IX. HISTORICAL RECORDS

E. DECEASED CLERGY AND DIACONAL MINISTERS AND DECEASED SPOUSES OF CLERGY AND DIACONAL MINISTERS RECOGNIZED AT THE 2023 SESSION

MAY 16, 2022 - MAY 15, 2023

Clergy and Diaconal Ministers

Dewey Addison Bailey	February 3, 2023
William Lee Barbee	June 1, 2022
Glenda June McShane Bramlet	April 6, 2023
John Moore Bullard	February 11, 2023
George Melvin Coates	July 28, 2022
Raymond Oliver Hall	November 2, 2022
Elliott Wannamaker Hardin Jr	June 15, 2022
William Thornton Hawkins	December 24, 2022
Kenneth Arthur Horn	February 23, 2023
Billy Van Hunter	March 14, 2023
George Depew King	November 6, 2022
Robert Ed Lair Jr	September 16, 2022
Paul Daniel Lowder	March 8, 2023
Vance Wright Lowe	April 18, 2023
Keith Lynn Marsden	June 6, 2022
Michael Douglas McClellan	May 23, 2022
Walter Henry McKelvey Sr	August 15, 2022
Russell Thompson Montfort	November 15, 2022
Robert Lee Moore	October 18, 2022
Edwin Garber Needham	June 29, 2022
Hubert Donald Noblitt	September 18, 2022
Carole Ann Milton O'Neil	February 27, 2023
Rachel Camilla Carpenter Orbison	June 7, 2022
Robert Claude Peurifoy	August 10, 2022
James Robert Reeves	February 13, 2023
Paul Barry Lloyd Revere	December 14, 2022
Ellis Leroy Rouse Jr	April 25, 2023
Charles Wesley Sisk	October 9, 2022
Glenn Dale Troutman	September 25, 2022
Charles McNeille Turner Jr	December 9, 2022
Richard Keith Tutterow	December 26, 2022
Randolph Phillip Waugh	March 16, 2023
George Clyde Weekley	April 17, 2023
Aubrey Lee Whitley	December 31, 2022
Edwin Winston Williams Jr	October 22, 2022
George Fryin Williams	October 1/1, 2022

Spouses of Clergy and Diaconal Ministers

Barbara Sue Burleson Bailey (Dewey A. Bailey)	July 6, 2022
Marjorie Ann Singleton Bass (Bill E. Bass Sr.)	November 11, 2022
Margaret Lucille Morrison Bellamy (James S. Bellamy)	October 31, 2022
Delores Virginia Miller Blanton (William N. Blanton Jr.)	July 14, 2022
Janet Claire McDonald Bradley (Erman F. Bradley)	September 5, 2022
Lauraetta Charles Burnett (Robert L. Burnett)	January 26, 2023
Jo Anne Ewing Carroll (Jackson W. Carroll)	December 9, 2022
Jo Anne Correll Coleman (Howard L. Coleman)	June 26, 2022
Francis Beckner Fry (Kaye H. Fry)	January 4, 2023
Joyce Hammer Harris (Robert M. Harris)	January 17, 2023
Carolyn Ann Doby Hartsell (Claude J. Hartsell)	January 24, 2023
Mary Frances Crawford Holland (Jimmie W. Holland)	October 4, 2022
Marguerite Edens Barrentine Horn (Kenneth A. Horn)	February 9, 2022
Betty Joan Ellington Jacobsen (Cletes A. Pope Jr.)	May 12, 2020
Ruth Moseley King (George D. King)	January 28, 2023
Richard Joseph Kingston Jr. (Robin R. Kingston)	November 1, 2022
Nancy Marie Galpin Kirk (Raymond H. Kirk Sr.)	August 5, 2022
Martha Ann Grant Likins (William H. Likins)	May 27, 2022
Levonia Vernise Burnett McCoy (Donald E. McCoy)	June 28, 2022
Marcell Huffman Crawley Mitchell (Robert P. Crawley)	September 25, 2022
Ruth Myers Nance Montfort (Russell T. Montfort)	May 31, 2022
Julian Oran Northcraft (Suzanne B. Northcraft)	August 15, 2022
Addie Sue Leonard Rollins (Donald E. Rollins)	May 21, 2022
Martha Ann McDowell Shives (Harold D. Shives)	June 29, 2022
Peggy Jeanette Perry Sisk (Charles W. Sisk)	August 11, 2022
Joretta Cathey Pearce Wallin (Arthur J. Pearce)	September 21, 2022
Helen Paige Williamson Wimmer (Mark F. Wimmer)	August 5, 2022
Mary Kathryn Bannister Young (Russell L. Young Jr.)	February 5, 2023



MEMOIRS OF DECEASED CLERGY AND DIACONAL MINISTERS RECOGNIZED AT THE 2023 SESSION



Dewey Addison Bailey

September 19, 1933 – February 3, 2023

Dewey Addison Bailey was born on September 19, 1933, in Mecklenburg County, N.C. He was the youngest of four children born to Doctor Addison Bailey and Lilly Hazel (Stanley) Bailey. He attended Pfeiffer College and UNC Charlotte and completed a course of study at Duke Divinity School.

Dewey met and married his first wife, Argene Martha Sides, in 1955, and they had two children: James S. Bailey, born on May 1, 1956; and Sherri Dawn Bailey, born on February 13, 1970. He married his second wife, Barbara Sue Burleson Russell, on December 19, 1987, and became stepfather to Lance, Sterling, and Brent Russell.

Licensed to preach in 1962, Dewey was ordained as a deacon and admitted on trial in 1969 and ordained as an elder in full connection in 1971. His appointments included: Gillespie (Charlotte), 1964-1967; Cedar Falls-Central Falls (High Point District), 1967-1970; Franklin Heights (Mount Airy), 1970-1972; Newland-Elk Park, 1972-1973; Grace Chapel-Ebenezer (Statesville District), 1973-1977; Oak View (High Point), 1977-1983; Race Street (Statesville), 1983-1985; Central (Denton), 1985-1987; Oak Hill (Morganton), 1987-1992; First (Valdese), 1992-1996; St. Matthews (Morganton), 1996-1998.

Dewey retired in 1998 and settled in Fuquay-Varina, N.C., where he and Barbara lived until Barbara went to be with the Lord on July 6, 2022. After that, Dewey lived with his son James and daughter-in-law Marcia Bailey in Charleston, S.C.

Dewey was a lighthearted person and a bit of a jokester; he loved the Lord and The United Methodist Church. He served as a fireman for 15 years, served on the board of several rural fire departments, and was the recipient of three God and Country Awards. As a man who was stable, conscientious, sincere, and reliable, Dewey had the bearing of a good minister. People responded to his leadership and had confidence in him. He was a good preacher who interpreted the Gospel in a manner in which the people who heard him could understand. Dewey peacefully went to be with the Lord with his son by his side in the comfort of their home on February 3, 2023.

Marcia and James Bailey



William Lee Barbee

April 24, 1931 - June 1, 2022

The Rev. William Lee "Bill" Barbee was born in Durham, N.C., and was adopted by his maternal uncle and his wife, William Millard Barbee and Nancy Parrish Barbee. He was their only child. His father was active in the labor movement and was the first president of the newly joined AFL-CIO.

Bill met Myrtie Wade Barbee at Carr United Methodist Church in Durham, N.C., and they were married there on December 10, 1949. They had a daughter, Nancy Barbee Wells, and a son, William Ray, in the early 1950s. They both worked in the tobacco factories, raising their young family. It was during this time, while under the tutelage of the Rev. William Sewell at Carr UMC, that Bill was called to the ministry. At that point, he returned to school to obtain his GED and continued his studies at Louisburg College and the

University of North Carolina. In 1960, he was licensed to preach in the North Carolina Conference of The Methodist Church. He pastored at Spring Valley UMC and Flat Rock UMC. During that time, while Barbee was attending Duke Divinity School in 1963, they had their third child, Timothy Lee. He was born with a cleft palate and required multiple surgeries. In 1967, Bill relocated to Durham to minister at Bethesda Methodist Church, was ordained as a deacon, and he and Myrtie adopted a son, James Millard. Bill completed a course of study at Duke University in 1969 and was admitted on trial to the North Carolina Conference as an associate member that same year. His wife, Myrtie, fell ill in 1970, so he took a sabbatical to work as a parole board officer to support her and their family. He worked for the parole board in Greensboro for a few years and then was led to return to the ministry full time. His service in the North Carolina Conference included: Vance Charge (Raleigh District), 1962-1963; Franklin Charge (Raleigh District), 1963-1964; Sandy Cross (Rocky Mount District), 1964-1965; Stumpy Point (Elizabeth City District), 1965-1967; Bethesda (Durham District), 1967-1970; Browning-Smith (Goldsboro District), 1970-1971. From 1971-1974, Bill served part time as an associate pastor at Proximity UMC in Greensboro while he worked at the N.C. Board of Paroles.

In 1974, he transferred to the Western North Carolina Conference. His service included: Salem-Imogene (Winston-Salem District), 1974-1976; Salem-Epworth (Winston-Salem District), 1976-1978; Mayodan (Northeast District), 1978-1979; Trinity-Mt. Olivet (Statesville District), 1979-1982; Unionville Charge, renamed Mill Grove-Zion in 1983 (Albemarle District), 1982-1985; Rockwell (Salisbury), 1985-1989; Francis Asbury (Asheville), 1989-1993. After retiring in 1993, he continued to serve as a visiting pastor for the sick at Macclesfield in the late 1990s. They eventually settled in Graham, N.C. In 2018, due to failing health, they moved to Treeo Senior Living in Raleigh, N.C.

