

HUMPHREYS COUNTY

MINUTES OF CHURCH OF CHRIST
WAVERLY TENNESSEE
1890-1935

This Church record is owned at present by Elder J. E. Green.

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May 1938.

A complete record of the activities of the congregation of the Church meeting in Waverly, in the earlier days of its history, is not available; but from old record books, and from the memory of brethren and sisters now living we have collected some data for this record that we hope will be of interest to members of this congregation at present and in future years.

The congregation was established about the year 1890 and the house of worship located on Church Street was erected soon afterward. The same building is still used as a place of worship by the Church, though three extra rooms have been added to the original building in recent years.

Preaching brethren who were instrumental in starting this congregation were H. G. Fleming, and E. G. Sewell and probably others whose names we do not have.

RESOLUTION:

The following resolution was drawn up and adopted by the Church on August 26, 1891, (Copied from old record)

"We the undersigned as members of the Church of God living in or around Waverly, Humphreys County, Tennessee, agree to meet at the meeting house in Waverly as a congregation of Christians to worship God in his own appointments as given in his own word, without following any human opinion, or any innovation whatever upon the word of God; and make the word of God and not the wisdom of men our guide in all things" Signed.

J. M. Martin
A. H. Martin
J. H. Anderson
William Nelson, et al.

The present congregation is in full accord with this resolution, and adopt it as its own. To be more specific with regard to all innovation referred to in the former resolution, which are to be excluded from worship by the Church in the afore mentioned building, we should say that they include all mechanical instruments of Music, and all human societies as aids to the simple worship prescribed by the New Testament.

Signed:

John F. Porch, Sr.
Charles L. Talley, Sr.
J. W. Townsend,
Parker White, Elders.

DEED

The Church building in which we worship was deeded to J. M. Martin, J. M. McKeel, and L. C. Johnson and their successors, as trustees to the property, and is so recorded in the office of register of Humphreys County, in the courthouse in Sevierly.

ELDERS AND DEACONS.

At a meeting of the Church in October 1893, the following men were chosen and ordained to serve the congregation as elders and deacons:

- James. M. Martin)
- C. H. Ball, Sr.,)
- W. D. Neison,) ELDERS.
- H. C. Crim,)
- L. C. Johnson,)

- C. H. Ball, Jr.,)
- T. R. Meadow,) DEACONS
- J.H. Anderson,)
- Thomas Talley)

At a later date in the history of the Church, the eldership was composed of:

Thompson, Thomas, Talley and John F. Porch, Sr., after the decease of the two former mentioned elders, others were chosen and ordained to assist brother Porch in shepherding the flock to God. The present eldership is therefore composed of:

- John F. Porch, Sr.
- Chas. L. Talley, Sr. and
- J. W. Townsend.

The Church is served in the office of deacon by the following brethren chosen and ordained by the congregation.

- Jess Robertson
- W. K. Pirtle
- Mason Sanders & J.T. Anderson

In the fall of 1935, the Church in business meeting assembled, unanimously chose and ordained Parker White as an elder.

(p-3) Evangelist who have assisted in meetings:

Below is given a list of gospel preachers who have labored with the congregation in evangelistic meetings. It may not be a complete list, but it is as nearly complete as we can make it.

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| H. G. Fleming, 1890 | E. G. Sewell, 1891 | E. J. Meacham, 1891 |
| R. P. Meeks, 1894 | R. A. Rogers, 1895 | James Mullinicks 1896 |
| W. A. Logan, 1897 | Jas. S. Dunn, 1898 | F. W. Smith, 1896 |
| T. B. Larimore | F. B. Srygley | C. M. Pullias |
| Wm. Lipscomb | T.C. L. Denton | E. A. Elam, |
| J.W. Shepherd | T.Q. Martin | C.E.W. Douris |
| L. R. Jewell, | J. A. Harding | A. O. Colley |
| J. S. Dunn 1898 | Price Billingsley | Jorgerson |
| Guss Dunn Sr. 1925 | Gus Dunn Jr., 1926-7 | J. Petty Izell 1928 |
| H. M. Phillips 1929-30 | | Foy E. Wallace, 1931 |

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| Foy L. Wallace, Sr., | 1932 | Joe L. Netherland | E. K. Harper | 1933 |
| N. B. Hardeman | 1934-35 | | | |

Located Minister who have served the church.

