

# Durham Church Raises \$43,000 In One Year

## First Calvary Baptist Church Scores Success

Probably the most outstanding achievement of any church in North Carolina, if not the entire South, is that of First Calvary Baptist Church of Durham, pastored by Rev. H. H. Hart, dynamic minister of this city.

It was back in 1933 when Rev. Hart was first called to pastor what was then known as the Second Baptist Church. After serving in that capacity for four years he left to take up work in the eastern part of the state.

**Church Split**  
In 1947, Rev. Hart was recalled to the pastorate of the church, just after it had experienced a split led by a former pastor who left taking with him several hundred of its members. The morale of the church at the time was at a low ebb, but with Divine guidance, Rev. Hart set about to bind up wounds of the 225 faithful members who were left and to restore their confidence.

**New Building**  
Since taking over the helm in 1947, the old building has been torn down and a new modern church structure erected and equipped at a total cost of \$112,000. Today only \$27,000 of that amount is owned on the original cost. When the new building was erected, the name was changed to First Calvary Baptist Church.

**Pastor Donates \$1,000**  
During a really held for the new church building, the pastor wrote his check for \$1,000. On all occasions he never allows a member of the church to give more than he does, but instead doubles the amount of the highest giver. Thus Rev. Hart leads by precept and example.

To give some idea of the splendid work being done and the fine spirit of cooperation which the membership exhibits toward their pastor, the church last year raised a total of \$43,358.22. The membership that was only 225 in 1947 when Rev. Hart came, now numbers over 600.

**Many Auxiliaries**  
There are over 23 different

auxiliaries including a modern Sunday School with a general superintendent, a superintendent of the Junior Department, and a superintendent of the Senior Department. The Sunday School is held in the church basement.

Three choruses furnish music for the various services. There are a total of 65 ushers, divided into four different groups. Included in the Usher Board is a first aid group with equipment furnished by the ushers and other friends.

**Modern Kitchen**  
There is also a modern kitchen in the basement where church suppers are prepared. The modern electric range in the kitchen was donated by the ushers of the church at a cost of over \$300. A member, Mrs. Roberta Oldham, donated a set of modern cooking utensils.

Venetian blinds for the Upper Room were donated by Mrs. Vinie Lyons, a widow, at a total cost of \$125.

The beautiful carpet on the floor of the main auditorium of the church was donated by Missionary Circles, numbers one and two.

When it is considered that the members of the church have made such donations without letting it interfere with their church salaries, it is again testimony of the great leadership of Rev. Hart.

**Unlimited Confidence**  
When questioned here as to the reason for his wonderful success in the pastorate of First he attributed it to the fact that Calvary, Rev. Hart stated that the officers and membership have placed unlimited confidence in his leadership in that they have given him free range to organize, direct and manage the business as well as the spiritual program of the church.

First Calvary was not always located on its present site. In 1883, when it was founded, the church was located on Cameron Street. It remained there up until 32 years ago when the present site was purchased and a building erected.



The above photo shows the H. Hart (seated second from left). It has been the responsibility of the above men to direct the successful program of the church to the point where it is today considered one of the leading churches of the city.



Pictured above is another group of officers and church workers who have worked untiringly to make the program of First Calvary a success. Standing from left to right are: Mrs. Lillie Moore, deaconess; Mrs. Ernestine Holmes, organist, junior department; Mrs. Carolina Dunn, medical advisor, first aid department; Evelyn Haskins, president male chorus; Mrs. Notie Curry, president, pastors aid; Roy Curry, president senior choir; Richard Williams, president, B. T. U.; Nathaniel Haskins, president junior choir; Mrs. Alice Jones, president, social committee; Miss Helen McDade, supervisor, First Aid; Mrs. Vinie Lyons, chairman, deaconess board and Mrs. Etta White, special worker.

## "Wuthering Heights" To Be Presented By NCC Thespians

Emily Bronte's highly successful novel, which has been written into drama form, will be presented by the North Carolina College Thespians, March 10 at 8:15 p. m. in the B. N. Duke auditorium.

