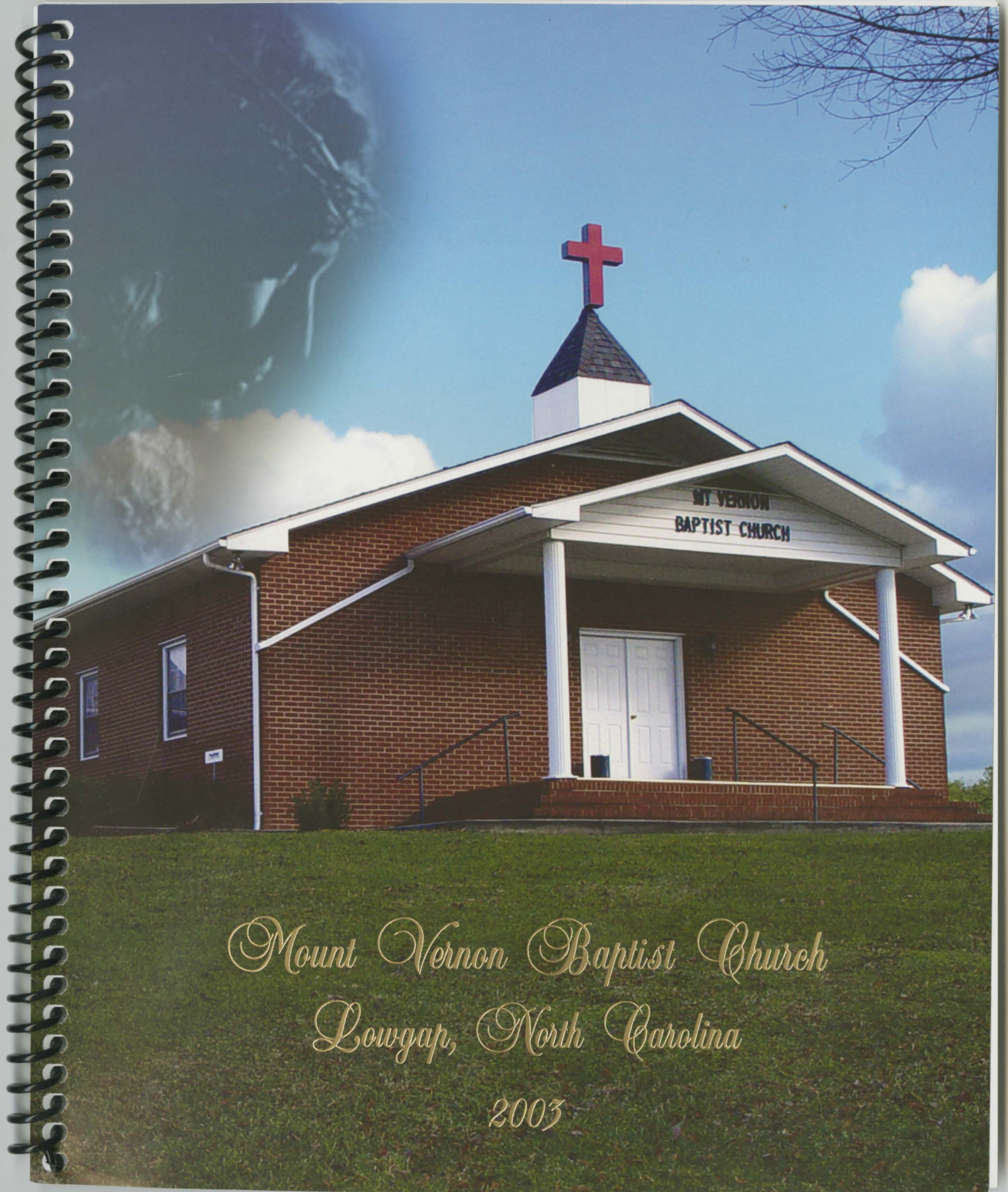




Mount Vernon Baptist Church
Lowgap, North Carolina
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*Mount Vernon
Baptist Church*

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A Personal Testimony from our Pastor

I was introduced to the Lord by love on April 1st 1968. I had heard the word in church and had been under conviction for several months and I finally surrendered about 12:00 AM on Monday at home. We soon joined up with the local church, Fairview Baptist Church in Galax, Virginia where Brother Price Phipps was the pastor. In September of the same year I was ordained to serve the church as Deacon.

