

Winstead
United Methodist
Church
HISTORY
1948-1993



THE BEGINNING

1407 S. Tarboro Street
Wilson, N.C. 27893

'T WAS VERY LATE,
IN THE YEAR OF '48
THAT WINSTEAD CHURCH
BEGAN TO ORIGINATE.

GOD LED US TO THIS, HIS HOUSE,

THAT WE MAY WORK AND
SERVE AND PRAY,

TO GIVE TO HIM WHAT HE
WANTS THE MOST,

A PLACE IN OUR HEARTS
TO STAY.

R. A. W.

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REV. W. NORMAN VAUGHAN
1949-1950

REV. LAWRENCE A GREENE
1950-1952

REV. CHARLES W. WOOTEN
1952-1954

REV. WALLACE M. ELLIS
1954-1956

REV. ERNEST E. EDMOND
1956-1957

REV. AMOS HENRY STONE
1957-1962

REV. ARNOLD POPE
1962-1966

REV. GRADY LEE KINLEY
1966-1968

REV. JOHN D. AYCOCK
1968-1973

REV. ROBERT W. MORGAN
1974-1979

REV. JESSE V. BONE
1979-1983

REV. JEAN L. HOOD
1983-1988

REV. WILLIAM RICKMAN PINNER
1988-1991

REV. JAMES L. SUMMEY
1991

WINSTEAD CHURCH HISTORY

At the Annual Conference of the Methodist Church held in Greenville, North Carolina in November 1948, Rev. Norman Vaughan was assigned to the Evansdale Church with an added appropriation for the purpose of organizing another Methodist Church in Wilson, North Carolina. This was a special project of the Advance for Christ Movement of the North Carolina Conference and had been under consideration for some time.

Early in July 1949, while visiting persons interested in a new Methodist Church in Wilson, Miss Clee Winstead was contacted. She seemed delighted with the idea and expressed the desire to donate the land. The particular site was a lot 150 feet by 373 feet in a pine thicket located on South Tarboro Street Extension just outside the city limits on Highway #42.

On July 21, 1949 a group of ten interested persons met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Baker for a prayer service. It was this meeting that Miss Zell Winstead gave fifty dollars which was used to purchase twenty-five Cokesbury Worship Hymnals and other incidentals.

These cottage prayer services continued and as the weeks passed more persons became interested in the project. It was at the seventh meeting, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rosser, that plans were made to clear the lot for a building.

On September 10, 1949 twenty-three persons gathered on the lot and began to clear the underbrush. About one fourth of the work was completed on that date.

At the Fourth Quarterly Conference at Evansdale, on September 27, 1949, the trustees of the Evansdale Charge were authorized to accept the land for a church which was called South Tarboro Street Church until it could be organized and named. The Conference also authorized them to proceed with the erection of a church building. A building committee consisting of J. H. Ross-er, chairman, T. A. Gray and Clint Farris was elected.

The District Committee on Church Location and Buildings met on October 1, 1949 and approved the location.

On October 2, 1949 Matthew I. Boykin was given the contract for the first unit which consisted of a building 16 feet by 48 feet which was to be used for both Church School and worship services until a sanctuary could be built. The building was equipped with folding doors which divided it into three rooms of equal size for use by the Church School.

It was through the generosity of prospective members and many friends that it was possible to complete and furnish this building which was free of debt when the first service was held on November 20, 1949 with Reverend Norman Vaughan, pastor and organizer, presiding. The piano was donated by Miss Zell Winstead. The venetian blinds were a gift of the Annie Bishop Class of the First Methodist Church.

On December 11, 1949, a meeting was held for the purpose of organizing the church. Eleven charter members had

transferred their letters. These were: Miss Clee Winstead, Miss Zell Winstead, Miss Fannie Perry, Mrs. Elizabeth Underwood Morgan, Thomas H. Sanford, Sr., Mrs. Blanche Greene Sanford, D. A. Baker, Mrs. Mary Bass Baker, John H. Rosser, Mrs. Berta Lamm Rosser, and Ernest Stith.

The Official Board consisted of the following:

Stewards.....John H. Rosser
Thomas H. Sanford, Sr.
Mrs. D. A. Baker
Miss Clee Winstead
Trustees.....Miss Fannie Perry
Miss Zell Winstead
D. A. Baker
Lay Leader.....John H. Rosser
Treasurer.....Thomas H. Sanford, Sr.

Thomas H. Sanford was elected superintendent of the first Church School. He was assisted by the following teachers:

Adult.....Miss Fannie Perry
Youth.....Mrs. John H. Rosser
Mrs. W. N. Vaughan
Children.....Mrs. Thomas H. Sanford, Sr.

It was at this organizational meeting on December 11, 1949 that the church was named Winstead Methodist Church in honor of Miss Zell and Miss Clee Winstead.

Shortly after the church was organized eight members were added. These were: Earl J. McFarlane, Mrs. Nellie Butler McFarlane, George C. Winbon, Mrs. Bruce Edwards Winbon, J. Clifton Cale, Mrs. Marjorie Powell Cale, Brenda Cale and Linda Cale. This made a total of nineteen members.

The women of the church met with the pastor at the home of Misses Clee and Zell Winstead on Tuesday, January 10, 1950 for the purpose of organizing the Woman's Society of Christian Service. The following officers were elected:

President.....Mrs. Earl McFarlane
Vice President.....Mrs. Thomas H. Sanford, Sr.
Secretary.....Mrs. Z.V. Morgan
Treasurer.....Mrs. John H. Rosser
Secretary of Spiritual Life..

Miss Clee Winstead
Secretary of Promotion.Miss Fannie Perry

Under this competent leadership the Society was very active in the work of the church. It has continued to grow. The following persons have served as president: Mrs. Clifton Cale, Mrs. Carl Finch, Mrs. Fred Hight, Mrs. Thomas H. Sanford, Sr., Mrs. Murphy Norris, and Mrs. Hubert Amerson.

Miss Clee Winstead was the director of the first Vacation Bible School which was held the last week of June 1950 with an enrollment of twenty-seven children and eight adult workers. The offerings taken during the week were used to purchase a Bible for the pulpit.

On July 30, 1950 a Communion Service Dedication was held. The Communion Service was presented by the Wesleyan Service Guild of the First Methodist Church.

During the fall of 1950 the first revival was held with Reverend Daniel Boone doing the preaching. Some of the other ministers who have conducted revival

services are: Reverend John Maides, Reverend Ben Musser, Reverend Bill Meacham, Reverend Malloy Owen, and Reverend Tom Collins.

At the Annual Conference in November 1950 Winstead Methodist Church was taken into the North Carolina Conference as part of the Evansdale-Winstead Charge and Reverend Lawrence A. Greene became pastor. Under his leadership the Church School attendance and church membership made satisfactory progress. It was evident that more room would soon be needed, therefore a Building Fund was started in the hope that it would grow sufficiently for the sanctuary to become a reality.

