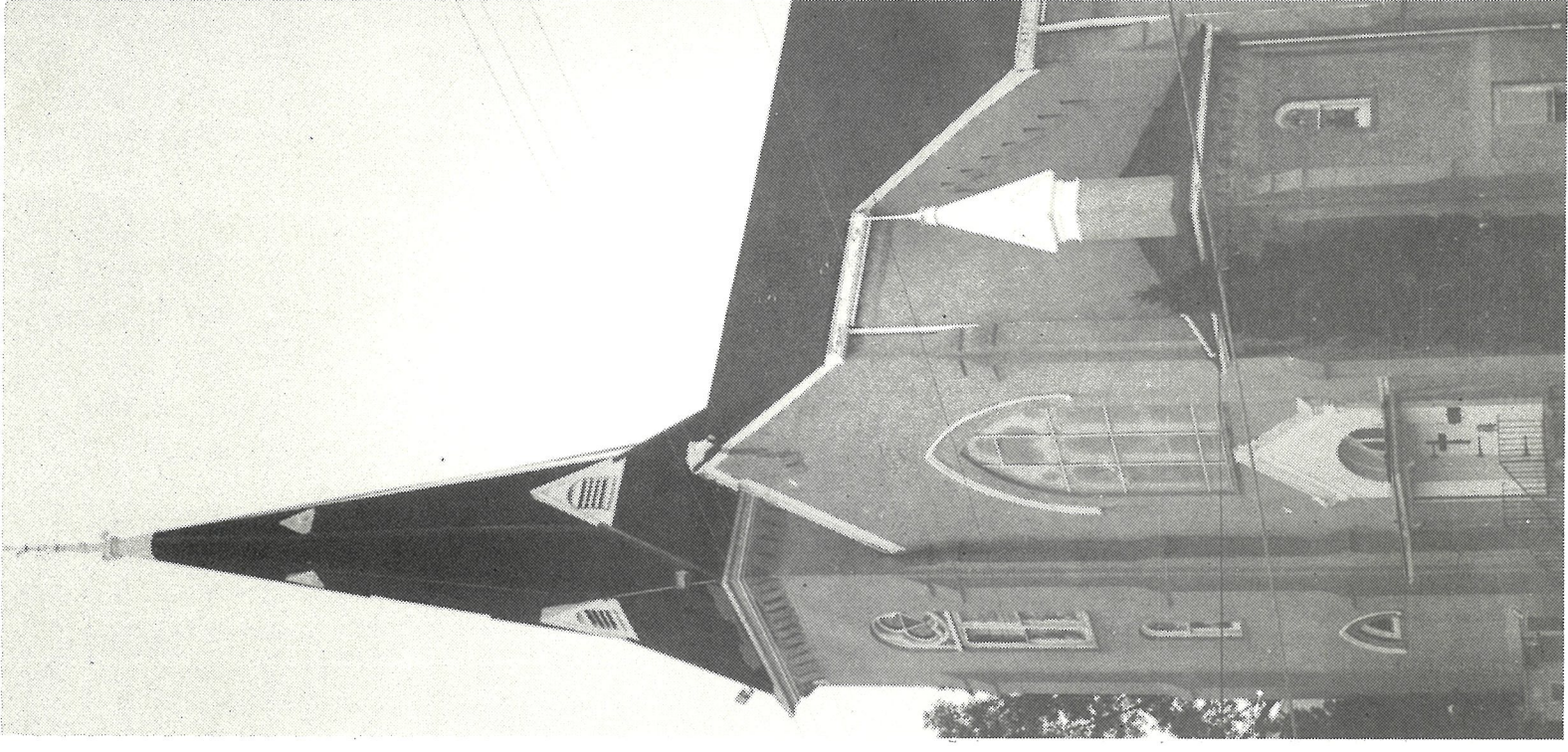


130TH ANNIVERSARY
1859 - 1989



SECOND MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
615 SOUTH WITTENBERG AVENUE
SPRINGFIELD, OHIO 45506

Program for 130th Anniversary Celebration

*September 16, 1989
9:30 A.M.
Prayer Breakfast*

*October 14, 1989
6:00 P.M.
Anniversary Celebration in Song*

*October 15, 1989
9:30 A.M.
Sunday School
11:00 A.M.
Morning Worship and Rededication Service
1:00 P.M.
Dinner
3:30 P.M.*

*Afternoon Anniversary Celebration
Speaker: Reverend C. Leroy Hacker
Shiloh Community Missionary Church.
Pittsburgh, PA*

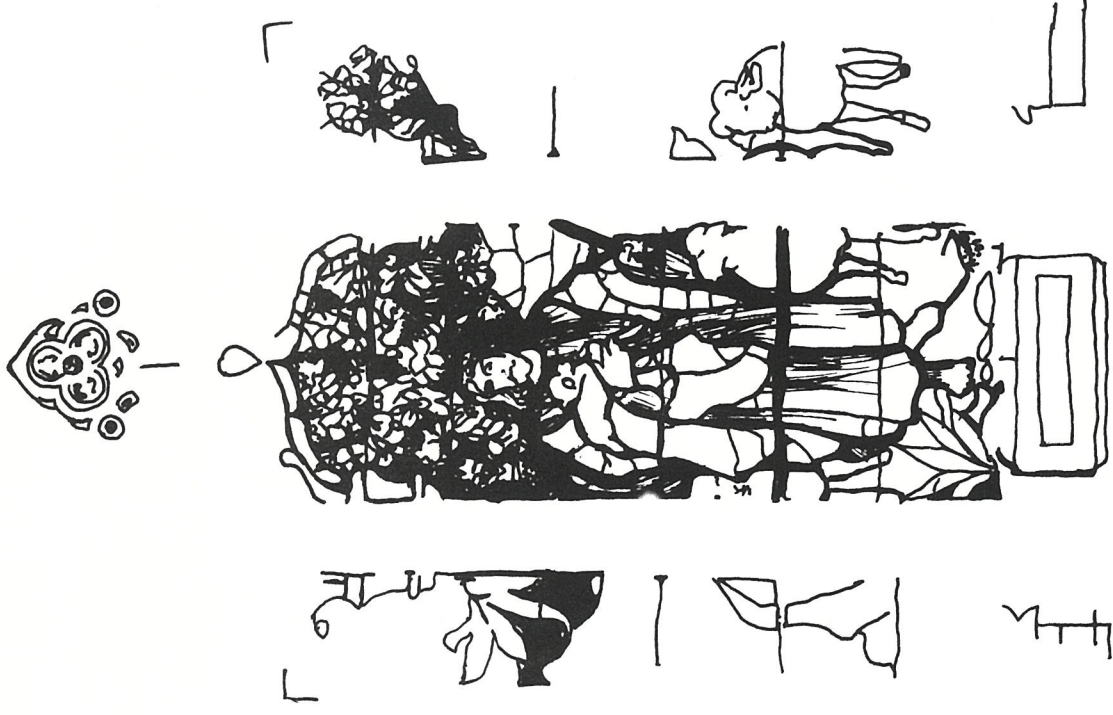


Pastor Charles W. Walton



Reverend C. Leroy Hacker

**SECOND MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
130th ANNIVERSARY BOOKLET**



*artistic rendering by
Debra Priestly*

*In Memory of
The Under Shepherd
CHARLES W. WALTON
Dedicated to the Youth of Second Missionary Baptist Church
during his past 24 years and to our generations following.*

130th ANNIVERSARY SECOND MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH 1859 - 1989

In our beginning GOD saw fit to inspire a few Christians of the baptist faith, who had migrated to Clark County a few years before the time of the Civil War, to meet and make plans for the organization of a Baptist Church. Valuable light on its early history is gained from an historical work covering the period 1859-1931 compiled by Brother C. D. Swayne and supplemented by Brother George Fleming (unpublished), from records of the annual William's Springfield City Directories and from histories written for the 86th and 100th Anniversaries.

