

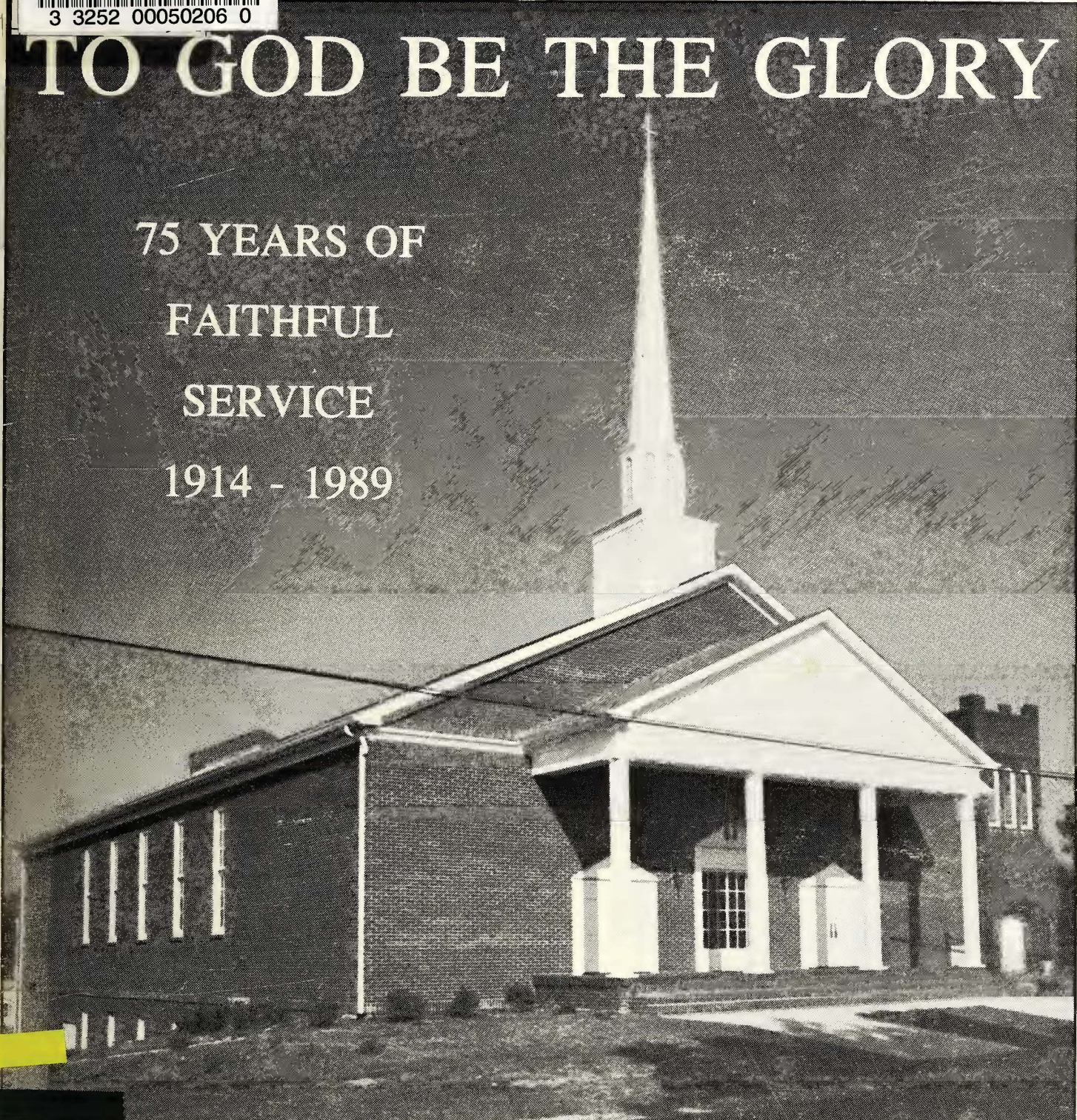
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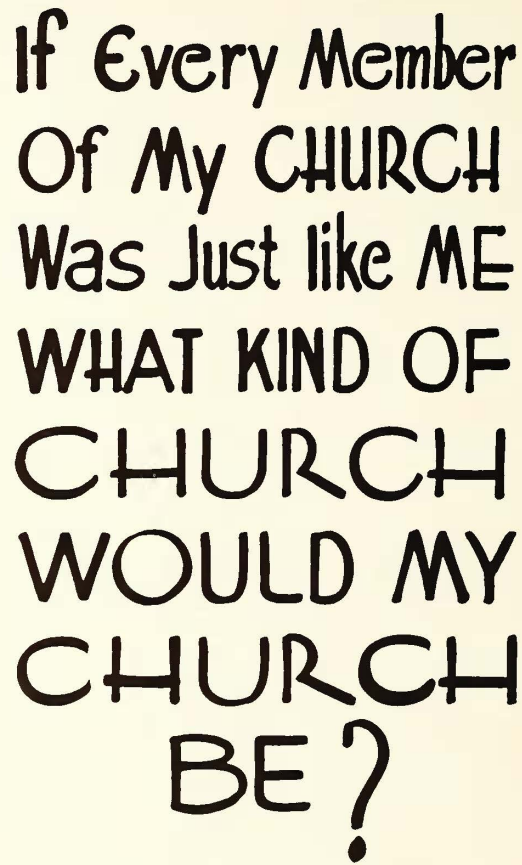
TO GOD BE THE GLORY

75 YEARS OF
FAITHFUL
SERVICE
1914 - 1989



CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
416 South Franklin Road
Mount Airy, North Carolina

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If Every Member
Of My CHURCH
Was Just like ME
WHAT KIND OF
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BE?

This quotation, prepared and framed by ladies of Calvary Baptist Church, was displayed in the 1914 sanctuary and later in the chapel of the 1948 building.

My first job in the ministry was a student summer position as church secretary at Mount Airy First Baptist Church. It was the summer of 1947. I had just graduated from high school and had come to Mount Airy to fill in for three months for the regular secretary who was on maternity leave. In September, I would enter Wake Forest College to begin studying for the ministry.

Two students from Gardner-Webb College were summer workers for Surry Baptist Association that summer. I volunteered to help them to teach in Vacation Bible Schools in Surry Baptist Churches. One evening they invited me to attend a revival service with them at the Baptist Church at Toast. During that service I saw a sign hanging on the wall at the front of the sanctuary. It read, "*If every member of my church was just like me, what kind of church would my church be?*" I never forgot those words.

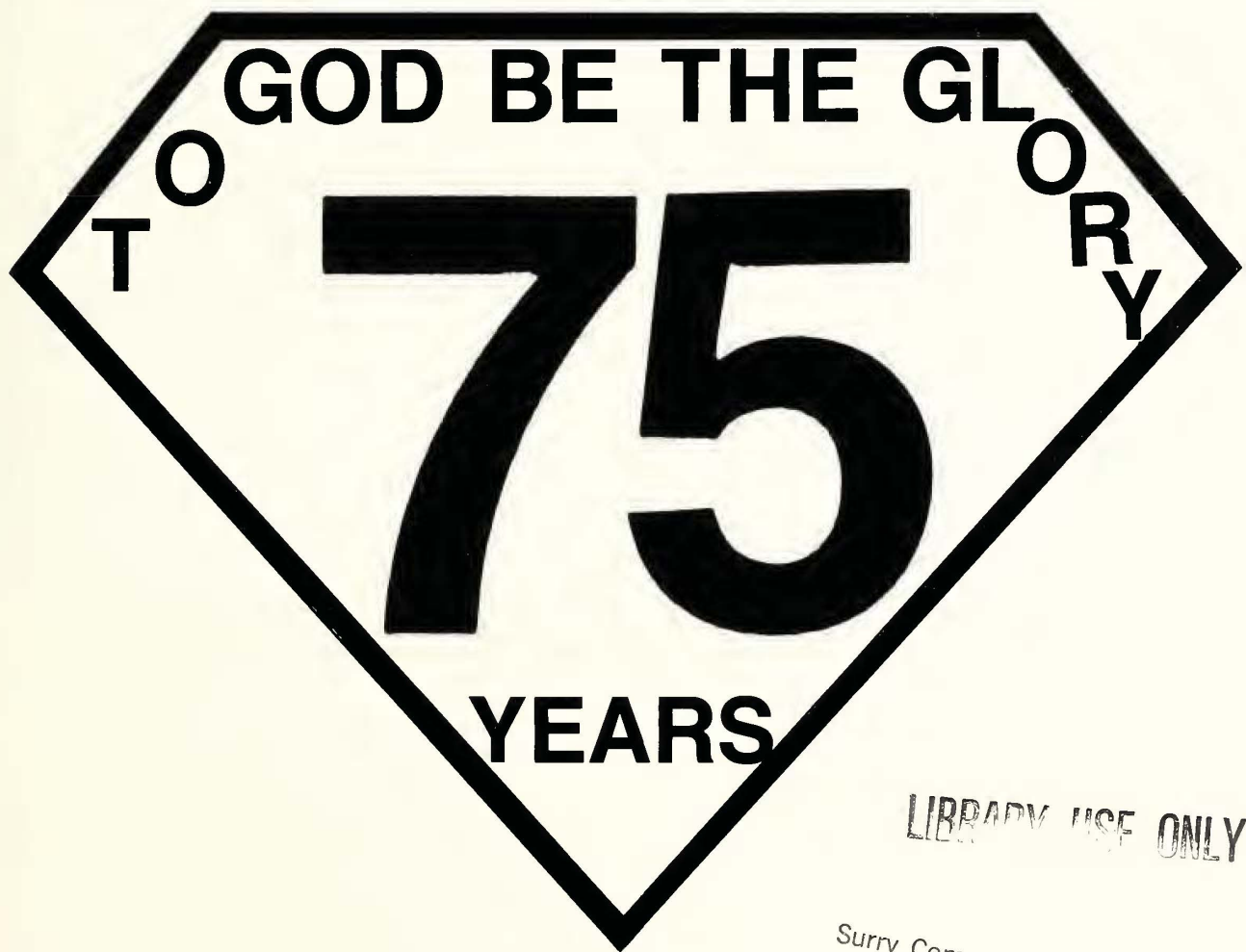
Across the years I used the phrase many times as an illustration in sermons and other speaking opportunities. I did not remember the name of the church where I had first read the phrase. More than thirty-five years later, in a conversation with Harold Stone, I learned that it was in the Calvary Church at Toast where I had first seen the sign and found my illustration.