On June 20, 1951 Mrs. Lawrence A. Greene and Mrs. John H. Rosser organized a Methodist Youth Fellowship. Miss Dorothy Barnes became its first president. The young people, though few in number, were very active. During the first year, through various projects, they contributed \$191.50 to the Building Fund and bought Sunday School and Hymn Boards for the church. The following persons have served as president of the Youth Fellowship: Miss Edna Stancil, Miss Billie Ann Whitley, Miss Jean Stith, Glenn Best, and Miss Brenda Cale.

At the Annual Conference in November, 1952 Reverend Lawrence Greene, the pastor, left the ministry due to his health and the Reverend Charles W. Wooten came to the Evansdale-Winstead Charge. During his two years of service, both the membership and Church School made steady progress.

On June 27, 1954, Winstead Methodist Church was dedicated. Bishop Paul N. Garber of Richmond, Virginia was guest speaker and presided over the Act of Dedication. The pastor, Reverend Charles Wooten, presided over the service with Reverend J.F. Herbert, district superintendent, and Reverend Robert Bradshaw, pastor of First Methodist Church of Wilson, N. C. participating. The dedication was preceded by a fellowship supper in the educational building of the church.

At the Annual Conference in October 1954 Winstead Church became a station and Reverend Wallace M. Ellis became its first full-time pastor. At this time the trustees purchased a house at 1215 Thurston Drive, Wilson, North Carolina at a cost of twelve thousand, five hundred dollars to be used as a parsonage.

Miss Zell Winstead, oldest member of the church, passed away May 12, 1953. Following Miss Clee Winstead's death on January 11, 1956, Mr. Bodie Ward and Mrs. Elizabeth G. Swindell started a memorial fund in their honor. This fund was used to erect a steeple which was dedicated June 17, 1956. It is constructed of stainless steel.

The trustees have recently purchased two additional acres of land adjoining the church property. Plans are now being made to construct an addition to the educational building, consisting of seven classrooms and church offices with approximately 2800 square feet of floor space.

At the Annual Conference in June, 1956, Reverend Ernest E. Edmond was appointed to the Winstead Methodist Church by Bishop Paul Garber. He was transferred from the New York Conference where he had served for thirty-two years.

The members of the Official Board for 1956-57 are:

Chairman.....Carl Finch
Stewards.....Jesse Horne, Clifton Cale
W. G. Causey, Carl Finch, Hubert Best
Trustees.....James B. Fretz-1957
Hubert Amerson-1958
Arthur Winstead-1959
Lay Leader.....John H. Rosser
Treasurer.....Hubert Amerson
Church School Superintendent....
Thomas H. Sanford, Sr.
Comm. on Education...Mrs. John H. Rosser
Comm. on Missions....Mrs. Earl McFarlane
Comm. on Membership and Evangelism...
William F. Webster
Comm. on Finance.....Earl McFarlane
Pres. Woman's Soc. of Christ Serv....
Mrs. Hubert Amerson
Pres. Methodist Fellowship.....
Miss Brenda Cale
Recording Steward....Mrs. John H. Rosser
Pastor.....Rev. E. E. Edmond

Mrs. John H. Rosser, Chairman
Mrs. Thomas H. Sanford, Sr.
Mrs. Carl L. Finch

A bell for our church steeple was donated by Mr. James Durham, Sr. Spotlights on the front of our church were donated and installed by Mr. Opie Ellen. These were two added features for the enjoyment of all the people in this area.

At Conference in 1957 Rev. Amos Stone was assigned to Winstead. Also in 1957, the new parsonage had been furnished and paid for in full. A new Education Building was the next project. With about half the funds needed on hand, our goal was to have this paid for in five years. With the help of John Rosser and his building committee, the building was completed in the fall of 1959. With seven new classrooms added, Rev. Stone and the Committee on Education enlisted more teachers to attend training sessions in Sub-District Christian workers School.

In the spring of 1962, with some remodeling, a pastor's study was finished for Rev. Stone's personal use.

June 1962 Rev. Arnold Pope became our pastor. During his four years, we bought our first organ and we were fortunate that one of our members, Mrs. Jack (Dorothy) Boykin could play it for us.

We felt at this time with Wilson Memorial Hospital and Parkwood mall coming to this area that our church should grow in all departments. 1964 reports show an increase of 58 new members to add to a roll of 291. In August our first news letter, The Winstead Wellspring, was started.

Rev. Grady Kinley became our pastor in 1966. All departments were progressing satisfactorily. We now have four groups in our Scout program - Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, Brownies and Girl Scouts.

In 1968 the Methodist Churches and several other denominations joined together and formed the United Methodist Church and therefore caused Winstead Methodist Church to change their name to the Winstead United Methodist Church.

In 1968, Rev. John D. Aycock became our pastor. The women were busy earning and collecting pledges from our church members to get our sanctuary newly painted and the men were working on the parking lot. Homecoming was held the last Sunday in October with Rev. W. L. Winstead as speaker.

In March 1970 we had a very inspiring Lay Witness Mission. In December 1970 we had our first Chrismon Tree under the leadership of Millard and Catherine Lamm and Fred and Sonda Hight, directors of the M.Y.F. Mr. and Mrs. K.W. O'Geary, Jr., of First United Methodist Church helped this project to get started, also the Women's Society and Methodist Men provided financial aid and the tree.

In September 1971 steps were taken to get approval to buy a larger parsonage. April 30, 1972 open house was held at our new parsonage, 1005 Ensworth Road, Wilson.

Westview Christian Church and Winstead United Methodist Churches combined some of their activities to try to strengthen their programs; such as, Vacation Bible School at Winstead and Maundy Thursday Services at Westview.

June 1972, Rev. R.W. (Bob) Morgan became our pastor. One of the first things he did was to make plans for our first Pictorial Church Directory.

October 28th was the date of our Homecoming, 175 people were present for worship service with 150 attending the afternoon singing.

Jones Cooling and Heating was given a contract of \$1,775.00 (known as the Boiler Fund). Weather permitting, completion date was set for March 21, 1975.

This year 1975 proved to be a busy one; March 23-27 Holy Week Service, October 19-22 Preaching Mission with Rev. Charles Sparks, Methodist Men's "Pig Pickin", November 4 Workshop on Alcoholism, December 24, Candlelight Service, December 31 at 11:30 Watchnight Service.

Another busy year was 1976; February UMYF had a starve-in, during the month of February, Winstead Church was in charge of Hospital Devotionals at 9:30 A.M., Summer of '76 watermelon cutting and wiener roast for all the church families, September 5 Winstead United Methodist Church services were broadcast on Radio WVOT at 11:00 A.M., Christmas Eve Candlelight Service and December 31 Watchnight Service.

Plans are underway for a Lay Witness Mission in February 1977. April 7, Maundy Thursday Communion Service with city wide services for Good Friday and Sunrise Service to follow. The summer was filled with Vacation Bible School, family picnics, etc., to be enjoyed by all. October 2 we observed World Communion Service. December is busy with Chrismon Tree, making wreaths for the church, items for the shut-ins, church wide Christmas party, Candlelight Service and Watchnight Service.

