Then, too, there were Miss Lillie O'Neil and her parents. The story now goes that at the time of "Miss Lillie's" death, the town had to grant special permission for her body to be placed there on account of a new city ordinance.

Do you remember when Mrs. Mary Pitts Duncan was organist in our church? Yes, Mrs. M. C. Thomas was our organist once, too. Mrs. Geraldine G. Garvey was another good choir director for us.

The Reverend O. I. Hinson was teaching the ladies and gentlemen in Sunday School one cold, snowy Sunday when the attendance was small. He asked the question, "What would have happened to Jesus if the weather had been this cold?

Imagine Mr. Hinson's chargin when one gentleman hastily answered. "He certainly would have frozen to death in those bulrushes!"

Mrs. Charles Gulley directed the choir for seventeen years, starting about 1912. She is right back in that same place today doing a wonderful job.

Mrs. Mildred B. Pope started as organist in 1913 after she finished at Greensboro College and returned from a trip abroad. Mrs. Carlotta B. Sanders was organist before that time.

When the Reverend O. I. Hinson was our pastor, Mrs. Hinson had a kindergarten. She also organized a cooking class and some of her delicious recipes are still being used by many people in Clayton. Mrs. Hinson, too, was among the organizers of the Mothers' Club of Clayton. This later developed into the Clayton Woman's Club.

Mr. John I. Barnes's first wife was the first funeral in the new church. Mr. Ashley Horne was buried about a week later.

Mrs. Mildred B. Pope sang the first solo and was the first person to be married in the new church.

"The Ladies Aid Society of Horne Memorial Church will serve sandwiches, tea, ice cream and cake on the lawn of Mrs. R. W. Sanders immediately after Class Day Exercises on Friday afternoon. Everybody is cordially invited. The proceeds will go to the society. (*The Clayton News*, May, 1921.) During the time that the Reverend Stanley Potter was pastor, the Sunday School decided to do away with the opening exercises for a little while. Each class would have its brief worship service before the lesson. This story came from the Men's Bible Class: Mr. Julian Starling said, "All right, fellows, let's start." At that moment someone announced the hymn number and Mr. Starling played the piano while Mr. Lonnic Wheeler led the singing!

For years many people in the Clayton community aspired to the time when each church could have a full-time preacher to hold services within each church every Sunday. A few held to the idea that it was far more beneficial for the different denominations to worship together. One who spoke vigorously for inter-denominational worship was Mr. Jesse Ellington, father of Mrs. B. A. Hocutt. He said that worshiping together lead to more wholesome living.

Mrs. B. A. Hocutt has always been a very good and close friend of the Methodists and of the Methodist ministers. She recalled how she and the other "little girls" visited Annie Raven, daughter of our minister, A. R. Raven, while he was preaching here. Annie had twentyfive dolls! "I was so envious of Annie and all her dolls that I could hardly stand it, for all the rest of us girls had *only one*," related Mrs. Hocutt.

Three outstanding ladies who have departed this life gave so freely of their time, efforts, love, and good influence that the women chose to honor them by naming the three circles of the Woman's Society of Christian Service in honor and in memory of them. These dearly loved persons were Mrs. Lena A. Barbour, Mrs. Alma McCullers, and Mrs. John S. Barnes ("Miss Pat").

Imagine having the same responsible job in a church for almost fifty years! Mrs. B. M. Robertson has been a most faithful Communion Steward since about 1910. What a contribution she has made to the church.

"The Reverend Tom P. Jimison will preach at Horne Memorial Church tonight at 8 o'clock. Mr. Jimison needs no introduction to the people of Clayton. He is the same splendid Evangelist who conducted a revival meeting in Clayton in the Spring of 1915, and he has lost none of his preaching powers; he is still fighting the devil with all of his strength and ability." (*The Clayton News*, April 1920.)

'The following Clayton women are attending the Methodist Woman's Missionary Conference at Oxford this week: Mesdames E. B. McCullers, John S. Barnes, and W. S. Penn. They are delegates from the Woman's Missionary Society of Horne Memorial Church." (*The Clayton News*, May 1920.)

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In a children's program Carlotta Barbour (Mrs. Sanders) had a recitation to say. She said that she knew that her Sunday School teacher did not think that she would learn it. This made her more determined than ever; so she said, "I shocked them all to death by knowing it."

As one reads these reminiscenses, he will doubtless recall dozens and dozens of other interesting events, some even much more important than some recorded here; however all good things must come to an end! Recall all the things you will and enjoy them, but remember that omissions have been made, but very unintentionally. May the next one hundred years be the very best yet!

CHURCH ORGANIZATION

Paul N. Garber	Presiding Bishop
	District Superintendent
Clyde H. Dunn	
Mrs. Charles G. Gulley	Choir Director
	Organist

OFFICIAL BOARD

J. E. Nelson	Chairman
G. Shelbon Hall	Secretary
	Treasurer
250 B B	Membership and Evangelism
Stanley C. Peele	Chairman, Commission on Finance
	Chairman, Commission on Education
	Chairman, Commission on Missions
	Charge Lay Leader
	Communion Steward
	President, Woman's Society
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Miss Virginia L. Satterfield	President, Wesleyan Service Guild
	President, Methodist Youth Fellowship
John W. Mayo	District Steward

STEWARDS

J. D. Bain, Jr.	David B. Bell	E. W. O'Neil
Joseph Barbour	Curvis Holder	W. R. Peele, Jr.
Norwood D. Barbour	Wilbur Jackson	Joseph Penny
Mrs. W. C. Beaman	J. E. Nelson	Sam B. Strickland

TRUSTEES

H. C. Abbott	J. E. Jones	
Charlie Aiken	Roy A. Justice	
J. D. Bain	R. W. Sanders, Jr.	

CIRCLE LEADERS

Mrs. Y. M. Holland	Lena A. Barbour Circle
Mrs. Milton D. Riddell	Pattie D. Barnes Circle
Mrs. Clyde H. Dunn	Alma L. McCullers Circle

THE CHURCH SCHOOL

Roy A. Justice	Superintendent
Charles Barden	Assistant Superintendent
	Secretary
Sam B. Strickland	Youth Division
Mrs. W. R. Peele, Jr.	Children's Division

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THE CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

Mrs. Shelbon Hall (Pianist) Mrs. A. P. Cavenaugh Mrs. Y. M. Holland Mrs. Stanley Peele Mrs. Virginia Lynch Patsy Faulk Mrs. James T. Vinson W. R. Peele, Jr. Mrs. W. R. Beard Mrs. Roy Justice Mrs. Ray Gulley Mrs. J. Elbert Jones

YOUTH DIVISION

Mrs. W. C. Beaman Mrs. W. R. Peele Mrs. J. D. Beswick Joseph Barbour Sarah Richardson, (Counselor)

ADULT DIVISION

Mrs. Paul Keller	Paul Keller	
Rev. W. C. Martin	Mrs. R. A. Wall	
Rev. R. L. Hethcox	Joseph Penny	
Mrs. Otto Creech	H. C. Abbott	

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Many thanks to all who have helped in any way!

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The

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Clayton, North Carolina

1959-2009

By

The History Committee

Sesquicentennial

April 15, 1859 — April 15, 2009



The Rev. Dr. Alan P. Swartz 2003 - present

Message from our Minister

Joanne and I were excited to be sent to Clayton in 2003. When we first met with members of the Staff-Parish Relations Committee we were so impressed with the sense of warmth and welcome we received. As I began to meet with church members in cottage meetings around Clayton I realized that this was a congregation with a strong commitment to the church and community, but also with a strong passion for people everywhere.

In these past six years, I have witnessed the embrace of the congregation welcoming new people into our community to be a part of the exciting work we do as the Body of Christ and in his Name. I see people of every age from children to adults become involved in ministry as disciples of Jesus Christ and I realize that here is a congregation that has sought to be faithful to the call of Christ for these last 150 years.

Looking at this book will remind us how brief our time here really is. We see the excitement in new faces. We see the steadfast devotion of those who are being recognized as some of our oldest members. We look at the number of pastors who have come and who have gone. What is it that we see? We see the embodiment of Jesus Christ in the people known as Horne Memorial having placed their trust in God for the century and a half. This is work that will continue. Along with the message of God's richest blessings and grace we will faithfully hand on what has been handed down to us: a rich heritage-evidence of the grace of God at work in Clayton, North Carolina.

May God richly bless you, Alan P. Swartz Horne Memorial United Methodist Church Clayton, North Carolina



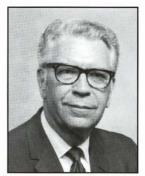
The Rev. J. Malloy Owen 1959-1964



The Rev. J. Herbert Waldrop 1964-1967



The Rev. Rufus H. Stark 1967-1971



The Rev. Willis R. Stevens 1971-1972



The Rev. R. Norman Knight 1972-1976



The Rev. Jerry T. Smith 1976-1983



The Rev. William C. Spencer 1983-1988



The Rev. Lovell R. Aills 1988-1993



The Rev. Richard L. Stone 1993-1998



The Rev. Jerry S. Dodson 1998-2000



The Rev. Charles K. Moseley 2000-2002



The Rev. Dr. Vernon C. Tyson January 1, 2003-June 30, 2003

Horne Memorial United Methodist Church 1959-2009

Following the departure of The Rev. Clyde Dunn, The Rev. J. Malloy Owen and family came to Horne Memorial. He served our congregation until 1964. He continued his television ministry, The Circuit Rider, on WRAL TV, having begun this ministry while serving in Greenville, N.C.

One of the most delightful memories of this period was hearing the amplified chime recordings played by Joseph Barbour before church services. The sound resonated throughout the downtown community.

A direct quote from the Official Board minutes on November 3, 1959 reminds us of the social environment of the time.

