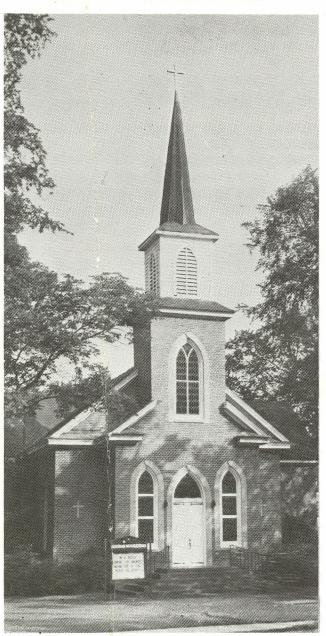
## **RICH SQUARE**



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rich Square, N. C. Wade Hawkins Pastor

## ITEMS OF INTEREST IN THE HISTORY OF THE RICH SQUARE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:

Dec. 4th 1895 Deed recorded to the following Trustees, Dr. Mayland Colton, Andrew J. Conner, John H. Baugham, John W. Buxton and Laurence Boone.

Feb. 6th 1896. At a meeting of Trustee's Mr. James H. Baugham was selected to build the Rich Square Methodist Church.

March 19th 1896. Work was started on the church building.

Aug. 16th 1896 Sunday School was held in the building.

Nov. 1896. North Carolina Conference created the Rich Square Circuit, with the following churches; Rich Square, Lewiston, Woodland, and Pinners. Rev. J. R. Sauyer was appointed as its first pastor.

1902 - work was started on a parsonage in Rich Square, this was completed about Dec. 1902. Rev. J. T. Stanford was pastor.

June 1917 - Sunday School rooms were added to church.

1933 - 35 - Church was brick veneered on the outside and remodeled inside. Rev. W. T. Phipps was pastor.

1946 - 49 - Steeple rebuilt, Chimes added, heating plant installed, the Wurlitzer organ dedicated Aug. 28th 1949. Rev. N. W. Grant pastor.

1954 - 58 - Educational building with 6 class rooms and central assembly room, Heating plant for new building, kitchen and rest rooms added, memorial windows placed in sanctuary, air-condition, the following memorials were given: Altar, Altar Brass, Lectern, and Pulpit. Dedication Oct. 1956. Rev. R. W. Pritchard, Pastor.

1958 - 59 - Front of church remodeled, brick steps, etc. Rev. C. W. Wooten, pastor. 1963 - A new parsonage was built on lot given by Glenn and Margaret Baugham on Bryantown Road and the old parsonage sold. Rev. O. S. Williams, pastor.

Parsonage dedicated Feb. 22, 1970 by Bishop William R. Cannon. Rev. G. F. Blanchard, pastor.

1970 paraments and altar given as memorial in memory of Barbara Brown, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Brown. Lectern and Bible given as memorial in memory of Mrs. J. B. Bolton.

THE FOLLOWING MINISTER'S SERVED THE RICH SQUARE CHURCH FROM 1896 to 1970

| Rev. | . J. R.          | Sawyer     | 1896 - 1899 |  |
|------|------------------|------------|-------------|--|
| Rev. | J. I.            | Ervin      | 1899 - 1901 |  |
| Rev. | . W. F.          | Jones      | 1901 - 1902 |  |
| Rev. | J. T.            | Stanford   | 1902 - 1904 |  |
| Rev. | B. C.            | Thompson   | 1904 - 1907 |  |
| Rev. | . W. F.          | Craven     | 1907 - 1909 |  |
| Rev. | D. L.            | Earnhardt  | 1909 - 1913 |  |
| Rev. | W. C.            | Merritt    | 1913 - 1916 |  |
| Rev. | J. E.            | Holden     | 1916 - 1919 |  |
| Rev. | H. M.            | Eure       | 1919 - 1923 |  |
|      |                  | Bradley V  | 1923 - 1926 |  |
|      | D. A.            |            | 1926 - 1929 |  |
|      |                  | Fitzgerald | 1929 - 1932 | Lucy Hollowell   |
| Rev. | W. T.            | Phipps     | 1932 - 1935 | Hictory  |
|      |                  | Crawford   | 1935 - 1939 | (411.00)   |
|      | 100 000 370 1070 | Newton     | 1939 - 1945 |  |
|      | N. W.            |            | 1945 - 1949 | 1 / / // // // //  |
|      |                  | Surrett    | 1949 - 1851 | Lucy (7010000.   |
|      |                  | Chaffin    | 1951 - 1953 | - Constitution of the Cons |
| 1000 |                  | Pritchard  | 1953 - 1958 |  |
| 707  | 100              | Wooten     | 1958 - 1959 |  |
|      | Vance            |            | 1959 - 1962 |  |
|      |                  | Williams   | 1962 - 1969 |  |
| Rev. | G. F.            | Blanchard  | 1969 -      |  |
|      |                  |            |             |  |