In 1973 God lead us to Mt. Vernon Baptist Church as Deacon and Sunday School Superintendent. God knew exactly what He was doing; we've been here ever since. For several years, prior to being ordained as a minister, I preached when our church was without a pastor and

when God opened other doors. I was asked to pastor other churches but God never lead that way; He had a purpose for me here.

In 1992 we were without a pastor and our church asked me to be the pastor and I immediately said "No, not in our home church where we've been for the past 19 years". That was surely a mistake because God had a plan. I became very sick and was out of work with a severe headache for 34 days straight. The doctors couldn't help me no matter how hard they tried. I had contracted Spinal Meningitis. I finally surrendered to the calling of pastor and called all the deacons to my house and agreed to take the church if 75% of the congregation voted yes. In September 1992 the church voted unanimously (100%) for me to pastor Mt. Vernon and God has blessed above all our expectations ever since. The Holy Spirit was poured out upon this little mountain church house and the congregation soon doubled in size and in strength.

I Samuel Chapter 15, verse 23: *For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the Lord, he hath also rejected thee from being king.* Experience tells me to obey God (the meningitis miraculously disappeared). The Lord has blessed us to have not missed a Sunday preaching His word ever since we obeyed over 11 years ago.

I am very honored to pastor such a great congregation and to just be a part of the big family of God. The people of Mt. Vernon have truly been gracious to allow us to be a part of them for so many years. I wish that I could tell each member how much he or she means to me and how I appreciate each prayer that has gone up for me. Congregation, you are truly the best a pastor could ever ask for. Thank You All!!

Brother Bill Spurlin, Pastor



**Sound Technician
Jerry King**



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Mitchell Cockerham, Terry Adams
Larry Johnson, Terry King**



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Andy Branock, Johnny Freeman**



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Church Choir



Teachers



Church Musicians



Young Adult Class



Intermediate Class



**Winterplace West Virginia
Youth Ski Trip**



Junior Class



Beginners Class

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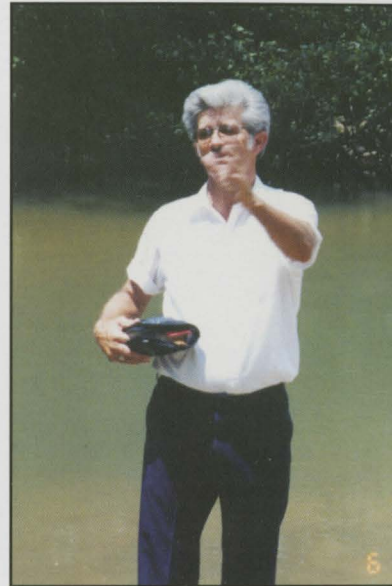


Brother Joe King's Baptism



Sister Jean Galyen's Baptism

Thank God for Our Baptizing Hole!



Church Picnic



**Christmas Play 2002
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**Choir at
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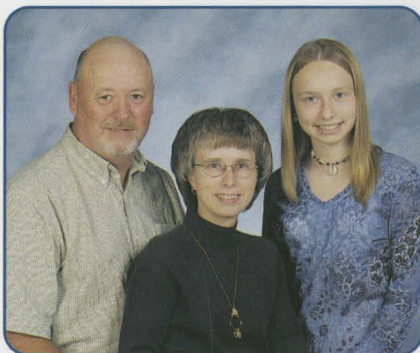
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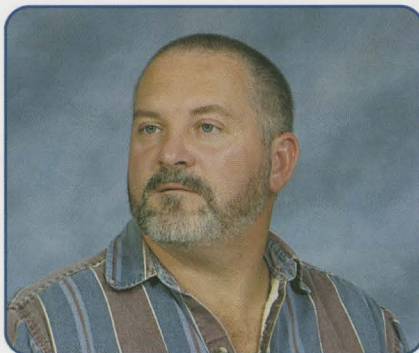
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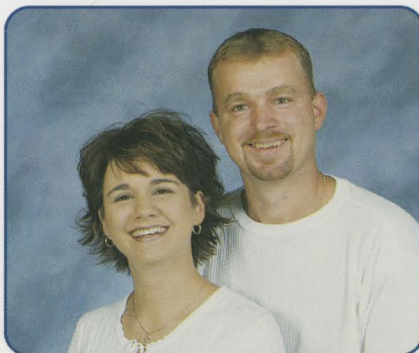
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