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| A. S. Derryberry | | John C. Taylor | 1920-22 |
| O.C. Lambert | 1922-26 | Thos. J. Wagner | 1927-36 |
| J. E. Green, | 1936 | | |

RECORD OF PROTECTED MEETINGS

1934 The Church began a series of meetings on September 2nd, which continued through Lord's day September 9th, with Bro. N. B. Hardeman of Henderson, Tennessee as speaker, He was at his best and delivered some very forceful sermons. He preached twice daily and three times on second Lord's day. Audiences were large at most services reaching capacity audiences with from 75 to 100 chairs being brought into use.

Thos. J. Wagner, the local Minister assisted in the meetings.

Thirteen young people became obedient to the faith and were baptized the same hour of their confession. Their names appear on the roll of members

1935 Bro. Hardeman returned again in September of this year and we had a very successful meeting, with two baptisms. Their names are on roll.

ROLL OF MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF CHRIST.

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| Mrs. Pricilla Prichard, died Jan. 4, 1933 | | |
| Fred Prichard | Mrs. Fred Prichard | W. A. Nolan |
| Mrs. W. A. Nolan | Pauline Nolan | Jess Robertson |
| Delmas Robertson | Mrs. Jess Robertson | Mrs. Josie Pavo |
| Mrs. J.L. Smith | Dollye Porch | Mrs. A. J. Saunders |
| John Porch Jr | Lucile Cathey | Robert Hughey |
| Mrs. Robert Hughey | Lucile Hughey | Marie Hughey |
| R. D. Hughey | Roy Hughey | Mrs. Roy Hughey |
| Mrs. J.H.T. Cotham | Lucille Ingram now Mrs. Angle | |
| Mrs. J. O. Baugus | Gertrude Baugus | Mrs. Jim Bell |
| Brown Tankersley | Mrs. Brown Tankersley | Nellie Jones |
| Mrs. T. E. Forrest | Lucile Raney now Mrs. C. B. Williams | |
| Hazel Haney, now Mrs. Joe Morris | | Mrs. K. Pirtle |
| Mrs. W.K. Pirtle | Kathrine Pirtle | Mrs. Henry Bone |
| J. W. Townsend | Mrs. J. W. Townsend | Jesse Townsend |
| Aubrey Townsend | Mrs. Chas. Chilton | Canear |
| Mrs. Canear | Charles L. Talley Sr | Mrs. Charles L. Talley Sr |
| Charles L. Talley Jr | Mrs. Charles L. Talley Jr. | Randoll Talley |
| Mrs. John B. Bowman | May Bell Bowman now Mrs. Sims | |
| Anne Whitfield Bowman | Mrs. Roy Carter | Mrs. B. W. Runions |
| Thel (Runions) Hiddings | Ruth (Runions) Tate | Evelyn Runions |
| Bertie Lov (Runions) Crockette | | Mrs. Len Standfield |
| Mary Standfield | Mrs. Grant Haney | Albert Cathey |