The Rev. William Lee "Bill" Barbee passed away at Wake Medical on June 1, 2022, after complications of COVID pneumonia. He was 91 years old. He is survived by his wife Myrtie of 72 years, his daughter, three sons, eight grandchildren, eight greatgrandchildren, and two great-great grandchildren. Bill lived a full life and was loved by many.

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Glenda June Bramlet

January 25, 1954 – April 6, 2023

Glenda June McShane Bramlet, daughter of Glen McShane and June Dennison McShane, was born on January 25, 1954, in San Fernando, Calif. Glenda was raised in the Congregational Church. She excelled in academics, skipping the first grade entirely.

Glenda graduated from Reseda High School in 1972. That fall, she entered Los Angeles Valley College, where she met Michael Bramlet on a retreat at Lake Hume Christian Camp. They were married on August 24, 1974. Glenda and Michael were blessed with two children: Jeffrey Michael Bramlet, born November 15, 1976; and Joseph Michael Bramlet, born March 27, 1980.

After Michael's job transfer brought the family to North Carolina in 1991, they joined Pineville United Methodist Church. While a member there, Glenda participated in a variety of activities. She was a member of the Visitation Committee and the Evangelism and Outreach Committee. She served as chairperson of the Outreach and Advocacy Committee and president and secretary of the United Methodist Women. After training as a Stephen Minister, Glenda served as a caregiver for two years. She attended the Basic Course of Lay Speaking and found great joy in serving and participating in worship. Glenda also served as a Vacation Bible School teacher, led small group Bible studies, and organized and led weekend retreats.

Outside of the local church, Glenda participated in prison ministry, serving on Kairos ministry teams and the Epiphany Prison Ministry board. These ministries served both adult and juvenile offenders and shared God's grace and forgiveness through the act of sharing God's unconditional love. Glenda was also active in the Emmaus community, where she participated as a table leader and speaker. Glenda served as a board member and group leader for Discover God's Call weekend retreats, retreats designed to help people discover their spiritual gifts. She was the administrative assistant to the pastor at Central Steele Creek Presbyterian Church. In 1998, Glenda was the campaign office manager for the Window of Opportunity Campaign in the Charlotte United Methodist District.

Glenda completed licensing school and became a Licensed Local Pastor in 1999. She furthered her education at the University of North Carolina at Asheville and at Duke Divinity School, where she completed a course of study. Her appointments included: Fairview/Sharon-Sardis (Asheville District), 1999-2001; Fairview/Sharon-Laurel Hill (Asheville District), 2001-2003; Bethany-Fairview/Sharon (Asheville District), 2003-2009; Rockford Street-Oak Grove (Mount Airy), 2009-2012; Mathews Chapel-Price (Northern Piedmont District), 2012-2013; and Westview (Hickory), 2013-2019. During her appointment at Westview, Glenda served on the Board of Ordained Ministry. She retired in June of 2019 after 20 years of service.

Glenda died peacefully at home during her sleep on Thursday, April 6, 2023, after a long battle with diabetes. A service and celebration of her life was held on April 12, 2023, at the Stamey-Tysinger Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Karen Doucette officiating. A burial service followed at Rose Hill Memorial Park in Lawndale, N.C.

Glenda is survived by her husband of 48 years, Michael Edward Bramlet; two sons: Jeffrey Michael Bramlet and wife Melody, and Joseph Michael Bramlet and wife Silvia; a brother, Rick Smith; two sisters: Jane Matkins and Julie Sholtz; and six grandchildren: William Bramlet, Elizabeth Bramlet, Ethan Bramlet, Steven Menjivar, Katie Bramlet, and Ellie Bramlet.

Michael Edward Bramlet



John Moore Bullard

May 6, 1932 - February 11, 2023

John Moore Bullard was born on May 6, 1932, in Winston-Salem, N.C., to the late Hoke Vogler Bullard and May Evangeline Moore Bullard; he lived for eight years in High Point, N.C., moving with the family to Charlotte, N.C., in 1940.

A Myers Park Methodist Church member, he attended Charlotte Public Schools (Central High Class of 1950); he entered the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, earning Artium Baccalaureus and Master of Arts degrees (1953 and 1955, respectively) before attending Yale University on scholarship, where he received Master of Divinity and Doctor of Philosophy degrees (1957 and 1962, respectively). His Yale dissertation addressed humor in the Old Testament. Dr. Bullard held student appointments from 1955-

1961; in 1961, he joined the faculty of Wofford College to teach Religion and Humanities for 40 years as Albert C. Outler Professor and Department Chair. He retired in 2001.

Licensed to preach in 1951, Dr. Bullard was admitted into the Western North Carolina Conference on trial and ordained as a deacon in 1955 and ordained as an elder in full connection in 1963. He belonged to the Western North Carolina Conference for more than 50 years. He cherished his relationship with the Conference, where his maternal grandfather, the Rev. John W. Moore, had pastored churches. He died on February 11, 2023, at age 90.

On the first day of the semester, students in one of Dr. Bullard's Wofford College religion classes walked in to find Dr. Bullard had written on the blackboard, "Piety is no substitute for scholarship." On the second day of class, Bullard found that a student had replaced those words with, "All ye who enter here, abandon hope." Both statements have been verified as authentic.

Dr. Bullard was an imposing scholar and teacher, but he also had a dry wit and a sense of humor. Wofford's Perkins-Prothro Chaplain & Professor of Religion Ron Robinson remembers Bullard once posing, "If God calls people, do you ever wonder why

God doesn't call smarter people?" Dr. Bullard equipped his students to be more intelligent regarding matters of faith through his teaching, research, and writing. He regularly published book reviews and contributed 18 signed articles to "The Interpreter's Dictionary of The Bible," including a book-length essay on the role of music in biblical interpretation. His students recall that the combination of humor and scholarship meant that his classes were always stimulating, engaging, and challenging.

Among his many students was retired United Methodist Bishop Will Willimon. "John Bullard transformed the teaching of religion at Wofford, making Wofford's teaching of biblical studies a model in American higher education, training generations of church leaders who came through his classes," says Willimon. They continue to perpetuate his legacy through their own faithful service.

Dr. Bullard's gifts were not limited to the classroom. He was an accomplished musician and a leader in The American Guild of Organists (Chapter Dean 1965-1967), whose 50-year history he published in 2004. He served Central United Methodist Church, Spartanburg, as organist/choir director for 10 years (1962-1972) and Bethel United Methodist Church, Spartanburg, for 16 years beginning in 1972, overseeing the design and installation of a large pipe organ. He served on the Board of Directors of the Moravian Music Foundation.

In 1997, Bullard oversaw the installation of a Holtkamp organ in Wofford's Leonard Auditorium. The organ was a gift from the Duke University Chapel and named for William Preston Few, the first president of Duke University and a Wofford graduate. Bullard played for weekly worship services during the academic year and at convocations and other special Wofford events, even in retirement.

His numerous accomplishments include winning a fellowship in 1970 for a 12-month sabbatical to observe the practice of non-Western religions in their homelands. In 1977, Kentucky Gov. Julian Carroll and the state legislature commissioned him a Kentucky Colonel in recognition of favors to Kentucky singers. He enjoyed traveling the world, particularly England, and visited London annually.

The Rev. Dr. John Bullard was a scholar, musician, and friend who inspired scores of students and parishioners to lift their voices in song and engage their minds in scholarship. His faithful work served The United Methodist Church and other denominations through the scores of clergy and laity he equipped to be disciples.

Dr. Bullard's funeral service, held Saturday, February 25, 2023, at Central United Methodist Church in Spartanburg, was conducted by former students Bishop William H. Willimon and Dr. Ronald R. Robinson. Burial was in the family plot in Evergreen Cemetery in Charlotte.

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George Melvin Coates

November 4, 1953 – July 28, 2022

George Melvin Coates was born on November 4, 1953, in Lawndale N.C., the youngest son born to George Washington and Bertha Mae Briscoe Coates. He was brought up in a hardworking family who believed firmly in the Christian faith. This upbringing had a profound effect on the trajectory of his life.

George received his primary education in Cleveland County, N.C., graduating from Burns High School in 1971. While at Burns, he was academically gifted and received several awards. He went on to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, where he majored in biology and was fortunate to become a part of the charter line of the Psi Delta Chapter of the Omega Psi Phi fraternity in February of 1973. He completed his undergraduate education at Chapel Hill, graduating in 1975 with a Bachelor of Science

degree.

While located in Chapel Hill, George met Phyllis Knight Coates. They were married in November of 1977 and began a family. George worked at the local bank and Phyllis was a law enforcement officer. During this time, George returned to Chapel Hill to obtain a Master of Business Administration degree, graduating in 1981. He then relocated to Charlotte, and later Greensboro, to set his familial roots. Not long after moving to Greensboro, George and Phyllis joined Celia Phelps UMC and began serving as lay persons together. They were blessed with a son, George Marcell, in January of 1983. George worked in the banking industry and non-profit sector for many years until he felt the call to ministry upon his life. In 2005, he acknowledged his call to ministry and was licensed to preach in 2006. He began his journey in theological education at Hood Theological Seminary in 2008 and earned a Master of Divinity degree in 2011.

George was commissioned in 2012 as a provisional elder and ordained as an elder in full connection in 2016. His appointments included: Assistant Pastor, Raleigh's Crossroads-Peace (Greensboro), 2006-2009; Triad Native American (Greensboro), January-June 2009; Laughlin Memorial (Greensboro), 2009-2012; Laughlin Memorial-Newlyn Street (Greensboro), 2012-2019. In 2019, George began his battle with cancer and took medical leave. In 2020, he was blessed to join his wife in service at Hickory Grove UMC in Charlotte until his health declined and he completed his earthly assignment on July 28, 2022. His services were held at Centenary UMC on August 4, 2022, and he was interred at Lakeview Memorial Gardens in Greensboro, N.C. The Rev. George Melvin Coates will be remembered for his wit, charm, and "one-liners," and for his love of God, the Tarheels, and Phyllis Knight Coates. NO QUESTIONS, NO FEAR, JUST FAITH!