Rev. W. L. Pearson, Jr.
Director of Missions
Surry Baptist Association

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History has often been defined as “His-story”, meaning that the past is a reflection of the movements of God in His world and among and through His people. The history of Calvary Baptist Church is to be understood from this perspective. The best of who and what we are is revealed in those myriad of lives that were given over to the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

We have come to the seventy-fifth observance of our being as a church. In the scheme of the Kingdom of God that is but a tick of time, yet for us in our pilgrimage of faith it is a significant span. We celebrate the goodness of God during these years and offer up gratitude for a place in His divine purpose. It has been a grand seventy-five years, replete with dedication and sacrifice by those who have nurtured and loved this congregation.

The story of Calvary Baptist Church is the story of people. Our forbears have our everlasting thankfulness. Out of their vision and commitment has come a church of strength and effectiveness. Their present-day counterparts keep both vision and commitment alive, joining that long succession over seventy-five years of the faithful of God in this place. The names of Calvary Baptists grace the halls of our history and the annals of heaven — stretching from those 35 charter members in the Spring of 1914 to the present moment.

People remain at the heart of our concern; members of the church who are being disciplined; and, people of the larger world for whom we bear a responsibility in sharing the gospel. We are constantly aware of the challenges of ministry, the needs of people. We have committed ourselves to God in the daily task of helping others.

Calvary Baptists reach out in a variety of ways through programs and specialized ministries in Jesus’ name to our city. Beyond that, we have always had a deep and growing commitment to world missions. Our desire is that every person have the opportunity to know Jesus Christ in a personal way, to enjoy the fellowship of the body of believers, to grow in wholeness, to be nurtured in the Christian faith, and to be equipped for kingdom service.

Calvary Baptists have always had “a mind to build.” From the first modest structure erected in 1914 to the present complex, the physical facilities of the church have been designed with people in mind. Providing the best surroundings possible for Bible study, worship, and fellowship has been the goal in building. The attractiveness that is maintained for our facilities is one way of honoring our Lord and, at the same time, issuing an invitation for others to share them with us.

While we pause with grateful hearts to reflect upon our past, we eagerly look to the future. We are still in the process of becoming — strengthening our faith and extending our reach. There are yet more successes to be achieved, more victories to be won. We have come far but there is yet a great way to go with our Lord. We face our future with confidence in the Lord of the church, with excitement in anticipation of what He will still do through His people, and with the blessed assurance that every promise He has made will be kept.

“To God be the glory, great things He hath done!” Our history is indeed testimony of the mighty power and working of God in His church. To be “Laborers together with Him” has been, is, and will be the guiding light of this congregation. Hearing the Master say, “Well done, good and faithful servants,” will be the crown of all we have desired to be and to do. -- Alfred Ayscue



1. Site of 1913 tent meeting conducted by the Reverend J. H. Haynes.
2. Approximate location of the Spainhour School where Calvary Baptist Church was organized.
3. Location of the 1914 Calvary Baptist Church frame building.
4. Johnson and Rachel Phillips' home built from the two Sunday School wings on the 1914 building.
5. 1948 Calvary Baptist Church building.
- 6a. Original location of Annex #1, the Major Everett house.
- 6b. Present location of Annex #1, now the Dale Surratt home.
- 7a. Original location of Annex #2, the Harold Stone house.
- 7b. Present location of Annex #2, owned by Reverend Tommy Worrell.
8. Educational Wing, 1965.
9. Calvary Baptist Church sanctuary, 1985, formerly the location of the church parsonage.

Calvary Baptist
 was organized in 1814
 by J. H. Hayes, Frank Sem-
 ur, C. James, John Seagraves &
 Raleigh Stouder & W. Boyler
 with Chilton & the Presbytery
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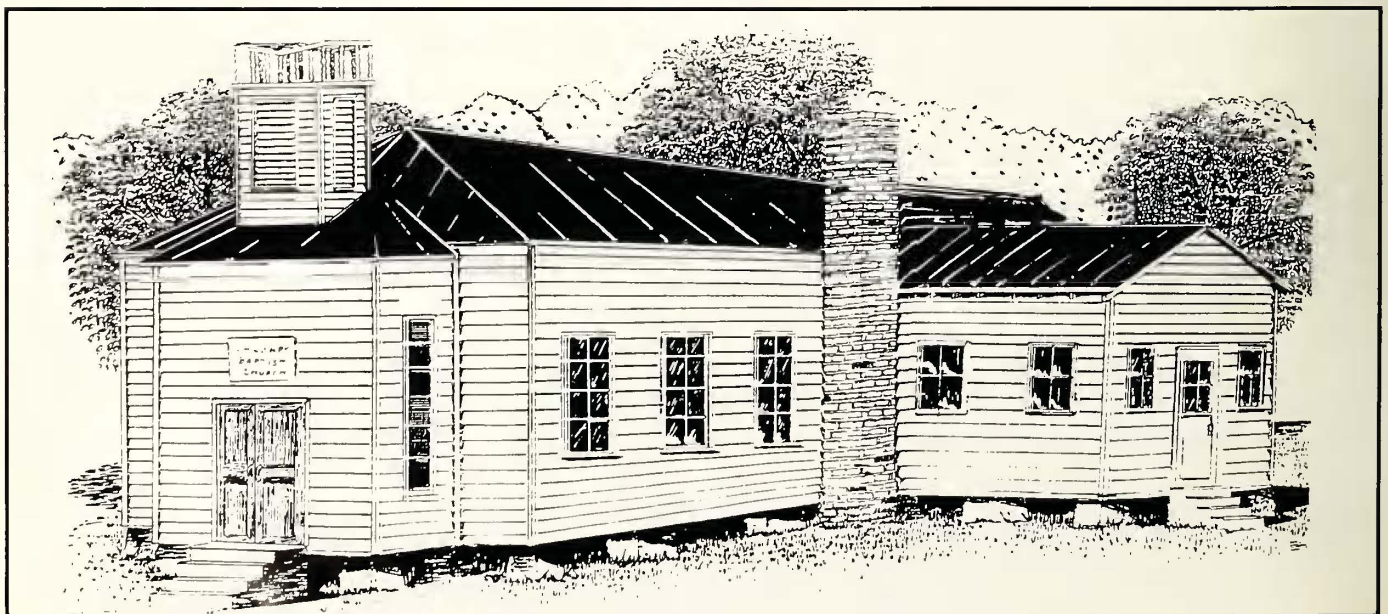
J. H. Hayes
 W. C. James

The Church elected
 Pastor S. C. Freeman
 M. B. Phillips & a
 Ed Nicholas etc
 ordained by

To the left are the remains
 of the first page of the first
 minute book belonging to
 Calvary Baptist Church.
 Although quite worn and
 sometimes incomplete, the
 rest of Calvary's minutes
 are in better condition.
 Many of our church
 records have been micro-
 filmed and are on file at the
 North Carolina Baptist
 Historical Collection at
 Wake Forest University.

Below is a drawing, commis-
 sioned by Harold Stone, of the
 original 1914 Calvary Baptist
 structure. There is no known picture
 in existence of the entire church building
 during its years in use by our congregation.

On Thursday, October 8, 1914, the follow-
 ing notice appeared in the Mount Airy News:
 "The Junior Order of this city will have charge
 of the laying of the corner stone of Calvary
 Baptist Church next Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Rev.
 T. H. King will preach on the occasion."



TO GOD BE THE GLORY

On Sunday, August 31, 1913, the Reverend J. H. Haynes began a "protracted" two-week tent revival in a grove of trees in front of the home of Dave and Mary Hall; Mrs. Hall would be remembered as the "mama of Calvary Baptist Church." Their home was located at what is presently 1105 Toast Road, the Randolph Slater home, and the tent revival was held at what is presently the northeast corner of the intersection of Muse Avenue and Toast Road. This revival was sponsored by the Surry Baptist Association and, like other revivals that had been held on the same site, resulted in several converts. The following description of the events appeared in this notice in the September 11, 1913 edition of the Mount Airy News.

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CHARTER MEMBERS OF CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

S. Coke Freeman
Sallie Freeman
Ed Nichols
Ella Nichols
James A. Nichols
Nannie Nichols
Josh Wilson
Maggie Wilson
Dave Hall
Mary Hall
Merriman Phillips
Kissie Anthony

Minnie Ball
Vinnie Blackburn
Nellie Collins
Walter Collins
Ida Johnson Shropshire
Martha Davis
Drusilla Wall
Adam Wall
Cliff Nichols
Thomas Nichols
Alex Nichols
P. C. Hodges

Early Gwyn
Dan Fleming
Henry Davis
Earnest Butcher
Edd Butcher
George Oakley
Bessie Oakley
Nettie Nichols Stone
Mrs. N. C. Hodges
Bennie D. Odell
Lana Phillips Bennett



To the left above is a picture of the Calvary Baptist Church building, constructed in 1914, with the north (1935) and south (1938) wings. This picture was taken while the building was being dismantled. To the right above is the home of Johnson and Rachel Phillips as it looked soon after completion. This house was formed from the two Sunday School wings of the 1914 church building. A close look above the oil tank will show the outline of the old door to the north wing of the church.



Rev. J. H. Haynes
1914 - 1916
1918 - 1921



In the picture to the left, standing at the front of the 1914 church building, are (left to right) Carl Snow, Forest Stone Childress, Ethel Nichols Reece, Ellen Daniels, and Josephine Nichols Snyder.



Rev. G. E. Burrus
1917

In the picture to the right are (left to right) Rev. E. B. Draughn, Dexter Wilson, Joe Hall, and Rev. Merriman Phillips at a Calvary baptizing at the Stewart's Creek bluff, July 28, 1929.