The history begins properly with the movement of one J. Allen Long, James Mercer Clayton from Virginia, and Randolph Hause from Philadelphia who met to discuss the organization of a Baptist Church, the only one of color in town being the North Street A. M. E. As a result of their efforts a group met at the residence of J. Allen Long and his wife on Sycamore St. on a Saturday afternoon in 1859 to form a church. Those present included J. M. Clayton and wife Lucy, Randolph Hause and wife Myria, Mrs. Frances Scott, a widow, William Page and wife Martha, John Jackson and wife Dicey, James Stewart and wife from Bellefontaine, Robert Taylor and wife, Charles Harvey, and Mrs. Henry Graham, a widow from Kentucky. They were organized into a church by the Reverend Wallace Shelton of Cincinnati, known as the father of the Anti-Slavery Baptist Association of Ohio, now known as the Western Union Baptist Association.

Assisting Reverend Shelton were Elders William Bryant and Isaiah Toney of Xenia, L. B. Moss of Urbana and Reverend Henry Williams (white) of Springfield. Officers elected included deacons: J. M. Clayton, R. Hause, J. A. Long; trustees: R. Hause, Robert Taylor, J. A. Long, J. A. Clayton; clerk: Henry Roberts, assistant- James Waring (a Springfield teacher) who were volunteers and not members of the church, and treasurer: J A. Long.

Church meetings were held in residences for nearly a year until attendance made it necessary to obtain larger quarters. A room was secured at the Courthouse at the corner of Limestone and Columbia Streets. The pulpit was supplied by visiting ministers, led by the Reverend George Dardis from Nashville, Tennessee. He was paid \$20.00 per month including donations. He served four years. Meetings were held in Black's Hall later known as Trappers Corner, the southwest corner of Main and Fountain Avenue. A protracted meeting held by The Reverend Dardis brought the church thirty-seven new members.

A permanent church home was considered. A committee was appointed and community assistance was also solicited. Cooperation was received from manufacturers and merchants including Thomas Price, John H. Thomas, William Whiteley, P. P. Mast, Benjamin Warder, J. Crothers, and James Johnson, Jr. One location, northside of High Street adjoining the northeast corner at Fountain Avenue, priced at \$600.00, was rejected because the location had been used as a bowling alley.

The committee secured property on South Market between Pleasant and Clark on which to build a one story 30 X 40 brick structure for \$1500.00. The property was later sold to a Mr. Ross Mitchell and the officers of the church secured an option on a lot on Pleasant Street. The Committee found that the Fountain Avenue property had been decided to the Trustees so sale could not be consummated. Because of the time elapsing, the Pleasant Street lot was sold to the Methodist Protestant Church. Their money paid on the option was refunded and sale of the Fountain Avenue property completed. A lot on Wittenberg was purchased and a building erected. The cornerstone of the church is dated 1883. The date of the record of the deed to the property is May 8, 1883. Worship services were held in the basement for eight years.

REMEMBER REFLECT RENEW

We Remember

This year 1989 marks one hundred and thirty years since the founding of Second Baptist Church in 1859. We pause to remember those men and women of vision and faith who envisioned and made their dream a reality. We remember those who continued to labor together to build a fitting temple for the worship of believers in their faith and for the increase of believers in Jesus Christ. We remember the hundreds who came after them who continued to spread the good news of Our Saviour within these walls in prayer, songs of praise, and the gospel message.

We Reflect

We take time to look deeper at the significance of the decision of the small band of men and women who began our church in a beautiful outdoor setting of one of the members. We can imagine the rejoicing and the jubilation as they were formally organized as a church. We think about the enthusiasm they shared as they went forth to increase their numbers and the eagerness with which they began to secure the necessary funds to purchase a church site and build an edifice. All this at a time when the issues of slavery were coming to the forefront and most people knew there would be open conflict before all was settled.

We recall the other men and women both lay and clergy who have labored long and hard in the cause of Christ in this edifice to continue to bring the lost to a saving knowledge of Christ and strengthen the faith, encourage the fainthearted, and spread the love of God to all. The list of individuals is long and their deeds are many.

We Renew

We sense a coming renewal of their spirit, their enthusiasm and our renewed commitment to: continue to be a beacon to those who need the love of God in their lives; be a fellowship of believers to share their joy of worship; and foster the hope of peace and love as we show a sense of community during times of unrest and troubles in our community and the world.

**WE GO FORTH IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST!
PRAYING, BELIEVING, HOPING, TRUSTING, REJOICING**

We have come this far by faith

Work on the main auditorium was finally begun with the dedication set for July 1892. A tornado on July 13, 1892 lifted the roof out of place, blew out windows, except the large one in front, which was damaged. Insurance adjustments, plus \$300.00 from the Citizens Committee Relief Fund, plus contributions from liberal friends allowed opening of the new auditorium December 25, 1892, under the Reverend P. H. Williams. Final payment of the debt of the church was made under the Reverend H. C. Bailey. The mortgage was burned December 15, 1901. Eight years later, remodeling was begun under the Reverend N. H. Pius and completed under the Reverend R. T. Frye, at a cost of \$10,000. Remodeling included the installation of a Mason Hamlin organ costing \$2,250, a partial gift of Andrew Carnegie. The first organ was mutilated by a brother who believed an organ was not an instrument for a church. A judge fined him for the offense.

This debt was cleared under the Reverend E. W. B. Curry on February 15, 1920. Dr. Curry was a minister, an educator and politician. He served the church for ten years. He was founder and President of the Curry Normal and Industrial Institute of Urbana, Ohio and Editor of the 'Informer', a religious paper printed in Springfield.

Special mention is also made of the late Reverend W. S. Smith who served as supply and active pastor for eight years and under whose administration the interior of the church was cleaned and redecorated twice. The second caused by a fire in March 1944.

Second Missionary Baptist Church has had its share of hardships and conflicts but it survives to fulfill its mission - to point men to Christ. The administration of the Reverend C. Leroy Hacker came at a time when spirits were low and the members were in deep depression. He caused them to hear that voice in the "wilderness." During his first year of service, more than sixty names were added to the church roll-- spiritual gains as well as financial gains were realized. The church survived this wilderness experience and continued to prosper. After eight years of service, the Reverend Hacker received a call for a church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania which he accepted.

The Reverend Russell Jones was called as Interim Pastor in 1964, under whom the Church experienced further growth. He recommended a "1964 Forward Program" of renovation and expansion which the Church accepted. "The property at 611 South Wittenberg is to be purchased and renovated for use. New furniture including pews are to be bought, also new carpeting and tile for the sanctuary and basement, black-topping for the rear parking lot, new roof and spouting, and remodeling of the rest rooms and stairs." The whole program was completed in three months (June through August).

