

Warsaw News Of Interest To Every One

History Of The Warsaw Baptist Church, Written By A Member

By Sarah Elizabeth Humphrey
 In the year of 1838 Thaddeus D. Love, a merchant of Wilmington, moved to Duplin Depot, or, as known by some, Morresville. His friends, being familiar with Jane Porter's writings soon jokingly called him "Theedjeus of Warsaw". The name so appealed to the people that in 1855 the name Duplin Depot was changed to Warsaw.



At that time there was no church in the village. The people worshipped at Johnson's Baptist Church, which was two miles south-east of Warsaw at the intersection of the old roads then leading to Kenansville and Hallsville. Johnson's Church was later moved to its present location three miles south-east of Warsaw.

At the meeting of the Association at Beula in 1854 a committee was appointed to call a meeting at Warsaw on October 31, 1854, to make arrangements to erect a school which would be under the supervision of the Baptist denomination. This had been previously discussed at the association in 1852 and in 1853. In the year 1856, there was enacted by the Legislature, a Baptist School at Warsaw, under the name of the Trustees of the Warsaw High School, and while it was a stock company, its property was controlled and the school was conducted by the Baptist denomination by means of trustees appointed by the Union Baptist Association, and its successor, the Eastern Baptist Association. This continued until the year 1906, when the trustees donated the property of the present Grammar School to the State Public School System.

After the school was built and in operation, the need for a church house was felt. Intellectual and spiritual inspiration were united. The Church was organized in 1856 with 32 members enrolled, 14 of whom were received by letter. The deed to the trustees of the church is dated April 15, 1857. The first church house was an oblong building facing College Street. It had a small belfry which housed the same bell that gives the call to worship today. The seats were of pine, unpaired, and only one four inch plank placed shoulder high formed the back. Down the center of the pews was a dividing rail. The men occupied the right side and the women the left side. There were only two doors, one on each side of the front end. The pulpit and Bible stand were of pine, handmade, and unpainted. The outside of the church was painted white. In 1887 a vestibule was added; also an attractive steeple with a tall slender spire, a new pulpit and Bible stand which were painted mahogany, and new painted pews without the middle division. In 1907 the church was remodeled again and in 1927 Sunday School classrooms were added. The oak pews, Bible stand and organ were added to the church in 1907. In 1939 the Warsaw Baptist Church was enlarged, brick-veneered and remodeled inside. Stained glass windows were also added. In 1947 a heating plant was added and an electric organ is now being installed.

Among the early pastors were Revs. Albert Guy, C. C. Gordon, C. A. Jenkins, C. M. Brock, J. N. Stollings, O. C. Meeks, E. J. Harrell, C. S. Wells, Thos. Parker, T. J. Britt, W. McAlphine, and perhaps others. Some of those who came later were A. O. Moore, K. W. Cawthorn, G. W. Rollins, B. C. Foster, now pastor of the First Baptist Church in Lakesville, R. A. Cadle, now pastor of the Apex Baptist Church, and G. Vann Stephens, the present pastor.

In recent years there have been two ordained in the church, that of David Woodward and James Blackmore. Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Powell, missionaries to Africa, are members of the Warsaw Baptist Church.

From thirty-two members meeting in the one-room building for worship only, the church has increased in membership to about five hundred, with a graded Sunday School, Training Union and W. M. S. The Church has two choirs and carrying on a full program. May God lead in the making of more and better history for this part of His Church.

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wrought iron punch table. During play refreshing fruit punch was served and when scores were tallied high score awards, novelty jellies to Mrs. Edgar Pollock for club and hi jacks to Mrs. Graham Phillips for visitors high, and Mrs. Allen Draughon capturing cocktail napkins for traveling award; the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Jimmy McColman, served a temporary



LOOKING AHEAD
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JUST ROUTINE TACTICS
 The "good" Communist is sworn to lie. (Unfortunately, all the liars are not in Russia, nor even in the Communist Party in this country. Life would be much more simple if they were.) However, among our so-called liberals, and even the fellow-travelers, there are those who are waking up to the fact that disdain for plain old honesty and integrity is one of the chief characteristics of Communism. I know only one answer to the problem of the lie, and that is: truth.

If there were only one Communist in the world, folks with truth in their lives could isolate him easily enough. But when you admit the tactics of lying into international relationships, things begin to get complicated. It is indeed a real problem to deal with nations which lack moral integrity, and my sympathies go out to our statesmen who have to meet the Communists on international issues.

