

Duplin County Churches

JEFFERSON SAID IT. WE CONCUR.

Uncle Pete From Chittlin Switch Says:



Johnson's Baptist Church

By: Ruth B. Wells
(The following information was obtained from the file of the Duplin Times assisted by Mrs. H. E. Phillips)

Between the years 1792 and 1803 Rev. Francis Oliver assisted by Rev. William Wells organized a Missionary Baptist Church which was called Nahunga Baptist Church. The church was located four miles East of Warsaw near Cooper's mill, and is now known as Johnson's Baptist Church.

The Rev. Mr. Oliver was then pastor of Bear Marsh Church where he had been ordained in 1792.

The Cape Fear Association met with the Nahunga Church in 1811 and the church reported thirty one members.

The Church was moved from the Cooper Mill site about 1835 to a place two miles south east of Warsaw at the intersection of the old road leading to Kenansville and Hallsville. The house built was oblong with a door in one side and a door in the other. Pews made of pine boards had a narrow board for the back to rest against. This was the only Missionary Baptist Church in the Warsaw area at that time.

The site for the new location

of the church was given by the family of Sloan Johnson and Associational minutes after 1835 refer to the church as Johnson's Church.

Many of the old records of the church have been lost, but in 1840 the reported membership was '76.

Among the earlier pastors were: Rev. Francis Oliver, Rev. William Wells, Rev. Jonathan Thomas, Rev. Nathan Askew, Rev. Robert MacNabb, Rev. A. J. Battle, Rev. Hiram Stallings, Rev. D. J. Rogers, Rev. G. W. Huffman, Rev. Isaac West, Rev. Jessie Howard, Rev. L. F. Williams, Rev. Alfred Guy, Rev. J. L. Stewart, Rev. G. S. Best, Rev. G. W. Huffman, Rev. W. M. Kennedy, Rev. H. S. Spivey, Rev. R. C. Sandlin, Rev. T. J. Baker, Rev. L. M. Curtis, Rev. E. D. Wells, Rev. C. E. Gower.

The Church moved to the present site in 1890, which was opposite Lane field Academy three miles East of Warsaw. A "creditable" house was built and was furnished with comfortable pews. Dedication services were held by the Rev. J. W. Powell August 2, 1892.

1926 saw the addition of nine "commodious Sunday School rooms to the Auditorium and a modern system of carbide lighting was installed."

D. S. Kennedy was ordained to the full work of the Gospel Ministry in 1906. Among the Missionaries going from this church were Minnie Middleton to China, J. C. Powell to Africa and Gordon K. Middleton to China. A former member, Katie Murray served for many years as a missionary to China.

A \$30,000 Educational Building was completed in 1962. The Sanctuary has been updated from time to time including electricity, and in 1965 Mrs. Ada Middleton Stanback, a former member, donated a heating and air conditioning system.

Other ministers who have served the church are: Rev. W. L. Bilbro, Dr. N. B. Cobb, Rev. J. D. Larkins, Rev. A. L. Batts, Rev. T. L. Brown, Rev. J. M. Page, Rev. A. C. Moore, Rev. K. W. Cawthon, Rev. G. W. Rollins, Rev. R. C. Foster, Rev. Ross Cadle, Rev. G. Vann Stephens, Rev. Paul Mull, Rev. Eugene Hager, and Rev. Alfred F. Gibson.

Officers currently serving the church are: N. A. Phillips, Clerk; Sunday School Superintendent, Jessie J. Quinn; Training Union Director, Mrs. Amos Kirby; W. M. U. President, Mrs. J. D. West; and Chairman of Board of Deacons, H. E. Phillips.

January 16, 1787

NATIONAL NEWSPAPER WEEK

Colonel Edward Carrington Sir:

The basis of our government being the opinion of the people, the very first object should be to keep that right; and were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter.

Sincerely,
Thomas Jefferson

Henry McCarn

DEAR MISTER EDITOR:

Most of the fellers at the country store Saturday night was agreed that things in general was getting worse.

Ed Doolittle more or less took charge of the session and when Ed gets wound up he don't leave much time for the commercials. Ed is the kind of feller that if you ask him what time it is he'll set down and explain how you can build a eight-day clock.

What got Ed started was Zeke Grubb reporting he had saw two items in the papers that had got him shook up a bit. One item announced the Government was spending \$6,300,000 to turn a old hotel into a Job Core center for 1,000 girls to study water skiing, make-up, dancing and gardening and they was going to have a teaching staff of 330, or one teacher for ever three girls. The second item, reported Zeke, was about the Government setting up \$91,000 to teach 60 women in Gibson county, Tennessee, how to cook.

Ed claimed that actual this was small change in the overall program agin poverty they was running in the Great Society. He reported, for instant, that Senator James Pearson of Kansas had found out this new-fangled office of Economic Opportunity had paid a private company \$87,000 just to compile a catalog of the Government anti-poverty programs, and had give the same firm another \$25,000 to print a comic book aimed at promoting the Job Core. Senator Pearson, said Ed, had reported that they decided not to use the stuff and that the books was now in a warehouse running up a storage charge of \$125 a month.