"Mr. Owen, in speaking to the board on the race issue, stated that Shaw University students had served notice that they will attend services of the white Methodist churches in the Raleigh area. We think they have already attended Fairmont Methodist Church in Raleigh. Now that we have the Circuit Rider on T.V. they may want to attend our church." There was much discussion with differences of opinions on whether to admit these students. It was decided if they visited, they should be ushered to the balcony. If objections were to occur, then the ushers would handle the situation at their own discretion.

In January of 1960, the board voted to put locks on the church doors for the first time.

Mr. Owen promoted ecumenical services on Thanksgiving and Easter with other denominations in the area. This was the beginning of many such services. In 1960, three special services held at Horne were the Christmas Cantata, the Moravian Style Love Feast, and the New Years Eve Watch Night.

The Official Board minutes of February 7, 1961 reveal that the Lena Barbour Circle offered to put a glassed-in, sound proof room in the balcony. (Why was this proposed, and why didn't it pass?)

In 1961 Methodist Men was reorganized with 25 members after being inactive for 5 years.

Our first air-conditioned service was held July 23, 1961. The budget of just under \$18,000 was approved by the board in June.

From the Official Board minutes on October 3, 1961, we catch a glimpse of the political environment of the time. A motion was made to approve a fall-out shelter in the basement of the church parsonage to be constructed at no cost to the church. Construction would be financed by Mr. Owen. This was subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees. No further mention of this was found.

At the May 8, 1962 board meeting, it was announced that Mrs. Charles Gulley would remain as Choir Director with practice to be held in her home on Fayetteville Street.

In August of 1962, the new young adult Sunday School class was named the Mildred Pope Class in honor of Mrs. Pope's long and dedicated service to this

church. The Rev. A. Purnell Bailey, Richmond District Superintendent, famous radio devotional speaker and newspaper columnist, led our revival in December, 1962. Attendance for the week topped all previous records as the crowds filled the sanctuary and the balcony.

There were major improvements to our stately 50 year old building in 1963. They included new carpet, refinished mahogany woodwork, a more spacious chancel area, and new chandeliers. This \$45,000 renovation included work on the second and third floors and the basement to make room for 13 classrooms and a newly designed fellowship hall.

During this time, stair rails at the side entrance into the sanctuary were given by Mrs. Carlotta Sanders and Mrs. Mildred Pope. Carpet for the choir loft was given by Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bain. Hearing aids and amplification into the fellowship hall from the sanctuary were given by the David Bells. Mr. Bell was a favorite of the young children who stayed in the nursery during church. He left the sanctuary during the last hymn with his pockets full of Dum-Dum lollipops to treat them for straightening up the toys.

The Rev. J. Herbert Waldrop and family came to Clayton in 1964. During the first year of Mr. Waldrop's tenure, our beloved organist, Mrs. Mildred Pope, resigned after 50 years of service. She had never been paid for this important contribution to our worship services. In 1964, we also lost Mrs. Charles Gulley as our choir director. Mrs. Dee Waldrop, the pastor's wife, became director for both the adult and children's choirs. Mrs. Coleen Hall served as organist. Salaries were \$30.00 per month for choir director and \$15.00 for organist.

At this time the church contracted with Annie V's Florist for Sunday altar flowers. To this day, we still use this florist.

Official Board meeting minutes of July 4, 1965 report that according to Sam Strickland, treasurer, the church's budget was paid in full. (We have not found these words many times.) That same year Nancy Strickland was hired as part-time secretary with a yearly salary of \$1,638. In 1966 the value of the church was \$225,000. The parsonage was valued at \$23,700 and the church budget for the year was \$25,567.80.

During Mr. Waldrop's tenure, the Thanksgiving and Easter ecumenical services with other churches in the area continued. In June 1966, W. R. Peele, Jr., a member of Horne and recent graduate of Asbury Seminary delivered the sermon.

In April 1967, a new choir director and organist, Mr. Ray Luther was hired.

From 1964 to 1967, gifts were received that are still in use today. The nativity was given by Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Abbott. The figures were made in Italy and are used in the narthex each Christmas. Mrs. Charlotte Compton was a noted seamstress. She was commissioned by Paul Keller to design and make a pall to be used at the funeral of his wife, Elizabeth. Sam Robertson recalled, "When I came home from the war (WWII), I had stuffed an old piece of parachute in

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my duffle bag. Charlotte said she needed silk, and that was silk." This pall is available for use by any church member. As you enter the sanctuary, if you look down at the corner of the open doors, you will notice (or kick) a red velveteen covered brick, decorated with a needlepoint butterfly. These beautiful doorstops were the work of Mrs. Compton.

The Rev. Rufus H. Stark, his wife, Betty and four children, Tom, Walter, Paul, and Sarah became members of our church family in June, 1967. Mr. Stark, without a doubt, was one of the foremost leaders in community involvement. This was the time of integration and he worked diligently with town and church leaders to promote harmony. He was a member of the Clayton Ministerial Association, a group of ministers from several denominations who met to discuss problems and solutions affecting the community. He was instrumental in conducting hearings on increased telephone service to Raleigh, in setting up a Public Housing Authority, and in the establishment of a Human Relations Council. Mr. Stark and Stan Peele attended the Governor's Conference on Community Relations held at Memorial Auditorium.

On July 2, at an Official Board meeting, Dick Bell made a suggestion that donations be made at the altar on Communion Sundays for a pastor's discretionary fund. This practice continues today.

According to an article in *The Clayton News* on January 10, 1968, the new church office and pastor's study were completed. Douglas McCormac, chairman of trustees, was in charge of this project. The addition was valued at \$5,000, but was constructed at the cost of \$3,000 due to the generosity of many persons. This project was one of many that Mr. McCormac supervised throughout the years he served as board chairman. (Gigi Nelson shared, "I used to tell the youth, 'the mayor of our town comes to church <u>every</u> Sunday morning to turn on the AC/heat for us'. It's only been in recent years that he turned over the responsibility for changing the light bulbs in the sanctuary.")

A God and Country class was started in April. Seven Boy Scouts enrolled. This was a one year program of study, led by our pastor. Mr. Stark accompanied the Scouts on a 100 mile pilgrimage to Bath, N. C. We know that Horne Memorial has sponsored a Boy Scout troop for quite some time. A picture taken by Horne member Charles Barden in 1969 shows several scouts with Mr. Stark and Jim Smith, scoutmaster, also a Horne member.

In 1968 the Methodist Church combined with the United Brethren and the official name became the United Methodist Church. At this time, we became Horne Memorial United Methodist Church. The Women's Society of Christian Service (WSCS) became the United Methodist Women, the Methodist Men became the United Methodist Men, and the Official Board became the Administrative Board.

In April a new Sunday School class for young adults was started. It met in the kitchen and was led by Dr. Tom Bass.

During a dedication service on May 26, hand rails were presented to the glory of God by Mrs. Sarah Atwater in memory of her husband, John L. Atwater. The church office and pastor's study were also dedicated.

For many years there was an orphanage in town, founded by the Knights of the Pythias and supervised by Mr. Dewey Huggins. Each Sunday morning we loved to see an orange bus pull up beside the church as an attractive group of young people came to worship. Around 1969, the Pythian Home was closed. We have a reminder of those years in our congregation today with the presence of Margaret Norris, who grew up there.

According to *The Clayton News* edition of May 18, 1969, Horne Memorial held its 110th anniversary with a homecoming dinner planned to coincide with the town's centennial celebration even though our actual birthday was on April 15. Dr. Leo Jenkins, president of East Carolina University, spoke at the morning worship service and members dressed in their centennial costumes.

The first bazaar, sponsored by the United Methodist Women, was held in September 1970, at the Spence brothers' former grocery store building on Main Street. The bazaar was held for three days and yielded \$1,000.00. Proceeds were used to retire indebtedness.

In December, Mr. Stark asked that the congregation gather to deck the church with evergreens. This was our first Hanging of the Greens (not as a formal worship service, but as an informal gathering to add to the beauty of our sanctuary).

A bulletin and a newspaper clipping for March, 1971 gave the following information: The American and Christian flags were presented in March to Horne Memorial by Rosalie and Hasky Ferrell, in memory of Elizabeth Ferrell Gardner, Bettie Smith, and Rosa Smith.

The Rev. Willis R. Stevens was appointed to Horne in June, 1971. A Duke student, Jim Rowland, also came in June, through the Duke Endowment program. Mrs. Alfred Taylor provided lodging and the church gave him meal tickets for White's Restaurant. He worked with the young people.

Following Mr. Rowland came David Treat, also a Duke student who served as youth director. He supervised the young people in furnishing a space above Whitley-Bain Drug Store to be used for recreation. This was referred to as "The Attic". The space was made available by members Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Bain. Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Stephenson served as counselors and members of the congregation gave assistance.

A quote from the bulletin for March 12, 1972 is as follows: "Needed--For roof repairs and boiler replacement, \$3,000. The old boiler and roof have kept us warm and dry for a long time. It's time to show our appreciation."

Another quote from this bulletin announced the Community Sunrise Service would be at First Baptist Church at 6:30AM. Horne Memorial was to participate.

One of our fondest memories of Mr. and Mrs. Stevens is about the Sunday Mr. Stevens awoke with a throat too sore to use. As eleven o'clock approached and the hour of worship was upon us, there was no Mr. Stevens. Instead there was an adorable little lady who could barely be seen above the pulpit who filled in for her husband with a delightful sermon.

Mr. Stevens retired after a year. Although he was with us only a short time, an endearing memory is of this couple visiting every family in the congregation.

The Rev. R. Norman Knight became our minister in June, 1972. The parsonage had been completely renovated prior to this family's arrival. Our records show the membership of Horne was 459 and that of Calvary was 28. Calvary and Horne Memorial were on the same charge. With this limited membership, Calvary Church had services once a month on Sunday afternoon.

We were extremely fortunate that Mrs. Ruby Knight accepted the position of Chancel Choir director. The choir grew under her leadership.

According to the Charge Conference Report of 1972-73, our church served the community by providing facilities for a Girl Scout troop, Weight-Watchers Club, and a Civil Defense fall-out shelter.