Raymond Oliver Hall

August 10, 1940 — November 2, 2022

Raymond Oliver "Ray" Hall was born on August 10, 1940, in Athens, Tenn., to John Luther and Marvine Roberts Hall. His mother passed away shortly after his birth, and Ray attributed much of who he was as a person and a Christian to the early years he spent with his maternal grandmother, Carrie Roberts.

After attending primary and secondary schools in Athens, Ray started his professional life working in a paper mill. Early in adulthood, Ray welcomed God's calling to become a preacher. He was licensed to preach in 1966 as a student local pastor by the Holston Conference and he faithfully served the Sweetwater Circuit (1966-1968) and the Vonore Circuit (1968-1973) in rural Tennessee. Ray earned an Associate of Arts degree from Hiwassee College in 1968, a Bachelor of Arts degree from Tennessee Wesleyan College

in 1970, and a Master of Divinity degree from Candler School of Theology in 1973.

Ray married the love of his life, Charlene Knox Hall, in July of 1959, and they enjoyed 62 wonderful years together before her passing in 2021. Ray and "Charlie" had three amazing daughters: Theresa, born in 1961; Ramona, born in 1962; and Rhonda, born in 1968. Sadly, Ramona passed away in June of 1968 with leukemia, a deep loss Ray always carried in his heart. After his service to his Lord, Ray's family was the center of his life. While attending Candler School of Theology, Ray commuted between Atlanta and their home in Tennessee to give his family stability and to support his parishioners in the Sweetwater and Vonore circuits he served.

Ray was admitted on trial and ordained as a deacon in the Holston Conference in 1972; he was ordained as an elder and received into full connection in 1974. In 1973, Ray began what became a long and loved ministry to older adults in United Methodist retirement communities. Throughout his career, Ray served in various roles including chaplain, licensed administrator, and executive director. Residents and staff at Asbury Acres (1973-1978) in Maryville, Tenn.; McKendree Manor (1978-1981) in Hermitage, Tenn.; and Rocky Mountain Methodist Homes (1981-1984) in Colorado were all blessed with Ray's leadership and ministry. Ray transferred from the Rocky Mountain Conference to the Western North Carolina Conference on December 31, 1984. In 1985, Ray and his family found their "home away from home" at The Methodist Home (now Aldersgate Retirement Community) in Charlotte, N.C., where he served as Executive Director and President for over 23 years until he retired in 2007. Under his leadership, Aldersgate became a progressive and award-winning provider of innovative care models and environments for elders, especially those experiencing Alzheimer's and other dementia-related illnesses. While transforming Aldersgate into a more strategic organization, Ray made certain that every elder under their care received "the human touch." He modeled such care to all of the team members under his leadership, many of whom considered him a mentor, friend, pastor, counselor, and much-loved father figure. Beyond Aldersgate, Ray was considered a leader in the aging services field at the state and national levels. Never taking credit, though much deserved, Ray always lifted up his team members for their accomplishments while he walked the path of humility.

The consummate teller of stories, many folks enjoyed listening to his experiences, his giant laugh, his lessons, and his learnings. The subject matter of his stories toured through his years in education, ministry, and life. However, by far, the center of his stories involved his beloved family, including his love, Charlie, as well as his daughters, all of whom held his heart in their hands, just the way he liked it to be. Ray loved and appreciated his sons-in-law and how they cared for his daughters. Likewise, he adored his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, all of whom readily climbed up on "Granddaddy's" lap, ready to be wrapped up in a big bear hug. Ray and Charlene, by their ministry and example, wove Christ through the tapestry of their family.

Ray spent his final weeks at Aldersgate in the caring hands of those who were privileged to have been recipients of his loving leadership. He was surrounded by family and friends when he passed away and was gathered to his people. A celebration of life service was held on November 12, 2022, at Mill Grove UMC in Indian Trail, N.C. As the plaque under his portrait in the Ray Hall Community Center at Aldersgate reads: "Well done, good and faithful servant."

Suzanne Pugh



Elliott Wannamaker Hardin Jr.

August 27, 1940 – June 15, 2022

Elliott Wannamaker "Wannie" Hardin Jr. was born August 27, 1940, in Winston-Salem, N.C. He died June 15, 2022, in the Health Care Center of Givens Estates in Asheville, N.C. Wannie was the eldest of four children, and grew up in parsonages of the South Carolina Conference of The Methodist Church, where his father was a respected clergyman. His parents were Elliott Wannamaker Hardin Sr. and Margaret Ormond Hardin. Wannie's father was the brother of Bishop Paul Hardin, and his mother was the daughter of Dr. Marvin Ormond, for whom the Ormond Center at Duke Divinity School is named.

From the time he was 10 years old, Wannie and his family spent the summers at their cottage at Lake Junaluska. Wannie began working for the Assembly when he was 12, delivering telegrams and phone

messages on his bicycle, and continued working there as a summer staff member for the next 12 years! In the summer of 1964, he met Betsy McLean, who was working at the Terrace Hotel, and they were married in the Junaluska Chapel on August 28, 1965. They gave birth to two sons, Eric Wannamaker in 1969 and Edward Miles in 1970.

In 1962, Wannie graduated from Duke University with an Artium Baccalaureus degree. After graduation, he pursued his long-

time interest in accounting by enrolling in the University of Texas, where he earned a Master of Business Administration degree in 1964. His call to the ministry continued beckoning Wannie, and he answered that call by returning to Duke and enrolling in the Divinity School. He graduated in 1967 with a Master of Divinity degree.

In 1965, the South Carolina Conference of The Methodist Church ordained Wannie as a deacon and licensed him to preach. He transferred his conference membership to the WNCC in 1967. In 1969, he was received into full connection in the WNCC and ordained as an elder. His career of service began when he was appointed to the Deerfield-Banner Elk Charge in 1967, where he served briefly before being appointed as the Brevard College Business Manager. In addition to being Business Manager, his six years of ministry there included teaching Christian Ethics, serving as Chairman of the Social Studies Department, and serving one year as Interim President of the College.

After leaving Brevard College, Wannie's appointments included: Oakley (Asheville), 1973-1979; Blair Road (Charlotte District), 1979-1985; Mount Tabor (Winston-Salem), 1985-1989; First (Charlotte), 1989-1995; District Superintendent (Winston-Salem District), 1995-2000; First (Hendersonville), 2000-2003. After Wannie retired in 2003, he and Betsy moved to their home at Lake Junaluska and became active members of First United Methodist Church, Waynesville. Wannie's service to the WNCC included three terms on the Board of Ordained Ministry, one of which he served as registrar and one of which he served in retirement.

In 1992, Pfeiffer University awarded Wannie an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree. This degree, in part, was a recognition of Wannie's commitment to higher education, his emphasis on fairness and equality for all, his openness to others, his advocacy for peace, and his work for inclusivity in The United Methodist Church.

In retirement, Wannie continued his love of teaching. He taught Sunday School classes, adult education classes, and, in later years, the writings and teachings of Richard Rohr. Rohr became a spiritual mentor for Wannie. In the summer of 2019, he and Betsy spent a week at the Chautauqua Assembly in New York, where Rohr was the keynote speaker and teacher. Wannie continued his commitment to reconciliation ministries through involvement at First Church, Waynesville, and his commitment to peace issues at Lake Junaluska. He was a member of the organizing committee for the Lake Junaluska Interfaith Peace Conference and served as vice chair and later as treasurer. He also continued to be an enthusiastic traveler to places in this country and abroad. In addition, Wannie found great joy in playing golf, hiking, and spending time with his four grandchildren.

His celebration of life service was held on August 27, 2022, at the Lake Junaluska Memorial Chapel. Delivering eulogies were the Rev. Sandy Giles and the Rev. Dr. Donna Claycomb Sokol. His cremains were interred in the Lake Junaluska Columbarium.

C. Garland Young



William Thornton Hawkins

December 6, 1929 — December 24, 2022

William Thornton Hawkins was born in Canton, N.C., on December 6, 1929. He was the third child and second son of William Taylor and Bessie Lee (Silver) Hawkins. His middle name (by which he was called) was derived from his third great-grandmother, Nancy Thornton, who was said to have served water to local patriot militia troops at the Battle of Kings Mountain during the Revolutionary War.

Thornton was grateful for his upbringing in a self-reliant family that valued faith, hard work, and education. As a boy, he attended First Methodist Church in Canton, where his parents were active in the life of the church. Thornton was student body president and elected "Most Likely to Succeed" during his senior year at Canton High School; his graduating class was the first to attend 12 (rather than 11) years in the Canton

Public Schools. He left home at age 17 to attend Pfeiffer Junior College, where he earned an Associate of Arts degree in English in 1949 and was inducted into Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society. He continued his undergraduate education at Guilford College, completing an Artium Baccalaureus degree in English and history in 1951, and becoming a member of Guilford's Scholarship Honor Society. Thornton felt called to the ministry and earned a Bachelor of Divinity degree at Duke Divinity School in 1954. Later in his career, he received N.C. certification as a hospital chaplain in 1988.

While a student at Pfeiffer Junior College, Thornton met Evelyn Grace Diggs, who became his beloved wife on September 2, 1951. Evelyn was the behind-the-scenes pillar for Thornton's ministry, first as primary breadwinner while Thornton completed his Bachelor of Divinity degree at Duke, and continuing throughout his ministry with insights from her degree in Christian Education. They welcomed two daughters: Martha Patrice in 1954 and Catherine Lee in 1956.