During the time the Reverend Jones served as Pastor, the Pulpit Committee worked to secure a permanent pastor. On the second Sunday in December of 1964, Reverend Charles W. Walton from Union Baptist Church, Urbancrest, Ohio preached his first sermon in Second Baptist Church. In 1965 the committee presented the names of those selected to the Church Body. The Reverend Charles Walton was called. He accepted the call.

Reverend Walton was a graduate of Wilberforce University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree, Class of 1944. He completed the requirements for his Bachelor of Divinity from Payne Theological Seminary at Wilberforce, Ohio in 1948. While attending Payne, he served as an itinerant minister at several churches. Prior to his fourteen years at Union Baptist Church in Urbancrest, he served as pastor of First Baptist Church in Yellow Springs, Ohio for ten years.

He began his tenure as minister at Second Baptist Church on January 21, 1965. His installation services were officiated by his pastor, the Late S. W. Hanley, Pastor of Zion Hill Baptist Church in Xenia, Ohio. Pastor Walton immediately put his hand to the Gospel plow entreating the lost to return to the fold. His words fell on fertile ground and many souls committed their lives to the teachings of Jesus Christ. His spiritual leadership culminated in bringing young people and adults into the fold at Second Baptist Church. Fellowship dinners for the church family and friends became one of the trademarks of his generosity and his love of people. Perhaps he was proudest of the young people as they grew unto adulthood, attended schools of higher education and began to become productive citizens across the country. He always had a word of encouragement for them and he ultimately believed in their integrity.

By 1967, he had implemented a financial plan to eliminate within two years, the indebtedness for the renovation of the church and improvements of the parking lot. The improvement of the physical facilities of the church continued with the acquisition of two properties adjacent to the church.

Although there were many important programs conducted during his tenure, one of the most unique was "This is Your Life" celebration on December 16, 1973 which was the occasion of his Eighth Anniversary as pastor of the church.

He was truly a religious leader, teacher and example. Perhaps the crowning feature of Reverend Walton's dedication was his devotion to the training of ministers. Through his efforts a number of ministers were licensed and ordained. These 'Sons and Daughters of the ministry' are now preaching and teaching throughout the United States of America. He truly believed and carried out the wise instructions: "study and shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." II Timothy 2:15

As the church membership so recently mourns the loss of our pastor (Sunday, May 29, 1989), after his valiant fight against sickness, we are aware that the full import of his teaching and preaching cannot be accurately assessed at this time because we are too close to them. His impact upon this church community is such that with time, his shadow will continue to lengthen.

His wife, Bertha Baker Walton, is a faithful member of Second Baptist Church, singing in the choir and participating in several clubs and organizations. Her warm smile is freely shared with all. She is active in many community organizations and is a retired teacher from the Springfield City Schools. Reverend and Mrs Walton have two children, Kurtz and Michele Walton Owens. Kurtz is with the armed services. Michele is married and the mother of two daughters and resides in Springfield.

This is a brief recital of the record of a Church, to let coming generations realize how deep are their roots and to inspire them to march forward with courage and conviction in Christ's way of life. We hope that you will look forward with pleasure and anticipation to the complete history of the Second Missionary Baptist Church in the not too distant future.

PASTORS AND THEIR YEARS OF SERVICE

1858 -1863	Supply Ministers: L.B. Moss, G.W. Bryant, James Shewcraft, Henry Williams	1898-1899	Robert Thomas
1864-1868	George Dardis	1900-1902	H. C. Bailey
1869	John C. Allen	1903	Boston J. Prince
1870	Richard Merideth	1904-	O. A. Nelson
1871	John C. Powell	1905-1906	Holland Powell
1872-1874	J. C. Carey, D. D.	1907-1910	N. H. Pius
1875-1876	No Pastor	1911-1918	R. T. Frye, B. D.
1876	No Pastor	1919-1930	E. W. B. Curry, LLD
1877	Jesse M. Meek, D. D.	1930-1937	C. N. Harris
1878	No Pastor	1937-1940	W. S. Smith, B. D.,
1879	No Pastor	1940-1945	W. S. Smith, B. D., Supply
1879-1880	John L. Rickman	1945-1946	W. E. Richardson, Ass't Pastor
1880-1882	Joseph O. Bonner	1946-1953	William Fambro
1882-1889	Milton R. Boone	1953-1961	C. Leroy Hacker, A.B., B.D., S.T.D.
1890-1892	Patrick Williams	1962-1963	Millard J. Smith
1893-1896	Jackson C. Taylor	1963-1964	Nathan H. Beavers, Sr., Supply
1896-1897	Franklin G. Warnick	1964-1965	Russell M. Jones, Interim
		1965- May 29, 1989	Charles W. Walton

*"Jesus is God spelling himself out in language that man
can understand - Gordon*

YOUTH CHALLENGE

The Second Missionary Baptist Church challenges its youth to dedicate their lives to God, Family and Culture. We also challenge them to rise above the allure of immediate gratification and take charge of their lives. The attraction of instant satisfaction, easy money, material possessions and peer acceptance is intense. However, those things are easily attained and just as easily lost.

As individuals of African Descent our young people must arm themselves with an education. Survival is a battle that is won by those who arm themselves with knowledge and faith in God. Do not enroll in the School of Self Destruction. The lessons learned through an un-Godly life of recklessness, drugs and alcohol are long and painful.

In John 8:12 Jesus said, "I am the light of the world : he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life." Young people of this decade are faced with more negative influences that ever before. However, if you believe in God and pray for His guidance you can make it.

Remember that education is the stairway to success while ignorance is the trapdoor to failure.

Keep Christ and the Church in your life.

"Train up a child in the way he should go..."
Proverbs 22:6

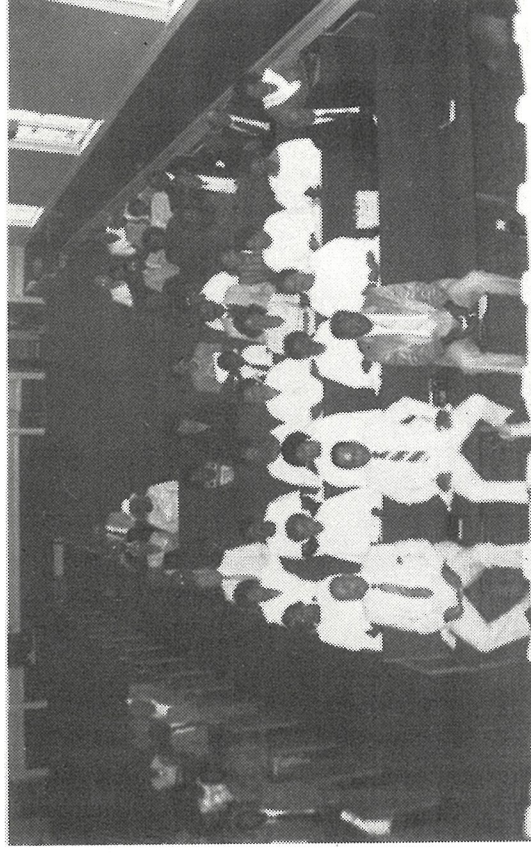
SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF



Pictured left to right - Row 1 - B. Walton, C. Carr, B. Brown, V. Priestly, I. Alexander, E. Dungey;
Row 2 - C. Smith, C. Alexander, W. Dungey, R. Nash, K. Mitchell, A. Nash, L. Alexander, R. Brown, M. Priestly

The Church at Worship

Sunday, August 13, 1989



***"O come, let us worship and bow down:
let us kneel before the Lord our maker.***

***For he is our God; and we are the people
of his pasture and the sheep of his land."***

Psalms 95:6-7

CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS AND CLUBS

Altar Committee



Pictured left to right - Row 3 - G. Chenault, C. Alexander;
Row 2 - C. Carr, B. Walton, F. House; E. Luckett; Row 1 - M. Parks, L. Chenault.