Rev. J. H. Hall
1921 - 1924



These converts, above, were baptized in Stewart's Creek by Calvary pastor Richard Day (far right) on July 16, 1938. Assisting the pastor was Deacon Lloyd Arrington (second from right). Included in the picture are Minnie Nichols and three of her daughters.

GREAT THINGS HE HATH DONE

Good Meeting Under Tent

Rev. J. H. Haynes has been conducting a tent meeting a mile west of this city for several days and large congregations are attending every service. Many people have professed religion and added themselves to the churches of the neighborhood. A number will be baptized at the ford of the creek at Sides Mill next Sunday morning. (Sides Mill was located south of the present Independence Boulevard bridge over Lovill's Creek, behind the new New Market Crossing.)

Many of these converts joined the Mt. Carmel Baptist Church (organized in 1894) or the Antioch Baptist Church (organized in 1858). Walking being the common method of transportation to church in 1913, these two churches proved to be at a considerable distance from what was to become the Toast community. Local converts began to show interest in establishing a new missionary Baptist church at a location known then as the Crossroads.

On Saturday, December 13, 1913, these local converts met in the Spainhour School, located behind the present Snow's Garage building, and under the leadership of a committee from the Surry Baptist Association, organized a missionary Baptist church in their community. According to early church minutes, "the body was found to be orthodox and was recognized as a Baptist Church." Thirty-five charter members were received, and the Reverend J. H. Haynes was chosen as pastor. Merriman B. Phillips, James A. Nichols, and Ed Nichols were the first deacons with S. C. "Coke" Freeman serving as the first church clerk. A committee was appointed to choose a name for the new church. It selected the name Calvary Baptist Church. Services were held once monthly in the Spainhour School House until a church building could be constructed.

The congregation began plans for a new building. A lot was bought in April, 1914, from Mr. Charlie P. Creed, who had just purchased the farm land from Mr. Boss McGee. The lot was located where Johnson and Rachel Phillips now live, and the original church was where the Phillips' garden is now. According to the original deed, which was not filed for several years, the trustees of the church paid \$50.00 in 1914 for the land. The following article appeared in the Mount Airy News on January 14, 1914:

Mr. D. H. Cook has contracted to build the new Baptist Church a mile west of the city and to have the work done by the first of May. The new church will be called Calvary and the new house will be 22 x 40 feet. The building committee has secured nearly enough pledges to pay the cost of erecting the building and they think they see their way clear to secure all the funds by the time the work is done.

The building committee found that the old frame Presbyterian Church on South Main Street in Mount Airy was being replaced with a granite structure and purchased the old doors, shutters, windows, and bell from this church for use in the new Calvary building. This bell, which was first used by the Presbyterian Church in 1876, is still in use in the 1948 bell tower of Calvary Church.



Rev. M. B. Phillips
1924 - 1925



Rev. E. B. Draughn
1925 - 1930



Rev. L. B. Murray
1930 - 1935



CALVARY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL — July 15-19, 1940

- Row 1: _____, Helen Stone, Adele Caudle, Pauline Thomas, _____, Willie Mae Edwards, Betty Hutchens, _____
- Row 2: Jo Ann Caudle, Billy Caudle, Bobby Bunker, Carlene Tickle, Joy Mae Thomas, Lane Hawks, _____
- Row 3: Myrtle Phillips, _____, _____, _____, Mary Ruth Odell, _____, Nancy Nichols, Bertie Snow, Helen Hawks, Dorothy Thomas, Glenda Snow, Berdine Nichols, Connie Galyean, _____, _____, _____, _____, Vera Mae Young, _____
- Row 4: Elvie Holder, _____, Mary Rose Jarrell, _____, Hylda Snow, Gladys Graveley, _____, Loretta Phillips, Annie Kay Hall, Betty Joe Jarrell, Louise Galyean, Woodrow Odell, _____, _____
- Row 5: _____, Forest Stone, Ethel Nichols, Josephine Nichols, _____, Mary Lou Caudle, Mable Nichols, _____ Phillips
- Row 6: _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, J. W. Wall, _____, Grady McHone, Billy Gray Stone, Roy Hutchens
- Row 7: _____, Albert McHone, Wayne Hutchens, Owen Stone, _____, _____, Norris Hodge, Waymoth Hall, _____, _____, _____

SO LOVED HE THE WORLD

At the twelfth annual session of the Surry Baptist Association, August 13-16, 1914, the Reverend Haynes, in "his report of Mission Work," summed up Calvary's first year.

We began work at Cross Roads one mile west of Mount Airy, Sept. 1, 1914 (sic). We have 51 members at this place. Church organized December, 1913. Church called Calvary Baptist Church. This church will come into the Association this session. They need some help this year and next year. We expect these...to grow very fast. We have a new house of worship at this place.

"Calvary came forward and was received" into membership of the Association on August 13, 1914.

According to the 1914 Surry Association minutes, the Reverend Haynes was helping to organize Mt. Zion Church at the same time he was helping Calvary get started as a church. The Reverend Haynes was paid \$32.00 by the Surry Association for mission work in 1913-1914. Presumably this was, in part, for the tent revival at Crossroads, one of at least four such meetings he conducted in 1913.

The activities of the early Calvary Baptist Church were different in many ways from the way our church is operated today. The church met only once a month since the pastors usually served several churches at a time. The monthly meetings from 1913 up through the 1940's would begin with the "testing of the fellowship." Services would not proceed until the Church was found "in peace." Evidently it always was found so. For lack of an indoor baptistry, baptizings were usually conducted in Stewarts Creek, either at the bluff about one mile west of the church or near White Plains.

The early Church took seriously the example set by its members in public life. Frequently, the Church would "withdraw fellowship" from members for "not attending services," for "not living a Christian life," for "living a disorderly life," for "violating the prohibition laws," and for other reasons. This withdrawing of the fellowship was carried out only after a committee of church members had visited the "backsliding" brother or sister in an effort to help them return to the Christian path. Here is early evidence of the care that Calvary Baptists have for the members of their church. This fellowship would be restored at a later date if the straying members of the church came before the congregation to rededicate their lives.

Other differences can be seen in a variety of areas of church life. No ladies were called on to pray in church, according to the minutes of the church, until Mrs. W. K. Stover was asked to pray in the November 5, 1939, meeting. The financial needs of the church were more difficult to meet in those early years, especially during the 1930's. On April 14, 1934, in the middle of the Great Depression, there was a balance of 17¢ in the church treasury. Some of our members recall that a birthday bank was kept in the old church building. Every member, on his birthday, would place a penny in this bank for every year of life being celebrated that year. Our modern-day comforts were not known in those early days. For example, the 1914 church building was heated by a single stove near the front of the sanctuary. After Sunday School, the younger members especially would rush to get a seat nearest the stove. So in those early days, at least during the winter months, there were few "back row Baptists" at Calvary.

Calvary Baptist To Build New Church



Rev. Richard Day
1935-1940



Rev. L. M. Cook
1940-1943



Rev. Lonnie Fleming
1943-1948



The following article was taken from The Mount Airy News May 16, 1947 edition.

Shown above is I. D. Ward, left, and Rev. Lonnie A. Fleming, pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church, as they look over the ground that is to be used for the construction of a new \$30,000 church in the Toast and Franklin communities.

Work started on the new church officially Saturday morning with Mr. Ward, contractor of the building, surveying the property.

According to Rev. Mr. Fleming, the church will be built of brick and will include a tower 36 feet high as well as the main auditorium, a chapel, kitchen, 8 class rooms and a balcony. The church will seat approximately 450 persons.

Members of the Calvary Baptist Church have already raised a little more than \$10,000 for the new church. The old church was built 32 years ago and is located in the Toast Community.

The contractor expects to have the building closed in 90 days and work will continue on it through a period of time.



Calvary Baptist Church, 1948

THAT HE GAVE US HIS SON

Calvary's early pastors were not called to minister to the Church indefinitely. Instead, the Church met in conference once a year, until 1943, to choose a pastor for the coming year. The Reverend J. H. Haynes served the church as pastor until May, 1921, with the exception of one year when the Reverend G. E. Burrus served from July, 1917 to August, 1918. On August 7, 1921, the Reverend Joe H. Hall was elected to serve the church as pastor and served faithfully until 1924.

The church voted to adopt the envelope system for collection of the pastor's salary on October 19, 1921. Up to this time, many of the collections were taken by passing the hat among members in the church yard after the services. For example, on May 30, 1915, the collection for the pastor was \$2.00. The following month he was paid 85¢.

The Reverend M. B. Phillips was elected pastor on July 13, 1924, and served the church until April, 1925. On May 24, 1925, the Reverend E. B. Draughn was called to serve the church as pastor for the year beginning August 1, 1925. He served as pastor until July, 1930. The Reverend L. B. Murray served as pastor from July, 1930 to June, 1935.





Rev. W. H. Poindexter
1949-1952



Rev. R. L. Wilson
1953-1958



Rev. S. D. Baker
1959-1962



In the picture above are (left to right) Rev. W. A. Poindexter, Rev. Lonnie Fleming, and Rev. R. L. Wilson, attending a church social in the back yard of Eck and Louise Jones.



Above is a 1958 Vacation Bible School Class of Calvary Baptist Church with interim pastor Sampson Collins looking on.

WHO YIELDED HIS LIFE

In 1935, the church saw a need for additional space for Sunday School and church services. Church minutes from April 21 of that year tell us "Pastor was given the power to apoint (sic) a building committee to start a building fund to construct some Sunday School room the following was appointed C. R. Boyles, C. L. Stone, D. M. Creed, Lessie Nichols, Fannie Odell, Mary Edith Snow as a building committee." The addition, the south wing, was added in 1935. Three years later, there was more need for space due to the growth in attendance of the Sunday School and the church services. A new wing was added to the north end of the church in 1938.

The church met in conference on July 3, 1935, for the purpose of electing a new pastor for the coming year. They voted to call the Reverend Richard Day to serve. The church made unusual progress under the Reverend Day with a number of members being added to the church roll as well as the building program being under-



Church picnic at the home of Maynard and Pauline McHone.



