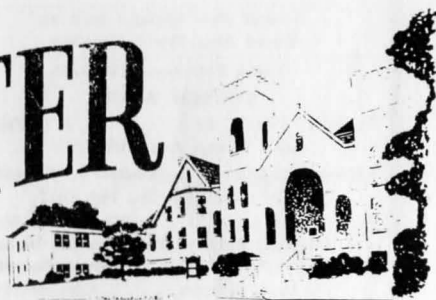


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Christian Sympathy

We express our sincere Christian Sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Stanley and family in the passing of their son, Donald Stanley of Dobson.

THESE WERE BAPTIZED SUNDAY - APRIL 30

Miss Mary Wall

Miss Charlotte Gilbert

Miss Elizabeth Young

Mr. Hugh Lynwood Hennis, III

Mr. Billy Johnson

WE CONGRATULATE THEM!

CHRISTIAN HOME WEEK - May 7-14

OUR STEWARDSHIP RECORD

April 30, 1967

Budget Offering-----\$1,628.98

Designated Funds-----\$222.00

Kindergarten-----\$211.00

Memorials-----\$11.00

Building Fund Donation-----\$50.00

Handbell Choir-----\$10.00

Total Offering-----\$1,910.98

Budget Offering to Date----\$38,047.36

Budget Needs to Date-----\$42,930.00

Pastor's Pen

Two years have quickly slipped by since we began the adventure of Pastor and People here in Mt. Airy and at First Baptist. These have been two interesting, exciting, and deeply challenging years for the three Powells, and we appreciate you for allowing us an opportunity to share them with you.

A relationship with people is much like a new building. The structure that is built will depend heavily upon the foundation that has been laid. We have sought to know you as a large family as well as individuals. We have dedicated ourselves to you in hopes that a bond of confidence, love, and understanding might bind us more closely together and to our Lord, and to His greater purpose for us.

As we begin our third year of work with you, we once again rededicate ourselves to all the members of our church. Many of you have shared with us your griefs and your joys; your sadness as well as your happiness; your problems as well as your friendship. In the days ahead our prayer is that every one of our people will experience the reality that I am your pastor too.

This third year together will be a historical year, as we seek to complete our new sanctuary and office wing. Our Sunday School will undergo some needed alterations. Our desire will be to tighten up our spiritual belts one notch tighter as we seek to become the sincere Christians God called us to be. We shall seek to renew dedication and purpose with those who have drifted from our fellowship. We shall seek to ask what Christian disciplines we can better use to make us more effective Christians and witnesses in our community. It will be a busy year, but the goal is worth it.

We promise you our faithfulness as we promise our obedience to the Lord. In return we ask you to seek with us a life and witness that can be counted acceptable unto God and meaningful to this community.

I'll see you Sunday with Bible in



Monday, May 8 - 2:30 p.m.

MAGGIE NUTT HERRING CIRCLE -- Mrs. Pearl Reeves in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Jim Vaughn on Wrenn Avenue.

DORA P. WRENN CIRCLE -- Mrs. R. E. Forrest, 135 West Elm Street

Monday, May 8 - 7:30 p.m.

SALLIE SOMERS CIRCLE -- Mrs. W. F. Wall, Jr., 239 West Lebanon Street
LENA WEBB CIRCLE -- Mrs. Russell Shelton, 324 Moore Avenue

Monday, May 8 - 8:00 p.m.

MARY HESTER POWELL CIRCLE - Mrs. Gerri Brown, Country Club Road

Tuesday, May 9 - 10:00 a.m.

C. C. HAYMORE CIRCLE -- Mrs. Hugh Hennis, Jr., Springs Road
ELLA GREENWOOD HOLCOMB CIRCLE - Mrs. S. A. Hennis, Jr., 232 Grace St.
LOVINA C. PAULETTE CIRCLE -- Mrs. Rufus Walters, 148 West Elm St., with Mrs. Joe Poore as co-hostess.

OUR KNOWN SICK

NORTHERN SURRY HOSPITAL

Mrs. Ralph Cooke, Sr.
Mrs. Weldon Inman

BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Mrs. L. P. Wrenn, Sr.

AT HOME

Mrs. Albert Gwyn

Youth Fellowship Sunday Night, 6:30 P. M.