January 26, 1978 there was a covered dish supper for all church school people - teachers, workers and superintendents in the Fellowship Hall.

October 13-15 special services was held with the Rev. Bobby Tyson, Conference Evangelist, as our preacher.

June 1979 brings our new pastor, Rev. Jesse V. Bone. A church wide picnic is planned to help our members and the new pastor and his family become better acquainted. Mr. Bone spends a lot of time visiting our shut-ins at home, in the hospital, rest homes and nursing homes. Mr. Bone initiated an early church service for the deaf. The events of our church are being taken care of and all departments seem to be progressing. In 1979 our second Pictorial Church Directory was printed.

Rev. Jean L. Hood was assigned to our church in 1983. The United Methodist Women with lots of help from the United Methodist Men and other church members have made many improvements at the parsonage, the church has bought a new copier and the men have made an office for the church secretary. In 1984 plans are underway for a much needed larger sanctuary. Rev. Hood was on the Board of the Children's Home in Raleigh which was to be dismantled. He helped us to be able to acquire the inside structure of the sanctuary for us to use in our new sanctuary. It was moved and stored in Wilson until our building was ready. A Building Fund had been started and on December 31, 1985 total available funds was \$143,472.24

The business and membership of the church grew, a total of 29 new members were received in 1985.

With the end of 1985, all bills have been paid in full with a balance on hand of \$2,049.32. In January 1986 with fifty-seven (57) members present the Administrative Board met and started talking of plans to finance our building program, bond issue versus bank loan. It was voted to pursue the Bond Issue and Rev. Hood scheduled a Charge Conference to approve the Bond issue and to elect a Bond Committee. The Trustees recommended to sell the furniture in the old sanctuary at a 40% to 60% replacement cost which has been set at \$13,400. The Organ Committee recommended the Allen Computer Organ No. 3100 at a price of \$19,465 plus tax. It was voted to include the organ payment in the bond issue. Jean Griffin, Choir Director, asked permission at this time to purchase new choir robes at no cost to the church. This was approved. The total church budget for 1986 was \$66,000.41.

March 1986, Rev. Hood announced the organ had been paid for as a "Memorial".

The interest in the church in all departments was high and everyone was busy. A revival was held September 28-October 1 with Rev. Harold Leatherman from Rockingham preaching. Rev. Arthur Winstead was to be invited as speaker at Homecoming in October.

Rev. Hood presented the following schedule for activities. When moving into our new sanctuary; First Sunday, Consecration Sunday, Second Sunday, Membership and Confirmation, Third Sunday, Dedication of Memorials. Dedication of the organ will be held with David Curt of Allen Organs presenting an organ concert.

At the Administrative Board meeting in May 1986, Rev. Hood announced May 25, 1986 will be Celebration Sunday, the first Sunday in our new sanctuary. New members will be coming into our church. Letters were sent to friends and former members inviting them to Consecration Sunday on June 1. District Superintendent, Dr. Robert McKenzie, delivered the sermon and lunch followed the service. On June 8 High School graduates were honored and on June 15 dedication of memorials was held during morning service and on Sunday night the dedication of the organ.

In July 1986, \$800.00 was donated toward pew cushions and the congregation was asked to meet on Saturdays to begin landscaping.

In September, a new Sunday School Class for young adults was started, a new Junior High for U.M.Y.F. was planned, also a Senior Citizen Fellowship and a Children' Choir.

At this time several money making projects were held by all members.

Rev. Hood praised our building program. We have a 50 net gain in our membership. Only 16 of 834 churches in North Carolina Conference had more net gain. Our Sunday School attendance in 1986 had a 24 1/2% increase and a 33% in our church attendance over 1985. At present we have 508 church members.

Plans are being made now for our 1987 programs. Our operating budget for 1987 is \$74,871.00 with mortgage payments of \$45,356.00. At the January meeting in 1987 the final treasurer's report of the building fund from January 1, 1985 through December 31, 1986 reported total available funds \$478,770.01; total disbursements \$478,770.01.

During 1987, the various departments stayed busy doing such things as selling the old pews and using the money to put vinyl siding on the parsonage also a new hot water heater and ice maker for the refrigerator; the Methodist men bought a new lawn mower and voted to keep the yard; the Methodist Women continue to have bazaars and have purchased a 100 place setting of new china, chairs and two chair dollies. The Methodist Youth are having bake sales, a dance in the Fellowship Hall to make money to send two youths on a Mission Work Team to Mexico.

Mr. Hood stated that he will be with us another year. The Trustees voted to name our new Fellowship Hall, which had been our old sanctuary, the Hood Fellowship Hall, in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Hood.

Plans are being made to have a new Church Pictorial Directory made in January 1988.

Since it is the end of 1987, we have to make a new budget for 1988 and get our "Saddle Bag" run for pledges.

At the January 1988 meeting it was reported that we met all commitments for 1987 and our budget total for 1988 is \$124,696.00.

The Trustees thanked the Methodist Women for buying the concrete for the walk ways and the Methodist Men for doing the work on them.

Since Rev. Hood will be retiring this year, we will be expecting a new minister by the end of June, 1988.

The Methodist men, women and youth are all busy with projects. The women asked permission to carpet and refinish Hood Fellowship Hall and it was granted.

The Ace Owens Memorial Fund will be used to beautify the rectangle in front of the new sanctuary.

The first Sunday in June has been designated as the date for the retirement event for the Hoods.

At the May meeting, 1988, the Pastor-Parrish Committee announced our new minister will be Rev. William Rickman "Rick" Pinner. He will be delivering his first sermon on July 3.

Rev. Hood's retirement gift of cash from the congregation will be presented at the 11:00 A.M. Worship Service and the reception will be Sunday afternoon on June 5. Invitations to family, friends, former church members, ministers and associates in the Sub-District have been issued. His last Sunday in the pulpit will be June 26.

Rev. Rickman Pinner met with the Administrative Board for the first time on July 3, 1988. All departments had good reports to present especially the United Women. The United Women had purchased new furniture for the parsonage at a cost of \$2,085.86. Rev. Pinner commended the Parsonage Committee for a good job.

Rev. Pinner advised that the Capital Funds Campaign was passed at Annual Conference. Joyce Wells said it was voluntary so everyone would be given the opportunity to give. At the September Board Meeting, Rev. Pinner gave the suggested goal of \$18,631.00 for our church to be used for Capital Funds. This amount to be given over a three year period with the pledge payment period beginning January 1, 1989. This plan was adopted.

A rental plan was made with Branch Banking and Trust Co. through Randy Marshburn for a new copier for the church office. It was also noted that a new heating and air conditioning unit was needed at the parsonage. The bid of \$2,438.00 was accepted from Jones Heating and Cooling.

The October 1988 board meeting opened with a discussion of the 1989 budget in the amount of \$132,152.00. After some discussion the budget was approved. A motion was made and discussed concerning giving our organist and choir director each two week ends per year off with pay. This motion carried. Rev. Pinner described and talked about the cost of the new hymnals we will be using in 1989. Each hymnal will be \$10.50 if ordered prior to February 1, 1989. It was decided our church needed 225 hymnals and a motion passed to order them before February 1, 1989. Members of the church can donate money for hymnals in memory or in honor of someone as has been done in the past. It will be announced in the newsletter to remind everyone.