As a Duke Divinity student, Thornton was admitted to the Western North Carolina Conference on trial in September 1952 and was appointed as a student from 1952-1954. He was ordained as a deacon in 1953 and as an elder in full connection in the WNCC in 1954. Following his graduation from Duke, Thornton and Evelyn served churches throughout the WNCC: Polkville-Rehobeth (Gastonia District), 1954-1956; Francis Asbury (Candler), 1956-1960; Guilford College, 1960-1964; First (Reidsville), 1964-1966; First (Murphy), 1966-1971; Central (Canton), 1971-1975; Pleasant Grove (Charlotte District), 1975-1977; Midway (Thomasville District), 1977-1980; Main Street-Long Street (Salisbury District), 1980-1985; First (Hayesville) and Parish Director, 1985-1992. After retiring in 1992, Thornton and Evelyn briefly returned to Francis Asbury in 1995 to fill a temporary vacancy in the pulpit.

Throughout his ministry, Thornton worked diligently for the welfare of people in the communities he served. While at the Guilford College church, he was named North Carolina's Rural Pastor of the Year (1963). He served as chaplain to United Methodist students at Guilford College, and coordinated with chaplains at the Agricultural and Technical College of North Carolina (now N.C. A&T State University) and Bennett College to promote the peaceful integration of public facilities. That ministry continued

when the family moved to Reidsville, where Thornton's work to register Black voters resulted in a confrontation with the Ku Klux Klan and the White Citizens' Council. During his years at Murphy First, he was instrumental in organizing the "We Care" ecumenical ministry group. The group's work resulted in a sheltered workshop to employ people with disabilities and prepare them for independent living, the first class for intellectually disabled students west of Asheville, the first child development center in Cherokee County, and the first local mental health center west of Waynesville financed without federal or state funds. During his ministry in Salisbury, he served for four years as vice chairman of Common Cause North Carolina. In his final appointment at Hayesville First, Thornton helped organize and served on the Clay County/Cherokee County N.C. Christian Rural Oversees Program (CROP) Committee, served on the Clay County Planning Commission, and participated on the Southwestern N.C. Planning and Economic Development Commission with specific responsibilities in the Area Agency on Aging.

After retiring to Haywood County, N.C., Thornton continued to serve others, joining building team missions to Bosnia, Mexico, Costa Rica, and Unalaska, Alaska. He also volunteered with Haywood Habitat for Humanity, serving on its board of directors from 1995-2000 and serving one term as its president from 1998-2000. During his retirement, Thornton became a hospital chaplain, first at Haywood Regional Medical Center in Clyde, and then volunteering at Mission Hospital after moving to Givens Estates in Asheville in 2007.

Thornton was a wonderful storyteller, an avid Duke sports fan, and had an unfailing memory for family history, people, and places. Humor was second nature to him—a way to brighten moments and lives; he had an unending reservoir of jokes unlocked by cues from events or conversations. He added his beautiful tenor voice to choirs of the churches he served and those he attended after retirement. Drawing on his experience in high school and college drama, one of Thornton's proudest achievements in later life was performing the challenging role of Tevye in the musical *Fiddler on the Roof*, produced by the Licklog Players Community Theatre in Hayesville in 1990. The play and his performance received rave reviews in local papers. When asked if it was difficult for him to take direction from the much younger stage director, Thornton quipped, "I have no problem with it at all. He's the guy in charge. Now I might feel a little different if he were telling me how to write a sermon."

Soon after he and Evelyn moved to Asheville, Thornton was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. Even as the disease stripped his physical abilities, he continued to live with good humor and grace and exuded unconditional kindness and compassion. On Christmas Eve 2022, Thornton joined his sweetheart Evelyn (who died January 4, 2019) in the everlasting presence of God. In addition to Evelyn, he was predeceased by his only grandchild, Lauren Patrice Sigmon. Thornton is survived by his two daughters and sons-in-law: Patrice Hawkins Sigmon and Allen Sigmon; and Catherine Hawkins Hoffman and Roger Hoffman. His memorial service was held in the Norma F. Pulliam Chapel at Givens Estates on January 3, 2023, and his ashes are interred alongside Evelyn's at the Givens Estates Columbarium. Above all... he was a wonderful father.

Patrice Hawkins Sigmon and Catherine Hawkins Hoffman



Kenneth Arthur Horn

June 17, 1928 – February 23, 2023

The Rev. Kenneth A. "Ken" Horn was born on June 17, 1928, in Philadelphia, Pa., to the late Gerald Arthur and Anna Ewing Horn. He was a proud alumnus of Wofford College in Spartanburg, S.C., where he earned an Artium Baccalaureus degree in psychology and education (1950); and Duke Divinity School in Durham, N.C, where he earned a Master of Divinity degree (1953).

Horn met his beloved Marguerite "Peggy" Barrentine in 1949 in the lobby of her mother's small hotel in Myrtle Beach, S.C. They were married a little more than a year later in 1950. Horn was licensed to preach in 1946, admitted to the Western North Carolina Conference on trial and ordained as a deacon in 1952, and ordained as an elder in full connection in 1954.

Horn began his nearly 50 years of faithful service in parish ministry. He pastored churches for 22 years throughout the Western North Carolina Conference. His appointments included: Student, Ansonville (Charlotte District), 1951-1953; Wingate (Charlotte District), 1953-1955; Lilesville (Charlotte District), 1955-1957; Associate, Hawthorne Lane (Charlotte), 1957-1959; Associate, First (Charlotte), 1959-1961; Stony Point (North Wilkesboro District), 1961-1966; First (Granite Falls), 1966-1970; St. John's, renamed Myers Memorial in 1971 (Gastonia), 1970-1973. In 1973, he joined the Conference staff and was appointed to the Conference Council on Ministries as Coordinator of Interpretation from 1973-1988. He was Conference Director of Discipleship/Communication from 1988-1989 and Conference Director of Communication from 1989-1997. He retired in 1997.

Throughout Horn's ministry, he served as assistant registrar of the Board of Ordained Ministry, chair of the Conference Camp Committee, and chair of the Statesville District Camp Committee. He also helped to develop the master plan for Elk Shoals Camp.

Perhaps Horn is most known throughout the denomination for his work and witness in communication. While on the Conference staff, he launched the Conference's communication ministry. Through his faithful work, Horn led the communication ministry to become one of the preeminent ministries across United Methodism. As Director of Communication, he was regarded as an expert communicator. He served in every level in the denomination. On the general level, he served as a board member with the United Methodist Commission on Communications. On the jurisdictional level, he served as chairperson of the Southeastern Jurisdiction Association of Communicators and co-editor of the SEJ Conference Daily Christian Advocate for many years. In 1996, he was awarded the Bishop's Medal of Achievement in Christian Communication. The following year, the Conference Communication organization, United Methodist Association of Communicators (UMAC), awarded Horn by inducting him into the UMAC Hall of Fame

in 1998 during their annual meeting. In 2001, the Conference's communications committee honored him with the initiation of the "Kenneth A. Horn Director's Certificate of Merit," given annually in recognition of outstanding local church websites.

Horn retired in 1997, yet he served part time another three years with the newly hired Director of Communication, whom he "handpicked" to succeed him. The Western North Carolina Conference communication ministry would not be the excellent ministry it is without the faithful work of Ken Horn.

Horn's humor, gentle spirit, and laid-back personality will forever be cherished among his family, friends, and co-laborers who had the privilege to love him. One of his most "famous" responses when asked how he was feeling was. "I'm still ticking."

Highly regarded as a man who advocated for and championed women in ministry, Horn actively supported women in leadership roles throughout the Conference. His successor was the first Black person and first woman to serve as the Director of Communication for the Western North Carolina Conference. Horn later shared that that was among his greatest achievements in ministry.

Horn died on February 23, 2023, in Charlotte, N.C. It was most fitting that in March, noted as Women's History Month, three clergy women led his celebration of life service on March 18, 2023, at Heritage Funeral Home in Indian Trail, N.C., and his burial service at Sharon Memorial Park in Charlotte, N.C.

Ken was a devoted family man. He was married to his beloved wife Peggy for 71 years. He always remarked he married an older woman. His loving wife was four weeks older. She preceded him in death in 2022. Ken loved and nurtured his three children: Jerry (Janet Sowers) Horn, Jim (Amy) Horn, and daughter Sheryl (Richard) Culp. He adored his five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Ken loved The United Methodist Church. His light and love will have lasting impact on the lives he touched throughout the denomination and beyond. Shine on in glory, Ken.

Dawn M. Hand



Billy Van Hunter

May 24, 1929 - March 14, 2023

On March 14, 2023, the Rev. Billy Van Hunter, son of the late Mary Susan Tesh and Cad E. Hunter, was received into membership of the Church Triumphant. Billy was predeceased by 10 siblings and his wife, June W. Hunter. Surviving are his son the Rev. Jon Hunter of Salisbury and numerous nieces and nephews. Billy resided for several months at Brookridge Retirement Community, where he enjoyed being cared for just as he cared for congregations for many decades. He enjoyed making new friends and being visited by close friends and former church members.

Billy was born on May 24, 1929, in Forsyth County. He graduated from Mineral Springs High School, earned an Artium Baccalaureus degree from High Point College in 1955, and completed a course of study

at Duke Divinity School in 1959. He was licensed to preach in 1949, admitted on trial in 1956, ordained as a deacon in 1958, received into full connection in 1959, and ordained as an elder in 1960. Billy married June Watson on August 11, 1956.