Rev. Fred Reece
1962-1969



Calvary Baptist Church Youth Choir (1950-1951)

1st row: Jo Ann Caudle, Faye Key, Juanita Leonard, Betty Lee Nichols, Joan Culbreth, Nancy Hall, and Gladys Poindexter, director. 2nd row: Helen Stone, pianist; Mildred Leonard, Nancy Watson, Norris Hodge, Bill Belton, and Bobby Lee Shelton. 3rd row: Harold Stone, Baxter Smith, and Billy Caudle.



Rev. Floyd Enzor
1969-1973



Calvary Baptist Church Sanctuary Choir of the 1960's

Row 1: Morris Patterson, Nancy Westmoreland, Judy Booker, Kaye Jarrell, Hilda Watson, Katie McCraw, Judy Lawson, Maria Jarrell, Gaye Amburn, Dale Newman, Mary Cook, Jo Hodge, Margaret Hooker, Jessie Davis, Rev. Fred Reece. Row 2: Jean Reece, Cheryl Stone, Sandy McHone, Mildred Overby, Lora Davenport, Thelma Venable, Gladys Stone, Betty Jean Hull, Nan Hull, Forest Lawson. Row 3: Woltz Stone, Norris Jarrell, Norris Hodge, Raymond Riggs, Harold Stone, J. A. Bryant, Roy Estes, Owen Stone, Ted Watson.



Rev. Alfred Ayscue
1974-present

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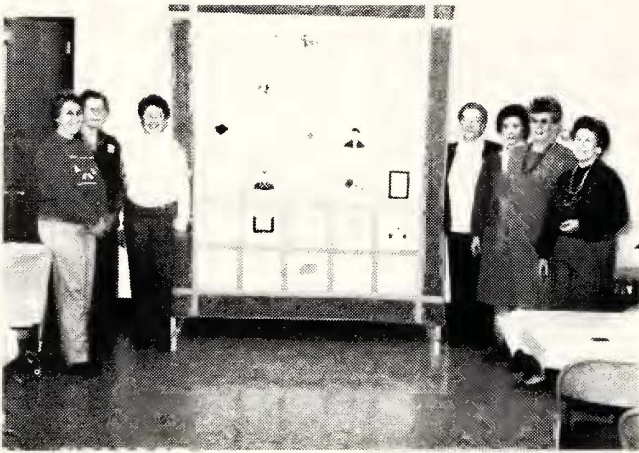
taken. Also, with the nation's economic recovery, the church's gifts were greatly increased to all association objectives. The church continued this progress, with several changes in church administration, under the leadership of the Reverend Lunsford Cook who served as pastor from May 26, 1940, until June, 1943. Under the Reverend Cook's tenure, and on motion by Carl Snow, Calvary first voted to use the budget system that many of the missionary Baptist churches were using. The church first began meeting twice a month in August, 1940. Also, in 1942, the church voted that the pastor's salary should be 70% of the offering.

On July 18, 1943, Calvary ended the practice of yearly voting on the pastor's employment when the church called its first pastor for an indefinite period of time. He was the Reverend Lonnie A. Fleming, a man "whose faith knew no bounds." Under his leadership, many changes came about in the life of Calvary Baptist Church. In 1944, Mary Edith Snow Baer was elected as the first secretary to the pastor. On September 5, 1943, the church decided to have "services the first, second, third Sunday at 11 o'clock and the fourth Sunday night and every fifth Sunday." In that same month, the church voted "to buy \$200.00 worth of War Savings Bonds out of church treasury" to help in the war effort. Also, the following set of rules, still practiced in principle, was adopted for Calvary Baptist Church:

Rules Adopted by Calvary Baptist Church September 26, 1943

1. The board of deacons are called and ordained by the church to take care of the business of Calvary Church, and the board of deacons must be recognized as the business executives of said church.
2. No person or persons will have the authority to change any business that has been voted in by Calvary Church or any organization within church without the consent of said organization.
3. All major business must be brought before board of deacons, or before church in a conference or business meeting. The church will have the final vote.
4. Any member of Calvary Baptist Church that has a suggestion that he or she would like to offer to the betterment of Calvary Church may at any time make that suggestion either before board of deacons or church in a regular conference or business meeting.

The most important need of the church in 1943 was the need for more room. With a church membership of 226 and a Sunday School enrollment of 320, a new building was needed. There was a need for additional funds if the church's vision of a new building was to be realized. According to the church minutes of Sunday, December 5, 1943, "All board of deacons that was present finance committee and building committee agreed to pay one dollar per month over and above their regular offering into the building fund to show a spirit behind the building fund." Also, upon recommendation from the finance committee, the church gave 60% of regular offerings to the pastor, reserved 10% for church needs, and set aside 30% of regular offerings for the building fund. On April 23, 1944, this plan for raising money was presented to the church. The plan was called the "One Hundred Club," and was approved in May, 1944. The objective of the club was to enlist all who desired to help, hopefully one hundred members, who would give a dollar a month over and above their tithes and offerings to go to the building fund. This would amount to \$100.00 per month to the building fund. The spirit shown by the church leaders in December caught on and the club plan was very successful. With solicited gifts from friends of the church and area businesses, the building fund grew by leaps and bounds. These cooperative efforts represented an early "Together We Build" program.



Hilda Wright, Fannie Leonard, Eugenia Pearson, Lillian Hiatt, Hazel Ayscue, Betty Jean Southern, and Ruby York standing with the WMU Centennial quilt in 1988.



Jo Hodge and Vera Forrest lead a Mission Friends session in the 1970's.

W.M.U. Begins at Calvary

The first Woman's Missionary Union of Calvary Baptist Church met on February 20, 1938. Three ladies from Mount Airy First Baptist Church: Mrs. John Foye, Mrs. Joe Poore, and Mrs. Jettie Allred came to help organize a missionary society at Calvary. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Thelma Venable; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. I. V. Hutchens; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Wilma Byrd; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. C. R. Boyles, and Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Lou Jarrell.

Miss Lou made out the report for their first year. There were five officers and thirteen members. Their year's offering totaled \$13.97; of this amount they had received \$10.50 from selling pot holders they had made. They gave \$7.00 to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering and \$3.00 to the Cooperative Program.

The women who were pioneers in WMU work for Calvary were the officers listed above and these members: Mrs. Mary Hall, Mrs. Clyde Stone, Mrs. Myrtle Wagoner, Mrs. Vasie McHone, Mrs. Lillie Mathis, Mrs. Billie Robertson, Mrs. Ed Bunker, Mrs. Lillie Phillips, Miss Louise Nichols, Mrs. Margie Thacker, Miss Ethel Nichols, Miss Mary Edith Snow, and Miss Fannie Odell.



Members of the congregation gather outside the sanctuary. The parsonage is seen in the background to the left.



Jo Watson and Lela Shelton take care of the church nursery about 1960.

AND OPENED THE LIFE GATE

By May, 1944, the church was making definite plans for erecting a new building. It was decided to purchase the lot belonging to Paul Surratt which was directly west across South Franklin Road from the church building. But the reality of World War II which brought a scarcity of building materials made progress toward a new building immediately impossible. In August, the offer to buy the lot was withdrawn. Building plans were put on hold until the war ended.

While waiting for the end of the war, the church first began holding weekly Wednesday night prayer meetings at the church in September, 1944. Previous prayer services were held in homes and at the church, but not on a regular basis. In May, 1945, the church voted to begin "full time work," that is to hold services every Sunday morning and evening.

Work toward a new building was begun again on February 24, 1946, when J. A. Nichols, Russell Hiatt, Joe Hall, Connie White, and Allen Nichols were "given the authority to purchase a building site not to be over ¼ mile from present site" and to be located on the highway (South Franklin Road). On February 25, the trustees entered into a contract to purchase eight lots of the Charlie P. Creed estate for \$2,000.00. These lots, fronting South Franklin Road, were about ¼ mile southwest of the 1914 structure. The present worship center still stands on this site.

Surveying began on the new church building in May, 1947. Over \$10,000 having already been raised, the church voted to take out a \$5,000 loan from Workmen's Federal Savings and Loan on November 30, 1947. With continued financial support from the congregation and friends, and with assistance from the State Baptist Convention, construction soon began. A Gothic style brick church with a bell tower, sanctuary, chapel, kitchen, eight classrooms, and a balcony was begun. Members of the church donated much of their time and talents toward completing this new church building. After leaving work, many of the men of the church would work at the construction site until well into the night several nights a week. Through their efforts, the wiring was completed, the paneling was installed and finished, the basement dug, thus saving the congregation much in labor costs. The church completed its relocation and occupied its new facilities on Sunday, October 10, 1948.

On August 1, 1948, the trustees were authorized to sell the 1914 church property as residential property only. The building was used for storage purposes and was rented out until Johnson and Rachel Phillips bought the property on December 6, 1950, for \$1,200. In 1952, the north and south Sunday School wings were removed from the original building and moved together right in front of the original church to form the home of the Phillipses. The original 1914 structure was torn down in 1951 and 1952.

In February, 1949, the Reverend William H. Poindexter was called to serve as pastor. He served until December, 1952. During these years, the members were generous in their gifts and free labor to provide for additional space needed for Sunday School rooms in the basement of the church. Also, in July, 1950, a loan was authorized for the construction of a parsonage on the church site adjoining the 1948 building.

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The groundbreaking for the current sanctuary was held on April 29, 1984. Above, the Calvary congregation poses for a shot. Below is the building committee (l to r) Jo Hodge, Harold Stone, Nan Hull, Rev. Alfred Ayscue, Gray Shelton, and Jerry Eller.



THAT ALL MAY GO IN

In March, 1953, the Reverend R. L. Wilson was called to serve as pastor, and he served until June, 1958. During these years, work on the parsonage was completed, a kitchen and other carpentry work was finished in the church basement, an organ and new pews were purchased for the sanctuary, and the church bought its first mimeograph machine. In 1958, the debt was retired on both the church and the parsonage. In 1956, the church adopted the rotation system of the board of deacons.