The UMW president, Frances Tanner, gave her report of things the women have done which included making about 160 Christmas ornaments for the church Christmas tree and made and sold chicken salad for \$415.33.

It appears we will have a busy November and December. November 6 will begin our "Saddle Bag" campaign for our pledges for the 1989 budget; November 6, luncheon by Youth Fellowship for Golden Age Group, following church service; November 23, Thanksgiving Eve Service; December 3, Hanging of the Greens; December 11, Christmas Cantata; December 18 Christmas Family Night; December 24, Candlelight Service; Sunday, December 25, Church Service.

At the January 1989 Board Meeting, John Johnson, Finance Committee Chairman, gave a report that some pledge commitments for 1988 were not met by numerous people, therefore, we are behind \$4,000 in our 1988 obligations. He also said if finances do not improve by March we should have a meeting to consider re-doing our budget. The Methodist Men voted to give \$1,000 to the 1988 budget also \$25 per month to the Hope Station. At the May Board Meeting the treasurer, Margaret Brinkley, informed us that the 1988 benevolences have been paid in full but we need to catch up on our 1989 commitments. Rev. Pinner will speak to us about becoming organized with a sound program on stewardship, evangelism and missions which have been approved by consensus. Greeters on Sunday morning has begun for church, Katrina Beaman will take Sunday School children on an excursion trip, Bible School will be held August 6-11.

Jim Keefer reported the M.Y.F. is struggling. There are now only three or four members but they are not giving up. There will be a Children's Festival for them during the summer with games and stories and refreshments.

Don Lamm, Chairman of the Trustees, said they had met and discussed the \$285,000 mortgage with Southern National Bank. Mr. Lamm and Rev. Pinner had checked with other banks and had decided Heritage Bank offered the best proposal, a \$250,000 loan with a side note of \$35,000. This proposal was accepted and all checking accounts were transferred from Southern National Bank to the Heritage Bank. The fixed rate of 11.50%

and the payments of \$2920.48 will be guaranteed for the first five years. At the June Board Meeting, it was announced that when the transfer was made the interest rate had dropped to 11%. Rev. Pinner will explain this in a newsletter, also our present financial conditions and what needs to be done to get our finances in order. The United Methodist Women contributed \$5,000 toward the \$35,000 side note and Don and Jane Lamm have given the church a lot to be sold to go toward the note also. The finance Committee discussed fund raising projects to help our finances and it was decided to have a take-out barbecue chicken lunch and supper in August. Jane Lamm will be chairman.

During the September 1989 board meeting the budget for 1990 was discussed and planned for pledge cards to go out in October.

The Pastor-Parrish Relations Committee presented a report they had prepared concerning the minister and the leadership of the church. The board commended the committee for the good report. The PPR Committee also is looking for an organist.

Progress reports were given by each work area chairperson.

A called meeting of the Administrative Board met following church service on October 8 1989 to approve the hiring of a new organist, Chet Hunt of Stantons-

burg, at a salary of \$3900 a year to begin October 15. It was decided at that time to raise the Choir Director's salary to the same amount.

In November 1989, the attorney, Mr. H. G. Connor, for the Winstead family talked to the board about transferring the trusteeship of the Winstead Family Cemetery at Parkwood Mall. The Board of Trustees voted to assume legal guardianship over the Winstead Cemetery and the endowment fund of \$3463.51. Parkwood will continue to take care of the upkeep and the church will pay to Parkwood on an annual basis the net income received by the trust. This motion was approved. Other business as follows: 90 azaleas were given to church by WRAL, refrigerator given to church by sons of Mrs. Edna Earl Underwood, permission was given for old one to be sold at church bazaar and approval to dispose of the old altar. On November 19 a called meeting of the Administrative Board was held to approve the acceptance of the trusteeship of the Winstead Family Cemetery.

The Administrative board met January 7, 1990 and the treasurer, Margaret Brinkley, gave her report which said all obligations have been met. Jim Keefer, Chairman of Finance Committee, distributed the budget for 1990 and thanked everyone for helping the church meet its obligations and we all need to work together to pay off the side note by June 1990.

There is a question of a bingo parlor opening in the old Cook's building near our church. The city planner sent a letter saying that persons and organizations wishing to express an opinion on this should appear at a meeting January 16, 1990. The board voted to submit a letter to the Board of Adjustments objecting to this and they also voted that the Lay Leader, Fred Hight, should attend this meeting.

The announcement was made that the church's attorney has died and that we should secure a new attorney. The Board of Trustees will work on this. There was a discussion concerning maintenance and accessibility to the building such as turning on heat ahead of time and opening the building. Suggestions were made for the ushers to assume this responsibility on their designated Sunday. This was finally made into a motion, voted on and it was passed.

March 1990 Margaret Brinkley, Treasurer, brings us bad news that the church is behind in paying outreach ministries and it was reported at this meeting that the Council on Ministries met in January to set the goals for 1990. Several announcements were made by Jane Lamm: Valentine gifts for shut-ins, Sanda Hight will show slides on the Mission Work Team trip to Jamaica, recognition Sunday for Sunday School teachers and the Council will meet every other month beginning in March. The following goals

were set: three mission studies to be held this year; Friendship Sunday, April 29; Certified Lay Speaker, October 21; reorganization and development of youth ministries; Clergy Women in the Pulpit Sunday, May 27, with the Rev. Bess Hunnings for morning worship, and a comprehensive plan for evangelism and church growth. An additional meeting of the Council on Ministries was held in February for further discussion and planning for these goals. After Jane Lamm explained these goals, Shirley Galloway made a motion to adopt these goals for 1990. Jim Liles seconded and the motion was carried.

Three appointments to fill vacant church offices were presented: Shirley Galloway, Sunday School Superintendent; Thelma Ellen, Chairperson on Education; Al Monshower, Pastor-Parish Relations Committee. A motion was made and seconded to accept these people and it carried.

The following items have been donated to the church: a video player donated by the United Methodist Men, a T.V. donated by John Johnson and a cabinet for the T.V. and the video player donated by Fred Hight.

The Finance Chairman, Jim Keefer, urged everyone to conserve church resources, have a fund raising project, that we institute a Winstead Church Capital Funds Campaign and send a letter to every family asking for a one-time donation for the purpose of paying the

side note, repairing buildings and paving the parking lot. A drainage problem must be considered before the parking lot is paved. Don Lamm, Chairman of Trustees, reported that a lot in the country has been donated to be sold and the money will go to the church. During the spring the Capital Fund Campaign was worked on and \$4,750 was given by members, \$200 was contributed by United Methodist men \$2,500 was contributed by United Methodist Women. The United Methodist Men also volunteered to buy squares of shingles to cover Hood Fellowship Hall.