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| Mrs. Tinnell | Arthur Tinnell | Conley King |
| P. F. Gould, died 1933 | Will Ewen Gould | Mrs Susie Claxton |
| W. H. Knight | Mrs. J.C. Knight | Thos. J. Wagner |
| Evelyn Jo Wagner | Baggett | Mrs. Baggett |
| Leona Baggett | Landy Baggett | Ramms Baggett |
| Mrs. Manny Binkley | Ben Smith | Mrs. Ben Smith |
| Mrs. J. F. Shannon Sr. | Mack Simpson | Mrs. Mack Simpson |
| Mason Sanders | Mrs. Mason Sanders | Mrs. W. O. Nelson |
| Paul Nelson | Mrs. H. W. Hickman | Reuben F. Hickman |
| Billie Hickman | Milton McCloud, died Jan. 1934 | |
| Mrs. Milton McCloud | Mrs. David Miller | Mrs. Ruby (Flowers) Craven |
| J. O. Williams | Mrs. J. O. Williams | Katherine Williams |
| Ollie Mae Williams (now Mrs. Leslie Barnes) | Mrs. John Eghert Pullen | Alfred Pullen, Sepulchre, Okla |
| John Eghert Pullen | Mrs. John Eghert Pullen | Balys Pullen, Nashville, Tenn |
| Mrs. Alfred Pullen, Sepulchre, Okla. | Inez Simpson | Mrs. Elmer Morrisett |
| A. B. Simpson | Mrs. John F. Porch Sr. died Sept. 11, 1933 | |
| John F. Porch Sr., | James Porch | Sara Porch |
| Charles Porch | Patricia (Porch) Keith, Nashville, Tenn. | Davis Porch, McMinn, Tenn |
| Mrs. Davis Porch, McMinn, Tenn | | Mrs. Ida McMurry, Lowes, Ky. |
| Philip Porch, Nashville, Tenn | | W. A. Sanders, Hopkinsville |
| Mrs. W. A. Sanders, Hopkinsville, Ky. | | Austin Sanders, Hopkinsville, Ky |
| Ivan Meeks Sanders, Hopkinsville, Ky | | |
| Otto Sanders, Hopkinsville, Ky | | |
| Mary Ann Sanders, Hopkinsville, Ky. | | |
| Mrs. Bond Anderson | Estell Meadow | Bond Anderson |
| Carl Meadow | Mrs. Jim Cooley | Macye Lee Meadow |
| Mrs. Crews, | Mrs. Doss O'Guinn | Crews, |
| Betty Lee O'Guinn, Married | | Velma O'Guinn |
| Mrs. Geo. Williams | Mrs. B. C. Lytton | Mrs. Josie Thompson |
| Jas. T. Anderson | Mrs. J. Y. Wall | J. D. Lytton |
| Roxie (Wall) Simpson | Mrs. A. G. Farrar | Hannie Mae Wall |
| Tom Talley, died Feb. 15, 1931 | | Blanche Farrar |
| Mrs. Tom Talley, died May 17, 1930 | | |
| Mary Hooper, Camp Taylor, Ky | | Mrs. E. P. Hooper |
| Louise (Hooper) Smith | Mrs. J.A. Betts, Nashville, Tenn. | Lottie Hooper |
| Robert Gray, Nashville, Tenn. | Gray, Nashville, Tenn. | |
| Mrs. Carter Knight | W. B. Hillman | Katherine Landis |
| Sara Scurlock | Bertha (Scurlock) Wolf | Annis (Scurlock) Brown |
| Nellie Scurlock | Edith (Porch) Barter, Nashville, Tenn. | |
| Mildred Bradford | Jim D. Whitfield | Mrs. Jim D. Whitfield |
| Raymond Whitfield | Ralph Whitfield | Roselle (Whitfield) Daniel |
| Bobbie Whitfield | Francis (Daniel) Whitfield | Mary (Hooper) Hays, |
| C. F. Cagle, | Mrs. C. F. Cagle | (Nashville, Tenn) |
| Maud King | Mrs. Maud King | Mrs. John Tinnell |
| Lon Tinnell | Mrs. Lon Tinnell | Mrs. Crockett Merriett |
| Mrs. Etter | Minnie Pearl (Bates) Harbison | |
| W.W. Hickman | Mrs. Cagle, Commended | Cagle, Commended |
| Mrs. Jack Welch, Commended August, | Sabbie Hickman, baptised Sept. 4-9- 1934 | |
| Walter O'Guinn, baptised, Sept. 4-9- | Harold Anderson, baptised, Sept. 4-9- | |
| Alfred Thomas Hughey, baptised, Sept. 4-9-1934, | | (19 |
| Max Wagner, baptised, Sept. 4-9-1934 | Thos. Wagner, Jr, baptised Sept. 4-9-34 | |
| Hubert Cagle, baptised, Sept. 4-9-1934 | Elizabeth Cagle, " Sept. 4-9-1934 | |
| *Mrs. Thos. Wagner | | |

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| Nancy Rosemon Porch, Mckwen, Tennessee, | Baptised Sept. 4-9-1934 |
| Sara Joyce, Porch, Mckwen, Tennessee, | " September 4-9-1934 |
| Joe Lloyd Williams, | " September 4-9-1934 |
| Roy Runions, | " September 4-9-1934 |
| Henry Runions, | " September 4-9-1934 |
| Maude King, | Restored August 1935 |
| Mrs. James Porch, | Baptised September 1935 |
| Miss _____ Barber, | " September 1935 |
| Claud Harris, | " October 1935 |
| Cortez White, | " October 1935 |
| Parker White, | Commended |
| Mrs. Parker White | Commended |
| J. C. Watson, Sr., | |
| Mrs. J. C. Watson | |

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