Before Horne purchased a new organ in 1973, the old organ had to be dismantled and removed. Leading this project, as he did with many others, was David Grey Satterfield. He was a faithful servant who willingly worked on any task great or small for the good of his church. Through the years he was often "Mr. Fix-It", without the knowledge of the congregation.

Our new Allen Digital Computer Organ, which cost \$15,450, was installed in April. On August 12, there was a recital given by Monty Busick, organist at Horne, Robin Knight, son of Mr. and Mrs. Knight, and Debbie Batten Garner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Batten to showcase this organ.

Information from a bulletin of March 28, 1973 stated that the Wesleyan Service Guild, an organization of working women, had become another circle. The name was changed at that time to the Nell Holland Circle.

From the estate of Mr. Edgar Warren McCullers, the church received a bequeath in May, 1974. The McCullers family were long-time members of this congregation. A portrait of Mr. McCuller's mother, Alma McCullers, hangs in the parlor.

In February 1975, the United Methodist Women purchased a Baldwin piano for the sanctuary. Church notes from this time reveal that providing flowers for the altar on Sunday cost \$5.00.

The stained glass windows in the sanctuary were given a protective covering. It was a miracle that no windows had ever been broken since we were next door to a school. The cost of this project was approximately \$8,000 and was completed in 1976. The appraisal of the windows was \$157,000.

On February 5, beginning at 4PM, MYF members participated in a pongathon (ping-pong marathon) which ended at midnight Saturday. Mike Bagley played

ping-pong for 24 hours! The youth raised \$578.42 for the stained glass window fund.

Mr. Knight, together with Jeff Adams, Blanton Jones, Reuben Little, E.H. Norris, and Morris Woodall formed a men's chorus. The group continued singing for many years for special occasions to the delight of the congregation. In later years, Paul Conn joined the chorus and Mrs. Berneice Jones became their pianist.

The Rev. Jerry T. Smith, wife Carolyn, and children, Cindy, J.T., and Karen became a part of our church family in June, 1976.

While Mr. Smith was our pastor, we started a Christmas tradition of Poinsettia Sunday. Numerous poinsettias given in memory or honor of loved ones adorned the pulpit and added to the feeling of awe in our sanctuary as we worshipped. Mr. Smith requested a Hanging of the Greens service. Miriam Adams, Chairperson of Worship, did research and wrote a service that we still use today.

A major renovation of the basement began in 1977. Members supplied the labor, tearing down old paneling and doing as much of the work as possible. Remodeling of the kitchen and classrooms began.

Many new projects were started. A new sound system was given in memory of Dr. H.A. Cole. An activity bus was acquired as were new choir robes. A new circle was organized and named for Mrs. Stella Young, an active life time member of the church. Our Christmas services were enriched with our first Christmon Tree. Cushions were added to the pews in our sanctuary. A lift was installed at the west end of the portico. During this time we co-sponsored the 14 member Chan family, boat people who were forced to flee Vietnam. Members helped to provide housing and household goods until the family became established.

One of the highlights of Mr. Smith's tenure was when Jimmy Benson, chairman of the finance committee, greeted the congregation following worship one Sunday. On horseback and dressed in the traditional garb of the Circuit Rider, he galloped into town right up to the front steps of the church. He exhorted his fellow members to remember the spirit of the early Circuit Riders and to support our annual stewardship drive. This proved to be very effective in that 1980 was a strong fiscal year.

United Methodist Men held a reorganization meeting to provide a new means for fellowship and service. To this day this group is one of the most active and vital parts of our church. The United Methodist Men use their time and talents to keep our church building beautiful and functional. Painting, small repairs, landscaping, new walkways and steps, all make our church more attractive. Through barbecues and golf tournaments, money is raised not only for improvement projects and payments to decrease our indebtedness ,but also for major purchases such as church vans.

The Methodist Men have a reputation for being good cooks. The first barbecue dinners prepared as a fund raiser took place at Clayton Primary School. After several years, the group moved to the church grounds. With three grills, Jeff Adams, Paul Roberts, and Bill Brewer prepared 250 plates. Through the years the project has grown. 1500 plates were sold at this year's barbecue. The Methodist Men prepare meals for the Mother-Daughter-Neighbor-Friend Breakfast, Parade of Tables and many other occasions, as well as their own monthly breakfast.

In 1982 the live Christmas tree was cut, shaped as a cross for the Lenten season, and draped in purple. On Easter Sunday, the congregation brought floral offerings from their yards and placed them on this same cross in the vestibule. Mr. Smith led the procession carrying the Resurrection Cross. Following the service the cross was placed on the front lawn. This tradition, although slightly modified, exists today.

Mr. Smith was highly visible and respected throughout the community during his seven year appointment. He was a member of the Rotary Club and served as president for a year. He served on the Hocutt-Ellington Library Board and helped to plan the ecumenical services with other denominations in the Clayton area.

When Mr. Smith had a job that he wanted done or needed a favor, he often approached a member of the congregation with "an opportunity to serve". These requests were rarely denied because of his own kind, compassionate nature.

Again the time came for a new minister. In June 1983, The Rev. William C. Spencer and his wife Peggy became a part of our church family. One member, recalling Mr. Spencer's sermons said, "The pulpit came alive on Sunday morning". Another member stated, "You knew God expected you to do something when you left church." One of the most impressive rituals he conducted was infant baptism. He explained the origins of the babies' names and introduced them to their new church family by cradling them in his arms and walking up and down the aisles.

Mr. Spencer's ministry led him to take a group on a seven day tour of the Holy Land and lead a Hunger Walk for Clayton Area Ministries. He preached on a radio program called "The Master's Message" every Sunday on WHPY at 7:45AM. Valerie Carpenter accompanied Mr. Spencer as part of a mission team to Haiti in March, 1986. The following year, Helen Little joined a mission team and has been the driving force behind this effort.

One of the important happenings in our church under his leadership was that the handbell choir came into existence in November 1984 under the direction of Trish Barton who was organist and choir director. Two of the original ringers, Mary Hinton and Elizabeth (Squatty) Barnes, picked up aluminum cans along the roadside. They sold these cans at the Recycling Center in Smithfield. The money they raised was used to help purchase the first handbells. Is this not a labor of love! Upon the resignation of Mrs. Barton, we were fortunate to hire Jim Elmore as organist and director of choir and handbells. As a tradition, many revivals have been held through the years. A revival of note was held in October when four former pastors each preached a night. They were Rufus Stark, Jerry Smith, Clyde Dunn, and Malloy Owen.

From a September 30, 1984 bulletin we found this quote, "In memory of our beloved Elbert Jones, the Men's Bible Class is now called the J. Elbert Jones Bible Class." From other bulletins we learned that Sam Strickland's recordings of Sunday sermons were distributed to our shut-ins. Joe Penny was recognized for having taught Sunday School for more than 30 years. A major renovation project costing \$66,000 was completed that included roof repair. Mom's Day Out and the Thanksgiving Dinner for our senior citizens were started.

We can't leave Pastor Bill without mentioning his pitching for Horne's softball team. His red cleats stood out on the mound as no one else on the team wore red shoes.

The Reverend Lovell R. Aills began his pastorate in June, 1988. He and his wife, Barbara worked as a team. She always accompanied him when he visited, led confirmation studies, and played in the hand bell choir. She taught in Children's Church and used flannel board figures to teach Bible stories. Mr. Aills was the planning coordinator of Holy Week services. This impressive ecumenical event included Amelia Church of Christ, First Baptist, Hocutt Memorial, St. Anne's Catholic and Horne Memorial.

A Facility Study Committee had decided that more space was needed for the continuing demands of our increasing congregation. Phase 1, which was the renovation of the basement, was completed in 1991.

In 1991, the financial stewardship campaign used the theme of the Pony Express. A teamwork approach used a saddlebag relay to reach each church family. Estimate-of-giving cards were put into the saddlebag and then passed on to the next family on the route.

Information gleaned from various clippings from *The Clayton News-Star* gave us glimpses into the happenings at Horne during Mr. Aills's time with us. The women of Horne Memorial held their annual bazaar in November featuring baked goods, a white elephant sale, the garden shop, the country store, crafts, and Christmas items. Another fund raiser for the UMW was the sale of limited edition pen and ink sketches of the church. In keeping with United Methodist Women's emphasis on missions, there have been many significant contributions throughout the years. Our UMW supports numerous church projects. As is true with many organizations, without a strong group of women, many things would be left undone. A news clipping from April 20,1993 mentioned the Mother-Daughter-Friend-Neighbor breakfast. Another clipping noted Horne's involvement in the Adopt-A-Highway program.

The beautiful chandeliers that grace our sanctuary today were given in 1991. Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper McLaurin gave them in memory of her mother, Mrs. Gaynelle Cooper.

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In February, 1991 the organizational meeting of a senior citizens group (age 55+) was held. They chose to be called the JOY (Just Older Youth) Club. Their first officers were: President -Jean Langley, Vice-President- Margaret Norris, Secretary -Treasurer Mary Hinton, Planning Committee Chairmen-Blanton and Berneice Jones, and Devotions Chairman-Rev. Norwood Jones. The club continues to meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at the church for a pot-luck lunch. Their scrapbooks show they love to travel!

Mr. and Mrs. Aills left after 5 years with us. They are remembered for their dedication and service to our church.

The Rev. Richard L. Stone and wife, Diane, came to Horne in June, 1993. At the conclusion of Annual Conference that year, Horne became a one church "station" charge. Calvary became a "station" charge with a minister appointed who also served a full-time appointment with The Methodist Children's Home.

At Horne, we were in the middle of our second phase of renovation. This work was completed in 1996 with the sanctuary walls re-plastered, roof replaced, and cupola/belfry restored and preserved.