Clem Webster of the Great Society claimed the Government was tightening up on them things and the situation would git better. Personal, Mister Editor, I don't put much faith in Clem's predictions. He's what my preacher calls a optamist and I have took note through the years that when Clem goes fishing, which is pritty regular, he always takes a frying pan with him. The last time I saw the pan it was practical new.

But the storekeeper allowed as how maybe Clem was right, reported he had saw where the U.S. Department of Agriculture had announced that, as of January 1, 1967, soup companies would have to put 2 per cent chicken and 2 per cent turkey in the can afore they could label it "chicken" soup or "turkey" soup. He told the fellers the soup companies had been fighting this rule in the Federal court in New Jersey since 1964 and it probable cost the taxpayers a million dollars fer lawyers but he was expecting a increase in his sales of canned chicken soup when they started putting a little chicken in it.

Yours truly
Uncle Pete.

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WASHINGTON REPORT
from
Your Congressman
DAVID N. HENDERSON

THE Minister's Desk

By: D. E. Parkerson
Warsaw

A certain man had been seeing a psychiatrist, but he had not been giving him the right kind of answers to his questions. The psychiatrist said to him, "You are a rather indecisive person, aren't you?" And the man answered, "Well, yes and no."

The trouble with most of us in life is that we cannot make up our minds what we want to do and where we want to go. Indecision makes it difficult for us to set a proper course in life. Not knowing what we want to do we do not achieve very much. Those who have contributed vitally to the life of this world have been men and women who have had wisdom and forethought enough to decide what their goals should be and then work toward those goals. Lingerin in the valley of indecision only makes a person satisfied with the status quo. He allows society to mould his life rather than trying to mould society.

Football Contest Winners

Winners in the fourth week of the football contest will have to go to the women folks. First place winner of ten dollars is Harriett Watson of Warsaw. Second place winner of five dollars goes to Ann Berger of Wallace. Watson missed only two games the Duke vs. Maryland and Syracuse vs Navy game. Nathan Kelly of Albertson missed only two games but failed to put points on entry blank. Berger missed three games and was closest with total points. East Carolina scored 40 points against Davidson for total high.

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Firearm Safety

With the hunting season opening soon, we begin to think of guns, rifles, bows and arrows, and our favorite type of hunting. We should also think of safety at the same time. Most of us are willing to admit, "It can't happen to me," but some of us still have an open mind that accidents do happen, and sometimes to the wrong fellow.

First place firearm safety is in the home. Weapons should be stored in a safe place and ammunition stored in a separate place so that inexperienced persons in the home do not accidentally mishandle firearms.

The next place is transporting the firearms to the hunting field. Never load the weapon until you have reached the field. Carrying loaded weapons in motor vehicles causes many accidents.

The 9 Commandments of Shooting Safety are:

1. TREAT EVERY GUN WITH THE RESPECT DUE A LOADED GUN.
2. WATCH THAT MUZZLE! Carry your gun safely; keep safety on until ready to shoot.
3. UNLOAD GUNS WHEN NOT IN USE, take down or have actions open; guns should be carried in cases to shooting areas.
4. BE SURE BARREL IS CLEAR OF OBSTRUCTIONS, and that you have ammunition only of the proper size for the gun you carry.
5. BE SURE OF TARGET BEFORE YOU PULL TRIGGER: know identifying features of game you hunt.
6. NEVER POINT A GUN AT ANYTHING YOU DO NOT WANT TO SHOOT: avoid all horseplay.
7. NEVER CLIMB A TREE OR FENCE OR

JUMP A DITCH WITH A LOADED GUN;

never pull a gun toward you by the muzzle. NEVER SHOOT A BULLET AT A FLAT, HARD SURFACE OR WATER: at target practice be sure your backstop is adequate.

9. STORE GUNS AND AMMUNITION SEPARATELY, beyond reach of children.

Of course, the facts, figures and percentages of hunting accidents in North Carolina in 1965 are high, and no age group or experienced person is left out of this report.

The next phase of hunting safety and firearm safety is to wear clothing that can be seen and not mistaken for something that it is not, such as the game that the other fellow is hunting. One motto says, "See and be seen, and make no mistake of what you see."

Another place to be very cautious with firearms is boats. Carrying loaded weapons in boats moving from one hunting area to another is very dangerous.

Alcohol and gun powder make a very poor mix. Alcohol may cause us to see incorrectly. One word to those parents who have youngsters who like to hunt. Remember the State hunting license requirement requires those persons under the age of 16 to carry their parents or guardians hunting license unless such parent or guardian is in the hunting party. This tells us that you trust your youngster with firearms.

The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission keeps a file on all hunting accidents. Our file is large enough, and we call on you to make this a safety season. With everyone's cooperation, this can be achieved.

