

"Children...Honor your father and mother...that it may be well with you." Ephesians 6:1-3

# The Indian Honor Association of Robeson County Honors These Indian Elders:

## PURPOSE

The purposes for the organization are as follows: to promote honor and respect for Indian elders by their families and communities by recognizing the elders for their family's full participation in the electoral process of Robeson County in all primary and general elections and to encourage eligible Indian people and the public at large without regard to race, creed, sex, or national origin to register and vote in all elections.

# Our Spiritual Leaders of the Gospel



**Rev. Sanford Locklear**  
(Burnt Swamp Precinct)

Rev. Locklear was licensed to preach in 1950. He was ordained the same year. He has served at the following churches: Galilee for three years; Antioch for four years; Cedar Grove for eight years; Harpers Ferry for two years; Thompson for five years; Leitch Creek for four years; and New Point for 29 years. Special recognition as a result of his service and commitment to do God's work: Missionary Baptist.



**Rev. James H. Woods**  
(South Pembroke Precinct)

Rev. Woods served in the following churches: Cherokee Chapel Holiness Methodist Church for 11 years; New Bethel Holiness Methodist Church for 15 years; Hope Well Holiness Methodist for 8 years; and served as Presiding Bishop for the Lumber River Holiness Methodist Conference for 12 years. Special recognition or awards include three plaques from churches; two Distinguished Service Awards; Outstanding Young Men of America; Towel and Basin Award by Asbury Theo. Seminary.



**Rev. John W. Locklear**  
(Union Precinct)

Rev. Locklear has served the following churches: New Bethel for two years; Hopewell for 9 years; Riverside Memorial for three years; Union Chapel for two years; and New Prospect for two years. Special recognition includes Lumber River Holiness Methodist, 1940. He has served as Superintendent of the Lumber River Holiness Conference for 31 years.



**Rev. Claudie Dial**

Rev. Claudie Dial was licensed to preach in 1941 and ordained the same year. He has served as pastor for the following churches: Evergreen, Community Holiness, Elizabeth Heights and Hopewell. He is an Evangelist-Nationwide. He is a Missionary to Belize, Central America, Old Mexico, and Fiji Islands.



**Rev. P.R. (Bossy) Swett**

Rev. Swett was licensed to preach in 1945. He was ordained in 1992. He has served as pastor at the following churches: S.C. Mission, Rock of Bethlehem and Gibson, SC. He is a Missionary Baptist.



**Rev. Elias Rogers**

He was licensed to preach in 1951. He was ordained in 1964. He has served as pastor of the following churches: Mt. Moriah for 4 years; Mt. Elim (SC) for three years; Sandhills Community; Union Light for four years; Mt. Carmel for 3 years; and Temple Baptist. He is a Missionary Baptist.



**Rev. Welton Lowry**  
(North Pembroke Precinct)

Rev. Lowry has served the following churches as pastor: Ten Mile Baptist, Oak Grove, Burnt Swamp, Cedar Grove, New Bethel and West End for 33 years. Special recognition and awards include: Peabody Bicentennial Alumni Service Award, Honorary Doctor of Human Letters from UNC Pembroke, First American Caucus of National Association of Educators Award, the Dedication of the 1994 minutes of the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association, Welton Lowry Day in the City of Lumberton, 1984, Distinguished Service Award, 1984, Pembroke Jaycees, PSU Alumni Association's Distinguished Service Award. He was ordained to preach in 1948.



**Rev. Isaiah Locklear**  
(Oxendine Precinct)

He was licensed to preach in the Lumber River Holiness Methodist Conference in 1928. He was ordained by the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association in 1953. He served seven churches with the Lumber River Holiness Methodist Conference and the following Baptist churches: New Hope Baptist in South Carolina; Leitch Creek; Island Grove, St. James, Pleasant View, Galilee and South Hoke. He is a Missionary Baptist.



**Rev. Charles W. Maynor**  
(Burnt Swamp Precinct)

Rev. Maynor was licensed to preach in 1946. He was ordained in 1950. He has served as pastor of the following churches: Reedy Branch for 34 years; Mt. Olive for 1 year; Ten Mile for one year; New Bethel for 1 year; Bear Swamp for three years; Mr. Airy for two years. He has received 25 plaques of appreciation from churches. His portrait was presented by Reedy Branch Church. He is Honorary Pastor of Reedy Branch and Mt. Airy Baptist Churches.



**Rev. James D. Dial**  
(North Pembroke Precinct)

Rev. Dial was licensed to preach in 1957. He was ordained in 1962. He has served as pastor of the following churches: Cedar Grove; Union Light; Leitch Creek for 12 years; Zion Hill; Ten Mile for four years; Cape Fear for 13 years; Elizabeth Heights; and Dogwood for 25 years. He has been recognized twice by the Governor of the State of North Carolina for his outstanding contributions.



**Rev. Willie Scott Jr.**  
(Prospect Precinct)

Rev. Scott was licensed in 1972 and ordained the same year. He is presently serving as Presiding Bishop of the Lumber River Holiness Methodist Conference. He has served New Prospect Holiness Methodist Church as pastor for 24 years.



**Rev. Johnnie C. Chavis**

Rev. Chavis has served as pastor of the following church: St. Annah for five years; Holly Grove for eight years; Mt. Carmel for two years; Pleasant Grove for three years; Hickory Hill for five years; Mt. Hebron for two years; Mt. Sinai for fifteen years; Sandy Ridge for four years; Macedonia for one year; Mt. Elim for 2 years; Leland Grove for three years; Bethlehem for three years; Pentecostal for three years; and Sycamore Hill for more than 30 years. Special recognition includes Moderator for Bible Freewill Holiness Conference for 20 years. He was licensed to preach in 1939 and ordained in 1943.



**Rev. Bobby Dean Locklear**  
(Prospect Precinct)

Rev. Locklear has served as the pastor of Green Pine Freewill Baptist Church for 22 years. He is presently serving as pastor of Cape Fear Baptist Church in Fayetteville, NC.



**Rev. Gary P. Thompson**  
(Prospect Precinct)

Rev. Thompson was licensed to preach in 1992. He owns and operates Thompson Funeral Home.