Billy was a humble, caring pastor to his church members and their families and friends, often sitting with them during happy and sad times. Billy faithfully served the following appointments: Danbury Circuit (Winston-Salem District), 1956-1961; Bunker Hill-Sandy Ridge (High Point District), 1961-1965; Spring Hill (High Point District), 1965-1969; West Bend (High Point District), 1969-1981; Rankin Memorial (High Point District), 1981-1987; Higgins Memorial (Burnsville), 1987-1989; and Konnoak Hills (Winston-Salem), 1989-1993. Billy retired in 1993.

In retirement, Billy worshipped at Maple Springs United Methodist, where he shared his art and music. Billy was the primary caregiver for his wife, June, and enjoyed painting, gardening, cooking, and reading.

Billy served his God and his churches in such a way that he was well remembered for his dedication and leadership. A service of death and resurrection was held at Maple Springs United Methodist Church on March 24, 2023, with the Rev. Sylvia Wilhelm and the Rev. Dr. Dan Lyons officiating.

J. Dwight Cartner



George Depew King

November 9, 1928 – November 6, 2022

George Depew King was born in Yonkers, N.Y., on November 9, 1928, to Semon King and Mabelle Hubbard King. He and his brother, the late Weston Solon King, were orphaned at a young age and reared by their maternal aunt, Mildred Hubbard Taylor Tynan.

George was raised in a Christian home, where he learned about the love of Jesus and the importance of Christian service, commitment, social justice, and philanthropy towards humanity. At a young age he entered Bob Jones University and graduated at the age of 19 with an Artium Baccalaureus degree in Biblical Studies in 1949. He received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Alabama in 1954 and received a Master of Arts degree there in 1956. He completed doctoral courses at Duke University.

While at Bob Jones University, George met the love of his life, Leona Ruth Moseley. They married on December 19, 1948, and were married for 74 years. Together they had three daughters: Caro Lee King Shanahan (born February 3, 1950), Donna Louise King Milling (born September 15, 1954), and Catherine Estelle King (born April 15, 1958).

George was licensed to preach in 1948 and was admitted on trial in 1952 in the North Alabama Conference. He was received into full connection and ordained as a deacon in 1954 and ordained as an elder in 1956. George's inaugural church was at the age of 20 in Union Grove, Ala., in October 1948. His service in the North Alabama Conference included: Union Grove, 1948-1949; Graysville, 1949-1950; Berry Circuit, 1950-1952; Courtland, 1952-1953; Jennings, 1953-1954. In 1954, George became a professor at Brevard College. While at Brevard in 1956, he transferred his membership to the Western North Carolina Conference and continued at Brevard until 1958. He also served as associate pastor on the Brevard Circuit from 1955-1957. After leaving Brevard in 1958, George was a professor at Clemson College from 1958-1959 and then worked for 12 years at IBM, where he was on the team of computer scientists that developed Fortran, the first computer programming language. After that, George worked for the U.S. Department of Defense for 21 years. He also served Alexander Chapel-Pleasant Grove (Asheville District) from 1998-1999.

Most of George's ministerial career was as a circuit preacher, serving in the North Alabama, Western North Carolina, and Virginia Conferences. George loved his small rural churches and had many tales of the personalities and unique qualities of each congregation and church. After retiring, he served as an interim and guest preacher in Georgia. He was known to say that preachers "don't retire but go out to pastor."

George was known for his intelligence, determination, and logic. There was nothing that he would not try to build, make, or repair. One of his special interests and loves was working with Wesley Glen Ministries, a home for disabled adults in Macon, Ga., where he served in many capacities with a special devotion to the residents.

George died after a brief illness on November 6, 2022. A memorial service was held on Saturday, November 12, 2022, at Wesley Glen Ministries Chapel with the Rev. John Irwin officiating; the service was followed by a reception. A private inurnment service was held at Bethel Methodist Church Cemetery in Knoxville, Ga. Shortly after his death, his wife, Ruth, passed away.

Caro King Shanahan



Robert Ed Lair Jr. May 2, 1939 — September 16, 2022

Robert Ed "Bob" Lair Jr. was born on May 2, 1939, to Ed and Annie Louise Lair in Anna, Texas. Surviving are his wife Judy and daughters Marlene (Tom) Strutz and Karen Lair and son Greg (Michelle) Lair. Their six grandchildren are Anastasia and Alexis Bowden, Katy and Marcus Strutz, and Andrew and Luke Lair. Bob was preceded in death by his son, Brian Christopher.

Bob graduated from Anna High School in Texas in 1957 and entered North Texas State College in Denton, Texas, that summer. After working full time and taking courses year-round, he graduated in three years with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1960. Also in 1960, he entered Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth and continued to work full time.

In 1961, he entered the Marine Corps and began his OCS (Officer Candidate School) at Quantico, Va. In 1962, he also served Ferry Farm Baptist Church near Fredericksburg, Va., as interim pastor and met Judith "Judy" Anne Trevvett. They were engaged in six weeks and married six months later on September 15, 1962, at Camp Lejeune in North Carolina, where Bob was serving as a Marine infantry officer. Six weeks later Bob was deployed with his fellow Marines during the Cuban Missile Crisis. After serving three years on active duty, Bob returned to Fort Worth, Texas, in 1964, and completed a Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1966 at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He and Judy and children Brian and Marlene then moved to Charlotte, N.C., where Bob was a teacher and coach at Christian High School for one year. After that year, in June of 1967, he was admitted into the Western North Carolina Conference as a deacon and began serving Methodist churches. While they lived in Charlotte, daughter Karen was born. Four years later, son Greg was born in Waynesville, N.C. In 1973, Bob earned a Master of Divinity degree from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary and a Bachelor of Arts degree from The State University of New York (SUNY). He was a Harvard Divinity School Merrill Fellow in 1974 and earned a Doctor of Ministry degree from Emory University in 1977.

Bob was ordained as an elder and received into full connection in 1969. His appointments included: St. Mark's (Charlotte), 1967-1969; Gay's Chapel (Salisbury), 1969-1970; Smithtown (Winston-Salem/Northeast District), 1970-1974; Grace (Kings Mountain), 1974-1976; Asbury Memorial (Asheville), 1976-1981; Tryon (Ashville District), 1981-1985; Marshville (Albemarle District), 1985-1988. In January of 1988, Bob went on active duty at the Pentagon as Reserve Advisor to the Army Chief of Chaplains, General Norris Einertson, where he served until 1992. In 1992, Bob left active duty and began serving in Charlotte at St. John's. After nine years of service at St. John's, Bob retired in 2001.

Retiring with the rank of colonel, Lair was a veteran of both the Marine Corps and the Army. He served a total of 37 years, active and reserve. In the Marine Corps he served as a rifle platoon commander and weapons platoon commander. He served as a company executive officer and a member of the battalion staff. In the Army, he served on the brigade and division staffs and at the major command level. For his time in the Pentagon, he received the Legion of Merit, especially for his service during Operation Desert Storm.

After retiring to Columbus, N.C. (Polk County), Bob served as chaplain of St. Luke's Hospital from 2004 to 2018. He was a volunteer with the Department of Defense with the N.C. Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve for many years. He became an active member of the Rotary Club of Tryon in 2005 and served as president of that club from 2009-2010.

He served Rotary District 7670 as Assistant Governor from 2011-2013. He was a member of Tryon First Baptist Church, where he taught the Senior Adult Sunday School, sang in the choir, and played in the handbell choir.

Bob battled Parkinson's disease for over 10 years. He remained as active as possible and contributed his wit and wisdom until his death on September 16, 2022.

Judy Lair



Paul Daniel Lowder

June 20, 1929 - March 8, 2023

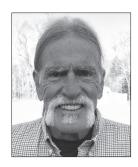
The Rev. Paul Daniel Lowder was born on June 20, 1929, in Albemarle, N.C. He was the middle son of the late Charles Daniel and Victoria Harwood Lowder. After graduating from Albemarle High School and Pfeiffer Junior College, Paul earned an Artium Baccalaureus degree at Albion College in 1951 and a Bachelor of Divinity degree at Candler School of Theology in 1954.

Licensed to preach in 1948, the Rev. Lowder was ordained as a deacon in 1953 and as an elder in full connection in 1955. His appointments included: Student, 1953-1954; Harmony (Statesville District), 1954-1958; First (Conover), 1958-1963; Davidson (Charlotte District), 1963-1967; West Irving Park (Greensboro), 1967-1972; Maple Springs (Winston-Salem), 1972-1977; First (Newton), 1977-1981;

Leaksville (Eden), 1981-1986; Grace (Greensboro), 1986-1990; Blair Road (Charlotte District), 1990-1994. He retired in 1994. For many years, Paul served as the book reviewer for *The North Carolina Christian Advocate*. His regular "Book Looks" columns were always insightful, and provided wonderful input and guidance regarding new publications.

Paul enjoyed traveling in retirement, including one trip to Holland and Belgium and a favorite trip in which he spent four days in Prague and then took a cruise down the Danube River. The Rev. Paul Daniel Lowder, age 93, of Greensboro, N.C., passed away on March 8, 2023, at Friends Homes at Guilford from complications of vascular dementia. He is survived by his brother, Larry; daughters: Paula Lowder Roper (Edward) and Karen Kay Lowder; grandchildren: Allison (Daron), Caitlyn, John Eric, and William; and great-grandchildren: Elizabeth, Ashleigh, and Devon. A memorial service was held at Friends Homes at Guilford on Saturday, June 17, 2023.

Ginna Edwards



Vance Wright Lowe

March 15, 1955 - April 18, 2023

The Rev. Vance Wright Lowe, age 68, of McLeansville, N.C., passed away peacefully on April 18, 2023, after a brief illness. He was surrounded by love, music, and his family.

