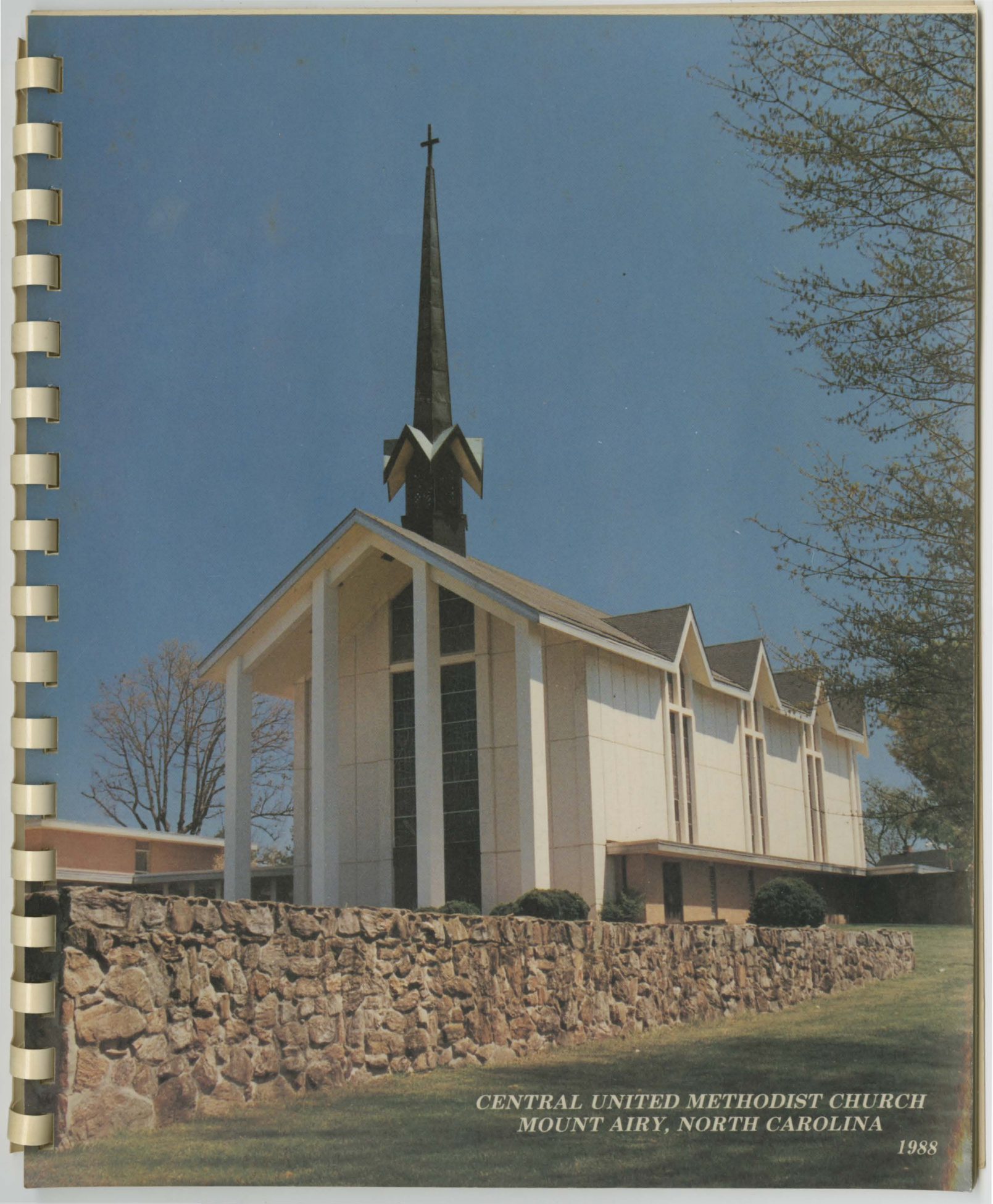




*CENTRAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MOUNT AIRY, NORTH CAROLINA*

1988

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CHURCH HISTORY

In "The Hollow", the region between the "ridges" (the Chestnut Ridges, Slate Mountain, the Saurtowns, Pilot Mountain) and the Blue Ridge Mountains there was very little religion when Bishop Asbury, that remarkable founder of American Methodism, came riding by. The years were 1788, 1790, 1792.

Bishop Asbury was coming by horseback from the Holston Conference in southwest Virginia to the Conference at Clemmons in now Forsyth County. Except for one night spent in the vicinity of our little mountain settlement of Mount Airy, Asbury did not tarry. But he must have seeded the territory well because little Methodist societies began to spring up first in homes, then in organized churches.

The first regular minister assigned to our particular section, we have reason to believe, was Waddill Johnson, sent to us in 1815. Other enthusiastic preachers, including the eminent Peter Doub, followed and organized formal churches one by one.

Among these pioneer churches was our Lebanon, on land deeded to it in 1831. Lebanon stood on the crest of "Lebanon Hill", on North Main Street near the water tanks. This little plank covered log church, standing on its four granite pillars, served our little village and the surrounding vicinity until 1858.