Nothing On Merit
 To illustrate. Shortly after President Truman's message to Congress on European recovery, the Moscow radio announced: "The essence of the Marshall Plan is war." Marshall, the radio said, was out chiefly to assist American monopolies. Marshall was called the "intimate friend of Wall Street big wigs." It seems that to represent Secretary of State Marshall as imperialist, monopolist, oppressor, and warmonger is just routine Communist tactics.

Secretary Marshall is not an imperialist, and he is not trying to conduct a program in Europe in the interest of American monopolies, and so on, which fact everyone knows. Even the Russians who were saying those things knew the statements were untrue. Their method of defeating the Marshall Plan at that time was to misrepresent it. They didn't dare criticize it on its merits.

See The Methods
 These statements were designed, of course, for the American public. To the American public this particular incident was perhaps of little importance in itself. However, it is useful in demonstrating the tactics used by Communists in America for several decades. These men knew at the start it would not be easy to undermine the American way of life. They realized their best method was to cause dissension and friction among groups in America.

The Communists apparently decided that the easiest way to create this friction would be to set labor and industry against each other. To this end they began picking out American industrialists and calling them profiteers and capitalists, disinterested in the welfare of the worker. They also misrepresented the amount of profits, until many people think industrialists make ten times the profit actually made.

We can see quickly the absurdity of attacks on Secretary Marshall. But perhaps we have been slower to see the lies and misrepresentations used right here in our country against our own people. Our industrialists have worked unceasingly, along with labor, to help raise our standard of living. Only in America do the rank and file enjoy cars, radios, telephones, refrigerators and hundreds of other luxuries. Let's keep our thinking straight, despite Communist tactics.

As joint hostess and nine present. Mrs. H. M. West was in the chair and Mrs. Jordan presented a program on South America. Following business they served peach ice cream and cookies, assisted by Miss Ann Nell Parker.

The Annie Kate Powell Circle met Monday evening with Mrs. A. L. Humphrey and Mrs. Herman Hollingsworth as joint hostesses. 17 were present including two visitors. Mrs. Edgar Pollock presided and Mrs. Mosley Phillips conducted the devotionals. Mrs. Momon Barra was assisted by Miss Annie Kate Powell, Mrs. Edgar Pollock and Mrs. Stacy Britt in presenting the program. The hostesses served delicious strawberry shortcake.

Announce Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Melvin of Magnolia announce the birth of a daughter, Vonnie Lee, on Monday, July 26, 1948, at their home in Magnolia. Mrs. Melvin is the former Miss Esther Howard of near Warsaw.

Home From Hosp.

Mrs. H. A. Parker has returned to her home in Bowden from the Goldsboro Hospital where she underwent an operation.

Little Evelyn Ritter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Ritter returned to her home in Magnolia Saturday where she underwent an emergency appendectomy Tuesday. Master Tex Ritter, their 2 1/2 year old son, is recovering from colitis.

Announce Marriage

Mrs. Mattie Bradshaw of Beaulaville announces the marriage of her daughter, Mrs. Lucy B. Kilpatrick to S. S. Charles A. Cattary. Mrs. Cattary is now living in Warsaw. S. S. Cattary is a native of Lambertville, N. J. He is now stationed at Parris Island, S. C.

The ceremony was performed at the Bradshaw home in Beaulaville. The two-ring ceremony was conducted by Rev. Stephen Smith of Beaulaville.

Baptist Circles

The Rosa Hocutt Powell Circle met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. G. D. Bennett with 8 present with Mrs. D. T. Chambers presiding. Mrs. C. A. Womack led the devotionals and Mrs. Frank Thomas taught the Mission Study after which the hostess served icebox cake and cream.

The George Rollins Circle met Monday in the home of Mrs. E. B. Sides with 6 present and one visitor and Mrs. B. W. Pickett presiding in the absence of Mrs. D. Y. Hollingsworth. Mrs. Ralph Jones led the devotionals and Mrs. Pickett discussed an article on "Your 20th Century Cruse of Oil." The hostess was assisted by her mother, Mrs. McKenzie in serving tempting apple pie a la mode.

The Katie Murray Circle met Monday evening in the home of Mrs. H. A. Parker in Bowden with her daughter, Mrs. Maurice Jordan

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notice the birth of a son, Thursday July 28, 1948. Mrs. Sansone is the former Miss Mary Elizabeth, Herring of Warsaw.