May 7 ---- Mr. James Templeton, Surry
Community College
Film - "Wild Rivers"

May 14 --- Sheriff Jim Taylor

May 21 --- Party

WORSHIP WITH US SUNDAY

Twenty-One Pastors Have Served Our Church

Would you please help your staff locate pictures of as many of our former pastors as possible? Some of these men are living, and we need their addresses. You may have pictures of some of the others in a scrapbook or tucked away in an old shoe box.

If you have a picture of any of these men, please call the church office and let us borrow your picture so it can be copied. The twenty-one pastors' names are:

Rev. C. C. Haymore	1879 - ?
Rev. L. R. Pruitt	? - ?
Rev. J. H. Lambeth	? - ?
Dr. R. Don Haymore	? - ?
Rev. A. H. Love	? - ?
Rev. J. M. Hamrick	? - ?
Rev. A. L. Betts	? - ?
Rev. J. E. Smith	1905 - 1908
Dr. E. T. Carter	1909 - 1911
Rev. T. H. King	1911 - 1921
Rev. Eugene I. Olive	1921 - 1923
Rev. E. Gibson Davis	1923 - 1928
Dr. I. T. Jacobs	1928 - 1933
Rev. Joe R. Johnson	1933 - 1935
Dr. Walter L. Johnson	1935 - 1938
Rev. Albert S. Hale	1939 - 1943
Dr. R. K. Redwine	1943 - 1948
Rev. R. C. Paulette	1948 - 1954
Rev. Preston Taylor	-
Rev. Kenneth Wilson	1962 - 1965
Rev. James L. Powell	1965 -

These pictures will be used in a special way in conjunction with our new buildings now under construction.

Family Meditation



A little boy once asked his mother: "Mommy, when will I be old enough to do as I please?"

His mother replied, "When you are old enough to do what is pleasing."

Can you afford not to spend some time each day in devotion with your children and family? Be sure to come and bring them to Sunday School and

LET GOD

BE GOD...

in your family tangles

Loving is work. Living in a family is great, but it's not simple. Each person in your house has a will of his own and the conflicts make sparks fly and tears flow. Home may be one of the toughest tests of your Christianity. In fact, the rugged demands of the close family circle may be almost impossible-----unless you let God be God!

You've got the mortgage and doctor bills.....the kids are getting poor grades.....everybody needs the car at the same time.....and you never quite keep up with the crowd. You have to admit when you're all by yourself that you never really feel like you're out from under the pressure.

And you won't be---until you can center your love and loyalty in Jesus Christ. The Word of God is still the supreme blueprint for all of life's snarls. We want to help you understand what the Bible has to say about successful living. We want to bring into your home a climate of gladness and harmony. We will sing for you... a new song, to praise the Lord who has done marvelous things for us. From "higher ground" you will be better able to see that He has workable ways through your family struggles.

Attend and participate in the Bible teaching hour next Sunday morning at 9:45 A. M. Then let your joy respond in praise to our Lord as we enter into a service of worship at 11:00 A. M. Renewal and strength can come if you'll let God be God in your church AND in your home. Try it this week, won't you?

HELP!

If anyone is interested in helping transport our youth to and from the summer camp at CASWELL in July, please call Mr. Stanley right away at the



Sunday, May 7

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship
6:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship

Wednesday, May 10

6:00 p.m. Primary Choir
6:00 p.m. Junior Choir
6:30 p.m. Youth Choir
6:30 p.m. Sunbeams
6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting
7:30 p.m. Prayer Service
8:15 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting
8:15 p.m. Senior Choir

Thursday, May 11

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
7:30 p.m. Nurses Alumni Meeting in Fellowship Hall



Mr. Hunter Wyche
354 West Oakdale St., Mt. Airy

Mrs. Gene Adams
Jimmy and Bobby Adams
Rural Hall, N. C.

Mr. Terry Owen
249 South Main St., Mt. Airy

Mr. and Mrs. Theo Young
941 Stanley Road, Mt. Airy

Mr. Leonard Young
Route 4, Box 656-A, Mt. Airy

Mrs. Virginia R. Jones
Siloam, N. C.

Mrs. Walter L. Johnson
Bluefield, West Virginia

Miss Lynne Boye
1022 Radford College
Radford, Virginia

FLOWERS IN HONOR

The flowers in the church sanctuary for this Sunday have been placed by Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Johnson in honor of Rev. and Mrs. Powell's second