Due to expansion of membership and new programs, we were bursting at the seams and no longer had adequate space. Possible solutions to this problem were to stay at the current site and build an education building or sell the current site, buy land, and rebuild. When the congregation voted, an overwhelming majority voted to stay. The decision was made to add classrooms, offices, a fellowship hall, a kitchen, and an elevator. A capital campaign was begun to raise funds. Before construction began, twenty-one gravesites were removed from the church property and relocated in Maplewood Cemetery. *The Clayton News-Star* of June 3, 1998 featured a picture of the ground-breaking ceremony for the new 1.9 million dollar building program. This monumental decision by the membership to stay at our present site will affect the community and the church for generations to come. Our proximity to downtown makes us a vital part of Clayton.

The Walk to Emmaus and Chrysalis are two programs that were started in the early nineties. These spiritual retreats for adults and teenagers enrich their lives as they serve Christ.

A new position, lay ministries coordinator, was funded. Judy Hayes was hired to fill this position. She was instrumental in developing programs to meet the needs of all age groups.

Bits and pieces of information from the Administrative Board minutes of 1994 show that the January 1994 budget was projected at \$173,000. Pledges were \$175,000. The Clayton Chamber of Commerce was given permission to use the church portico as a stage for the town's Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. The first Disciple Bible Class was led by Jan Conn. A 15 passenger Dodge van was purchased for the church by the Methodist Men. For the first time the budget included \$1,200 compensation for Nancy Strickland as financial secretary. This had been an unpaid position. A Health Fair was conducted for church members with physicians present to do screenings.

Gigi Nelson asked Mary Hinton to design a banner for the delegates to take to a District Lay Rally. Several people made suggestions for the theme of the banner. The stained glass window depicting Jesus knocking on the door was chosen and Mrs. Hinton created a mosaic of fabric for this design. Grey Satterfield painted in the face of Jesus and also added shading to give the picture depth. This banner is a prized work of art.

From a Messenger of 1995 this information was gathered: Lenny Collins, music director, requested a 4th octave of handbells. This was approved and \$1,100 from the Memorial Fund was used.

According to the director, Terry McCarthy, a pre-school program was started in September 1995 with 4 children and 2 teachers. As of 2009, we have 9 classes with 97 children and a teaching staff of 15.

A golf tournament called Shepherds on the Green began in 1996. Its purpose was for church members to invite non-church member guests, hoping to get them interested in our church. In 1997, the tournament was converted into a fund raiser. In recent years this event has been sponsored by the United Methodist Men. Jeff Adams continues to be the organizer.

A very special person, Mrs. Winnie Mathews retired as a Sunday School teacher after 21 years of service. She was a constant in the lives of the children on Sunday mornings.

Upon retiring, The Rev. Norwood Jones, who grew up in this church, returned to Clayton with his wife, Helen. In the Charge Conference minutes of November 28, 1995, Mr. Jones, as a retired elder, reported that he was continuing to preach when needed, teach Sunday School classes, and lead Bible studies.

Our church history committee felt that the information found in The Methodist Messenger, February, 1998 gave a picture of Nancy and Sam Strickland that needed to be preserved. We are therefore including it in our story:

"February 15 will be a very special day in the lives of Sam and Nancy Strickland. From 2-4 PM we will have a reception in their honor. During that time Horne Memorial will celebrate the many years of service the Stricklands have given.

It all began in 1962 while Malloy Owen was pastor. The church needed a secretary to do bulletins and newsletters. Nancy stepped forward with an offer the church couldn't refuse. For the next 26 years, Nancy cut stencils, glued them back together, and ran worship, program and meeting information for her congregation. The so called copier was a hand-cranked mimeograph machine; it was ideal for testing your faith.

A memorable moment in Nancy's career was a cookbook for the Women's Society; now United Methodist Women. She remembers the task was hers with the assistance of Winnie Mathews. There was ink and stencils everywhere, yet the finished product was reached. Another reflection for Nancy was

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mailing. Each family had their own addressograph plate. Nancy carried her "Messengers" to Judson Whitley's store, placed the plates in his machine and cranked out her mailing.

Nancy's work was handwritten, typed and mimeographed. She assisted eight preachers at Horne Memorial during her tenure as secretary. In 1965 she added the task of recording secretary; crediting the tithes and offerings of our membership until last year for a total of 32 years.

In 1967 Jimmy Nelson handed the checkbook for Horne Memorial to Sam Strickland. The budget that year was approximately \$19,000. Our cash flow in Sam's early days was often a challenge to paying bills and a preacher's salary. According to Sam he learned to live by faith very soon in his new position. A check was sometimes written on Friday to pay the preacher in hopes that the collection on Sunday would cover the salary. Our conference appointments were sometimes paid in January of the following year, but Sam affirms that we always paid out.

The first day on the job for The Reverend Jerry Smith was eye opening when his treasurer informed him, 'We must cut the pastor's salary because we cannot afford to pay it.' Through the efforts of Sam, the salary was paid in full. When asked about the most difficult part of his treasurers job in the early day, Sam responded, 'Not having enough money to expand programming.'

On the lighter side, Sam recalled a telephone bill with long distance calls to Wendell. Due to his superior investigative skills, Strickland found out the janitor was calling his former girlfriend. Sam, being in favor of romance, simply told the custodian to stop calling and he forgave the debt.

The church celebrated Sam's service in 1985 by voting him as Lay Person of the Year. Sam has found satisfaction in life and faith at Horne Memorial. The treasurers position gave Sam a special place in his church that he loves. In 1997 Sam handled about \$500,000 in budget and building fund contributions. When he passed the checkbook on to our current treasurer, Frank White, we had \$217,000 in total funds."

For 30 years, Sam kept the church's offerings in an old green tackle box. "Sam's Box" is a cherished relic, now kept in the church office. It reminds us of the Servant who performed his duties faithfully and without compensation.

Mr. Stone stayed at Horne for 5 years. While here he was known for his inspiring sermons, sprinkled with humor and stories. One of his most remembered sermons incorporated a skit. When the service began, the congregation noticed a table and telephone by the altar. During the sermon, the phone rang and a conversation occurred between Mr. Stone and God (Mike Marvel in the balcony). This unique approach made a lasting impression. Mr. Stone's down- to-earth nature endeared him to his congregation.

In June 1998, we welcomed The Rev. Jerry S. Dodson and family, wife Wanda and children, Deborah, Shelley, and Stephen.

During 1998 the church acquired the Barnes-Lassiter House at a cost of \$89,500. We found a piece of the history of this house in an article in the January 8, 1920 edition of *The Clayton News*. "Just to the rear of the church Mr. Jno. I Barnes' handsome brick bungalow is rapidly nearing completion." The Lassiter family later purchased this house.

In 1998 Melody Brown became financial secretary. The Methodist Messenger of September, 1998 stated that the sixteenth mission trip to Haiti took place in July. Helen Little and others carried forty bags of clothes, medicine, and school supplies.

In Mr. Dodson's report of November 22, 1999, the capital campaign to raise funds to finance the new building and a sound system for the church were mentioned. Our membership at the time was 954. Youth minister was Gerald Wolitz, Elaine Coker was choir director, and Betty Barden was organist. A praise and worship team called Standing Firm was formed. The first contemporary worship service was held with over 100 in attendance. A Promise Keeper's group met each month. Horne was a collection point for flood victims of Hurricane Floyd in eastern North Carolina.

In 1999 the membership of United Methodist Women was 99. They participated in the Silent Partners program which provided for the needs of local school children. 1999 was also the first year for the Parade of Tables. This luncheon, under the leadership of Cindy Dray, has continued to be a favorite missions fund raiser.

Unity Night, an ecumenical and interracial New Year's Eve celebration began with praise bands, choirs, and local pastors. Horne Memorial participated with several other churches in providing a community soup kitchen. According to the May, 2000 Messenger this was to be an ongoing project.

A farewell reception was given for the Dodson family on June 11, 2000.

The Rev. Charles K. Moseley came to Horne in July, 2000 with his wife Peggy and son Charles Frederick. He had two other children, Celia and Anna.

A new youth director, Tiffany Manley joined us. Attendance in the youth program flourished under her leadership. Tiffany was energetic and resourceful. The youth participated in many mission projects and enjoyed making the Barnes-Lassiter house their own. The Rev. Roberta Byram came to us as an associate pastor. She stayed until June of 2004 when she was appointed as an associate pastor for Hayes Barton United Methodist Church. A dedicated disciple of Christ, Ron Gurganus, of our congregation joined the ministry.

A library in memory of Amanda White was dedicated in March. She was a 12 year old member of our congregation who lost her life to illness.

The Stephen Ministry was started during this time. After receiving 50 hours of training in Christian care-giving skills, Stephen Ministers are available to serve individuals dealing with acute or long term life crises. (The bulletin from April 5, 2009 noted that an appreciation dinner was held for the 22 active and inactive

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Stephen Ministers at Horne. Current leader Becky Canady was thanked for her years of service.)

The UMW sponsored the first Vendor Fair. This event replaced the Bazaar. Space was rented to vendors who brought assorted items for sale. The Deborah Circle served soup, sandwiches, and desserts from the basement kitchen. The Nell Holland Circle set up a Country Store which featured baked goods, jams, jellies, and crafts.

Mr. Moseley's special focus was missions. He desired $10\Box$ of the total budget be directed toward missions, excluding our apportionments. Our missions outreach supported a new missionary family and a Russian seminary. Bibles continued to be collected to be sent to Liberia for use as textbooks. A refugee family from Rwanda, the Rutabaris, arrived and were very appreciative to be in Clayton. Horne was responsible for medicine and duffle bags for the Belarussian children. Our continued involvement in the Heifer project under the leadership of Helen Little secured for us a visit from Beatrice Britts. She was the author of a book that told the story of how, through the gift of a goat, the Heifer Project helped her family. An angel tree gave our congregation the opportunity to provide gifts for the residents of Azalea Village and our Hispanic sister church.