Vance was born on March 15, 1955, in Greensboro to the late Otis and Becky Huffines Lowe and was raised in McLeansville. He grew up at Bethel Presbyterian Church. As a teenager, he enjoyed working in the tobacco fields around McLeansville and was a standout on the Northeast Guilford High School basketball team. His family joined Mt. Pleasant UMC in Greensboro in his teen years. This is when he began his romance with his lifelong love, Cheryl. His relationship with Christ also blossomed as a member of the New Wineskins singing group at Mt. Pleasant UMC under the direction of the Rev. Bob Kerr. After

graduating from high school, Vance attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, graduating in 1977 with an Artium Baccalaureus degree in psychology and sociology. He and Cheryl were married that same year in August.

During his senior year at UNC-CH, Vance felt the call to the ministry. Under the guidance of the Rev. Herb Penry, he attended Duke Divinity School. While attending Duke, he served a student appointment at Davis Street UMC in Burlington. Vance earned a Master of Divinity degree in 1980.

Vance was ordained in June 1979 as a deacon in the Western North Carolina Conference, and then as an elder in full connection in June 1982. He faithfully served the following appointments: Student (Davis Street in Burlington), 1979-1980; Dellwood-Shady Grove (Waynesville District), 1980-1984; Sandy Ridge (Greensboro District), 1984-1988; Marshville (Albemarle District), 1988-1996; Moriah (Greensboro District), 1996-2002; First (China Grove), 2002-2010; Muir's Chapel (Greensboro), 2010-2017. The joyous celebration organized by Muir's Chapel UMC staff upon his retirement in 2017 was a fitting tribute to his career. Vance was a caring and compassionate pastor. He was a wonderful writer and orator, and many parishioners fondly remember their favorite "Vance sermon." Throughout his 38-year career, he thrived most when being used by God to serve those around him in their brightest and darkest moments.

After retiring from the ministry, Vance happily moved back to family land in McLeansville. He continued to preach part time while perfecting his golf game. Vance was a skilled, but humble golfer. He also became involved in mental health advocacy and awareness, bravely sharing the story of his own journey on an episode of Get Your Spirit in Shape, a podcast from United Methodist Communications. Vance was a board member of the Guilford Chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI). He worked to open up conversations in the church community about supporting and understanding those with mental illness through the NAMI FaithNet program.

Vance's family was his pride and joy. Vance is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Cheryl (Gannon) Lowe, along with his two

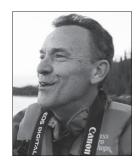
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daughters and their spouses: Carey and Ed Rongitsch, and Jordan and Clayton Wooten. Vance loved and was adored as "Pops" by his six grandchildren: Margaret, Vivian, Otis, and Hazel Rongitsch, along with Lillian and Evelyn Wooten. Vance thrived when he was with his grandchildren, faithfully enjoying every sporting event, concert, school play, and weekend sleepover, or just visits at Pops' house.

A service of celebration was held on Sunday, May 7, 2023, at Mt. Pleasant United Methodist Church in Greensboro.

Vance was a kind and compassionate friend with a servant's heart. Like all people, he had his struggles and challenges, yet he showed the beauty in embracing imperfection and living an authentic life. He will be greatly missed.

Cheryl Gannon Lowe



Keith Lynn Marsden

December 13, 1951 – June 6, 2022

The Rev. Dr. Keith Lynn Marsden, husband, father, friend, counselor, teacher, and champion for the causes of justice, passed away shortly after sunrise on Monday, June 6, 2022, at Kernersville Medical Center after holding prostate cancer at bay for more than a decade. A memorial service was held at College Place United Methodist Church in Greensboro, N.C., on Sunday, July 17, at 1:30 pm in the afternoon, where the family greeted friends and visitors after the service. Keith's ashes will be scattered by the family in places that held special meaning to Keith throughout his life.

Keith was born in Carbondale, Pa., on a cold day, December 13, 1951, made warm by the love of his parents George Emerson and June Elizabeth (née Stouffer) Marsden and his older brother Allen. After

his early years, including attending elementary school across the street from his childhood home, the family moved to Marlton, Pa., where Keith later attended Lenape High School. He went on to earn a Bachelor of Arts degree from North Carolina Wesleyan College in Rocky Mount in 1974 and was ordained as a deacon and admitted to the Southern New Jersey Conference in 1975. From there, he went on to graduate school at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C., earning a Master of Divinity degree in 1976.

It was at Wesley Seminary that he met fellow student Dianne West of Winston-Salem. They married on June 18, 1977, and moved to Trenton, N.J., where Dianne served in her second appointment at St. Mark United Methodist Church and Keith served his first at Broad Street Park United Methodist Church. Keith was ordained as an elder in full connection in 1978. They then moved to Binghamton, N.Y., under new appointments with Keith serving as the Wyoming Conference Director of Camps, Conferences, and Retreats. It was there that they welcomed their first child, Gretchen Kimberly, in September of 1982. In August of 1984, while Keith was serving Maplewood United Methodist Church and Dianne was minister to Lake Ariel United Methodist Church and Hamlin United Methodist Church, they welcomed their second child, Jesse West. Keith was appointed to serve Waymart United Methodist Church in 1985.

Warmer climes eventually called, and the family moved to Winston-Salem in 1988, building a house on land previously part of, and now adjacent to, Dianne's parents' and her childhood home. In 1997, Keith transferred into the Western North Carolina Conference and began working for The Children's Home in Winston-Salem (under appointment from the WNCC) and eventually created and led The Aftercare Program focused on supporting older teenagers and their families as the older teenagers left their residency at The Children's Home.

In 1998, Keith became Interim Dean of the Chapel at Greensboro College. Keith went on to become an adjunct professor in the Humanities Department at Greensboro College, teaching courses including World Religions, Old and New Testament, and Psychology of Religion. In that time Keith also served as minister to Trinity Christian Church in Winston-Salem from 1999 to 2009.

Keith returned to Wesley Seminary in 2007, entering the doctoral studies program. In 2012, Keith and Dianne moved to Pinnacle, N.C. Shortly before moving, Keith was diagnosed with aggressive prostate cancer. Never one to let such things interfere, he engaged in the life of Pinnacle and Mt. Zion United Methodist Churches where Dianne was on appointment, continued teaching, and was highly regarded by his students and colleagues. He completed his course work and dissertation at Wesley, earning a Doctor of Ministry degree in 2012. His thesis focused on the spiritual challenges faced by LGBT+ youth and young adults as they come out to their families, churches, and wider communities.

In 2016, Keith published the book, *The Cross in the Closet*, about the traumas and sometimes triumphs of the journey young LGBT+ people must embark on as they become fully themselves. Keith was deeply involved in the Pride of the Pride, the student LGBTQIA+ community on the Greensboro College campus, as a faculty advisor, mentor, and supporter.

Keith retired from the Western North Carolina Conference in 2017 and from teaching at Greensboro College in 2019, though he remained active and connected to the campus Pride community and the students he so dearly loved and supported.

He had a lifelong passion for cars, especially Corvettes, and owned four at various times during his life. He also had a deep love of music, particularly that of Neil Diamond, whom he saw in concert more than a dozen times, often with the whole family.

Keith is survived by his wife of almost 45 years, Dianne, and their two children Gretchen (Chuck) and Jesse (Brittany), two grandchildren Aubrey and Wylie, and his brother Allen Marsden and his wife Beverly and their daughter Holly and fiancé Jim. Keith

is also survived by his loyal companion Buddy, a rambunctious and adoring beagle, and Smalls, the rather more dignified and no less loving cat.

Keith was a long-time champion of the causes of peace, equity, and anti-discrimination in all forms, and he will be ever remembered for his relentless drive "to strive, to seek, and not to yield" in the work to build a more loving world.

Dianne, Gretchen, and Jesse Marsden



Michael Douglas McClellan

January 27, 1951 – May 23, 2022

Michael Douglas "Mike" McClellan was born on January 27, 1951, in Stanly County, N.C., to the late James Franklin McClellan Sr. and Helena Curlee McClellan. He passed away on Monday, May 23, 2022. Mike and his wife, Mary Love McClellan, were living in Oakboro, N.C., at the time.

Mike married his best friend and the love of his life, Mary Evelyn Love, on December 22, 1968. They have four lovely children: Crystal Dawn Walker, born May 2, 1970; Michael Shawn, born October 3, 1972; Jeremy Lael, born February 24, 1975; and Jamie Nichole Coward, born August 16, 1977.

Mike earned a GED while serving in the U.S. Army Reserve. In 1979, he received an Associate of Applied Science degree from Anson Technical College. Mike completed a course of study at Duke University in Durham, N.C., in 1979, and went on to finish the advanced study as well.

Licensed to preach in 1974, Mike was ordained as a deacon in the Western North Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church in 1977 and was admitted on trial as an associate member in 1992. Mike's appointments included: New Hope-Bethel (Albemarle District), 1976-1982; South Davidson (Thomasville District), 1982-1991; Friendship (Salisbury District), 1991-1996; Memorial (Monroe), 1996-2004; Salem (Albemarle District), 2004-2010.

In 2010, Mike took leave due to health issues. He then retired in 2016 and spent his retired years battling Parkinson's disease among other health issues. During his retirement he was an active member of First Baptist Church in Oakboro, N.C. He served as a deacon, taught Sunday School, and loved to greet church members and guests as they came in the door.

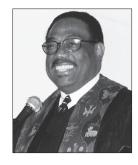
Mike served our Lord for 48 years with an "unmatched love and compassion for God's people." He held tight to his beliefs and had the courage to preach the Word of God. He will be remembered for many things, among which are his servant's heart, his love and kindness towards everyone, his faithfulness, his love for telling a story, and his living for God in all he said and did.