A called meeting of the Administrative Board in June was held to discuss the money situation of our church. After much discussion Don Lamm mentioned that the church has done well in the past to raise money to meet obligations and that he believes we can do it this year.

In August it was announced that the side note had been paid off because a donor gave \$4,500. The estimated cost of the parking lot is \$8,000 to \$10,000. There is approximately \$5,000 in the parking lot fund but Jim Keefer said we are several thousand dollars behind where we were last year with the budget and encouraged all areas to conserve the church resources. At this meeting Rev. Pinner asked the board and members of the congregation to interact with the Pastor-Parish Relations Committee on what kind of minister the church needs for the 1991-1992 year.

Jake Colston thanked those who contributed for the shingles project. The shingles will be put on the roof in October.

The Pastor-Parish Relations Committee reported that the committee unanimously recommended raising the pastor's salary by 17%. After much discussion the motion was made and seconded to accept the Pastor-Parish Relations Committee's salary recommendation and it carried.

Shirley Galloway announced our homecoming will be October 28.

Money was received from Catherine Smith's estate and it was voted to use this to purchase cushions suitable for Chippendale benches that will be placed in the Northex.

At the December meeting Jim Keefer distributed the proposed budget for 1991 in the amount of \$140,200.88. A motion was made and approved to accept this budget. It was reported by Rev. Pinner on the proposed goals set by the Council on Ministries for 1990 that we had been able to meet them. Three additional accomplishments of the church for 1990 were: Capital Funds Campaign to pay the side note on the church, paving the parking lot and beginning of renovations on the education building.

The New Year of 1991 is beginning and Rev. Pinner installed the new officers. Four members who died during 1990 were recognized. They are: Leona Reid, Chuck

Davenport, Thomas Jones and Lela Durham. The rest of this January meeting was concerning the money situation of the church. There was no formal treasurer's report given but the close out figure for 12-31-90 was given. It was questioned if the first collection in January 1991 could be used to pay on the 1990 Conference dues which are scheduled to be paid by January 11, 1991. If this were done we would need more to cover church expenses for the beginning of 1991. It was asked if there was any undesignated money left. The treasurer, Margaret Brinkley, responded that all available funds had been spent toward the outreach commitment except the following: Catherine Smith Estate, Lela Durham Memorial Fund, Wednesday night Bible Study and the Parking Lot Fund which totaled \$1900. Don Lamm asked all in attendance to contribute by January 11 to help meet the goal of the outreach contribution.

Don Lamm stated the cost of paving the parking lot is \$14,167. He will contribute two lots valued at \$5,000-\$6,000 each toward payment on the parking lot. He suggested that an unsecured note be taken out at Heritage Bank for \$10,000 to pay S.T. Wooten Company for the paving; he would sign the note and pay the interest. There is already \$800 in the Parking Lot Fund. This was made into a motion with a further statement that the note be paid off with contributions and money from lot sales. The motion was seconded and carried by the board.

The February 24, 1991 minutes showed that the only report was from the United Methodist Women. The treasurer, Margaret Brinkley asked Annette Boyette, Chairman of the Finance Committee, to address the board. She stated that pledges were not what they should be and there was not enough money to pay the bills. She asked for suggestions and help in this problem of church finances. It was reported that there was a deficit of \$4,253.53, which means all bills cannot be paid. There was a lot of discussion concerning this situation but no positive solution since attendance is downn and pledges are not coming in. Kathy Fairchild, President of United Methodist Women, stated that the women would donate \$1,000 to assist with the budget.

Three vacancies need to be filled, Committee on Evangelism, Pastor/Parish and Council on Ministries. Al Monshower was nominated for the Pastor/Parish vacancy; others will be presented later. It was also recommended that a letter of appreciation be written to Margaret Brinkley for all her work as treasurer with no pay and be presented to her in church.

In February Rev. Pinner wished the board farewell and stated he hoped the church would grow. He later made this announcement from the pulpit. Late in June, the United Methodist Women prepared a going away party for Rev. Pinner and family.

The Harry C. Tee Family started a Tee Scholarship Fund in 1991 and two scholarships were awarded at the closing of school to Ray Brinkley and Brad Keefer.

During the conference meeting in June 1991, Rev. James L. Summery was appointed to fill the pastorate of Winstead. On the last Sunday in June a reception was planned to welcome Mr. Summey and his family to our church. There was good attendance at the reception to meet Mr. Summey, his wife, Doris and their three daughters. Also the circles prepared evening meals and delivered to their home to help them while they were moving and getting settled in.

By the end of 1991 things were beginning to look better but we did not meet our budget for 1991, due to loss of membership and pledges not being met.

Everyone felt that 1992 had to be better. During February 1992, the United Methodist Men started a project of cooking and selling peanuts to help make money for things they wanted to do. Their first project from this money was to install a new cook stove, exhaust hood and fan in the kitchen.

The United Methodist women voted to do some other additions that were needed there after the stove and fan are installed.

The Sunday School Department under the supervision of Thelma Ellen, Ann Baker and Shirley Galloway and the other departments of the church began to work harder for new members and to pull together for a

better year in 1992. With the help and devotion of Mr. Summey and other leaders of the church everything began to improve especially attendance and pledges. In the spring of 1992, Joyce and Pete Wells gave the church three lots.

During the Easter Season, we had Maundy Thursday Service with Communion, Egg Hunt for the younger children, Sunrise Service and our first rugged cross came to life with flowers brought in by the congregation at our eleven o'clock service. At the closing of school 1992, a third Tee Scholarship was awarded to Paula Miller. During the summer we had a family picnic, an ice cream supper and a watermelon cutting.

A committee organized and prepared for a new church directory to be made. They were finished and given to the members in late summer.

In September there was a churchwide yard sale and in October we had a barbecue chicken sale headed by Vernon and Marie Barnes with a great number of the members helping. There was a lot of fun and fellowship displayed in the preparation of this meal for dinner and supper. Cakes were made and sold along with the chicken and at the end of the day everyone was very tired but pleased with the outcome.

Homecoming was held in October with Rev. Amos Stone delivering the morning sermon. Attendance was good, a table of memorabilia was displayed and a big table of food set up on the lawn was enjoyed by all following the services.

In November, Mr. Summey had a Thanksgiving Eve Service. In a few days following Thanksgiving, the members had to prepare all the decorations for the Hanging of the Greens and the lighting of the Christmon Tree service in preparation for the Advent Season. Also on that Sunday night we had the first lighting of our love tree on the lawn.

Each Sunday sermon and music along with the lighting of an Advent Candle was leading up to the birth of Jesus. During this season we also had the Christmas Cantata by the choir under the direction of Chet Hunt, organist and director, churchwide Christmas party, the United Methodist Women Christmas dinner and candlelight service on Christmas Eve.

1992 proved to be a much better year. Lots of warmth, love and fellowship were being shown, pledges had been paid and all out debts had been paid with some money left over to begin 1993.

The year 1993 started out on a good note since Mr. Summey had received a letter from Bishop C.P. Minnick thanking Winstead Church for meeting our financial obligations for 1992.