In that year of 1858, with Methodism growing and the population of Mount Airy shifting to the south, and under the leadership of the Reverend Marquis L. Wood, the little church of Lebanon divided. Those members oriented toward the north formed their own church, Salem. Those living toward the south built their new house of worship down on South Main. They named their new church, later popularly called "Old Methodist", Main Street Methodist. The cemetery of this large white frame church still exists with a newer brick church standing on its site.

In 1894, it again seemed prudent, with the center of population again shifting, to build a new church more in the central part of town. The new church, aptly called Central, was erected on the southwest corner of Franklin and Dixie. From 1894 until 1965 Central, in its fine new pseudo-Gothic brick building, with its beautiful imported French stained glass windows, grew into the most prominent Methodist congregation in this part of northwest North Carolina, and one of the most solid in the Western North Carolina Conference.

In these early years Lebanon, "Old Methodist", and Central had some remarkable ministers. Two of these men had the distinction of preaching in all three churches: Miles Foy, doctor-preacher, converted in 1829 by Peter Doub, and James Needham, lovingly known as "Father Needham", a supply preacher for seventy-nine years.

In 1966 again it seemed expedient to follow the shifting population back to the northern part of town. So our fourth church was built, a stately edifice with magnificent French designed stained glass windows and with "Old Central's" bell still pealing from its tall steeple.

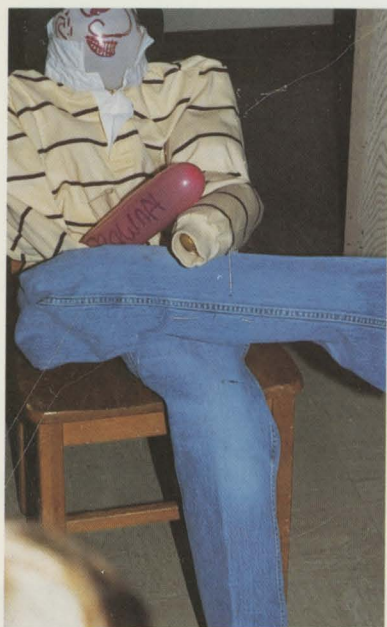
With such a hallowed past, Methodists in Mount Airy have every reason to look forward to another one hundred and fifty seven years of church growth.

Following is a list of Central's Ministers, beginning in 1900.

1899 - H. K. Boyer	1936 - M. T. Smathers
1900 - Z. Paris	1937 - W. J. Miller
1902 - F. L. Townshend	1942 - C. N. Clark
1904 - T. E. Winecoff	1947 - Frank Jordan
1905 - J. E. Abernethy	1949 - A. C. Wagoner
1907 - D. Vance Price	1954 - Walter Lee Lanier
1909 - J. F. Kirk	1957 - Earl H. Brendall
1911 - W. H. Willis	1961 - Frank Smathers
1915 - C. D. Herman	1965 - D. Edwin Bailey
1919 - W. B. West	1969 - Horace McSwain
1921 - H. K. Boyer	1971 - Robert J. Ralls
1925 - W. A. Newell	1974 - Roger L. Tucker
1927 - R. H. Daugherty	1977 - Frank B. Cook
1928 - A. C. Gibbs	1981 - Julian Aldridge
1929 - C. S. Kirkpatrick	1985 - Bill A. Haire
1932 - J. T. Mangum	