Mike passed away on Monday, May 23, 2022. He leaves behind his wife, Mary; his children: Crystal (Donny), Shawn (Bonnie), Jeremy, and Jamie (Chris); his grandchildren: Cora, Trey (Faith), Kierston, Adam, Whitney (Corey), Destiny (Zack), Matisyn, Trinity (Bailey), Lillie-Ann, Trevor, Tyler, Kaitlyn (Josh), and Andrew; and his great-grandchildren: Blakely, Ivy Jane, Weston, and Brooks.

A memorial service was held for Michael "Mike" Douglas McClellan on June 4, 2022, at First Baptist Church in Oakboro, N.C. Visitation was held from 3 pm to 4 pm and the service was at 4 pm. His service was well attended. Pastor Jonathan Waits officiated the service.

"The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold." Psalm 18:2

Jamie M. Coward



Walter Henry McKelvey Sr. May 31, 1941 — August 15, 2022

Walter Henry McKelvey Sr. was the youngest of five children born to Eliza Thompson Burnside McKelvey and Joseph L. McKelvey on May 31, 1941, in Greenville, S.C., where he attended Brutontown Elementary School and Sterling High School. He enrolled as a freshman at Morris Brown College in Atlanta, Ga., in 1959, and completed requirements for a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics in 1963. While at Morris Brown, he was initiated into the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity. Subsequently, he earned the following degrees: Bachelor of Divinity, Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga. (1966); Master of Arts in evangelism, Scarritt College, Nashville, Tenn. (1977); Doctor of Ministry, Drew University, Madison, N.J.

(1983); and Doctor of Divinity, Gammon Theological Seminary, Atlanta, Ga. (1984). He also completed a

certification in executive management in 1991 at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

At an early age, Walter joined St. Matthew Methodist Episcopal Church in Taylors, S.C., where he was an active member for many years and received his license to preach in 1958. He served as a student pastor at Deep Creek and Mt. Pleasant Methodist Churches in Anderson, S.C. (1960-1961), and Duluth Methodist Church in Duluth, Ga. (1965-1966). He was ordained as a deacon in 1964 and as an elder in full connection with the South Carolina Conference in 1966. He was appointed as pastor of St. Stephens UMC and Dillon Parish in Dillon and Clio, S.C., from 1966-1969. He moved to Tennessee, became connected with the Holston Conference of The United Methodist Church, and served from 1969-1970 as pastor of Bethel UMC in Morristown. While there, he also served as college chaplain/recruiter for Morristown College. After that, his appointments included: Lennon Memorial, 1970-

1974; Lennon Memorial-Seney, 1974-1979; transferred to the WNCC, 1979; St. Matthews (Greensboro), 1979-1982; District Superintendent (High Point District), 1982-1988; and Conference Director of Congregational Development, 1988-1989.

In 1989, Walter was selected as Vice President for Public and Church Relations at the Methodist Publishing House in Nashville, Tenn., where he remained until 1995. He then returned to the pulpit to serve as pastor of Simpson-Gillespie UMC in Charlotte, N.C, and Conference Ethnic Church Consultant from 1995-1997.

With his training and his ministerial, administrative, and other experiences, Walter was selected as President-Dean of Gammon Theological Seminary in 1997. Gammon is The United Methodist Church component of the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Ga.

He served his Alma Mater faithfully and with pride and enthusiasm for 13 years until his retirement in 2010. However, his work was not done. Walter returned to the pulpit in South Carolina to pastor Mt. Carmel UMC in Bamberg and I DeQuincey Newman UMC in Columbia. Thereafter, he attended Francis Burns UMC in Columbia, where he continued to participate in church and community activities until his death, which came quietly and unexpectedly, at home in Columbia on August 15, 2022, at the age of 81.

Walter was united in holy matrimony to Bettie Jayne Holmes of Cleveland, Ohio, on August 14, 1966, and they became proud parents of two children—Angela Cleo Jenifer, born June 7, 1969 (husband Theodore and daughter Victoria); and Walter Henry Jr., born May 13, 1972 (wife Wangui and daughters Nia, Naomi Grace, and Noelle). His grandchildren were near and dear to "Papa's" heart. Bettie preceded Walter in death in 2000.

Walter was then fortunate and blessed to meet and fall in love with Loretta Kay Felder, and they were married on August 16, 2003. Loretta and Walter shared 19 years of togetherness as soul mates until his peaceful goodbye at their home. He was a quiet force, as well as a loving and supportive husband, father, grandfather, sibling, uncle, cousin, and friend to many. He is remembered as a devoted Christian servant—the epitome of faith, hope, and love. *The Gift of Love*—1 Corinthians, chapter 13, was one of Walter's favorite scriptures. His infectious smile remains in the memories of all who knew him.

The Rev. Dr. Walter Henry McKelvey Sr. was funeralized on August 23, 2022, at Francis Burns UMC with the Rev. Geneva Stafford, Pastor, officiating. He was entombed at Greenlawn Memorial Park Mausoleum in Columbia, S.C.

Loretta K. Felder McKelvey, Angela C. McKelvey Jenifer, Walter H. McKelvey Jr., and Mary E. McKelvey Welch



Russell Thompson Montfort

July 25, 1928 — November 15, 2022

Russell Thompson Montfort was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, to Arthur Garfield Montfort and Marie Turner Montfort on July 25, 1928. He grew up on a farm in Kentucky before attending Kentucky Wesleyan College (Artium Baccalaureus, 1950), where he was named Outstanding Alumnus in 2012. Then he was off to Duke Divinity School, where he earned a Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1953.

The Rev. Montfort was admitted to the Western North Carolina Conference on trial on September 28, 1952, ordained as a deacon that year, and as an elder in full connection in 1954. He had a distinguished and varied career as a pastor, starting at the rural Thomasville Circuit (1953-1955) and Pinewood-Fairview

(Thomasville District, 1955-1957). Those who knew the Rev. Montfort can only imagine how blessed those Methodists were by the alchemy of his farming roots, keen intellect, and tender pastor's heart. Then he served Davidson (1957-1963), a match made in heaven. Such was his ministry to campus and students that Davidson College awarded him an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree in 1961—while he was still the pastor in town!

Delighting in academics, the Rev. Dr. Montfort went back to school, earning a Master of Theology degree from Duke in 1964. After a year stint as associate pastor at High Point First (1964-1965), he served Burkhead in Winston-Salem (1965-1970) and then Dilworth in Charlotte (1970-1977), where he is still remembered fondly. While Russ treasured his place in the Western North Carolina Conference, a ministry such as his could not be contained by such arbitrary geographical bounds. And so he was off to Europe, where he served as pastor of the American Protestant Church in Bonn, then the capital of West Germany (1977-1980). He then served Christ UMC in Greensboro for three months in 1980. As a closing chapter to his professional ministry, Russ served illustriously as senior pastor of West End UMC in Nashville (1980-1994), part of the Tennessee Conference. After retiring in 1994, he served First UMC in High Point briefly in 1997.

The Rev. Dr. Montfort was a scholar who was never pedantic, with a brilliant mind, quick wit, and immense wisdom. He was a fierce advocate for good, for justice, and for the underdog, always. He was a great friend to other pastors, and a mentor to many, including the author of this memoir.

But the real story for Russ wasn't his ministry, but his family. He married Ruth Myers Nance on June 29, 1954. She predeceased him on May 31, 2022. He adored her. Theirs was a genuine partnership in ministry and life of deep strength, vitality, and vision. They had two children, Leslie Ann (born May 9, 1956) and Paul (born May 28, 1958), and three grandchildren.

To say that Russ "retired" in 1994 requires some explanation. Who among clergy has ever engaged in a more compelling, varied, and impactful season of retirement? He personally led the reinvigoration of former Methodist churches in Lithuania and Latvia, engaging congregations in our conference that are still engaged there today. He coauthored a book of devotions for men, and two books of genuinely funny pieces about the quirky ways of people and God.

Most beautifully, and not surprisingly in partnership with Ruth, the Montforts founded the Joy Community, a gathering of adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities at Providence UMC. They didn't just found it from scratch. They taught weekly. They loved. They were the breath of life of the Joy Community. No more beautiful witness to Russ and Ruth's spectacular retirement could there be than, after Russ's death at Aldersgate Retirement Community in Charlotte, the front pews at his funeral were filled with devoted members of the Joy Community and their families.

A lovely service marking his life and the hope of resurrection was held at Providence UMC in Charlotte on November 30, 2022, conducted by the Rev. Randy Harry and the Rev. Bill Jeffries.

James C. Howell



Robert Lee Moore

May 7, 1935 – October 18, 2022

Robert Lee "Bob" Moore was born on May 7, 1935, in Rutherfordton, N.C., to the late Richard and Hazel Moore. He attended Rutherfordton-Spindale Central High School and graduated as an honor student in 1953. Bob attended Duke University and was elected to Eta Sigma Phi, the national honorary fraternity for outstanding scholarship in the study of languages, and to Phi Beta Kappa. He majored in Classical Greek and earned an Artium Baccalaureus degree in 1957. Bob continued his education at Duke Divinity School, earning a Master of Divinity degree in 1961.

Licensed to preach in 1954, Bob was ordained as a deacon in 1958 and as an elder in full connection in 1961. His appointments included: Student, 1958-1961; St. Luke's (Morganton), 1961-1963; Minister

of Youth, West Market Street (Greensboro), 1963-1969; Plaza (Charlotte), 1969-1977; Burkhead (Winston-Salem), 1977-1981; Trinity (Asheville), 1981-1984; First (Sylva), 1984-1989; Central (Mooresville), 1989-1994; and St. Andrew's (Charlotte), 1994-1996. After retiring in 1996, Bob resided in Sylva, N.C.