Treasurer, Margaret Brinkley, gave a treasurer's report and Sanda Hight gave a Council on Ministries report which appears we are to have a busy year.

Shirley Galloway, Supt. Church School, met with teachers and planned their years calendar.

The United Methodist Men had a Sweet-heart Banquet for their wives on February 14.

Joyce Wolfe, Chairperson of Worship Committee, started a new program for lay readers to help with church services.

A Charge Conference on February 24 was held to get permission to sell three lots given to the church by Joyce and Pete Wells. The vote approved the sale.

A Mission Saturation Event was held March 5,6,7 with Dr. Ron Smith and Mr. Ron Gill as guest speakers. Included during the week end was the United Methodist Women's Week of Prayer and Self-Denial brunch and program.

Mr. Summey gave a study on Council of Ministries at our Wednesday night Bible studies.

The deal to sell the three lots fell through because a deed was not attainable so we will need another charge conference to settle this matter. This conference will be April 21. At this meeting it was voted to dispose of the lots anyway we could so taxes would not have to be paid on them.

Two projects have been underway: (1) to get the parking lot striped with visitors signs and (2) to get a new sign for the front of the church.

A series of services were held during the Easter Season, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Sunrise Service, Easter Cantata and an egg hunt for the children.

A Mother-Daughter Banquet was held on May 6 and the UMYF gave the program "Down Memory Lane".

On May 12, Mr. Donald Morris from Tarboro came to help us with our Evangelism program. Since that time we have had an active program.

On May 23, the UMYF held a talent show for performances by church members to sponsor a passion child. This show proved there was some very talented people in our church for it turned out to be a two hour production which was really enjoyed by all.

As of May 31, 1993, the treasurer's report showed we had a usable balance of \$10,857.14 on hand.

Annual Conference was held June 16-19 and Mr. Summey was assigned to our church again.

At the June board meeting, Mr. Summey asked that we install a security buzzer from the nursery to the Northex where the ushers are in case help is needed in the nursery. Also it was asked that a telephone line be run to the kitchen area. Both items carried when a voted was taken. The projects have since been completed.

A Sunday School picnic was held June 6 at Wedgewood Golf Club shelter. The food and games were enjoyed by all, June 12 the UMYF had a car wash and on June 13 the United Methodist Men had a Father-Son breakfast.

Margaret Brinkley was granted permission for her Girl Scout Troop to meet at the church on Monday nights.

Vacation Bible School was held August 1-6 and we had very good attendance, but the cook out on the last night was rained out.

Teacher recognition and promotion day was held on August 29.

Some of our church members participated in the District Habitat for Humanity House building with groundbreaking in Rocky Mount on September 11.

Our church held a churchwide yard sale in September and the proceeds amounted to more than \$900. Two other Council on Ministries program for the summer was an Ice Cream Social and a Great Day of Singing - Choir Appreciation Sunday. A VCR tape on choir music was started on this day and is available for church use.

The United Methodist Men, through their "peanut program", have installed a new stove and a hood in the church kitchen.

The back of the church lot has been cleared with the anticipation of installing a new fence.

Joyce Wolfe, Chairperson for Worship Committee, reported that money has been donated for the purchase of three octaves of handbells and a handbell choir will be started. Since then the choir has been started and will play at homecoming for worship service.

Some members are interested in organizing a singles ministry. The Administrative Board approved our church be used by Hospice for their volunteer training.

During the summer our Wednesday night meal and Bible Study did not meet but was started back in September. The Magic Age club did not cancel during the summer. They continue to meet the fourth Tuesday of each month for a covered dish dinner.

On October 1, the church had a big barbecue chicken sale under the supervision of Vernon and Marie Barnes. All phases of the sale went well and everyone seemed pleased. This boosted our general budget by \$7,163.16.

Beginning October, we started our pledge campaign to cover a budget for 1994 of \$142,956.

At the Administrative Board meeting in October 1993, a new policy on memorials was recommended and was approved by the board. The recommendations were: (1) six months after the death of a member the family will be notified as to the memorials and they can designate how to use the money to be approved by the memorial committee, the trustees and Administrative Board. If the family does not designate, the money will go into the memorial fund and the church can designate how it can be used. (2) A list of all contributions will be placed in the Winstead Memorial Fund Book every six months.

Laity Sunday was held October 17 and Aubrey Anderson was honored as the Lay Person of the Year.

The members have been busy cleaning the church for fall clean up prior to Homecoming on October 24. A former minister, Rev. Arnold Pope, was our guest speaker and the Handbell Choir performed for the first time.

The UMYF Halloween Carnival was held October 27. Fun, games and goodies were enjoyed by all.

The Hospice of Wilson held training sessions during October at Winstead and the seventh annual Hospice Volunteer Banquet was held November 4.

The Scouts had a lock-in at the church on October 29 and the Duke Youth Day was October 30. Our young people look forward to these programs.

November brought forth our Thanksgiving Services and the next two days we were busy preparing wreaths and decorations for the Hanging of the Greens service and the Advent Love Tree on November 28, the beginning of the Advent Season.

December was a busy month with so many Christmas programs being done: The United Methodist Women's Christmas Dinner and party on December 7, the Christmas party on December 12, the Christmas Cantata on December 19, the Christmas Eve service and communion on December 24.

To close out the year on Sunday after Christmas December 26, we observed College Day or Student Sunday to honor these people in our church.

We have had a very good year and are now looking forward to a Happy New Year 1994.

In 1993, after a Hand Bell Choir performed at our church, several people expressed the desire that we could have a Hand Bell Choir. Mrs. Neva Tee made a contribution to start this beautiful musical choir to our church. Mrs. Alice Adams and Mrs. Mildred Murphy learned of this and joined Mrs. Tee in honoring their loved ones.

The handbells were purchased and Mrs. Joyce Wolfe offered to direct the volunteers in this choir. The hand bells will be dedicated to the glory of God during a church service in 1994 in memory of Mr. Harry Tee, Mr. William "Bill" Adams and Mr. Douglas E. Murphy, Jr.

There have been many gifts and memorials given to Winstead Church by friends and members in memory or in honor of their loved ones for beautification of the grounds as well as in the church. These can be found listed in the "Gifts and Memorial Registry" in the Narthex of the church.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

On January 10, 1950, the women of the church met with the pastor to organize the Women's Society of Christian Service. The officers were elected as follows:

President: Mrs. Farl McFarlane
V. President: Mrs. Thomas H. Sanford, Sr.
Secretary: Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan
Treasurer: Mrs. John H. Rosser
Sec. of Spiritual Life: Miss Clee Winstead

The membership grew to fifteen by June 1951. At this time, all the women met at the church as one circle.

The women chose a patient at Wilson County Sanitarium for their project.

The week of prayer and self-denial was observed. The women saved coupons for the Methodist Orphanage. These women kept the church clean. Each woman took this responsibility for one month at a time.

The bread for the communion was baked by these women. The recipe was as follows:

1 cup plain flour
pinch of salt
vegetable shortening the size of an egg
Work this into dough, divide into four parts, roll very thin, place on baking pan, cut with a thimble, bake at 250 until very crisp (not necessarily brown), remove the round pieces to the Communion Service. This will serve about 300 people.