Improvements were made to our facilities during this time. Renovations to the Barnes-Lassiter House began in 2001. This annex was to be used mainly for the youth. The town removed the hedge row between the church and the Clayton Center. Brick upgrades to the sidewalk were done at a cost of \$1500.00. Lead was replaced in our stained glass windows for \$21,140. Horne was given a vacant lot located in another community valued at \$6,920.

The Ladies' Parlor was refurbished in 2002 with freshly painted walls, new drapes, and furniture. A secretary was given by Etta Mercer, in memory of her husband. Donna Lamm gave the two chairs in memory of her mother. Jesse Austin hand-crafted a plant stand and Blanton Jones refinished an antique table already in the church. A chest and accessories were donated by other members.

Mr. Moseley left Horne in the fall of 2002.

The Rev. Hope Ward, District Superintendent, and The Rev. Roberta Byram, our associate pastor, officiated at services until December, when The Rev. Dr. Vernon C. Tyson was appointed. He served as an interim pastor from January 1, 2003 until June 30, 2003. He was a dynamic presence in our church. It was his custom to lead a processional with the choir each Sunday from the narthex into the sanctuary.

During this period, Church Council minutes revealed that according to the Trustees, the Barnes-Lassiter House needed painting and that the parsonage needed overall repairs and some new furniture.

Dr. Tyson led a revival. He called it "Three Nights for God." One of the guest speakers was our bishop, The Reverend Marion Edwards.

Dr. Tyson confirmed the Praise and Worship service as a standing, permanent

service. Erna Daniel served as the worship leader and keyboardist.

The Reverend Dr. Alan P. Swartz and wife, Jo Anne came to Horne in June, 2003. They have two sons, John and Paul. Dr. Swartz's first service was June 27. Mrs. Swartz, an accomplished musician, has sung with the chancel choir, played handbells, and is the Director of Contemporary Arts. She has been instrumental in the success of the contemporary service's music.

Dr. Swartz has encouraged the congregation to participate in small group studies and devotions. Two church-wide book studies have been conducted over the last few years. These were <u>The Purpose Driven Life</u> and <u>Five Practices of</u> <u>Fruitful Congregations</u>. Dr. Swartz preached accompanying sermons for each chapter study. Sunday School classes and small groups were encouraged to use this material during their meetings.

Dr. Swartz has a chapel time with the pre-school children each Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 10AM. The children sit in a circle on the classroom floor as he shares a story. The children have learned to respond when the pastor says, "The Lord Be With You" by replying "And Also With You." The children look forward to this special time with the minister.

During the last six years, there have been many signs of growth and activity. The current church membership is 1054 and there are 300 members on the Sunday School roll. In 2008, 200 children attended Bible School. There are now four worship services each Sunday. Two of them are traditional with music by the Chancel Choir and Jubilate Ringers under the direction of Elaine Coker, with Sally Carson, organist. The music for the contemporary service, Ecclesia, is provided by "Crosswalk" with Jo Anne Swartz as director and keyboardist. Carlos Alvelo, Director of Student Ministries, leads a contemporary service "Exodus" for youth. The youth praise band, "Declaration," provides music for this service each week. Justin Kelsay has written a piece of music for the band titled <u>Declaration</u>. New worship services include a special Christmas Eve service for the children, "Stations of the Cross," and Tenebrae.

The Rev. Richard Hartman is our present Minister of Visitation and Nurture. He was preceded in this position by The Rev. Jerry Smith and The Rev. Glen Mason. The Rev. Joyce Horn has been hired as Horne's Minister of Children's Programs.

Records from 2003 to the present show our church continuing to thrive. Horne has adapted to the electronics era, having its own web site. Information concerning the church and its activities is readily available on line. Our budget has grown from \$494,317 in 2003 to \$763,448 in 2009. A financial end-of-theyear report for 2008 states the "98 \Box of the 2008 church budget has been funded. All staff salaries, operating expenses, ministry and mission requests have been met. Both the Project Fund and the Reserve Fund have significant increases, so that we are better prepared for unexpected expenses. Horne owes less than

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\$220,000 on the loan balance for the building addition. Our loan should be paid off within 2 years."

Our involvement in missions has been noted throughout this story. We participate in international, national, statewide, conference, and local ministries and outreach missions. The Kairos Ministry teams go inside Woman's Prison to share God's love. They take cookies baked by members of the congregation. Because of her interest in the people of Haiti and her many mission trips there, Helen Little has heightened our awareness of this impoverished nation. Through her leadership, the people of Horne established the Ryan Epps Home for Children. This orphanage, which houses 10 children, was named for Ryan Epps, a Horne teenager who died in 2005. Although the present home is in a rented building, future plans call for buying land and building a facility.

A message from Connect, April 2009 states "Recently Horne Memorial was recognized as the highest-giving church in our district for the Rainbow Covenant. Some of this money was raised through special events and some came from other sources, but it all came through Horne." To become a Rainbow Covenant Church, a church must contribute to certain specified organizations or groups.

An overview of our programs at this time shows a lively body of Christ. Programs of study and enrichment for our members are available almost every day or evening. No longer can a group assume that a classroom is available for their use. "Check the church calendar" or "Put your meeting on the calendar," pleads Sarah Norris, Office Manager.

On a typical Wednesday night we enjoy fellowship suppers, a Prayer Service led by Mr. Hartman, and various activities. For pre-school through 6th grade, SPLASH, Tweens, Handbells for beginners, and a Dance Ministry class are provided. SPRINT, a spiritual formation program for students in grades 7 through 12 meets initially as a large group and then breaks into smaller discussion groups. Activities for adults include practice for Chancel Choir and Jubilate Ringers, small group Bible study, and an Emmaus Reunion group.

At other times during the week, there are homework tutoring sessions, Emmaus Reunion groups, a Women's Bible Study, a Men's Bible Study, Alcoholics Anonymous, and various church council committee meetings.

Our students participate in many mission projects, such as the Appalachian Service Project, MERCI, and Operation Shoebox. Our youth were recognized at Conference as the 2004 youth group of the year.

The following information was provided by Chip Wood:

"In June of 1993, three Eagle Scouts and the Methodist Men started a new scouting program at Horne. The 3 founders were Rusty Rains, Sandy Marley, and Chip Wood-all Eagle Scouts. Pack 124 was formed with 15 cubs originally. The pack grew in September to 65 members. Since 1993, Pack membership has varied between 65 and 100 cub scouts. Numerous Cubs have continued on into Boy Scouts.

In December 1993, the same three members formed Boy Scout Troop 124. Very quickly, the Boy Scout troop grew under the direction of Assistant

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Scoutmasters Don Hullings, Connie Barton, and Scoutmaster Don Archer. In 1997, Troop 124 conferred the first Eagle Scout-Chris Barton. Since then, 15 other young men have earned the rank of Eagle Scout. In 2007, Troy McLeod and William Wood received the Eagle Scout. They were the first to go from Tiger Cub at age 6 to Eagle Scout (both being 18 when they received their Eagle). This happened again in 2008 when Lewis Braswell and Eric Sorenson received their Eagle Scout. Robert Little has been our Scoutmaster for the past 7 years.

Both the Pack and Troop have learned how to give back to Horne with such projects as stuffing silverware for the bar-b-que, cleaning up after the bar-b-que, setting tables up for fellowship dinners, and leading the parking pad project for the Lassiter House.

In 2007 under the direction of Chip Braswell and William Wood, Venture Crew 124 was formed. The crew is designed for older scouts to do high adventure. They specialize in backpacking, canoeing, and rock climbing. Because of college work, many scouts can only participate in Crew activities on breaks and Christmas/summer breaks.

Scouting has become an integral part of Horne's outreach ministry to Clayton and beyond. Scouting ideals of high character and service to others are very compatible with those of the United Methodist Church."

Horne provides meeting spaces for 11 Girl Scout Troops. Our church has always been supportive of the scouting program.

Horne has a College Ministry which focuses on keeping in touch with its college students through cards and "care packages."

There are no more important groups in the church than our six circles. They are Nell Holland, Deborah, Stella Young, Sarah, Hannah, and Tabitha. With their prayers and practicalities, they are such an integral part of church functions and operation, it is hard to imagine how some things could occur without them.

A dedicated group of women felt the need for a smaller worship center. The Elbert Jones Sunday School classroom was converted into a Prayer Chapel. This chapel provides an intimate space for meditation.

A headline in the May 14, 2008 issue of *The Clayton News-Star* read "Silenced church bell comes back to life. Mark Brunner happy to be Horne's new bell ringer." The bell is approximately 4 feet in diameter and weighs approximately 200 pounds. It was manufactured in Baltimore, Maryland. It bears the date, November 25, 1897, which is thought to be the date of dedication. This bell is the oldest in Clayton. It was rung regularly on Sundays for years but had not been used in the past 25 years. Mr. Brunner, a Horne member for 15 years, climbed to the bell tower and attached a new rope. Now he rings the bell on Sunday morning at 8 AM to call the people of God to worship and again at noon after the last service.

Comments from the congregation include: "It warms my heart to hear those tones reverberate throughout the town as it did when I was a child." "The bell was rung at the end of our wedding ceremony." "The mournful sound of the bell at the end of Sam's funeral expressed my sorrow more than words ever could."

Seventy Six

Martha Peele, wife of the late Stan Peele and a member for 58 years, shared memories of their years at Horne. The history committee decided to share excerpts from this letter:

"Stan and I came to Horne Memorial in 1949 as newlyweds, greeted by David Satterfield and to a church that was old Clayton. The Satterfields became our best friends. We were so blessed to meet so many older people that helped us grow in such a special way.