According to Miss Mary Bohannon, director of the college's drama company, the production, second of the season for the Thespians, will be presented in Greensboro March 11 and in Washington, Tarboro and Elizabeth City, N. C. on future dates.

The cast of Wuthering Heights is studded with veterans who have established enviable records on the NCC stage. William Torrence Greensboro Junior, will be starred in the role of Heathcliff. Torrence is a familiar figure to N. C. C. playgoers, having played the leading role in "Death Takes a Holiday," and being prominently cast in "All My Sons."

Hudley will be played by Simon Holloway, senior from Gary, Indiana, and a veteran of three seasons. The part of Cathy will be taken by Berlie Ray, New Bern sophomore, who was brilliant in "Death Takes a Holiday." Anna Walker, Statesville sophomore who was rated best actress in a 1948 state-wide drama clinic, will portray Isabella Mable Bullock, Durham senior

who created a mild sensation in her portrayal of Laura in "Glass Menagerie", will play Young Cathy. She was acclaimed while in high school for her performance in "Dark Victory,"

## Barter Players To Appear At Bennett College

GREENSBORO  
One of the world's most famous theatre groups, the Barter Players will appear at Bennett College, Saturday, March 11, presenting their latest spectacular production, "The Imaginary Invalid." Curtain time for the production, which will be presented for one performance only in the Little Theatre, is 8:30 p. m.

Starring in the leading role as Argan, the hypochondriac, will be Frederick Warriner who is described by critics as one of the finest young actors on the American stage today.

After returning from Denmark with the Barter "Rainlet" Company, Warriner played the role of the foreman in the premiere showing of Carl Allensworth's "Count Your Blessings." In the revival of "The Hasty Heart," the capable actor scored another success as the Scottish sergeant. However, Robert Porterfield, founder of the Barter Theatre, says Warriner's portrayal in this production is his most brilliant.

A top Barter cast will support Warriner in the comedy, including Joan DeWeese, Jo Patter-

son, Herbert Nelson, Mell Turner, Mae Shaw, Elizabeth Wilson, George Abel and Cliff Collier.

In staging their big costume production of the season, "The Imaginary Invalid" will present some of the most elaborate costumes ever seen on a Barter stage, as well as the finest in modern theatrical equipment.

## Rev. Chas. Jones Guest Speaker At Lincoln Univ.

LINCOLN, PA.  
Reverend Charles M. Jones, Minister of the Presbyterian Church at Chapel Hill, North Carolina, was the guest speaker at Lincoln University's Religious Emphasis Week, held on the University Campus from February 26 to March.

## A. Williams To Be Presented In Senior Recital

Albert Williams, senior in the department of music at North Carolina College, will be presented in his senior recital in the B. N. Duke Auditorium at the college March 2 at 8:15 p. m.

Williams, a native of Charlottesville, Va., will perform as a trumpet soloist. He will be accompanied by the band which he will conduct in several selections including one of his own composition.

Williams has an enviable record in the college's Music department. A specialist in instrumental work, he has done extra work in theory, composition, and music education. He has served four years as assistant to W. I. Howard, band director. Among his accomplishments are the arrangement of several selections for the band, and original compositions for solo and quartet.

He is a member of the college choir, Y. M. C. A., the school's Advisory Committee on Concerts, and is president of the Gamma Beta chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity.

## NCC Senior Reads Paper At Hampton Meet

A paper by Robert Freeman, senior Biology major at North Carolina College, was read at the Eastern Regional meeting of the Beta Kappa Chi honorary scientific social at Hampton Institute February 17-18.

In addition to the host school and North Carolina College, West Virginia State, Bluefield and A. and T. Colleges were represented at the meet.

James O. Grady, junior Mathematics major from Kingston and C. C. Handy, professor of Biology, also attended from North Carolina College.

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Life Insurance in Force	\$643,194,676
Gain of	\$67,442,251 over 1948
Policy Reserves	\$ 30,406,169
Increase of	\$6,745,904
Surplus Funds and Capital	\$ 11,910,892
Increase of	\$526,654
Assets	\$ 46,991,721
Gain of	\$7,948,063
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