By 1959 there were four circles:
The Clee Winstead Circle
The Zell Winstead Circle
The Fanny Perry Circle
(these circles met at night)
The Friendship Circle
(this circle met in the morning to
better accommodate the women who didn't
work).

The Winstead ladies were the ones who
gave the land for the original unit of
the church.

For a few years in the fifties, there
were six circles. It was decided to
have one circle meet on Monday night,
two meet on Tuesday morning and two meet
on Tuesday night. The Monday night
circle was named in honor of Ruby Wil-
liams' mother, Mrs. Gulia Aycock. The
new Tuesday morning circle was named in
honor of Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan.

These women of the church kept very busy
with such activities as follows:
making sunshine cards to be used on
trays for patients in the hospitals and
rest homes, keeping the nursery during
church service, furnishing flowers when
needed for the sanctuary, selling chick-
en salad, making chicken stew, furnish-
ing refreshments for the church-wide
Christmas party and having bazaars.

In 1970, the women had a big arts and
crafts auction sale. The highlight for
the auction was two of Mrs. Morgan's
quilts. This event lasted ten hours and
was featured on "The Peggy Mann Show."

The women made Christmas wreaths for the front of the church.

The shut-ins were remembered with gum-drop trees, a box of Christmas cookies or an arrangement of greenery.

Dolls were dressed for the Salvation Army for a number of years.

Flowers were furnished for the Chapel at the Sanitarium for one month each year.

The first Yule Party, the women invited their husbands and served them dinner at the church.

With proceeds from all the money making projects, the women were able to buy china, crystal, flatware, silver trays, etc. A cabinet for storage was needed, so one was built and placed in the kitchen. Proceeds from a concession stand at the antique show were used to improve conditions in the kitchen, such as a new sink and counter top.

In 1968, the Methodist Conference decided Methodist needed to be United Methodist. This changed the Women's Society of Christian Service to United Methodist Women.

By 1978 enough funds had accumulated to redecorate the fellowship hall.

In 1979 the dining room furniture for the parsonage was refinished with help from Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Proctor, Mrs. Louise Hight, Mr. Ray Etheridge, Fred Hight III, and Mrs. Garnett Mills.

Other responsibilities the women had were furnishing flowers and cards for the sick and fixing food for the bereaved families in the church.

Through 1984, twenty-four special membership pins and one tie pin have been presented to persons who have shown outstanding services in the church and community.

Memorials which were given were as follows: green and gold altar hangings - for Mr. Z.M. Morgan, Henry Taylor, and Betsy Aycock, azalea bed with concrete monument - for Jimmy Joyner, Hubert Amerson, and W. G. Causey, white altar hangings - for Mr. John H. Rosser and Mrs. Hubert Amerson.

In the hall of the education building are the photographs and a plaque about Miss Clee Winstead, Miss Zell Winstead, Miss Fannie Perry, Mrs. Gulia Aycock, and Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan.

The photographs of the pastors who have served at Winstead United Methodist Church are on the wall in the fellowship hall.

By the end of 1984, plans for a larger sanctuary have begun which means new projects for the United Methodist Women.

During the years the circles changed and in late 1980 there were four circles; Monday night - Gulia Aycokk Circle, Tuesday morning - Elizabeth Morgan Circle, Tuesday night - Clee-Zell Winstead Circle, Thursday night - Catherine Smith Circle, a new circle formed in 1988 for women 39 and under and named for one of our educators who was very interested in young people. As of January 1992, there were 65 members of Winstead United Methodist Women.

The Fannie Perry Circle changed to the Fannie Perry Helpers. This group of women are not regular members of the WUMW, but they stand ready to help in church projects when called upon. As of January 1992 there were 24 members in this group.

Beginning in 1981 through 1991 the United Methodist Women with the assistance of the Fannie Perry Helpers and other church members have been able to fulfill the following projects and improvements in our church and parsonage.

Expenditures

Educational Building	\$858.56
Church	\$2892.61
Church Office	\$530.56
Church Kitchen	\$582.55
Tables for church	\$1,090.37
Parsonage	\$7,290.53
Church Budget	\$3,000.00
Church Mortgage	\$9,500.00
Hood Fellowship Hall	\$3,378.00
Carpet & Tile - church	\$10,596.00
Parking Lot & yard	\$4,464.49

Total	\$44,183.67
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Net Profit - Bake Sale and Crafts	
5/81	\$177.00
4/82	\$612.00
10/82	\$841.50
4/83	\$801.79
10/83	\$1,880.48
4/84	\$1,097.80
9/84	\$2,668.07
5/85	\$5,549.50
Quilt	\$215.94
1986	\$9,850.21
1987	\$8,201.82
88/89	\$9,780.21
1990	\$6,047.49

Total \$47,723.81

The last big arts and craft sale was held in 1991. At this time it was voted only a chicken salad sale would be held to finance the budget by the UMW. Other sales would be church wide and proceeds would go to the budget of the church.

SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP RECIPIENTS

Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan	Mrs. Lib Causey
Mrs. Nellie McFarlane	Mrs. Thelma Ellen
Mrs. Berta Rosser	Mrs. Jane Lamm
Mrs. Thelma Whisnant	Mrs. Dorothy McIntosh
Mrs. Susie Gray Jones	Mrs. Frances Owens
Mrs. Blanche Sanford	Mrs. Jean Proctor
Mrs. Adylee Norris	Mrs. Betty Jo Phelps
Mrs. Louise Hight	Mrs. Shirley Galloway
Mrs. Mildred Murphy	Mrs. Joyce Wolfe
Mrs. Rena Amerson	Mrs. Catherine Smith
Mrs. Ruby Williams	Mrs. Mae Eatmon
Mrs. Joyce Wells	Mrs. Sanda Hight
Mrs. Catherine Vester	Mr. Fred Hight
Mrs. Mary Stith	Mrs. Elizabeth Lamb
Rev. Robert W. Morgan	Mrs. Kathey Fairchild
Mrs. Lela Durham	Mrs. Frances Tanner
Mrs. Dot Boykin	Mrs. Helene Colston

PAST PRESIDENTS

Mrs. Earl McFarlane	Mrs. Barbara Murray
Mrs. Clifton Cale	Mrs. Glen Vester
Mrs. Carl Finch	Mrs. James Durham
Mrs. Fred Hight	Mrs. Burl Williams
Mrs. Thomas H. Sanford	Mrs. Don Lamm
Mrs. Murphy Norris	Mrs. Kermit Wells
Mrs. Hubert Amerson	Mrs. Larry Wolfe
Mrs. Raymond Jones	Mrs. Clarence Proctor
Mrs. Britt Whisnant	Mrs. Frank Tanner
Mrs. Betty Sledge	Mrs. John White
Mrs. James Joyner	Mrs. Kathey Fairchild
Mrs. Mildred Murphy	Mrs. Ann Norvell

DECEASED MEMBERS

Miss Zell Winstead
Miss Clee Winstead
Miss Fannie Perry
Mrs. James B. Fretz
Mrs. Tim McCoy
Mrs. Earl Aycock
Mrs. Marvin Harris
Mrs. Hubert Amerson
Mrs. Mae Stith
Mrs. Gulia Aycock
Mrs. Dallar Landing
Mrs. Mary Stith
Mrs. Elizabeth Morgan
Mrs. Frances Tilburg
Mrs. Mildred Boykin
Mrs. Catherine Smith
Mrs. Catherine Vester
Mrs. Adylee Norris
Mrs. Lela Durham
Mrs. Ellen Bailey
Mrs. Dorothy McIntosh

METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

On June 20, 1951, Mrs. Lawrence A. Greene and Mrs. John H. Rosser organized a Methodist Youth Fellowship. Miss Dorothy Barnes became its first president.