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ADAMS, ELSIE



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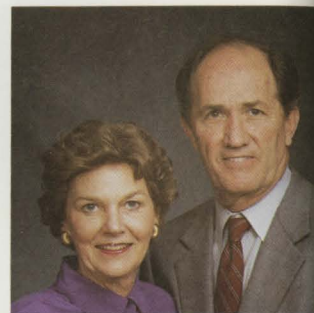
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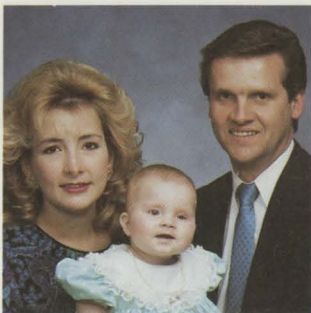
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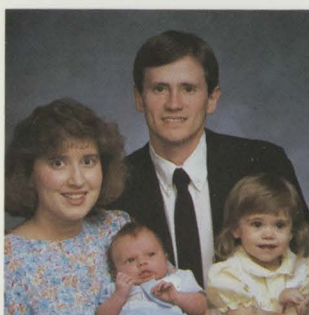
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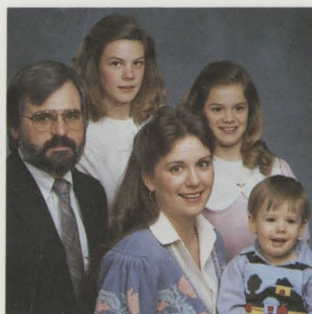
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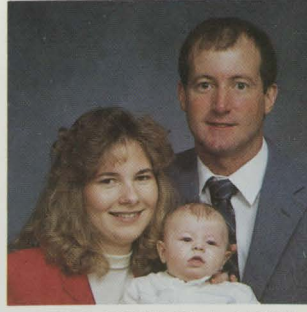
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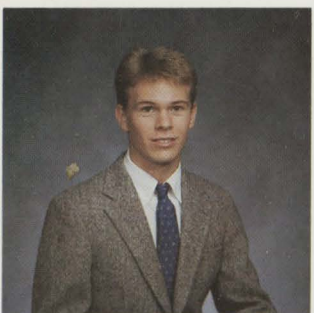
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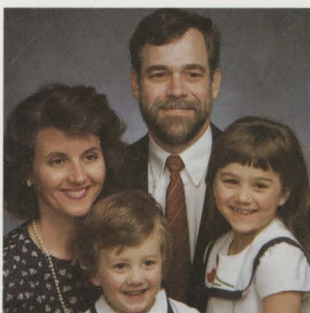
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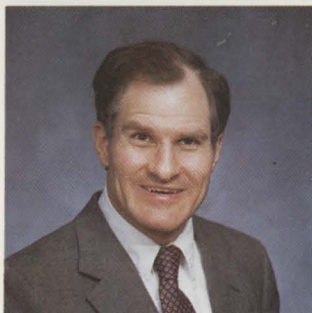
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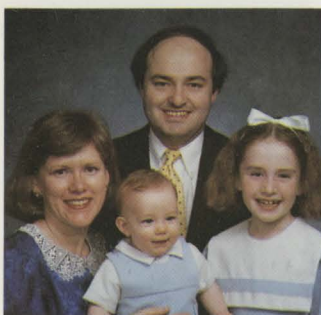
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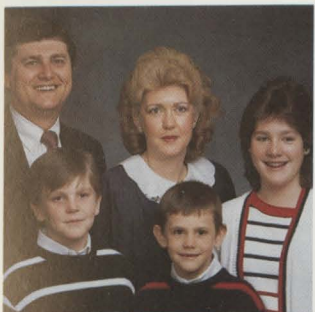
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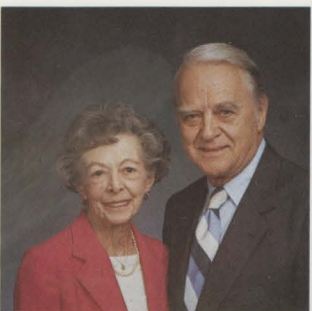
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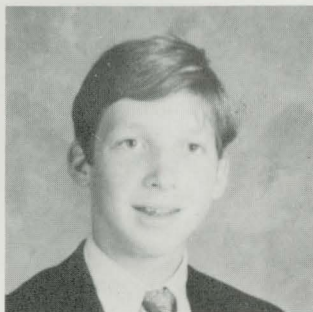
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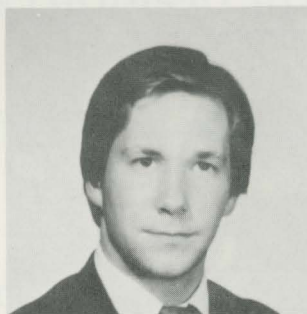
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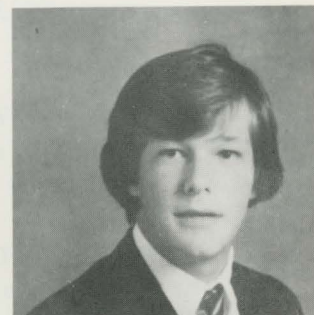
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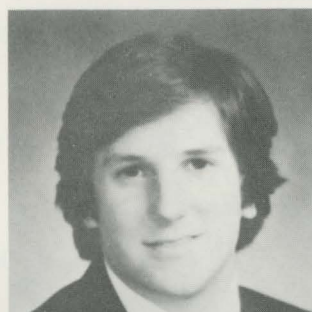
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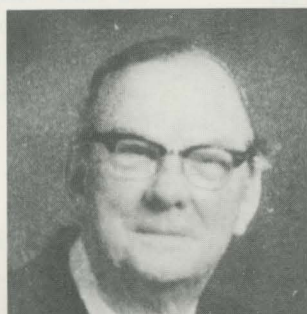
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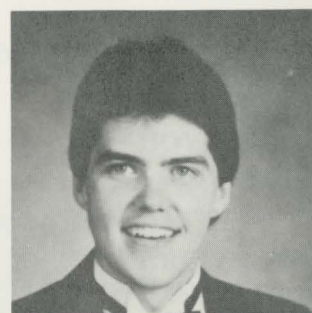
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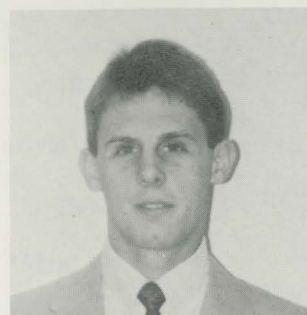
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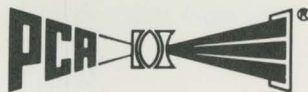
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