On November 15, 1957, the church saw again the need for additional space for our Sunday School and voted to secure a loan for the purchase of the Major Everett property, just west, behind the church building. The church converted the house into the Intermediate and Young People's Department of the Sunday School. It was known as Annex #1. This house was moved in the 1960's to make way for the new educational building.

In May, 1959, the church met in conference and extended a call to the Reverend S. D. Baker to serve as pastor. He served through July, 1962. Under Baker's leadership, continued expansion of the Sunday School was realized. In July, 1960, the church voted to purchase the Harold Stone property, just west of the property that was purchased from Major Everett in 1957. The house was converted into the Young Adult Department of the Sunday School and was known as Annex #2. This Annex was moved in the early 1980's to make way for more parking. In 1961, the church added a new heating plant and air conditioning. Work was also done toward completion of the balcony in the sanctuary.

On October 4, 1964, Calvary Baptist Church celebrated its fiftieth anniversary. The history written at that time ended with the words, "We ask for God's continued blessings and leadership in the future." God has surely answered that prayer. As this church reached out with the gospel, membership has grown from 373 in 1964 to 660 in March of 1989. During these twenty-five years 316 people have been baptized into the church. Sunday School enrollment has increased from 359 to 620, and average attendance in Sunday School continues to grow, going from 210 to 301. In the first six months of the 1988-89 church year, average attendance reached 316.



Annex # 1



Annex #2



BILLY GRAY STONE
WHO GAVE HIS LIFE FOR HIS COUNTRY
 March 24, 1926 February 15, 1945

Billy Gray was brought up in Calvary Baptist Church where his father and mother, Clyde and Sallie Stone, his brothers, Harold and Owen; and his sisters, Forest and Helen, were faithful in attendance and service. Only a short time after Billy Gray finished basic training, he was shipped out overseas to fight in Germany. On February 15, 1945, he was killed in action in Luxembourg. A memorial service was conducted at Calvary on June 24, 1945; then when his body was brought back, there was a burial service in September of 1948. Billy Gray was the only member of Calvary to be killed in action.

Billy Gray Stone was not quite 19 years old when he, like many other young men in World War II, lay down his life for the freedom of his fellowman. Those who see Billy's window should pause and make a pledge that these young men "shall not have died in vain."



Above is a picture of the baptizing of Billy Gray Stone, and others, on September 8, 1940.

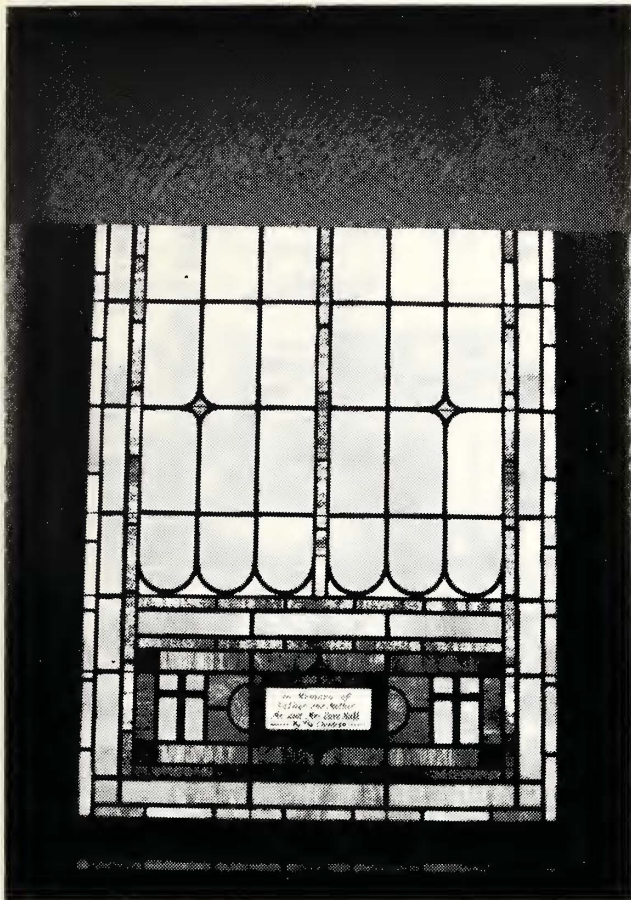


IN HONOR OF
REV. LONNIE A. FLEMING
UNDER WHOSE ABLE LEADERSHIP
THIS BUILDING WAS ERECTED — WMU

The Rev. Lonnie A. Fleming was the first pastor to serve Calvary Baptist Church full time. He and his wife Ruby (deceased) had one son, Gilbert, who resides in Winston-Salem.

Under Rev. Fleming's capable leadership the congregation completed their plans for a new and larger house of worship. Lots were purchased on South Franklin Road in early 1946 and building began in 1947. Many faithful members of the church and especially Pastor Lonnie gave many hours of free labor, helping a vision come to pass. Not only did he lead the church through a major building program, he also led them to start many of the mission programs that still exist today.

In addition to Calvary Baptist Church, Lonnie served many other churches throughout this area. Of all the churches, he still expresses today that his ministry at Calvary was the longest and happiest of his career. For his faithfulness and leadership, the ladies of the WMU dedicated this window in his honor.

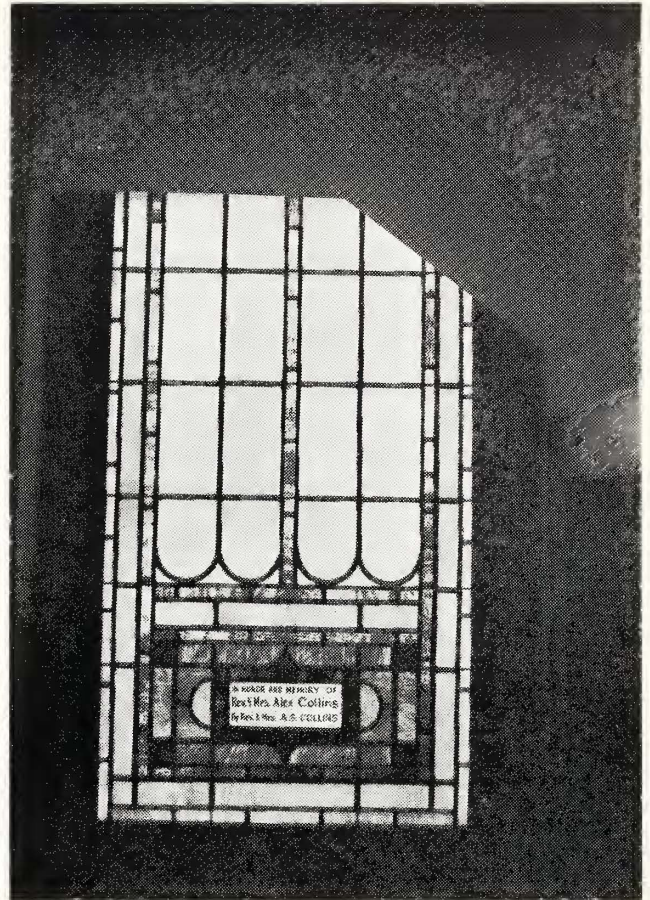


**IN MEMORY OF
FATHER AND MOTHER
MR. & MRS. DAVE HALL
BY THE CHILDREN**

Oct. 23, 1877-Jan. 11, 1929 May 16, 1878-Jan. 10, 1958

Mary and Dave Hall were charter members of Calvary Baptist Church. The tent-meeting revival which resulted in the organization of Calvary was in front of their home on Old Toast Road. Dave Hall was very active in Calvary Church in the early years until his health failed, and he was faithful in attendance until his death.

Dave and Mary's children were Elizabeth, who died in 1931; Otto, who died in 1933; Joe, who died in 1977; J. D. who died in 1979; and Thelma Venable, who is still living. Each was talented and each was an asset to Calvary, carrying on the work their parents started in 1914. We are proud and honored to have a window in their memory.



**IN HONOR & MEMORY OF
REV. & MRS. ALEX COLLINS
BY: REV. & MRS. A. S. COLLINS**

Jan. 4, 1865-Dec. 4, 1958 Oct. 7, 1869-Feb. 5, 1943

Rev. Alex and Mary Jane Collins joined Calvary soon after it was organized. He was an ordained minister and served several of the churches in Surry Association. Rev. Collins was pastor of Oak Grove, Woodville, Indian Grove, Oak Ridge, and Central View.

In 1930, Mr. Collins and his wife moved to Moore County where he continued to preach the gospel and serve the Lord until 1958; at the age of 93, he died. Mary Jane Collins had preceded her husband in death fifteen years earlier.

Alex and Mary Jane's son, Sampson Collins, followed his father's footsteps and became a minister. He too joined Calvary in those early years. Rev. Sampson pastored a number of churches in Surry County; in fact at one time he served as interim pastor of Calvary. Sampson and his wife placed the window in the church in honor of Alex and Mary Jane Collins.