The young people, though few in number, were very active. During the first year, through various projects, contributed \$191.50 to the Building Fund and bought Sunday School and hymn boards for the church.

The following persons have served as president of the Youth Fellowship: Miss Dorothy Barnes, Miss Edna Stancil, Miss Billie Anne Whitley, Miss Jean Stith, Glenn Best, Miss Brenda Cale.

The M.Y.F. worked at projects for the church and for the things they wanted to do for their organization.

In December 1970, the M.Y.F. and their leaders, Katherine and Millard Lamm, Fred and Sanda Hight with the help of Mr. and Mrs. K.W. O'Geary, Jr., decorated our Christmas tree with our first Chrismons.

In 1986 plans were made for a Jr. High M.Y.F. Program. They had a bake sale and a dance in the fellowship hall to finance a trip for two youth on a mission work team to Mexico.

December 6, 1988 the Youth Fellowship had a luncheon for the Golden Age Group following morning church service.

In 1989, Jim Keefer reported that the M.Y.F. attendance has deteriorated and there are now only three or four members but they are not giving up. A Children's Festival is planned for the smaller children during the summer.

In the 1990's Kathey and Mel Fairchild assumed the leadership of the U.M.Y.F. They have regular Wednesday Night meetings which have proved successful. Trips and parties and other projects have been enjoyed by all.

The M.Y.F. sponsored a churchwide talent show which turned out to be a very good production and was enjoyed by all the people which crowded the Hood Fellowship Hall.

UNITED METHODIST MEN

By 1957, the men of the church became a vital part of the church with their visitations and evangelism. They met on a regular basis and called themselves The Fisherman's Club.

As they continued to witness for Christ and the Church, they became organized as Methodist Men in 1959 with 32 charter members.

The men sponsored the Boy Scouts as well as worked with them as their leaders and teachers. The Scouts were started in 1959.

They were busy with painting, working on the parking lot, and replacing shingles on the church as well as financing projects of all kinds.

They met on the second Sunday of each month at the church for breakfast, fellowship and devotions.

In 1983, the men worked hard at making many improvements at the parsonage. They also have made an office at the church for the secretary.

In 1987 the Methodist men bought a new lawn mower and voted to keep the yard.

For several years they have had Sweet-heart Banquets at Valentine and entertained their wives.

Some of the Methodist Men have prepared

and served brunches for the United Methodist Women's meetings and served the evening meal for the Mother-Daughter Banquet in May.

They are now having a Father-Son breakfast in June.

There are 25 members in the United Methodist Men as of January 1992; Mel Fairchild is their president.

THE PEANUT GANG

As of early 1992, the United Methodist Men, under the capable leadership of Aubrey Anderson, started a new project to help them finance some of the things they plan to do. This project is roasting and packaging peanuts in jars for sale, wholesale or retail. They have jestingly acquired the name of "The Peanut Gang".

THE BOY SCOUT TROOP #89

Boy Scout Troop #89 was moved from the sponsorship of the American Legion to be sponsored by Winstead United Methodist Church in 1959. Wayne Sidelinger was the scoutmaster with help from other men of the church and also some fathers of some of the Scouts who were not members of our church. This Scout Troop grew and enjoyed many things of scout life such as week-end camping trips and camporees where many many troops were involved. The competition was tough but a lot of times our troop came in as winners.

Fred Hight, Assistant Scout Master since August 1967, assumed the position of Scout Master in 1968 following the retirement of Wayne Sidelinger with Paul Brinkley becoming Assistant Scout Master in 1971. Fred worked long and hard helping these young men achieve their goals in scouting. In 1990 he became Troop Committee Chairman in the Scout organization of Winstead Church. There is a Boy Scout, Cub Scout, Brownie and Girl Scout Troop meeting at Winstead.

On March 1, 1990, Paul Brinkley assumed the position of Scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop 89.

Three scouts of 89 and members of Winstead Church have received the God and Country Award. They are Richard H. "Rick" Tee, Roger C. Tee, and Albert Ray "Al" Phelps, Jr.

There have been 20 Eagle Scout Awards presented to boys of Troop 89. They are as follows:

Town: Wilson, N.C.

Jack Broadhurst, Jr., 316 Lillian Rd.	10/6/64
Richard Stewart, 513 Edgewood St.	10/6/64
Russell Spivey, 1207 Downing St.	4/12/65
Roger C. Tee, 2001 Winoca Dr.	1/8/71
Ronnie Eatmon, 215 Emory St.	7/18/72
Albert R. Phelps, Jr. 1217 Elizabeth Rd	9/18/73
Freddie O. Barnes, 105 Belmont Ave.	12/9/75
John M. Weir, 1603 Highland Dr.	9/6/77
Lyndon Sidelinger, 307 Lillian Rd.	8/28/79
Robert Brown, 404 Rountree	4/28/80
Douglas P. Lewis, 1305 Queene Anne Rd	11/26/80
Richard Glasgow, 613 Trinity Dr.	12/3/80
Charles Barnes, Jr., 617 Glendale St.	8/27/81
Charles T. Boswell, 708 Fleming St.	4/28/86
Cleveland Gray, 906 W. Vance St.	6/15/88
Kevin Stem, 1113 Forest Hills Rd.	3/9/90
Ray Latham Brinkley, Rt. 2 Box 290	11/7/91

Town: Fremont

Jason Thornton, 6651 Morningside Rd.	12/8/92
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Town: Black Creek

Tony Daniels	2/2/61
Jerry R. Bailey, Box 57	5/7/62

MAGIC AGE CLUB

During the years that Rev. Jean Hood was minister of Winstead United Methodist Church, he organized, with the help of Mrs. Joyce Wolfe, the Church organist, the Magic Age Club. This Club was for the senior members of the church. They meet the fourth Tuesday of each month for a covered dish lunch meal, fun and fellowship. Joyce Wolfe was the first leader but her work hours changed and Joyce Wells and Jean Proctor were elected as co-leaders. There have been guest speakers and entertainers, trips and visits to our farthest members' home, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sanford in Creedmoor, for lunch. We can say that everyone seems to enjoy these meetings since there is good attendance and plenty of food.



Winstead United Methodist Church

"A Place To Belong, A Place To Become"