The Altar Committee was revived in 1964 under The Reverend Russell Jones with Sister Esther McDonald as the chairperson.

Purpose of the organization: to supply the Altar with flowers for church services.

Significant accomplishment has been making sure the Altar has never been without beauty of flowers.

Officers:

President - Gail Chenault
Treasurer - Frances House

Secretary - Barbara Thomas
Charlene Alexander

Members:

Clara Berrien
Martha Higby
Gertrude Smith
Natella Tyler

Christell Carr
Elnora Luckett
Sadie Strickland
Gertrude Viney

Beverly Day
Helen Pullen
Charlene Swain
Bertha Walton

Deceased Member:

Bertha Leath

"O WORSHIP THE LORD IN THE BEAUTY OF HOLINESS"
Psalms 96:9

Troop #52 Boy Scouts of America



Pictured clockwise - L. Alexander, M. Priestly, W. Dungey, K. Mitchell, A. Nash, R. Brown.

Troop #52, Boy Scouts of America was organized on January 31, 1955.

Purposes of the organization are to: Assist boys in self improvement through the development of services to others and goal projects; by placing in his everyday activities scouting skills of personal growth.

Significant accomplishments include: maintaining an active camping and outdoor training program which have enabled the members to successfully move up the scouting ladder; helped other troops evolve from our troop; have sent individuals to Philmont, local and national jamborees; maintained a quality troop by complying with the standards of the Boy Scouts of America.

Officers:

Lymon Alexander - Scoutmaster
McCoy Priestly - Assisant Scoutmaster
Kenneth Mitchell - Treasurer

Albert Nash - Assistant Scoutmaster
Clarence Harmon - Committee Chairman
William Dungey - Committee member

Scouts:

Roger Brown - Sr. Patrol Leader
Edward Bronston Jerome Bronston

William Armstrong - Ass't Patrol Leader
Jaicob Smith

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth..."
Ecclesiastes 12:1

Cora Cole Club



Pictured left to right, Row 1 - P. Moore, O. Williams, M. Wood, M. DeGroat;
Row 2 - E. Biggs, M. Carter, R. Wood

Purpose of the organization is to form a close sisterly kinship of women working together on various projects to raise funds for the church.

Significant accomplishments include contributing \$300.00 yearly to the church budget, the purchase of stainless steel serving carts for the kitchen, and contributing to all church sponsored programs.

Officers:

President - Mildred Carter
Treasurer - Olga Williams

Secretary - Mary DeGroat

Members:

Elsie Biggs
Margaret Wood

Lillie Belle Clarke
Ruby Wood
Peggy Moore
Catherine Taylor

"He hath made his wonderful works to be remembered"
Psalms 111:4

*"To fall in love with God is the greatest of all romances;
To seek him the greatest adventure;
To find him, the greatest human achievement."*
R. Simon

Deacon Board



Left to Right - Fred Mays, McCoy Priestly, Lymon Alexander, Wilner Ash, Wade Castleberry. Inset - R. Browning

Purposes of the organization are to: assist the Pastor in all matters regarding the spiritual concerns of the Church membership through constant contact with them; act as liaison between the membership and community action groups in order to project the Christian attitude of the Church; to assist the Pastor in the observance of the ordinances of Baptism and Holy Communion; become involved with all auxiliaries and organizations of the church to insure the projection of a Christlike image in all their activities; assist in all supplications and prayer projects to maintain and advance the teachings of Jesus Christ so that man may see His good works and glorify our Father in Heaven.

Major accomplishment has been in co-operation with the Pastor to have maintained peace and harmony within the Church Family.

Officers:

Chairman - Lymon Alexander

Vice-Chairman - Roy Browning

Members:

Wilner Ash
McCoy Priestly

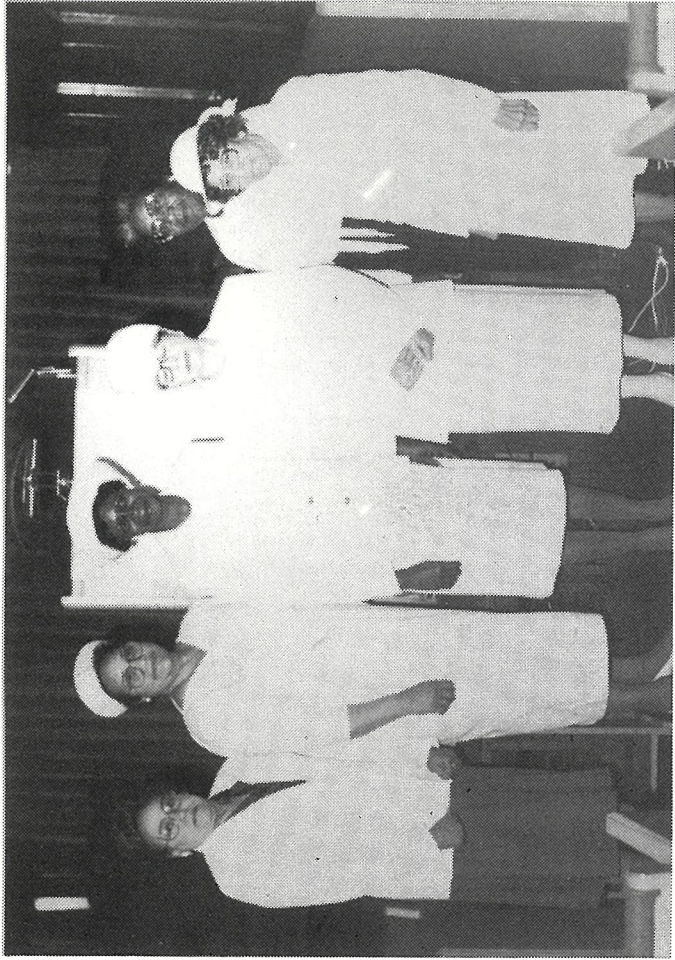
Wade Castleberry

Fred Mays

Guidner Mebane

"And the peace of God shall keep your hearts and mind through Jesus Christ"
Phillipians 4:7

Deaconess Board



Pictured left to right - C. Carr, V. Priestly, C. Alexander, D. Ash, B. Walton, L. Blanchard

Reorganized by Reverend C. Leroy Hacker in 1955.

Purposes are to : assist the Deacons in the care and ministering to the sick and shut-in whenever necessary; participate in and prepare the rites of baptism and the communion service.