We knew we had found the right church with so much love. I cannot remember all by name. but I especially remember Mrs. Mildred Pope, Mr. and Mrs. Warren McCullers, Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Jones, and Mrs. Nell Holland, The first ministers I remember were Mr. W. C. Martin and then Mr. R. L. Hethcox. We grew to love all our ministers and their families. When older members asked vou to do something, vou never said no because they made you feel special and vou knew vou could do the job. That was old Clayton and now we have gotten larger and I think of it as new Clavton. Stan could fit into new Clavton just as he did old Clavton. Horne has always been special. Stan loved to tease, and the guys knew that on Sunday morning he was going to pull their ties out, and the young people knew they were going to be teased about girl or boy friends. He enjoyed fellowship of the Methodist Men and never minded getting up at four o'clock to help get started and deliver plates. He enjoyed the annual men's golf tournament. It was a good time for the guys to bond. Stan was special and was always willing to help and give without your knowing what he had done. I can think of only two things he hated having to do. One was begging members to meet the budget, but he did it. The other was opposing the view of a minister, whom he liked so much, about painting the inside of the sanctuary and the pews white. Small or large, Horne will always have special people and lots of good memories and be the most beautiful church around. That's Horne Memorial Methodist Church."

As we attempted to chronicle the life of Horne Memorial from 1959-2009, we worked with available church and newspaper records. It was not our intent to leave out any important information or members' contributions. We have given only glimpses of the last 50 years.

> The History Committee Bertha Crabtree, chairman Emily Bagley Bet Barber Jane Barnes John Barnes Rose Butler

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The Rev. Dr. Alan P. Swartz, Lead Pastor The Rev. Richard Hartman, Minister of Visitation & Nurture The Rev. Joyce Horn, Minister of Children's Programs Carlos Alvelo, Director of Student Ministries Diane Snyder, Director of Equipping Ministries Jo Anne Swartz, Director Contemporary Arts Elaine Coker, Director of Music Sarah Norris, Office Manager Melody Brown, Financial Secretary Carol Houston, Treasurer Terry McCarthy, Preschool

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Horne Memorial United Methodist Church Members

Adams	Bryan	03/26/1972	Banks	Katelyn	06/02/2002
Adams	Diana	12/22/1991	Banks	Patricia	04/21/1991
Adams	Flossie	04/13/1997	Barber	Bethany	05/19/2002
Adams	Jeffrey	11/23/1969	Barber	Craig	02/06/2000
Adams	Linda	12/22/1991	Barber	Bet	04/16/1972
Adams	Miriam	11/23/1969	Barber	Bob	04/16/1972
Adams	Robin	12/22/1991	Barber	Roger	02/27/2000
Alibrandi	Alesha	07/21/2002	Barber	Shannon	02/06/2000
Alibrandi	Alex	12/14/2003	Barbour	Catherine	09/16/1984
Alibrandi	Dana	12/14/2003	Barbour	Joe	10/10/1943
Allen	Roger	01/29/1995	Barbour	Mark	06/18/1961
Altman	Blair	12/14/2003	Barbour	Mary Alice	04/01/1956
Alvelo	Carlos	09/21/2008	Barbour	Sarah	04/18/1999
Alvelo	Traci	09/21/2008	Barger	Terry	10/27/1968
Amaon	Becky	10/03/1982	Barker	Donna	01/26/2003
Anderson	Debbie	06/20/1993	Barlow	Dennis	05/20/2001
Anderson	Elizabeth	06/20/1993	Barlow	Dylan	06/03/2001
Anderson	Elwyn	02/07/1982	Barlow	Melissa	05/20/2001
Anderson	Emily	12/14/2003	Barlow	Ryan	05/11/2008
Anderson	Erin	12/16/2001	Barlow	Ryan	05/11/2008
Anderson	Evan	05/20/2007	Barnes	Debbie	06/10/1990
Anderson	Lori	12/16/2001	Barnes	John	04/26/1959
Anderson	Russell	10/03/1982	Barnes	Jonathan	03/19/1989
Anderson	Rusty	12/16/2001	Barnes	Mary	04/22/1962
Anderson	Ruth	02/07/1982	Barnes	Jane	03/06/1960
Anderson	Ryan	04/08/1990	Barnes	Terry	06/10/1990
Anderson	Andy	06/20/1993	Barnes	Wade	05/21/2006
Anderson	Victoria	06/20/1993	Barnes	William	04/26/1959
Andolsen	Dan	11/18/1990	Barrett	Alyce	10/20/2002
Andolsen	Daniel	05/27/2007	Barrett	Paisley	10/13/2002
Andolsen		06/02/2002	Barrett	Sara	10/13/2002
Andolsen	Joseph Diane	11/18/1990	Barrett	Todd	10/13/2002
Andrews	Jerry		Barringer	Stephanie	11/10/1996
Andrews		04/13/1980	Barringer	Steve	11/10/1996
	Nancy	04/13/1980	Barrow	Allen	
Archer	Cindy	02/24/1991	Barrow	Patricia	02/10/2008
Archer	Erin	05/31/1998			02/10/2008
Archer	Jason	05/31/1998	Bass	Gene	11/17/1960
Atkins	William	03/16/2003	Beaman-Plummer	Llewellyn	04/07/1968
Atwell	Charles	08/27/2000	Bechtold	Alicia	05/29/2005
Atwell	Linda	08/27/2000	Bechtold	Christian	05/29/2005
Atwell	Shelly	08/27/2000	Bechtold	Jacob	05/29/2005
Ausborn	Mark	09/07/1997	Bechtold	Kaela	05/29/2005
Ausborn	Theo	06/07/1998	Bechtold	Richard	05/29/2005
Austin	Betty	11/14/2004	Bell	Betty	09/25/1960
Austin	Jesse	10/04/1981	Bell	Charles	03/22/1970
Austin	Lynn	10/04/1981	Bell	Genevieve	07/29/1934
Avate	Adam	12/16/2001	Bennett	Olivia	05/20/2001
Avate	Margaret	12/16/2001	Bennett	Pamela	05/20/2001
Avate	McKeithan	12/16/2001	Bennett	Tillman	06/03/2001
Avate	Rick	12/16/2001	Benoy	Chance	05/21/1995
Bagley	Dawn	05/21/1995	Benoy	David	11/13/1988
Bagley	Emily	05/12/1946	Benoy	Suzanne	11/13/1988
Bagley	Mike	03/22/1970	Benson	Alice	04/10/1955
Bagley	William	09/21/1958	Benson	Daniel	04/28/1991
Bailey	Mark	10/04/1987	Benson	Jimmy	04/28/1968
Banks	Courtney	05/21/2006	Bentley	Ashley	06/02/2002
Banks	Dana	05/21/2006	Bentley	Karen	05/27/2001
Banks	Jim	05/21/2006	Bernick	Jeanne	05/09/1999

Bernick	Scott	05/09/1999	Brasiel	Melanie	11/13/199
Bezner	Cindy	05/26/1996	Braswell	Chip	06/11/199
Bezner	Beth	03/17/1991	Braswell	Diane	06/11/199
Bezner	Gary	03/17/1991	Braswell	Lewis	02/23/200
Bezner	Kristi	03/17/1991	Bratton	Robert	05/21/200
Binkley	Cyndi	10/08/1995	Brewer	Mittie Sue	01/15/197
Binkley	Eric	10/08/1995	Brewer	Will	10/03/198
Binkley	Katherine	07/21/1996	Brewer	Bill	01/15/197
Binkley	Kenneth	10/08/1995	Broadwell	Jimmy	03/30/196
Binkley	Kyle	11/23/1997	Broadwell	Michael	03/22/197
Bishop	Donivan	04/28/1991	Broadwell	Sherie	02/25/196
Bishop	Don	06/02/1991	Brooks	Beth	11/13/199
Bishop	Jamie	06/02/1991	Brooks	Katherine	05/11/200
Black	Frank	03/09/2003	Brown	Chandler	05/21/200
Black	Susan	03/09/2003	Brown	Frankie	05/31/199
Blackmar	Craig	11/14/2004	Brown	Clay	05/31/199
Blackmar	Sarah	11/14/2004	Brown	James	05/31/199
Blackmar	Torrey	11/14/2004	Brown	Jordan	02/23/200
Blake	Bryan	09/29/1996	Brown	Melody	03/08/199
Blake	Jenny	09/29/1996	Brown	Tony	03/08/199
Blake	Joseph	04/18/1999	Brunner	Debbie	12/29/199
Blake	Samantha	09/29/1996	Brunner	Mark	12/29/199
Blount	Alex	05/09/1999	Brunner	Stephanie	03/29/199
Blount	Detria	05/31/1992	Bryant	Dale	06/16/199
Blount	Jenee'	05/09/1999	Bryant	J.D.	06/02/200
Boeh	Carolynn	06/02/2002	Bryant	Karen	03/17/199
Boeh	James	09/30/2001	Bryant	Rob	03/17/199
Boeh	Richard	09/30/2001	Bryant	Sharron	06/16/199
Boeh	Susan	09/30/2001	Bryant	Will	05/21/200
Bomar	Chervl	04/18/1993	Buchanan	Austin	05/27/200
Bomar	Ed	02/16/1992	Buchanan	Brian	11/14/199
Bomar	Mary	02/14/1993	Buchanan	Debbie	11/14/199
Booher	Lee	04/30/2006	Buchanan	Trevor	11/23/199
Boone	Perry	09/27/1987	Buck	Joe	11/10/199
Boumenot	Katherine	05/11/2008	Buck	Joseph	11/10/199
Boyette	Anna	08/30/1987	Buck	Meredith	11/10/199
Boyette	Bonnie	08/30/1987	Buck	Susan	11/10/199
Boyette	Glenn	08/30/1987	Bullard	Don	11/28/197
Boyette	Janice	08/11/2002	Bullard	Mary Jo	11/28/197
Boyette	Kimberly	08/30/1987	Bullard	Michael	11/28/197
Boyette	Robert	08/11/2002	Bullard	Nancy	11/28/197
Boykin	Kathleen	01/25/1998	Buol	Ashley	09/10/200
Boykin	Kelsey	05/15/2005	Buol	Greg	08/08/199
Boykin	Logan	05/11/2008	Buol	Mary	08/08/199
Boykin	Will	01/25/1998	Burgart	Julie	09/21/199
Brace	Gary	03/27/2005	Burton	LuAnn	05/15/200
Brace	JoAnn		Burton	Nathan	
Bradish	Duncan	03/27/2005 03/11/2001	Burton	Nicholas	05/15/200
Bradish	Penny	03/11/2001	Burton	Terry	
Bradish		03/11/2001			05/15/200
Bradish	Quinn Robert	03/11/2001	Butler Butler	Eugene Jon	06/22/198
Bradish	TJ	03/11/2001	Butler	Rose	06/22/198
					06/22/198
Bradley	Denise	04/26/1981	Bye	Preston	10/26/200
Brady	John	12/26/1999	Bye	Penni	10/14/200
Brady	Megan	05/23/1999	Bye	Philip	10/14/200
Brady	Michael	05/23/1999	Caldwell	Diana	09/30/199
Brady	Priscella	05/23/1999	Caldwell	Jim	09/30/199
Brannan	Marcelle	11/04/1956	Caldwell	Logan	03/29/199