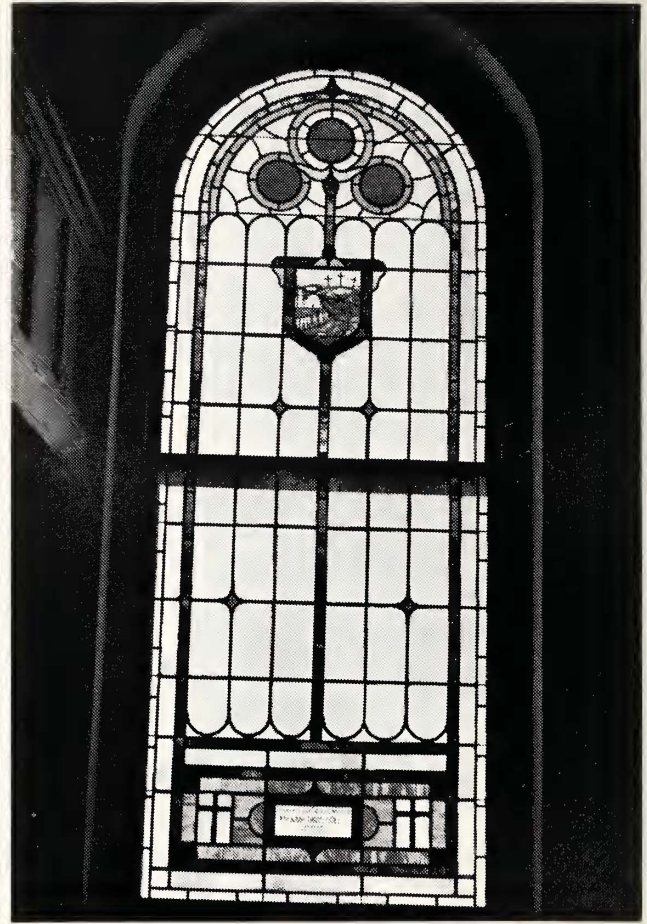


**IN LOVING MEMORY & HONOR OF
OUR FATHER & MOTHER
MR. & MRS. LAFAYETTE NICHOLS
BY CHILDREN**

July 12, 1860-Feb. 29, 1940 July 18, 1865-April 28, 1963

Aunt Ann and Uncle Fate, as they were fondly called by everyone, were faithful members of Calvary Baptist Church. They joined shortly after the church was organized, around 1915.

Four children were born to this couple; Roy Nichols, J. A. Nichols, Sallie Stone and Nettie Stone. They all served the Lord at Calvary. At present, 1989, many of Aunt Ann and Uncle Fate's grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren are worshipping and serving at Calvary. How fitting a window was dedicated to them lest their contribution to this church be forgotten as time passes.



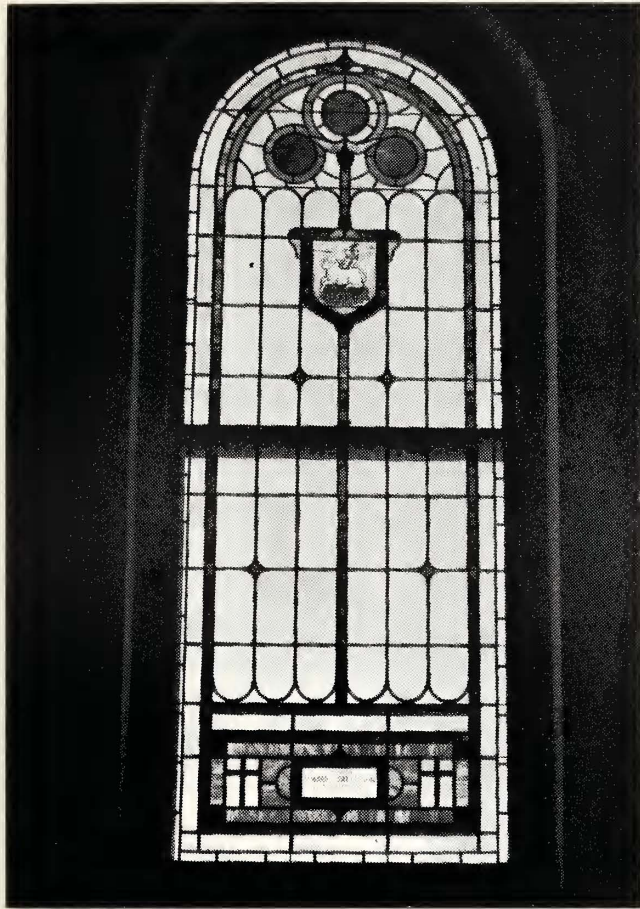
**IN HONOR OF OUR FATHER & MOTHER
MR. & MRS. DAVIS ODELL
DEACON
BY CHILDREN**

Jan. 8, 1884-Aug. 9, 1955 Mar. 6, 1878-Feb. 20, 1971

Davis and Geneva Odell joined Calvary Baptist Church in the early days, around 1914 or 1915. He was ordained as a deacon on February 22, 1922, and served in that capacity as long as he was able to attend. He was faithful, honest, sincere, and hard-working.

Davis and Geneva had nine children: Ona, Sadie, Lilly, Carrie, Ruby, Robie, Everett, Cullen, and Bill. These children considered their parents worthy and dedicated this window to them.

Every Sunday Davis walked to church from his home above Toast. In later years, he always sat on the second row with his hand cupped behind his ear to catch every word the pastor said. He was a "good and faithful servant."



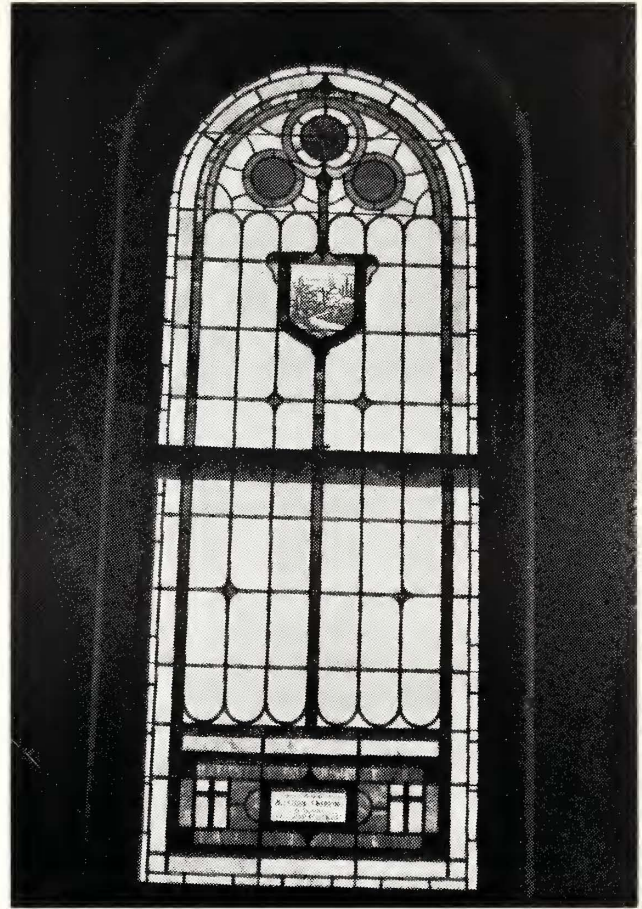
**IN MEMORY OF EDWARD L. PATTERSON
SECRETARY & TREASURER OF
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR 34 YEARS
Mar. 14, 1867 April 26, 1948**

E. L. Patterson was a prominent citizen in the Franklin community in the early 1900's. He owned a farm on South Franklin Road; his house stood on the plot where Franklin Heights United Methodist Church parsonage now stands. He married Hattie Bunker, the daughter of one of the original Siamese twins.

E. L. Patterson was not a member of Calvary Baptist Church; however he served as the secretary and treasurer of the Sunday School for a long period of time. Mr. Patterson was dedicated to this task, and he attended Calvary faithfully, walking to church every Sunday whatever the weather.

One of his daughters said, "He loved Calvary Baptist Church, and he loved the work that he did for so many years. Many times he told me with pride of the generous way in which the members gave to the Orphanage and other activities, and I am sorry he could not live to see that beautiful church you are building."

It is altogether fitting that one of the stained glass windows should be dedicated to him.



**IN MEMORY OF MY FATHER & MOTHER
W. J. AND CORA J. HERRING
BY DAUGHTER
MARY HERRING LOCKLEAR**

May 27, 1866-Jan. 12, 1927 Nov. 14, 1861-May 6, 1934

W. J. Herring was a policeman and a supervisor of roads in Surry County. They owned a large tract of land in Franklin Community which Mrs. Herring inherited from her father.

The window in Calvary Baptist Church was placed there by their only daughter, Mary Herring Locklear. Mrs. Locklear was a teacher who began her career in Pembroke, N. C. In later years she and her husband moved back to Surry County to live in the Herring home about a mile west of Calvary Church. Mrs. Locklear taught at Franklin High School and then at North Surry High School. Out of her respect for her parents, her love for Calvary Church, and her interest in the community, she dedicated a window to the Herrings.



Our worship center: (top left) as the steeple was being raised into place in early 1985; (middle left) as construction was completed, 1985; (bottom left) the Calvary choir in the new loft and robes at Christmas, 1985; and (above right) the cross which reminds us of His sacrifice.

On May 5, 1985, the Calvary family worshipped for the first time in this new facility. Rev. Alfred Ayscue's sermon for the day was entitled "Why I Wanted a Cross in my Church." The new sanctuary was formally dedicated on June 2, 1985, with Dr. R. Gene Puckett, Editor of the **Biblical Recorder**, bringing a message entitled "Upon This Rock...!"

From 1964 until the present time, Calvary has had three pastors: the Rev. Fred Reece (1964-68), the Rev. Floyd Enzor (1968-72), and the Rev. Alfred Ayscue (1974 until the present).

A pastor must have the support of effective leaders in the church, and through the years there has been such support from many, especially the deacons. All who have served as deacons are listed elsewhere in this book; however the men who have served as Chairman of the Board of Deacons deserve special recognition. They are Edison Frye, Owen Stone, Kelly Smith, Howard Hull, J. A. Bryant, Jr.; Harold Stone, Bobby Watson, Norris Hodge, Howard Shelton, Jerry Eller, Ted Watson, Earl Varney, Jim Day, and Bill Hull.

Long ago Baptist learned that "the best way to grow numerically is through the Sunday School. Ninety percent of the people who have joined the Baptist church has been reached first by the Sunday School." Through the years Calvary has been blessed with dedicated Sunday School teachers, and since 1964 seven men have led as Directors of the Sunday School: Woltz Stone, Henderson Johnson, Ted Watson, Henry Edmund, Bobby Watson, Ron Sutphin, and Johnny Surratt.

As membership has increased and as the church added more activities to the program, the church staff has also grown. At first, there was the pastor, assisted by a choir director. Morris Patterson was the choir director from 1964 until 1975. Since that time three people have held this position: Edward Toney, Patti Miller, and Kathe Beaver. Following Kathe Beaver's resignation, Floyd Parker and then LuAnn Miller served as interim choir directors. At the present time, the other two members of the music staff are Judy Mills, organist, and Eugenia Pearson, pianist.