Members:

Charlene Alexander	Delores Ash	Loucille Blanchard	Mary Browning
Christell Carr	Veora Nancy Priestly	Bertha Walton	Emma Woods

Deceased Members:

Minnie Jones	Lillian Fleming	Bertha Wallace
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"Unto him be glory in the church by Jesus Christ throughout all ages, world without end. Amen."
Ephesians 3:21

Gospel and Senior Chiors



Pictured left to right Row 1 - B. Martin, F. Henry, J. Watkins, M. DeGroat, B. Brown, V. Priestly, R. Wood, R. Rice;
Row 2 - N. Speaks, M. Harmon, N. Tidwell, N. Woods, B. Walton, L. Mebane, D. Roberts, V. Browning, M. Priestly

Gospel Choir - Founding date is thought to be the late 50's during the Pastorate of Reverend Hacker in order to render the Gospel through song. Significant accomplishments include: contributing regularly to the church budget; and occasionally sponsoring concerts with other programs. Former accompanists: Delores Sheffield, Mary DeGroat; and Marguerite Lee (deceased). Senior choir - purpose is to provide musical inspiration for the church congregation. They have sponsord several local concerts.

Gospel Choir Officers:

Accompanist - Ronald Rice President - Jack Lee; Vice President - Veora Priestly; Directress - Mary DeGroat;
Treasurer - McCoy Priestly ; Secretary - Nina Woods; Chaplain - Arthur Ware

Senior Choir Officers:

Organist -Nancy Speakes, President - Sande Mebane, Secretary - Harriet Wallace, and Treasurer - Florence Henry

Gospel Choir Members:

Bette Brown Vernon Browning, Emma Dungey, William Dungey, Gregory Griffin, Fred Mays, Sande Mebane, Jimmy Moore, Judith Peal, Danny Robert, Joyce Watkins, James Wood, Ruby Wood and Nina Woods.

Senior Choir Members:

Vernon Browning, Tom Dungey, Mary Harmon, Fred Mays, Louise Mebane, James Moore, McCoy Priestly, Nannie Tidwell, Bertha Walton, Joyce Watkins, James Woods, and Nina Woods.

Gospel Choir Associate Members:

Dale DeGroat, Shirley DeGroat, Ivy Alexander, Rhonda Stevens, William Day, and Cynthia Griffin

Gospel Choir Charter Members:

Loucile Blanchard, Ann Henry, Frances House, Maeola Rachel, Gertrude Smith, and Emma Woods

Male Chorus



Pictured left to right - J. Lee, F. Mays, M. Priestly, D. Roberts, W. Dungey, G. Griffin, L. Alexander

Founded in October of 1967 by Reverend Charles W. Walton for Mens' Day.

Purpose of the organization is to provide song for the Church and general community when requested.

Significant accomplishments include: singing as an acapella men's group and being part of the Tri-City (Xenia-YellowSprings-Springfield) Male Chorus Fellowship.

Officers:

President - Fred Mays

Treasurer - McCoy Priestly

Members:

Lymon Alexander

William Dungey

Rev. C. L. Jones

Jack Lee

Guidner Mebane

James Moore

Albert Nash

Danny Roberts

Arthur Ware

Deceased Members:

Nate Blackmon

Rev. J. S. Blanchard

Jasper Carter

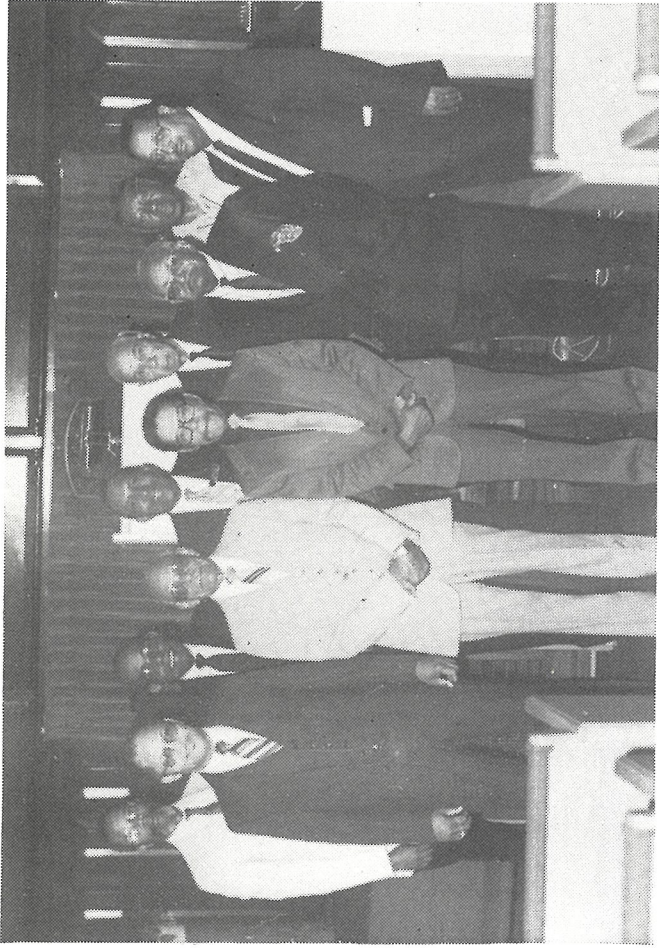
C. I. McNeill

Rev. Charles Walton

John Woodfork

"O Come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation"
Psalms 95:1

Metoka Bible Class



Pictured left to right - Row 1 - M. Priestly, L. Wallace, F. Mays, C. Smith, W. Dungey;
Row 2 - W. Alexander, R. Nash, A. Nash, T. Taylor, L. Alexander

Founded in April of 1915.

Purposes of the organization are to: spread the doctrine of brotherhood; to help our fellowmen regardless of their station in life; to pray for all; and to work for the upbuilding of God's Kingdom on Earth.

Significant accomplishments include Valentine Sweetheart Party, Palm Sunday Early Services and Breakfast, Annual Anniversary Banquet, September Bible Discussion, Thanksgiving Gift Project for rest home residents.

Officers:

President - Fred Mays

Vice President - Thomas Taylor

Chaplain - McCoy Priestly

Secretary - Roy L. Browning

Assistant Secretary - Lymon Alexander

Treasurer - Albert Nash

Teacher - Jimmy Moore

Acting Teacher - Rev. Charles Smith

Members:

William Alexander

Lewis Browning

William Dungey

Guidner Mebane

Robert Nash

Leon Wallace

Arthur Ware

James Wood

"Study to show thyself approved unto God"
2 Timothy 2:15

Mothers Club



Pictured left to right - Row 1 - C. Swain, F. Henry;
Row 2 - P. Moore, M. Alexander, O. Williams; Row 3 - E. Sanford

Founded in 1954.

Purposes of the organization are to: aid and assist the church in all of its endeavors when needed and to exemplify Motherhood in a Christian manner.

Significant accomplishments include providing drapes for the undercroft, padding the pews, renovating the ladies lounge, maintaining church bulletin boards, contributing to the church budget annually, providing fans for the pews, maintaining the church calendar, and providing Bibles to graduates of the church family.