Caldwell	Luke	04/25/1993
Canaday	Jeremy	04/25/1993
Canaday	Becky	04/30/1989
Cangemi	Christopher	05/21/2006
Cangemi	Deanna	05/21/2006
Carrothers	Kyle	??/??/2006
Carrothers	Mary	06/22/2008
Carrothers	Mike	06/22/2008
Carson	Sally	04/03/1994
Carter	Lynn	09/27/1987
Carter	Chris	06/15/1997
Carter	Deanna	06/15/1997
Carter	Drew	05/26/1996
Carter	Dylan	05/15/2005
Carter	Jerry	09/27/1987
Carter	Matt	04/28/1991
Carter	Ryan	06/02/2002
Cartledge	Bev	02/18/2001
Cartledge	Blake	02/18/2001
Cartledge	Jeff	02/18/2001
Caughman	Gene	02/11/1990
Caughman	Becky	02/11/1990
Caughman	Wyatt	05/31/1998
Caulder	Charlie	04/23/2000
Caulder	Chuck	12/15/1996
Caulder	Matthew	11/24/2002
Chambers	Ann	09/29/1991
Chambers	Davey	09/29/1991
Chambers	Jonathan	11/24/1991
Chambers	Stephanie	11/24/1991
Chandler	Xan	06/02/2002
Chandler	Gail	04/09/1995
Chandler	Jacob	12/14/2003
Chandler	Leah	07/14/1996
Chapman	Chuck	04/21/1991
Chapman	Elaine	04/21/1991
Chavez	Greg	10/14/2001
Chavez	Kelly	10/14/2001
Chavez	Landen	10/14/2001
Chavez	Riggs	10/14/2001
Chiesa	David	09/28/2008
Chiesa	Stephanie	09/28/2008
Clark	Patricia	04/26/1981
Clark	Richard	11/13/1988
Clark	Stuart	04/26/1981
Clark	Willie	11/13/1988
	Cherille	
Claxton Clayton	Jon	04/10/1955 10/23/2005
Clayton	Sarah	10/23/2005
Clements	Virginia	03/21/1948
Coker	Elaine	08/07/1988
Coker	Rebecca	04/23/2000
Coker	Steve	08/07/1988
Coker	Craig	05/21/2006
Cole	Sue	04/14/2002
Collins	Clive	06/11/1995
Collins	Marcia	06/21/1998
Collyer	Cassandra	09/29/1991

Collyer	Cindy	09/29/1991
Collyer	Michael	09/29/1991
Compton	Keith	03/24/1940
Condie	Chandler	09/12/2004
Condie	Gabriel	09/12/2004
Condie	Sean	09/12/2004
Condie	Tracy	09/12/2004
Conn	Jan	07/17/1994
Conn	Laura	07/25/2004
Corbett	Johnny	10/08/1995
Corbett	Lisa	10/08/1995
Cox	Geneva	10/04/1981
Cox	Jimmy	10/04/1981
Cox	Jonathan	05/31/1998
Crabtree	Alex	04/24/1994
Crabtree	Bertha	06/02/1968
Crabtree	Mark	03/26/1972
Crabtree	Lauren	01/27/1991
Crabtree	Ralph	06/02/1968
Crandall	Rebecca	04/25/2004
Crandall	Sabrina	04/25/2004
Crandall	Scott	04/25/2004
Creech	Drake	05/21/2006
Creech	Derick	04/18/1993
Creech	Susan	04/04/1971
Crone	Bob	12/27/1970
Culpepper	James	03/21/2004
Culpepper	Laura	05/27/2007
Culpepper	Linda	03/21/2004
Culpepper	Philip	03/21/2004
Culpepper	Thomas	03/21/2004
Cutler	Caroline	04/27/2003
Cutler	Jack	04/27/2003
Cutler	Kelly	04/27/2003
Cyzrnik	Ann	11/19/1995
Cyzrnik	Greg	11/19/1995
Cyzrnik	Michael	11/19/1995
D'Angelo	Ariele	12/09/2001
D'Angelo	Charles	12/09/2001
D'Angelo	Meredith	06/09/2002
Dalstad	Caroline	12/31/1995
Dalstad	Connor	08/09/1998
Dalstad	Karl	07/17/1994
Dalstad	Patty	07/17/1994
Daly	Dan	10/04/1981
Daly	Marianna	10/04/1981
Daniel	Lawrence	06/16/2002
Daniels	Griffin	11/11/2001
Daniels	Kay	11/11/2001
Daniels	Ralph	11/11/2001
Daughtry	Billy	04/22/1979
Daughtry	Billy	04/22/1979
Daughtry	Margaret	04/22/1979
Davis	Andy	10/08/1995
Davis	Darlene	08/02/1992
Davis	Jim	08/02/1992
Davis	Jimmy	06/15/1980
Davis	Katherine	05/19/1996

Davis	Lisa	09/01/1986	Eckelkamp	Roberta	10/13/199
Davis	Nancy	10/08/1995	Edge	Chris	02/25/200
Davis	Steve	04/04/1982	Edge	David	06/16/200
DeBlaker	Bryan	06/02/2002	Edge	Heather	02/25/200
DeBlaker	Daniel	08/19/2001	Edge	Madeline	03/13/200
DeBlaker	Karl	08/19/2001	Edge	Michael	03/13/200
DeBlaker	Lori	08/19/2001	Edgerton	Adam	05/31/199
leGrasse	Theresa	11/11/2007	Edgerton	Kirk	05/25/199
Denton	Elizabeth	04/25/1983	Edgerton	Linda	05/25/199
Devaney	Carol	10/01/1978	Edwards	Adrienne	09/30/199
Devaney	Don	11/08/1981	Edwards	Jessica	02/23/199
DeVaul	Jennifer	03/21/1999	Edwards	Phil	02/23/199
DeVaul	Michael	11/24/2002	Ellis	Kristie	06/06/199
DeVaul	Nicole	04/18/1999	Ellis	Robert	06/06/199
DeVaul	Tim	03/21/1999	Ellison	Alison	05/15/199
Dew	Amanda	06/02/2001	Epps	Lindsey	05/15/200
Dew	Beverly	05/21/2006	Epps	Melissa	04/05/199
Dew	Jerry	05/21/2006	Epps	Michael	09/12/198
Disney	Cary	05/04/1997	Epps	Ruth	12/31/198
Disney	Jaynie	06/02/2002	Esbrandt	Christopher	05/18/199
Disney	Jessica	05/04/1997	Esbrandt	Paul	05/26/199
Disney	Michelle	05/04/1997	Esbrandt	Paul	09/13/199
Dodd	Chris	01/16/1964	Esbrandt	Karen	09/13/199
Dodd	Patricia	01/07/1962	Etheridge	Courtney	05/15/200
Dolan	Anita	10/27/2002	Etheridge	Hunter	05/27/200
Dominguez	Katelyne	05/12/1996	Etheridge	Rick	04/27/199
Dowdle	Chris	11/23/1997	Etheridge	Ryan	05/27/200
Dowdle	Carter	02/18/2001	Etheridge	Wendy	04/27/199
Dowdle	Kaitlin	11/23/1997	Evans	Douglas	11/20/200
Dowdle	Kim	11/23/1997	Evans	Foster	03/30/200
Downum	Alice	03/02/1997	Evans	Jennifer	04/02/200
Downum	Eric	03/02/1997	Evans	Jill	11/20/200
Downum	Lauren	10/10/2004	Evans	Vance	04/02/200
Downum	Lisa	03/02/1997	Everidge	Jenna	04/18/199
Downum	Paul	03/02/1997	Everidge	Kenneth	04/18/199
Doyle	Katherine	08/08/2004	Everidge	Michelle	04/18/199
Doyle	Michael	10/08/2000	Fako	Jane	01/28/200
Doyle	Ross	10/15/2000	Fako	Jeff	01/28/200
Doyle	Susan	10/08/2000	Fako	Katie	01/28/200
Draughon	Andrew	05/18/1997	Fako	Sara	10/17/200
Draughon	Christopher	04/18/1999	Fako	Zackery	09/21/200
Draughon	Cindy	05/12/1996	Farrell	Greg	09/04/199
Draughon	Michael	05/12/1996	Farrell	Marsha	09/04/199
Draughon	Randy	05/12/1996	Fellows	Carrie	04/26/199
Draughon	Stephen	05/12/1996	Fellows	Theron	06/18/199
Dray	Cindy	11/12/1995	Fentress	Austin	05/21/200
Dray	Seth	02/23/2003	Fentress	Scott	05/21/200
Dray	Dean	11/12/1995	Fernald	Benjamin	08/18/199
Drav	Bradley	06/03/2001	Fernald	Kenneth	12/04/198
Driver	Daryl	12/02/1990	Fernald	Kyle	12/04/198
Driver	Lois	03/26/1972	Fernald	Lynda	12/04/198
Driver	Robin	12/02/1990	Ferrell	Jimmy	11/17/190
Duncan	Betty	09/14/1982	Ferrell	Janet	09/11/19:
Easton	Courtney	04/08/1990	Ferrell	Rodney	04/15/19
	Amanda	05/31/1998	Ford	Adam	05/18/199
eckelkamn	Amanda				
	lim	10/13/1006	Ford	Cunthia	11/22/10/
Eckelkamp Eckelkamp Eckelkamp	Jim Kara	10/13/1996 10/13/1996	Ford Ford	Cynthia Graham	11/23/196