When it seemed advisable to seek an associate minister with emphasis on music and youth, Mr. Edward Toney of Granite Falls Baptist Church was hired to fill that place. Mr. Toney held the position from March of 1977 until the latter part of 1978. In 1980, the church began the search for a Minister of Education and Youth, and on January 1, 1981, Mr. Charlie Harrell assumed the task. Mr. Harrell left Calvary in September of 1982. It would be four years before the church would look for a replacement in this area. The need was great; so in 1985, the search began again. In July of 1986, Floyd Parker was elected and moved to Mount Airy from Hermitage Baptist Church in Nashville, Tennessee, to take up his work as Minister of Education and Youth at Calvary.

In the early days, the secretarial work in the office was handled by various members of the church who worked on a part-time basis. In 1974, a full-time secretary was hired, and Margaret Hooker filled that job from 1974 until 1987. Terry Inman has been the church secretary since that time.

While all these changes were taking place in the church staff and leadership, Calvary Church had been working hard to keep pace with the growth in numbers. First, there was the need for additional Sunday School rooms, and then for more seating space in the sanctuary, and finally still more space for both was a necessity.

In 1964, Calvary recognized the pressing need for more space for Sunday School rooms; and in 1965 under the leadership of Mr. Fred Reece, plans were ready for a two-story educational building. There was some difficulty in obtaining a loan of \$110,000.00 for this building because the membership at that time was only 385. After a group of church members signed an agreement to guarantee repayment, the loan was obtained; the contract was given to John S. Clark Company, and construction began. In 1966 the Sunday School rooms, a fellowship hall, and a kitchen were ready for use. Since then the Sunday School rooms have been redone from time to time, and in 1988, the fellowship hall was changed to provide three additional classrooms and a small conference room. This building has served Calvary well for the past twenty-three years.

Meanwhile, Calvary Church attendance and membership were on the march. By 1975, the congregation was outgrowing the capacity of the sanctuary. Several options were considered as a solution to the situation, and the final decision was to enlarge the balcony, adding seating capacity for 100 to 125 people. This was done in 1976 at a total cost of \$21,754.82.

And still the people came. In 1978 a Long-Range Planning Committee was appointed: Norris Hodge, chairman; Lenora Frye, Nan Hull, Henderson Johnson, Marvin Beasley, Norris Jarrell, Vera Forrest, Ted Watson, Zeo Stone, Mildred Overby, Lillian Hiatt, Raymond Riggs, and Morris Davis. This committee was charged with the task of planning for the next five to ten years. When they made their report, it included a "vision of a new worship center and additional educational space."

In order to make this dream a reality, the Together We Build program was launched in April of 1981. This program emphasized "Equal Sacrifice, Not Equal Gifts."

In 1983, the Building Committee (Harold Stone, chairman; Jerry Eller, Jo Hodge, Nan Hull, Gray Shelton, and Mr. Ayscue) began definite plans for a new building, and construction started in May, 1984. Sunday, May 5, 1985, the first worship services in the new sanctuary were held; the dedication service was conducted on June 2, 1985. The new sanctuary will seat 615 people. There is an audio-visual booth in the balcony; Sunday School rooms, a fellowship hall and a kitchen are located in the basement. The work was completed at a cost of \$600,000.00.

Calvary had owned one additional facility, a parsonage to house the pastor. This home was completed in 1954. In 1969, while Mr. Enzor was occupying the house, it was remodeled. In 1973, further renovations were made and air conditioning was added. In 1980, Mr. Ayscue elected to move out of the parsonage into a home of his own; in lieu of housing he would receive a monthly allowance. Mr. Charlie Harrell occupied the parsonage from December 20, 1980, until September, 1982. In November of that year, discussion began concerning selling the parsonage and moving it to a new location in order to make room for a new sanctuary. After extensive investigation and discussion, the parsonage was sold to Norris Jarrell in May of 1983 and moved to its present location on Bluemont Road.



The Golden Circle Sunday School Class meeting in the 1950's in the chapel of the 1948 building. The church offices now occupy this space.



The Intermediate Boys Sunday School Class in 1975.

MILESTONES ALONG THE WAY:

- 1959 Owen Stone became the Clerk for Calvary Baptist Church and has continued in that position until the present, a total of thirty years. It is interesting to note that Owen's father, Clyde Stone, also held this post for thirty years.
- 1968 On April 28, Choir robes and stoles were presented to Calvary in memory of Maynard McHone. The gift, made by the choir, Maynard's family and friends, was an expression of appreciation for Maynard's dedication to the musical program of his church.
- On November 3, Roy Estes was ordained at the request of Rock Hill Baptist Church.
- 1972 On September 24, Calvary Baptist Church adopted a Constitution and By-Laws.
- 1973 From June of this year until July of 1974, the church was without a pastor. During this interim, two preachers served: Ted Key and Lincoln Faulk. In those days, an interim pastor was paid from \$35 to \$50 per service, and he received \$75 for two services.
- 1974 The church began the Easter Sunrise Services with breakfast by the Brotherhood. That first Sunday the services were at 7:00 a.m.; breakfast, 7:45 a.m., and no Sunday School that morning. Since that time, the services have been moved to 6:00 a.m. with breakfast at 6:45 a.m. and Sunday School at the regular time.
- The picnic shelter was built.
- 1975 In July, the number of deacons was increased from twelve to fifteen. The Constitution stipulates three deacons for every one hundred members.
- In the summer of 1975, Calvary had a youth worker, Miss Martha Stegall, who according to all reports, did some splendid work with the young people.
- On June 5, the method of nominating deacons was changed to allow the congregation to make the nominations from which the deacons would be elected. Prior to this the Board of Deacons had made these nominations.
- 1976 The rotation of deacons changed from every four years to every three years.
- A new organ was installed in the sanctuary.
- Mr. Ayscue started the HERALD, a newsletter which has kept every church family informed and inspired.
- Each elected committee of the church went on a rotation system.
- 1977 The church offices moved to occupy the former nursery. This space was originally The Chapel where prayer meetings and Sunday School classes were held.
- 1978 An aluminum cover was constructed over the walk in front of the offices.
- 1980 In March, Annex #2, formerly Harold Stone's house, was sold and moved to a new location, making way for additional parking space.
- 1981 Dual morning worship services were held on an experimental basis. An early service began at 8:30 a.m., and the regular service was held at 11 o'clock.

In August a mission trip was made to West Virginia by some of the members of Calvary with Charlie Harrell leading the group.

The tape ministry for shut-ins was resumed. Actually this ministry began when Mr. Baker was the pastor. The deacons bought the equipment for recording sermons. According to Mr. Baker's own account, the first Sunday the recorder was in use he took the tape home after the Sunday morning service; that afternoon he sat down to listen to his sermon. He went to sleep! Mr. Baker enjoyed telling this story. The tape ministry has, across the years, been a blessing to shut-ins and has been broadened to include Sunday School lessons.

1983 The Deacon of the Week program whereby one deacon each week would have part in the worship services began.

The practice of assigning families to deacons in alphabetical order was started.

1984 In September, a Worker's Meeting for all Sunday School teachers and workers was first held. It continues to be a valuable part of the church program.

1985 On March 15, 16, 17, there was a week-end Youth Revival led by students from Campbell College.

In September, Floyd Parker from Nashville, Tennessee, came to lead a Sunday School enlargement campaign.

1986 Three additional deacons were added, bringing the total to eighteen.

Johnny Surratt carried all the available minutes and records of Calvary Baptist Church to Wake Forest University where they were put on microfilm in order to protect them for posterity.

In August, the Brotherhood was reorganized.

1988 Calvary adopted the Southern Baptist Expanded Church Annuity Plan.

A kitchen was constructed in the new fellowship hall, complete with dishwasher and microwave oven.

The church parking lots were repaved.

The church voted to provide expenses for messengers to the Southern Baptist convention.

The Church voted to promote a special offering each year at the Anniversary Celebration of the new sanctuary until the debt is paid. At this time, at least one hundred people were asked to donate \$100.00 each, and all members were urged to give as the Lord led.

The Church drew up **A Resolution On Financial Support for the Ministries of Southern Baptists**. This resolution stated succinctly the reasons the church took such a position: The present leadership of the Southern Baptist Convention is busy "restructuring the convention contrary to its history and heritage; systematically excluding Southern Baptists who do not agree with their agenda..." By such actions they have "disenfranchised millions who are committed to our Lord...who have sacrificed financially and served faithfully under the Lordship of Jesus Christ to make the SBC effective in missions, education, and benevolence." The resolution also pointed out that "the present leadership of SBC has publically stated that the practice of exclusion will continue," making no room for diversity. As a priesthood of believers, we can no longer continue the "cooperative funding of those ministries from which we and others are excluded by arbitrary guidelines..." without making a strong protest.

The action taken included:

To pray for and seek peace...and acceptance for all Southern Baptists

To continue without restrictions our cooperative funding of the ministries of the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

To restrict cooperative funding by Calvary Baptist Church for the SBC to include Foreign Mission Board support at or above 100% of the amount given last year; the Home Mission Board support shall be no more than 50% of last year's amount.

To review cooperative funding annually.

In addition a standing committee, "SBC Events and Issues Committee" was named and charged with reporting "periodically to the congregation so that the church may remain fully informed for future decision-making regarding cooperative funding."

A copy of this resolution was published in the **Biblical Recorder**.

A study of the history of a church reveals many facts. The tangible things are easy to evaluate. The past fifteen years in the history of Calvary Baptist Church have been productive in so many aspects; for example, the value of the church property has grown from \$225,000 to \$1,100,000. Total gifts have increased from \$59,271 to \$270,575; and mission giving, from \$9,282 to \$42,610. These figures are interesting in themselves, but even more interesting is what they reveal. These people at Calvary have been led by a dedicated pastor, the Rev. Alfred Ayscue, to commit themselves to building and to outreach for the glory of God.