Officers:
President - Mary Harmon
Treasurer - Olga Williams

Secretary - Florence Henry

Members:
Betty Ayers
Emma Sanford

Lillie Belle Clarke
Penny Stone

Christabelle Long
Charlene Swain

Peggy Moore
Paulina Winburn

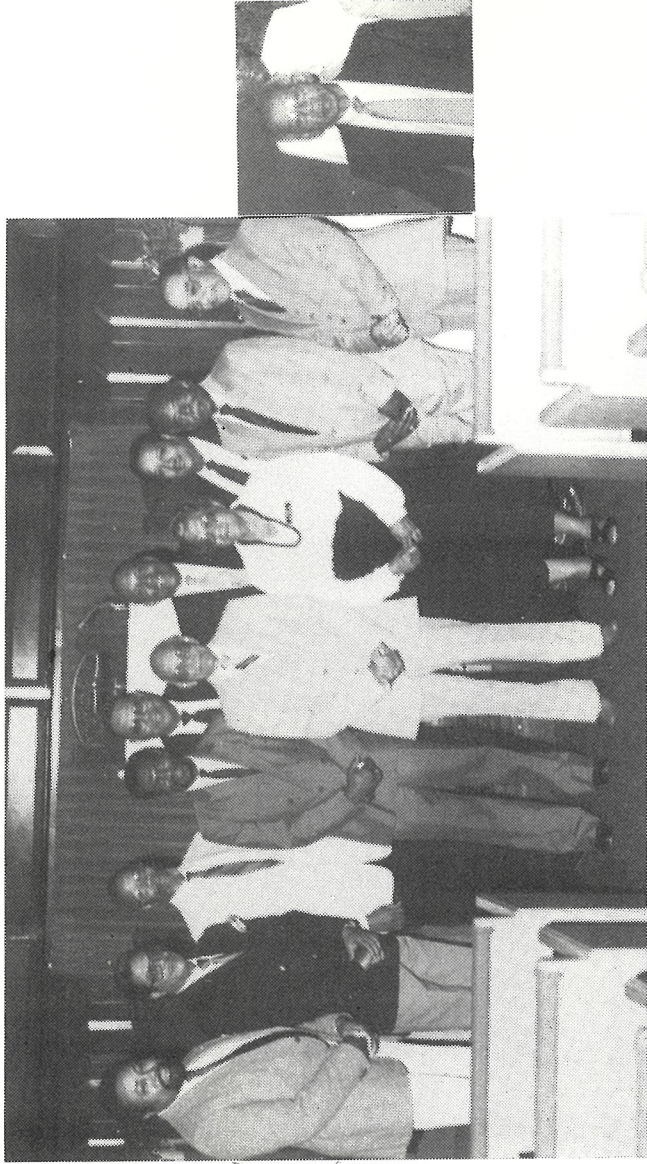
Deceased Members:
Evelyn Moss
Blenza Birden

Melva Mabra
Louise Johnson.

Mary Coles
Marion Browning

"For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all them that are afar off..."
Acts 2:39

Board of Trustees



Pictured left to right - F. Wood, G. Griffin, W. Alexander, D. Roberts, K. Mitchell,
L. Wallace, A. Nash, E. Sanford, W. Dungey, E. Craig, M. Wilson, Inset - A. Ware

Purposes of the board are to: maintain the physical properties of the church, internal and external, maintain proper fiscal accounting of all funds received, provide proper support for church programs, maintain all real estate transactions, and perform other responsibilities the church may delegate to us.

Officers:
Chairman - William Alexander
Treasurer - Albert Nash
Church Treasurer - Emma Sanford

Vice Chairman - Frederick Wood
Secretary - Gregory Griffin

Members:
Edward Craig
Danny Roberts

William Dungey
Arthur Wallace

Clarence Harmon
Arthur Ware
Kenneth Mitchell
Millard Wilson

"Now may the God of peace...make you complete in every good work to do His will."
Hebrews 13:20-21

"Religion means faith that man's ideals are achievable and will be achieved"
J. Frank

Usher Board



Pictured left to right - B. Wallace, V. Browning, I. Alexander, D. Roberts, K. Mitchell, A. Nash, F. Wood;
Front - P. Stone, M. Ware, D. Harris, J. Peal, E. Sanford, D. Porter

Purposes of organization are to: escort members and visitors to their seats, aid in any capacity that is needed in God's House, and encourage youth to participate in ushering.

Significant accomplishments include the purchase of dishes, silverware, and cooking utensils for the kitchen and furnishing snacks for the Sunday School children going on trips to King's Island and Cedar Point.

Officers:

President, Chief Usher - Vernon Browning
Vice President - Danny Roberts
Secretary - Emma Sanford
Treasurer - Olga Williams
Chaplain - Albert Nash

Members:

Betty Ayers	Ivy Alexander	Christopher Brown	Sylvia Calamese
Lourece Duncan	Denise Harris	Kathryn Harris	Amy Jones
Kenneth Mitchell	Warren Moore	Joan Peal	Debra Porter
Danny Roberts	Penny Stone	Barry Wallace	Arthur Ware
Mary Ware	Paulina Winburn		

Deceased Members:

Blenza Birden	Marion Browning	Finous Burton	Charles Coles
Mary Coles	Marshall Cooley	Robert Daniels	Ewing Duncan
Edith Elliott	Ora Higby	James Lay	Melba Mabra
Horace Simpson	James Turner	John Woodfork	

"Religion should be our steering wheel, not our spare tire - Wheeler"

Willing Newcomers Club



Pictured left to right - F. Mays, J. Howard, F. Roberts, J. Peal, Row 2 - D. Roberts, M. Browning, J. Moore

Purpose is to monetarily assist any individual regardless of race, creed, age natural origin, religion, etc. to reach his/her educational desires whether they are technical, professional, or the trades.

Significant accomplishments included contributing \$300 to the church budget in 1989, providing a \$300 certificate to a young lady to further her educational endeavor, and to assist and participate in major church functions when requested.

Officers:

President - Joyce Howard
Secretary - Barbara Anderson
Program Chairman - Frank Roberts

Vice President - Donald Worthington
Treasurer - Mary Browning
Chaplain - Fred Mays

Members:

Wade Castleberry, Sr (Honorary)
Danny Roberts

James Moore

JoAnn Peal

"Take delight in the Lord,

and he will give you the desires of your heart"

Psalms 37:4

*God is glorified, not by our groans,
but by our thanksgivings.*

E.P. Whipple

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Charlene Alexander
Ivanora Alexander
Lymon Alexander
Mary Alexander
William Alexander
Barbara Anderson
Delores Ash
Wilner Ash
Betty Ayers
Timothy Ayers
Jeanie Bass
Wilda Bass
Lucy Beavers
Rev. N. H. Beavers, Sr
Clara Berrien
Clarence Berrien
Toya Bess
Elsie Biggs
Louille Blanchard
Reva Broady
Beverly Bronston
Robert Bronston
Bette Brown
Christopher Brown
Rosella Brown
Boyd Browning
Clara Browning
Mary Browning
Roy Browning
Vernon Browning
James Burton
Maria Byrd
Rev. William Byrd
Elmer Calamese
Sylvia Calamese
Judith Calhoun
Christell Carr
Mildred Carter
Wade Castleberry
Gail Chenault
Anna L. Cherry
Ebon Cherry
Mary Elizabeth Cherry
Robert L. Cherry
Robert L. Cherry II
Bessie Clarke
Ferdinand Clarke
Lillie Bell Clarke

