

**THE MONUMENT UNDER CONSTRUCTION**



Above is a picture taken of the Monument at the Kings Mountain Battleground while it was being erected. Note the scaffolding and the horse and buggies in the foreground. The picture was taken in 1908. The Herald is indebted to Phillip Baker for the use of the pictures.

**HORSE AND BUGGY PICTURE**



Above is picture of several Kings Mountain citizens and former residents. To the first person who identifies all six persons and the house will be given a three year subscription to The Herald. Photo Courtesy of Phillip Baker.

**By George!**  
 Harbingers of Spring: Someone trying yours truly that she had to see a hen 'other day ... Lots of butterflies flitting around ... shirts sleeves rolled up ... polo shirts much in evidence ... The gorgeous array of Easter colors ... People buying the Easter rabbits and baskets ... Blossoms giving way to green leaves on the pear tree in the back yard ... Election super fixtures at school ... Lots of other activities there, also ... Baseball and softball ... The condition of

lawns ... Chickens scratching in freshly-plowed ground ... Why gardeners get gray ... Yours truly getting a spring hair cut ... Lots of yawning ... Ho hum.

This Fiftieth Anniversary Edition of the Herald. Just been reading about some of Mr. Rhodes' adventures. Heard some of them before from the old timers. He left out some of the best ones that I've heard about him and Mr. Ware. Tell you some of them sometime. Must. Very funny. Also some interesting things in Mrs. Summers and Mr. Goforth's items. More yawning. Spring fever got me. Ho hum. Good by.

**Brief Sketch Of History Of First Baptist Church**

"To Mrs. Lucinda Cornwell Mrs. J. T. Kendrick, Mrs. Callie Carpenter, who came here, labored and prayed until a Baptist church was organized, and to that noble band of faithful Baptists who loved their Savior enough to launch a Baptist program in Kings Mountain, this little volume is cheerfully dedicated." The above is the dedication written by Dr. C. J. Black at the beginning of his History of the First Baptist Church of Kings Mountain in 1926.

**A Baptist Moves To Town**

Miss Frances Lucinda Smith was born near Dallas, N. C. God appointed to make the beginning for the Baptists in this town. In 1875 she was married to George W. Cornwell and with her husband moved to Kings Mountain. She was the only Baptist here for sometime, and all was done that could have been done by the pedobaptists to get her to deny her faith and join with her husband who was an A. R. P., but she said that some time God would provide. Her pedobaptist friends told her that it could never be that a Baptist church would be built in this town, but she said, "Only wait and see," and they did see one spring into existence as if by magic.

She not only saw a Baptist church organized in Kings Mountain but she saw it become one of the first ranks. She saw the W. M. S. organized, and was active enough to become its first secretary. She also saw the Sunday School work begin, and took an active part in it for a number of years. Great must have been her joy when all of the anxieties of her soul were fully realized. They who now in tears shall reap in joy. Such must have been the experience of this noted servant of God.

It is of unusual interest to note that the first citizens of this town were either Lutheran or Associate Reformed Presbyterian and with the passing years the phenomenal growth of Baptists has born the blessings of God.

**Two Baptist Companions**

"It was not long after Mrs. George Cornwell moved here until the Lord sent her a Baptist companion, and they became the best friends this section has ever known. The second Baptist to move here was Mrs. Margaret Isabelle Nevitt Kendrick. Both were young women, and both were newly married. Both had been orphans, and both had been raised in other homes than their own. They had the same experiences in many respects, and both were loyal Baptists. They knew why they were Baptist, and why they could not sacrifice their principles to be with their husbands. They were the kind of stuff the Lord wanted to begin his work with here."

These were the days when Baptist were only happy when they were baptised in RUNNING water. Among the Baptists who came here before the organization of the first Baptist Church were the following family names: Hoke, Carpenter, Homesley, Littlejohn, Baumgardner, Long Reynolds, Kendrick, Cobb, Peimet, Poteat, Morrison and Dickey. The present Church was organized sometime in the year 1890 with about thirty members, according to the best information available. A number of the members moving from Old Bethlehem Church three miles from town. Because the old records have been lost three preachers were responsible for the leadership of the first years, Rev. M. P. Matheny, Rev. J. E. McManaway, and Dr. F. C. Hickson.

The State Board helped this little band of noble Baptist make their beginning. Forty dollars a year was allotted them this being two fifths of the pastor's salary.

Mrs. J. R. Reynolds and Mrs. Sylvanus Mauney are the only surviving members of that first faithful group of Baptists.

The first house was built of wood and located upon the lot of the present church site. Space does not permit the relating of the story of prayer, faith and loyalty of those early days.

Great people inspire great preaching and this Church is no exception. In the life of the Church many outstanding names appear on the roll call of the preachers of the past. Authors, scholars and missionaries. Men of devotion and stability have served as pastors of the Church.

By 1901 membership had reached the number of 197 and marked the beginning of a preaching service every Sunday.

By 1914 the church roll had climbed to 406.

The present Church building was erected in 1913 and the first worship in the new auditorium was concluded with the ordinance of baptism. Miss Ruth Baumgardner and her niece, Ruth Baker were the candidates.

Baptists have always placed emphasis upon the teaching of the Bible. From the very first days the Sunday School has shown remarkable advancement both in numbers and in the quality of teaching. Along with the growth of the Church the W. M. U. and its Auxiliaries have occupied a large place in giving missionary inspiration and vision. Contributed

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