On the front of the church bulletin are the words, "A CARING FELLOWSHIP," and the people all say, "Amen." There is a Christian spirit here which members and visitors alike recognize. Numbers and dollar signs do not tell the story of the way the members of Calvary have been led by their pastor to worship a risen Lord and to minister to others in the name of the Christ. The deepening spirituality in this congregation defies description.

It has been said that the history of the past is but a prologue to the future. Calvary Baptist Church has been graciously blessed by the Lord, and the prologue of Calvary's history is a testimony to that fact.

As the church stands looking into the future, the prospects are exciting and the possibilities unlimited. As this church continues to be "laborers together with God," recognizing dependence upon Him and faith in Him, growth in outreach and in spiritual depth are certain.

A new chapter in the history of Calvary Baptists is opening. When the people of Calvary stand in the year 2014, may they be able to say, "We have fought a good fight...(and) have kept the faith." May their theme song ever be "To God Be the Glory."

PRAISE THE LORD!

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Progress Chart

Year	Membership	Sunday School Enrollment	Baptisms	Letters	Co-Op Program	Total for Missions	Total Gifts
1914	51	81					
1919	147	117	16	6			217.50
1924	145	137	16	7			225.50
1929	146	210	7	3	16.44	33.34	292.22
1934	158	149	0	0	—	31.39	208.45
1939	157	326	29	4	5.37	50.89	795.43
1944	230	243	4	13	108.65	595.51	3,725.27
1949	218	251	9	5	276.17	1,123.31	14,444.42
1954	286	285	12	11	1,050.00	2,144.00	14,318.00
1959	329	343	20	10	1,831.00	3,157.00	14,365.00
1964	373	338	23	9	2,730.00	4,005.00	21,400.00
1969	441	400	7	7	3,950.00	6,325.00	35,843.00
1974	492	354	23	6	5,040.00	9,282.00	50,271.00
1979	553	440	21	23	11,741.00	19,712.00	115,096.00
1984	578	470	3	14	22,734.00	35,145.00	191,477.00
1985	601	507	20	14	24,347.00	37,877.00	248,835.00
1986	614	563	6	17	27,920.00	43,421.00	225,605.00
1987	636	580	16	19	32,289.00	47,373.00	257,717.00
1988	659	606	17	16	26,047.00	42,610.00	270,575.00

CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Those who have accepted the call to the ministry and have been ordained as ministers of the Gospel by Calvary Baptist Church are as follows:

Rev. M. B. Phillips	October 10, 1915
Rev. George Oakley	June 1, 1921
Rev. Lawrence Phillips	October 1, 1927
Rev. J. C. Gatewood	October 1, 1927
Rev. Ed Easter	October 20, 1929
Rev. Charlie Jackson	November 7, 1937
Rev. Hubert Hawks	August 18, 1940
Rev. Roy Estes	November 3, 1968
Rev. Ed Toney	May 28, 1978

A former member, Bobby Estes, was ordained at the Shiloh Baptist Church in Virginia. Two of Calvary's members who were licensed to minister were Carl Snow and Lu Ann Southern Miller.

INTERIM PASTORS

Rev. T. W. Estes
Rev. Sampson Collins
Rev. William H. Poindexter
Rev. Joe Abbott
Rev. John Compere
Rev. Russell Myers
Rev. Ted Key
Rev. A. Lincoln Faulk

THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED AS DEACONS OF CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Lloyd Arrington	Wayne Hooker	Howard Shelton, Jr.
Kenneth Badgett	Bill Hull	Kellar Shelton
Jim Barbour	Howard Hull	Charles Smith
Guyle Beasley	Leslie Jarrell	Kelly Smith
Marvin Beasley	Henderson Johnson	Carl Snow
Thomas Booker	Alton Leonard	Ron Stephenson
J. A. Bryant	Tony Martin	Clyde Stone
G. L. Chambers	Bob McPherson	Harold Stone
Morris Davis	Kent Moser	Luther H. Stone
Jim Day	Ed Nichols	Owen Stone
Henry Edmund	James A. Nichols	Woltz Stone
Jerry Eller	Ken Nowlin	Carlos Surratt
Roy Estes	Author Odell	Johnny Surratt
John Wesley Fleming	Davis Odell	Earl L. Varney, Jr.
Edison Frye	Mack C. Odell	Carl Venable
Fred Goins	Baxter B. Oliver, Jr.	Bobby R. Watson
Gene Gravley	Tom Parker	Ted Watson
David Hall	Merriman Phillips	C. Josh Wilson
Joe Hall	David K. Ransdell	Bill Wright
Norris Hodge	Raymond Riggs	Alvin York
	Gray Lee Shelton	

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Merriman B. Phillips	1914
Ed Nichols	1915, 1917
Charles Creed	1916
G. E. Burrus	1918
George Oakley	1919-1921
Luther H. Stone	1922-1923, 1925-1937
Sampson Collins	1924
Walter Norman	1938
Clyde Stone	1939-1945
Lillian Hiatt	1946
Harold Stone	1947
Alton Leonard	1948-1949
Leslie Jarrell	1950
Raymond Barnes	1951-1952
Robert "Bob" Watson	1953-1955
Woltz Stone	1956-1960, 1963-1964
Cecil Hill	1961-1962
Henderson Johnson	1965-1972
Ted Watson	1973-1975, 1983
Henry Edmund	1978-1980
Bobby Watson	1981-1982
Ron Sutphin	1984-1985
Johnny Surratt	1986-1989

BROTHERHOOD DIRECTORS

Harold Stone
J. A. Bryant
Davis Smith
Floyd Nichols
Howard Shelton
Don Culler
Eng Bunker
Calvin Shuskey
Jim Barbour
Jerry Eller
Bill Wright
Mike Seal
Marvin Beasley

CHURCH TREASURERS

Dave Hall	1914-1922, 1928-1929
Maurice Creed	1923-1927
Luther H. Stone	1930-1951
Leslie Jarrell	1952
Owen Stone	1953-1956
Nan Hull	1957-1959
Mildred Overby	1960-1961, 1965-1966
Sharon Thornburg	1962-1964
Norris Hodge	1965-1974
Mary Nell Byrd	1975-1989

TRUSTEES

Lum Hodges
Josh Wilson
Dave Hall
George Oakley
Ed Nichols
Clyde Stone
Joe Hall
Bill Caudle
Johnson Phillips
Thomas Booker

CHURCH CLERKS

S. C. "Coke" Freeman	1914-1920
Luther H. Stone	1921-1925
Clyde L. Stone	1926-1927, 1929-1957
B. E. Edwards	1928
Leslie Jarrell	1958
Owen Stone	1959-1989

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION DIRECTORS

Lela Shelton	1948-1949
Lenora Frye	1950, 1959-1961, 1966-1969, 1979-1985
Pauline McHone	1951, 1955-1958
Thelma Venable	1952-1954
Zeo Stone	1962-1965
Mary Nell Byrd	1970-1971
Annie Laura Smith	1972-1974
Marilee Gardner	1975
Lillian Hiatt	1976-1977
Lucille Toney	1978
Hilda Wright	1986-1989



In the picture above, Phillip Hiatt performs an invaluable service for Calvary Baptists. Since the late 1970's, Phillip has made sure that the sound system was operating properly for each service, has prepared the tapes for our tape ministry, has overseen our radio broadcasts, and has videotaped various services. The 75th Anniversary Committee is indebted to Phillip for the photographs of the sanctuary windows in this booklet and for the help he will be offering in our upcoming videotape history of the church.

TO OUR CALVARY FRIENDS:

From cover-to-cover, our task in service to you has come to an end. We have tried to provide you with a record that you could be proud of, but the task is not complete. In preparing the history of Calvary Baptist Church, we have become painfully aware of the need to preserve our church's past by maintaining complete and accurate records. Much information about our church is missing, lost, or forgotten, and many faces on pictures are unnamed; therefore, some parts of our history are not as complete as others. We encourage you to record your memories, write names and dates on photographs, and maintain good accounts in whatever areas of Calvary's ministry that involve you.

We wish that you all could have had the experiences that we have had over the last few months. Our work together has been delightfully hard, but not one of us would trade the fellowship and stories of Calvary that we have had the pleasure to share. We are thankful for the special assistance from Douglas E. Nichols and Robin N. Owens in the printing of this booklet. We are especially thankful for those of you who tolerated our questioning and interviews, provided precious photographs and documents, or offered us encouragement as we prepared this work. But most of all, we praise Him who gave us this wonderful heritage.

—Your 75th Anniversary Committee
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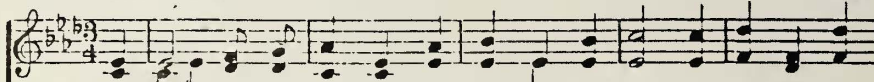
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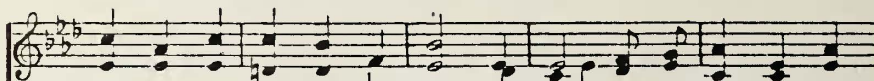
TO GOD BE THE GLORY. 11. 11. 11. 11. with Refrain

FANNY J. CROSSY, 1820-1915

WILLIAM H. DOANE, 1832-1915



1. To God be the glo-ry, great things He hath done; So loved He the
2. O per-fect re-demp-tion, the pur-chase of blood, To ev-'ry be-
3. Great things He hath taught us, great things He hath done, And great our re-



world that He gave us His Son, Who yield-ed His life an a-
li-ev - er the prom - ise of God; The vil - est of - fend - er who
joic - ing thro' Je - sus the Son; But pur - er, and high - er, and



tone-ment for sin, And o - pened the life - gate that all may go in.
tru - ly be-lieves, That mo - ment from Je - sus a par-don re-ceives.
great-er will be Our won - der, our trans-port, when Je - sus we see.



REFRAIN



Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the earth hear His voice! Praise the Lord,



praise the Lord, Let the peo - ple re-joice! O come to the Fa - ther, thro'



Je - sus the Son, And give Him the glo-ry, great things He hath done. A - MEN.