Jean Collins
Birdie Mae Cooley
Delores Craig
Edward Craig
Clarissa Daniel
William Day
Dale DeGroat
Mary DeGroat
Shirley DeGroat
Lourece Duncan
Emma Dungey
William Dungey
Dr. Guy Emmons
Lillian Frye
Robin Green
Ashley Griffin
Cynthia Griffin
Gregory Griffin
Neil Griffin
Margaret Hairston
Rev Thurmon Hairston
Millie Hall
Jimmie Harbour
Thelma Harbour
Clarence Harmon
Mary Harmon
Christine Harris
Erna Harris
Geroldine Harris
Judith Harris
Kellie Harris
Melinda Harris
Samuel Harris
Ann Henry
Florence Henry
Martha Higby
Erma Hill
Iris J. Hill
Joe Hill
Mary B. Hill
Sylvania Hilliard
Frances House
Otho House, Jr.
Joyce Howard
Rev. Charles Jones
Freeman Lee
Rosa Lee
Jack Lee

Rev. Charles Smith
Geroldine Smith
Gertrude Smith
Ralph Smith
Gertrude Sorrells
Anna Stephens
Rhonda Stevens
Sadie Strickland
Paul Stone
Penelope Stone
Charlene Swain
Michael Swain
William Swain
Lillian Talbot
Catherine Taylor
Thomas Taylor
Paulette Terry
Barbara Thomas
David Thomas
David A. Thomas
Nannie Tidwell
Alford Tyler
Natella Tyler
Richard Tyler
Barry Wallace
Harriet Wallace
Jessie Wallace
Leon Wallace
Bertha Walton
Arthur Ware
Mary Ware
Allen Warren
Joyce Watkins
Olga Williams
Charlotte Wilson
Millard Wilson
Robert Wilson
Gertrude Viney
Esther Winburn
Hershel Winburn
Paulina Winburn
Frederick Wood
James Wood
Robert Wood
Margaret Wood
Ruby Wood
Emma Woods
Nina Woods
Donald Worthington

Darlene Alexander - Wash, D. C.
Norieda Alexander - MA.
Norman Alexander - CA
William Alexander - Germany
Vanessa Anderson - Col., OH
Gloria Ash - Col., OH
Ivanona Ash - WA
Jane Ash - Illinois
Adrianne Ayers - MA
Frank Ayers - MA
Judy Ayers - AL
Mark Ayers - CA
Melanie Ayers - Col., OH
Randy Ayers - Col., OH
Gayle Ballard- CA
Antoinette Browning - KY
Kristie Browning - Wash , D.C.
Lizette Browning - Lex., KY
Mark Byrd - Col., OH
Charles Calamese - NC
Cynthia Calamese - N.Y.
Joyce Calamese - Col., OH

Diane Mitchell - AZ
Julie Mitchell - GA
Kenneth Mitchell, Jr. - AZ
Michele Moore - Tol., OH
Veola Moore - GA
Warren Moore, Jr - II
Arlon Nash - student BGSU
Debra Nash - Col., OH
Darryl Peal - Wilbce, OH
Edward Peal - IN
Debra Priestly - NYC
Laura Priestly - NYC
Rod Priestly - NYC
Tressia Priestly - Col., OH
Melvin Swain - MI
Michael Terry III, CSU
Johnathon Thomas - Cinc., OH
Keith Thomas - Col., OH
Sherri Thomas - student WSU
Arthur Tyler - NJ
Diane Tyler - NJ
Stanley Tyler - TX
Kurtz Walton - FL

Transplanted Youth of Second Baptist

Ewing Carter - Cin., OH
Melinda Carter - Col., OH
Melanie Carter - Col., OH
Robert Cherry II - OSU
Benjamin Clarke - MI
Elaine Clarke - Mdltwn, OH
Melissa Craig - IL
Kelly Day - WI
Cheryl DeGroat - KY
Angie Emmons - MD
Monica Emmons - GA
Linda Freeman - Col., OH
Lisa Freeman - Miamisburg, Oh
Byron Gaskins - IL
Malcom Hall - Akron
Meridith Hall - TX
Tracy Harbour - NJ
Amy Jones - student BGSU
Mark Mack - Wash., DC
Michelle Mack - Wash., DC
Melissa Mebane - NJ
Chris Mitchell - FL

This is a partial list of the more than 150 young people who were baptized and participated in this church family during the past three decades who now reside or matriculate elsewhere. Married names are not used.

MEMBERS OF CHURCH FOR 50 YEARS OR MORE



Pictured left to right: Leon Wallace, Gertrude Smith, Frances House, and Belle Martin.
Not pictured: Lourece Duncan, Charlotte Lytle, Esther Winburn, and Emma Woods

Church Officials

Trustees:	Deacons:	Church Clerk	Auditing Committee:
William Alexander	Lymon Alexander	Beverly Bronston	Emma Dungey
Edward Craig	Wilner Ash		Frances House
William Dungey	Roy Browning	Ass't Church Clerk	
Gregory Griffin	Wade Castleberry	William Day	Sunday School Superintendent
Clarence Harmon	Fred Mays		Robert Nash
Kenneth Mitchell	Guidner Mebane	Financial Secretary	
Albert Nash	McCoy Priestly	Mildred Carter	Church Superintendent
Danny Roberts			McCoy Priestly
Arthur Wallace	Treasurer	Chief Usher	Christian Education Chair
Arthur Ware	Emma Sanford	Vernon Browning	Charlene Alexander
Millard Wilson			
Frederick Wood			

Church Staff

Church Secretary	Organist	Gospel Choir Accompanist	Custodian
Veora Nancy Priestly	Nancy Speaks	Ronald Rice	J. D. Sanford
Additional Committees not presented are Benevolence : Emma Sanford, Rosa Lee, Veora Priestly, Harriett Wallace, and Nannie B. Tidwell; Christian Education: Veora Priestly, Florence Henry, Bette Brown, Nina Woods, Emma Dungey, Paulina Winburn.			
130th Anniversary Celebration Committee			
Charlene Alexander, Chair			
William Alexander, Co-Chair			
Joyce Howard, Secretary			
Lymon Alexander			
Roy Browning			
William Dungey			
Frances House			
Dinner Committee			
Mildred Carter			
Cora Cole Club			
Prayer Breakfast			
Vernon Browning			
Mary Harmon			
Usher Board			
Mothers Club			
Veora Priestly			
Nina Woods			
Anniversary Book			
Beverly Bronston			
Robert Cherry			
Frances House			
Charlene Alexander			
Lymon Alexander			
Darryl Peal			
Display Committee			
Bertha Walton			
Gertrude Smith			
Kenneth Mitchell, Sr.			
Birdie Mae Cooley			

"I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand as in what direction we are moving." O. W. Holmes

IN MEMORIAM

Names appear in order of date of death for the indicated year. Our Sincere apologies for any names which have been omitted.