STATEMENT BY HONORABLE DAVID N. HENDERSON (D., N.C.), CHAIRMAN, SUBCOMMITTEE ON MANPOWER OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON POST OFFICE AND CIVIL SERVICE, ON THE FLOOR OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

"Bureau of the Budget Moves to Curb Rising Labor Costs," Mr. Speaker.

The number of civilian employees on the Federal payroll has been rising each month for more than five years. In fact, the number of Federal employees in August this year was 12 percent larger than two years ago. Undoubtedly overtime in several departments and agencies has also increased substantially.

These factors apparently have had much to do with recent action by the Director of the Budget, Director Charles Schultz, within the last few weeks, has issued instructions to the heads of executive departments and agencies directing that overtime be reduced, that employment be held to the level of June 30, 1966, and requesting all departments and agencies to improve the utilization of their manpower. Due to the conflict in Viet Nam, the Department of Defense and Selective Service System have been exempted from the overtime and ceiling limitations.

It has been clearly established, through the Manpower Subcommittee's public hearings, inspections at Government installations, and other means, that restrictions on the total number of civilian Federal employees have frequently resulted in the use of combat-trained military and/or contractor personnel to perform work of the type that has been accomplished historically and successfully more economically by career civil service employees.

The Director of the Bureau of the Budget has clearly indicated that the use of contracts must not be used as a device to avoid compliance with civilian ceilings. I want to take this opportunity to concur in the Administration's action.

Red Cross Needs Funds

Several weeks ago, Dr. Hugh M. Powell, chairman of the Duplin County Chapter of the American National Red Cross, in cooperation with Mr. W. S. Wells, Jr. of Rose Hill, N. C., who is chairman of the Special Emergency Disaster Fund for this chapter made an appeal for funds to help the Duplin County Chapter reach its assigned goal of \$659. As of this date we have received donations amounting to \$162.50. We wish to thank the following for their contribution: Z. J. Carter & Sons \$25, Kramer's Dept. Store, \$25, Ralph Carlton Ins. Agency, \$10, Congressman David Henderson, \$10, Dr. Charles Dearing, \$10, The Cooperative Savings, \$10 and Johnson Cotton Co. \$10, all of Wallace; also, I. J. Sandlin Co. Beulaville, \$10 and Gardner Edwards of Beulaville, \$5. In addition to \$7.50 from Dr. H. E. Kornegay of Calypso, \$15 from R. Ichle Lanier, \$10 from Merritt Watson and \$10 from C. W. Surratt, Jr., the last three from Rose Hill.

The need is still very great. Any one wishing to add to this fund is urged to send their checks in to Mrs. N. B. Boney, Executive Secretary of the Duplin County Chapter, American Red Cross at Kenansville, N. C.

Yesterday's News Notes

1 Year Ago
Joe Morrison comes back to Duplin County.
Beulaville Host to Fourth

Duplin Agricultural Fair.
Three Duplin 4-H'ers, Anthony Westbrook, Anna Lee Haves and Stella Wells, win awards.

Flea Market in Warsaw October 14, 15 and 16.

5 Years Ago
E. A. Newton, rural mail carrier of Kenansville retires. Leslie J. Bell named dealer-agent for fertilizer Company succeeding the late J. O. Stokes. Mrs. John Goodson, RFD, Mount Olive, to head heart fund drive.

FHA announces new credit regulations.

10 Years Ago
Whiskey raid nets 38 half gallons, 104 pints illegal booze from Log Cabin area.

Kenansville Methodist Church Homecoming is held as renovation completed.

Deputy Murray Byrd hospitalized result of 2 in 1 wreck. Mrs. Mattie Bradshaw honored at a birthday dinner.

20 Years Ago
Captain Beecher W. Sitterson gets discharge from Army. Mrs. J. P. Harmon employed at County Truant officer. Miss Ruth Taylor of Faison and John Ben Parks of Faison are married.

SAY YOU SAW IT IN THE TIMES - SENTINEL.

Well! Well! Wells

By: Ruth Wells

Mrs. Geraldine Wray, manager of the new Dollar Store in Warsaw, says they were delighted with the reception the store had received in Warsaw. Sales must have been good as the clerks were busy replenishing empty shelves Monday morning.

and Agricultural Building? Quite an improvement! A little paving, where mud was previously ankle deep, surely is pleasing to the eye (as well as foot)

Antique lovers, sometime in the near future some of the furnishings from the Kenan Home in Kenansville will be sold at public auction. I snook in the other afternoon where some of the Committee were inventoring the items to be sold. Some perfectly beautiful things will go on the block. Watch our paper for the date. You just can't afford to miss this.

A friend of mine has just returned from a trip to the mountains. She, too loves fall of the year, and all the things that go with it. She found some of the most colorful Indian corn and ornamental gourds! I love the arrangements made with fall's materials.

Now they have gone and started having wrecks in outer space. News reporters tell us that two satellites bumped funders, or something of the kind, but no serious damage was done. Both continue in orbit.

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