Personals

Mrs. J. M. Peirce has returned from summer school at Chapel Hill and a visit with her daughters, Miss Margaret Peirce in Washington, D. C. and Miss Sallie Peirce in Annapolis, Md.

Lattis Williams, Jr. was home for the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Williams.

Miss Frances Stephens and Johnny Mallard of Rose Hill spent the week end at Carolina Beach with Rev. and Mrs. G. Van Stephens.

Mrs. Annie S. Greene of Concord is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Stacy Britt.

Mrs. Elois Williams is on vacation from her work in Clinton and is attending The Lost Colony at Manteo.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Cooper of Chapel Hill were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Strickland. Miss Bessie Quinn of Wilson is visiting her mother, Mrs. J. B. Quinn.

Mrs. Clarence Brown had her sister as guest last week.

Mrs. C. J. Brown had as guest last week her sister Mrs. Frank Matthews of Richmond, Va. They are at Wrightsville Beach this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Britt and daughter of Mt. Olive were Sunday guests of her parents Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Pickett.

Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Best are spending the week at Carolina Beach.

Rev. and Mrs. James Blackmore visited their parents here enroute to their home in Masonboro from Brookings, N. D. where they have been for a month.

Mrs. Effie Fussell of Rose Hill visited Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Best Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Thomas, Jr. and son returned to Lexington after visiting his parents here.

Rev. and Mrs. Eugene Clarke are spending the week at Carolina Beach.

Miss Lenora Womack left Sunday with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. B. Y. Womack to visit them in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. Kathleen P. Snyder has returned from summer school at Winthrop College, Rock Hill, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Allen of Wilmington visited the J. A. Porters Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Belton Minschew

Mrs. McNeil Again Hostess

Mrs. Hector McNeil was again hostess at a lovely party when she entertained at four tables of bridge Tuesday afternoon. Lovely arrangements graced the living room and sun porch. During play coca colas were served and at the end of progressions Mrs. J. Robert Grady of Kenansville and Mrs. Herbert Best, Jr. received an assortment of jellies for high scores and Mrs. E. P. Ewers for traveling award received a milk glass dish. Mrs. Bea Bowden who recently moved back here from Fayetteville was remembered with a novel pill box.

Mrs. Jimmy McColman assisted in serving a frozen fruit salad course.

Out of town guests included Mesdames J. R. Grady, N. B. Boney, Louise Mitchell, F. W. McGowan of Kenansville and Mrs. R. C. Wells of Clinton.

Announce Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony "Jack" Sansone of Hollywood, Calif. an-

and sons were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Minschew in Fremont. Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Whittle were in Richmond Saturday on business. They were accompanied by Mrs. Mesdames J. C. Miller and Lillian Quinn accompanied Mrs. Ben Rivenbark to Clarkton Tuesday.

Church Bulletin

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Oreglia will leave Saturday for Pennsylvania, where they will reside.

Dr. J. M. Kornegay is vacationing at Virginia Beach this week.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Powell are at Carolina Beach this week.

Miss Fannie Woodward spent the day Monday in Kinston.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Sheffield and Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Oreglia spent the week end at Carolina Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Matthis have returned from Marion where they visited the M. D. Ledmetters, formerly of Warsaw.

Miss Nellie Gray Matthis has returned from Chapel Hill where she attended summer school.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Baines of Wilson are visiting Mrs. Ralph Honeycutt and Mrs. Annie Cox.

Mrs. William Powell and sons of Durham are visiting Mesdames Frank Haislip and Allen Draughon.

Mrs. Glenn Rollins returned on Monday from Waynesville where she and the children spent three weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Sloan.

Mrs. Margery Jones has returned from Waynesville where she spent a month with her daughter, Mrs. L. R. Callahan and family.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wall left this week for Canada where they will spend some time.

Mrs. G. W. Rollins left Wednesday for Charlotte to visit relatives.

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At a series of lovely parties Mrs. Hector McNeil was the most gracious hostess on last Thursday, entertaining at a 2 o'clock party in the afternoon at her home on College Street, and again in the evening at 8 o'clock.

Throughout the lower floor of the home were artistic and attractive arrangements of summer flowers. Five tables of bridge were placed among a pretty setting of asters, dahlias and Queen Anne's lace, in the living room, and on the sun porch where three tables were arranged was a massive arrangement of yellow cosmos and marigolds underneath the glass top.

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