1960	1968	1973
Cora Ballard	Harry W. Cooley	Richard W. Bethel
	James H. Williams	Hugh Taylor
1961	George T. Dueson	Mary E. Clark
John H. Phillips	Rena Mae Daniels	Mary J. Coles
Mae Brown	Emma Hogue	Fred F. Glanton
		Dudley Collins
1962	1969	H.H. Keller
Bertha Mae Wallace	Ocie Portis	Luella Logan
	Pinkie Woods	
1963	Edith Ellicott	1974
Mamie Johnson	Albert Long	Grace Myers
George W. Thompson	Lewis Cooley	Melvin Cammon
Evelyn Moss	Hunter Washington	Clementine Hill
Lillian Fleming		Ruth Elizabeth Henry
Eva M. Allen	1970	
	Melva Mabra	1975
1964	Alice Williams	Delmar D. Johnson II
Mary C. Bizzell	Eva Wood	Lucylye Turner Patterson
Humphry T. Oats	George Fleming	Rev. James S. Blanchard
Benjamin H. Emanuel	Rosa Phillips	S. Elizabeth McWhorter
Ida S. Daniels	Garrett Williams	Clyde E. Thompson
Effie Graham	Daniel DeGroat	Otho House, Sr.
Emma Wooten	Deacon Harry Thomas	Rev. Woodford S. Smith
Sarah Caldwell	Rowena Orr	Sadie J. Johnson
		Alberta M. Jackson
1965	1971	William Lytle
Etna Johnson	Sammy Farries	
Emma Ballard	Vala Troy	1976
	Rose Sanford Depp	Lawrence Evans
1966	Robert L. Nash, Sr.	Ella Barlow
Opal H. Ellicott	Adelaide Black Harris	Harvey Glanton
Leroy Warren, Sr.		
Sarah G. Price	1972	1977
Maud Smith	Harry M. Brown, Sr.	David F. Clarke
Mary E. Anderson	Leathia S. Wallace	Rebecca Smith Mabra
Charles S. Wallace	Guy L. Emmons, Sr.	Esther MacDonald
Eugene Lee	Cooley Butler	Clarence Clark
	Glenn Daniel	Leona Evans
1967	Josie Smith	Joseph LaMonte Berrien
Emma Lou Brown		Beatrice E. Porter
Della Harris		Dea. Jasper Carter
Edith W. Worthington		

"If God shuts one door he opens another."

--Irish Proverb

"We should take from the past its fires and not its ashes" - J. Juarez

A N N I V E R S A R Y H Y M N

R.M.R.

RONALD W. RICE

We Sing, O Lord To Thee

IN MEMORIAM

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1978
James A. Nash
Maud Strauss
Estella Cooley
Betty J. White
Mary Warren

1979
Lillie McReynolds
William Bell Gray
Kitty Mae Basey
Charles Cole
Mozelle Taylor

1980
Ina Artis Armstrong
Daisy Carter

Mary Browning
Finous Burton
William Curry, Sr.
Ruth Vivian
Muriel Brown
Mary Dueson Wallace

1981
Emmett Sanford
Fannie Hargo
Arthur Wallace

1982
Odell Wood, Jr.
E. Mildred Allen
Goldie Watkins
Fred D. Basey
Pearl Burden
James Albert Lay

1983
Lawrence D. Ballard
Nathaniel Blackmon
David Taylor
Lou Rickman
Mary Thomas

1984
Estella M. Hightower
Kent L. Browning
Addie Taylor
Tryphena M. Simms
John Taylor
Mabel J. Nash
James Melvin Turner
Charles Carter

1985
Elizabeth Williams
Mildred Juanita Smith
Norman Leath
Minnie Jones
Durbin Black
Ewing N. Duncan
Emma Carter
Allen "Sonny" Woods
William Williams
Odell Wood, Sr.

*It is not death to die,
To leave this weary road,
and, 'mid the brotherhood on high
To be at home with God.*

*It is not death to close
The eye long dimmed by tears,
And wake in glorious repose
To spend eternal years.*

1986
Estella Thompson
Virgil McWhorter, Sr.
Marion F. Browning
Blenza Birden
Christine Lawson
Maytress Cooley
Mary A. Nash
Martha "Billy" Douthy

1987
John F. Woodfork
Horace C. Simpson
Marshall G. Cooley
Robert N. Carr
Elizabeth Cummings
Mary Cleophas Curry
Arthur Mingo

1988
Herbert Birmingham
Sherman M. Bishop
Ora F. Higby
Conley I. McNeill

1989
Ruth Farries
Rev. Charles W. Walton
Robert A. Daniel
Bertha M. Leath
Louise Porter Johnson

Musical notation for the first system of the hymn. It includes a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one flat and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: WE SING CHURCH YEARS DAY, OUR AS THIS, LORD IS HAVE WE, LORD BUILT COME SING, A ON AND O, SONG THEE GONE LORD, TO O SO TO, THEE, LORD, QUICK, THEE, A IN WE A, SONG THEE GIVE SONG, OF WE ALL OF, JOY FIND THANKS GRATE.

Musical notation for the second system of the hymn. It includes a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one flat and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: THANKS GRACE THEE, AND YOUR TO FUL, AN YOU YOUR, OTH- KEPT GUID PRE, ER US ED CIOUS, YEAR THROUGH US CHURCH, WE A AND STANDS.

Musical notation for the third system of the hymn. It includes a treble and bass staff with a key signature of one flat and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: THANK MAN LEAD STRONG, YOU NY US AND, FOR YEAR THROUGH, WHILE TO TO ON, MEM- HELP CLAIM OUR, BERS US THE AN, SING RUN VIC NL, YOUR THIS TOR VER, PRAISE. RACE. RY. RY.

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Second Baptist Church
 (Negro)
 615 So Wittenberg Avenue

National Baptist Convention of America

Org. August 1859 - Division among membership 1897 and on
 Apr 23-1897 - At this Baptist Church formed from part.

Bldgs. Met in homes of members, Carwithouse, Darvie
 parsonage, Blacks ~~House~~ Hall or Trappers Corner

1 Bldg Church Clerk & Pleasant Sts - brick 30 x 40 ft \$1500
 This was under a Board of white men: P P Most, James Johnson,
 Benj. H. Warden, J. Brothers, Wm N. Whiteley.
 on donations by white & blacks

Sold 1883 & present site purchased & church built
 dedicated 1883-4. 2-story - new stucco -

Pastors 1: George Darvie 1864-1868

1939-40 - Woodford S. Smith exec Secy Center of WCHA
 Retired 1940
 1940-

Records - Minutes 3 Vols. 1864--x Custody Ch. Clarke, no.

Arthur Mingo 323 Clark St

Register - 3 Vols - 1875--

Finances 1 Vol - 1937--

SS. 7 Vol 1903-- - Church - Addie Taylor Secy

Missionary Soc 2 V. 1903-- - Mrs Minnie Sparks

231 E College St

By P U. 1 Vol - 1926 - Nathan H Beavers 15 W College

History: 1946 - George W Fleming 1052 So Yellow Springs St
is preparing history from old records

Beers: p 540 - 1881

1901 Centennial p 59 - Kay - 1901

~~Epist~~

This Church, with whitefolks assistance, established for negroes by
A. J. Allen Long (1859) and James Mercer Clayton and Randolph
House, servants to Warden family.

Meetings held Saturday nights: First August 1859 in home of

Randolph House on Sycamore St bet Main & Hi near Ry