Ford	Maria	06/02/2002	Harrell	Kim	12/09/2001
Fortney	David	10/04/1987	Harrell	Lynne	11/11/2001
Foushee	Billie	02/03/1980	Harrell, Jr.	Stephen	12/09/2001
Foushee	John	02/03/1980	Harrington	Jonathan	05/11/2008
Fowler	Drew	05/18/1997	Harrington	Kim	02/10/2008
Fowler	Cameron	04/25/1999	Harrington	Steve	02/10/2008
Fowler	Gary	11/25/1984	Harrison	Debra	01/23/1994
Fowler	Sue	11/25/1984	Harrison	Gary	03/22/1970
Fox	Chelsea	10/10/1999	Harrison	Nat	04/09/1995
Fox	Christy	10/10/1999	Hartley	Daniel	10/22/2000
Fox	Joshua	10/10/1999	Hartley	Jessica	12/13/1998
Fox	Ronald	10/10/1999	Hartley	Natalie	07/14/1996
Fulford	Robert	06/23/1991	Hartley	Robert	07/14/1996
Fuller	Bernard	09/18/1988	Hartman	Eileen	02/10/2008
Fuller	Kelly	06/22/1983	Hartmann	Mary	04/21/1996
Fuller	Lydia	01/10/1993	Hartmann	Richard	04/21/1996
Fuller	Susie	09/18/1988	Harvell	Bruce	05/27/1962
Gaskins	Claire	10/28/2001	Hasick	Allie	04/17/2005
Gaskins	Daryl	10/28/2001	Hasick	Amy	02/11/2001
Gaskins	Lillie	10/28/2001	Hasick	Jeff	02/11/2001
Gaskins	Maggie	02/20/2005	Hasick	Taylor	02/11/2001
Geiger	Karen	04/10/1988	Hauber	Cindy	10/03/1982
Geiger	Katrina	06/03/2001	Hawkins	Chris	05/21/1989
Germann	David	05/21/2006	Hawley	Candace	12/14/2003
Germann	Geoffrey	03/12/2006	Hawley	Mallory	06/03/2001
Germann	Mark	05/21/2006	Hayes	Andrew	04/25/1993
Germann	Sandra	03/12/2006	Hayes	Anna	05/18/1997
Gordon	Margaret	04/21/1963	Hayes	Judy	06/09/1985
Gore	Anna	05/21/2000	Hayes	Mike	06/09/1985
Gore	Jerry	05/21/2000	Hayes	William	04/25/1993
Gore	Pam	05/21/2000	Hein	Michelle	03/27/2005
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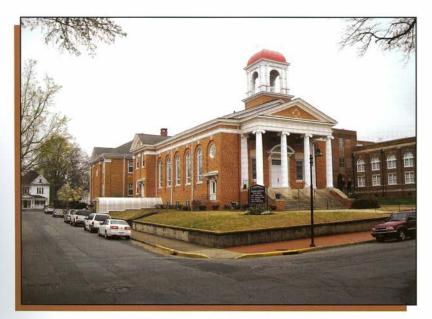
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Strickland	Dean	05/10/1987
Strickland	Jacob	05/15/2005
Strickland	Kathy	05/10/1987
Strickland	Maggie	04/18/1999
Strickland	Reagan	06/02/2002
Strickland	Stephen	03/26/1972
Strom	Patrick	09/27/1998
Stubbs	Robbie	06/04/2006
Stuckey	David	10/09/2005
Stuckey	Emily	10/09/2005
Stuckey	Kathleen	10/09/2005
Stuckey	Turner	03/25/2007
Supcoe	Caitlyn	10/09/1988
Supcoe	George	10/09/1988
Supcoe	Iris Lynn	10/09/1988
Supcoe	Olivia	05/15/2005
Sutton	Gwen	03/05/2006
Sutton	Mark	03/05/2006
Swain	Ulla	04/10/1988
Tarkenton	Mark	09/14/1997
Tarkenton	Melissa	09/14/1997
Tart	Bob	06/11/1995
Tart	Wendi	06/11/1995
Taylor	Glenn	03/15/1998
Taylor	Kay	03/15/1998
Taylor	Leslie	04/23/2000
Taylor	Matthew	11/24/2002
Tew	Barbara	02/26/2006
Thomas	Amelia	12/16/2001
Thomas	Dava	09/20/1992
Thomas	Gina	01/31/1999
Thomas	Haley	05/11/2008
Thomas	John	01/31/1999
Thompson	Andy	08/13/1995
Thompson	Jason	08/13/1995
Thompson	Laura	06/11/1995
Thompson	Leandra	06/11/1995
Thompson	Scott	06/11/1995
Thompson	Leslie	11/25/1979
Thompson	Logan	06/11/1995
Thompson	Marsha	08/13/1995
Thompson	Peobble	11/25/1979
Tice	Derek	10/19/1986
Tice	Larry	10/19/1986
Tice	Robert	10/19/1986
Tilley	Christian	05/27/2007
Tilley	Marshall	02/23/2003
Tilley	Jay	02/23/2003
Tilley	Julia	05/21/2006
Tilley	Marilee	04/24/1994
Tormey	Carmen	04/24/1994 05/11/2008
Tormey	Mary Ann	12/10/2006
Tormey	Mary Ann	12/10/2006

Tormey	Patrick	12/10/2006
Tormey	Virginia	05/11/2008
Toscano	Emily	11/24/2002
Toscano	Vincent	04/23/2000
Touchton	Jake	04/26/1998
Touchton	Karen	03/30/1997
Touchton	Paul	03/30/1997
Turner	Gail	12/16/1984
Turner	Janice	09/19/1949
Tyler	Christopher	09/11/2005
Tyler	Nicholas	09/11/2005
Tyler	Pam	09/11/2005
Tyler	Peyton	09/11/2005
Uebelgunne	Mary	05/16/1999
Usrey	Amy	05/31/1998
Usrey	Tom	05/31/1998
Usrey	Miles	05/31/1998
Vail	Jennifer	11/11/2001
Vassallo	Allison	10/04/1992
Vassallo	Corey	06/28/1998
Vassallo	Julianne	06/28/1998
Verrinder	David	06/13/2004
Verrinder	Sue	11/12/2000
Verrinder	Virginia	09/24/2006
Vick	Austin	05/21/2006
Vinson	Polly	04/04/1949
Vinson	Trudy	04/22/1962
Wagner	Anna	11/28/2004
Wagner	Brian	11/28/2004
Wagner	Mark	01/23/2005
Wagner	Mary	11/28/2004
Wakefield	Carter	05/27/2007
Wall	David	02/28/1993
Wall	Denise	02/28/1993
Wall	Ronnie	03/26/1972
Wall	Timothy	12/02/1990
Ward	Ellie	06/03/1979
Warren	Elisabeth	02/23/2003
Warren	Matthew	05/31/1998
Warren	Grant	04/29/1984
Warren	Randi	04/29/1984
Watson	Barbara	07/09/1961
Watts	Gladys	04/21/1991
Weaver	Bethany	03/23/2008
Wells	Aaron	08/25/2002
Wells	Michael	10/26/2003
Wells	Rachel	10/26/2003
Welty	Valerie	10/03/1982
Wesolosky	Diana	05/25/2003
West	Haley	12/10/2000
West	Christi	12/10/2000
West	Michael	12/10/2000
Whaley	Robin	07/25/2004
Whaley	Roy	07/25/2004
White	Christy	05/26/1996
Whitley	Linda	03/03/1996
Whitley	William	03/03/19/4
Williams	Wayne	10/08/2000
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Williams	Kaitlyn	10/08/2000
Williams	Kimberly	10/08/2000
Williams	Michelle	09/14/1997
Williams	Racquel	02/08/1998
Willis	Curt	08/31/2008
Willis	Sabrina	08/31/2008
Willoughby	David	08/24/2008
Willoughby	Jennifer	08/24/2008
Wise	Daniel	09/21/2008
Wise	Dennis	09/21/2008
Wise	Kathy	09/21/2008
Wood	Gabriel	05/23/1999
Wood	Julia	05/21/1995
Wood	Lisa	04/04/1971
Wood	Luke	11/13/1994
Wood	Rachel	05/27/2007
Wood	Becky	11/13/1994
Wood	Sara Beth	05/31/1998
Wood	Sarah	09/23/1990
Wood	Thomas	03/14/1993
Wood	Chip	09/23/1990
Wood	William	06/03/2001
Woodall	Helen	05/03/1964
Woodall	Joan	03/31/1974
Woodruff	Sandy	11/30/1997
Worrell	Carol	12/03/1989
Worrell	Jeremy	08/31/1997
Worrell	Phillip	05/15/2005
Worrell	Scott	12/03/1989
Wyatt	Season	04/26/1998
Young	Gill	04/14/2002
Young	Marion	04/14/2002
Young	Robert	04/14/2002
Young	Whitt	06/02/2002
Zimmerman	Ashley	10/17/1999
Zimmerman	Tina	11/09/1997
Zimmerman	Nicole	11/09/1997
Zimmerman	Jay	11/09/1997
Zulinke	Katlyn	05/21/2006
Zulinke	Susan	04/23/2006



One of our former pastors, Rufus Stark wrote:

"Unfortunately, the history of a congregation is usually told in terms of the building in which they meet. The real history is seen in terms of the lives of the people that make up the congregation. How the people of God live out their lives in this world is the real story. The real history of Horne Memorial is woven into the life of the community through the lives of the people of God — and this is as it should be."