Bob was loved by his congregations. He had a keen sense of humor and valued the relationships he made in his churches. As minister of youth, his personality and dedication to the youth influenced many young people's spiritual growth. Some in his youth ministry and subsequent appointments attribute their call to ministry to the model of ministry Bob provided. During the summer of 1966, he attended the First World Methodist Youth Conference in Bath, England, as an adult observer, after which he attended the World Methodist Conference in London. While serving as the West Market Street Minister of Youth in Greensboro, Bob was a member and chaplain of the Greensboro Junior Chamber of Commerce and an advisor to the Grimsley Senior High School Huddle Group of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Bob was an active leader of the Forsyth Prison Ministry and a member of the Children and Youth Service Committee of Mental Health while appointed to Burkhead in Winston-Salem.

A great fan of Duke football and basketball and Wake Forest baseball, Bob was instrumental in helping the United Methodist Men in Boonville establish a basketball camp. His friendship with Duke athletes brought college and NBA talent to the camp for many years. For these summers, about 50 kids had the experience of playing with college and professional players. Bob had a great ministry of encouraging young people to achieve their dreams.

In addition to his parents, Bob was preceded in death by three brothers and three sisters. He will be remembered for his witness, friendship, humor, compassion, and care for all who knew him. Thanks be to God for a life well lived.

Bob Nations



Edwin Garber Needham

August 22, 1933 – June 29, 2022

Edwin Garber Needham, son of the Rev. Eugene Warren and Antoinette Hauser Needham, was born at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, N.C., on August 22, 1933, during his father's appointment to the Weddington Circuit of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. He died on June 29, 2022, at his home, attended by his wife, Wanda, and extended family, friends, and caring neighbors on the family farm on Kilmurry Hill Road in the Vienna community of N.C. A funeral service was held at Brookstown United Methodist Church on July 3, 2022, with the Rev. James T. Webb Jr. and the Rev. Edward Evans Jr. officiating. The Rev. James L. Pyatt, Western North Carolina Conference Archivist, delivered words of recognition and gratitude and presented Mrs. Needham with the Bronze Circuit Rider Medallion. The Rev. Needham was

laid to rest in the Brookstown UMC cemetery.

The child of a Methodist pastor, Edwin moved with church assignments and during his father's active duty in the U.S. Army, spending his early years in four different states and 14 different schools. Edwin was a graduate of Cliffside High School, class of 1950. He received an Artium Baccalaureus degree from High Point College in 1954 and a Master of Divinity degree from Duke Divinity School in 1957. On August 22, 1963, Edwin married Wanda Kate Carnes at Lake Junaluska's Memorial Chapel.

The Rev. Needham was licensed to preach on September 2, 1950, in the Marion District of The Methodist Church. He was admitted on trial into the WNCC in Asheville in 1954, admitted into full connection and ordained as a deacon in 1956 in Winston-Salem, and ordained as an elder in 1957 at Lake Junaluska. The Rev. Needham's history of service includes: Student, 1954-1957; Union Grove (Statesville District), 1957-1958; Prospect Charge (Midway-Prospect-Smyrna-Trinity), 1958-1962; Trinity (Thomasville), 1962-1967; College Village (High Point), 1967-1969; Chaplain at Goodwill Industries, 1969-1973; Hiatt-Chaplain at Goodwill

Rehabilitation Center, 1973-1976; Union-Chaplain at Goodwill Rehabilitation Center, 1976-1979; Union-Assistant Administrator at Triad Home, 1979-1981; Union-Assistant Administrator and Chaplain at Moravian Home, 1981-1986; Hiatt-Union (Winston-Salem District), 1986-1988; Union-Harmony Grove (Winston-Salem District), 1988-1994; Union-Concord (Winston-Salem District), 1994-1998.

The Rev. Needham actively served under appointment at United Methodist churches and related institutions for over 40 years, and he continued serving the church after his retirement in 1998. Edwin served Union United Methodist Church in Lewisville, N.C., for 22 years. Edwin and Wanda retired to their home on the family farm in Vienna, completing two generations of family service to the Methodist Church and a cycle that began when his father's family moved to the Vienna community in Forsyth County in December of 1899.

Edwin evidenced a deep commitment to Christ, the Church, and the communities within which he served. He lived a kind and gracious life, extending friendship, support, and care to those around him. Edwin was a member of the Masonic Lodge No. 434 in Lewisville, N.C., for over 50 years, and held the rank of captain as chaplain in the Civil Air Patrol. An amateur radio operator, AF4XC, Edwin engaged locally and throughout the world to encourage and support community. He was a man of his time, always dressed appropriately as a pastor even in retirement. His home study bears witness to lifelong learning, the heart of an archivist, and the perspective of a historian. He was a genealogist with deep love, regard, and gratitude for the Needham and Hauser families from which he descended. He relished his life on the family farm and was often away from the house tending the fields or his Angus cattle. On the move since birth, his retirement years were spent in service. He lived comfortably at home with Wanda, his wife of nearly 60 years, until his last move to that home not made with hands but eternal in the heavens.

The Rev. Needham is survived by his wife, Mrs. Wanda Carnes Needham, along with several cousins, extended family, and a broad and grateful community nurtured through his faithful service and example.

James T. "Chip" Webb Jr.



Hubert Donald Noblitt

December 20, 1927 — September 18, 2022

The Rev. Hubert Donald "Don" Noblitt, age 94, of Kannapolis, N.C., passed away on Sunday, September 18, 2022, at Aldersgate Retirement Community in Charlotte. Don was born on December 20, 1927, in Pickens County, S.C., to the late James Greer Noblitt and Marie Dunwoody. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his beloved wife and teammate in ministry, Ruth Shinn Noblitt, in 2014; his son, Marcus Noblitt; and all five of his siblings. He is survived by his son, Keith (Louise) Noblitt; daughters, Kay (Stephen) Pruitt and Susan (Perry) Clontz; daughter-in-law, Judith Noblitt; step-sons, Ron (Dottie) Shinn and Jeff (Garla) Shinn; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The Rev. Don Noblitt served as a minister in the Western NC Conference of the UMC for 32 years, beginning in 1961, and continued to serve in retirement as needed in the local church. He received an Associate of Arts degree from Central Wesleyan in 1959, an Artium Baccalaureus degree from Mars Hill in 1964, and completed a course of study in 1968 and an advanced course of study in 1973 at Candler School of Theology. Don was licensed to preach in 1960, admitted on trial and ordained as a deacon in 1966, and ordained as an elder and received into full connection in 1988.

Don spread his love and pastoral leadership at many churches and communities throughout Western North Carolina during his ministerial career, which included: Bald Creek (Asheville District), 1961-1964; West Macon (Waynesville District), 1964-1968; Elizabeth Chapel-Maple Grove (Waynesville District), 1968-1972; Midland (Salisbury District), 1972-1974; Harmony (Concord), 1974-1979; Sandy Ridge (Northeast District), 1979-1983; and Linwood-Cotton Grove (Thomasville District), 1983-1993. He retired in 1993.

Don was a kind-hearted man who truly loved people and loved sharing the Gospel with them. He knew how to bring people together and bring out the best in people. He genuinely embodied living by the Golden Rule. During his ministerial career, Don performed countless weddings, baptisms, and funerals and treated each event as the most important moment of his life, becoming a lifetime extension of many of those families. Don Noblitt was loved by all who knew him and was known for his gentle soul and abiding love for his Lord, family, friends, fellow ministers, and parishioners. Don never really retired from ministry, he just went from one area of ministry to the next—from the local church, to mentoring and supporting pastors, to a vibrant ministry among his neighbors at Aldersgate. Don was a true servant of the Lord. A memorial service and celebration of life was held on Saturday, September 24, 2022, in the chapel at Aldersgate in Charlotte, where Don had been a resident since 2014.

William Van Wieren III



Carole Ann Milton O'Neil April 1, 1941 – February 27, 2023

Carole Ann Milton O'Neil was born on April 1, 1941, in Tulsa, Okla. Carole was the eldest of three children born to Dottie Trimble Milton and Herbert Clifton Milton. After high school graduation, she began her educational journey at the University of Oklahoma and graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1962

After graduating from OU, she began a career in physical therapy that included positions in Florida working with school-age children, serving as a practicing physical therapist and department head at Mercy Hospital in Charlotte, N.C., and culminating with home health care. Her career in physical therapy ended in the mid 1980's due to a developing visual impairment. In 1991, Carole graduated from the University of North

Carolina at Charlotte with a Master of Human Development and Learning degree in counseling and accepted the call to the ministry. She was commissioned in the WNCC and admitted as a probationary member in 2003. In 2008, she was ordained as an elder and received into full connection. Carole graduated from Perkins School of Theology at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Texas, with a Master of Divinity degree in 2003. After returning to North Carolina, she served as an associate pastor at Davidson UMC from 2003-2004 before eventually deciding to become a hospital chaplain. She retired from Christus Spohn Hospital in Corpus Christi, Texas, in 2010.

Before being commissioned in 2003, Carole was a Sunday School teacher and lay leader at Myers Park United Methodist Church in Charlotte, N.C. She was a life-long learner who never allowed her visual impairment to become a deterrent. Carole married William Thomas O'Neil Sr. in Atlanta, Ga., and together they raised two children: William Thomas O'Neil Jr. and James Elliott "Jamie" O'Neil. Carole moved to Reidsville, N.C., upon retirement to be close to her grandchildren. She transferred her membership to Woodmont United Methodist Church and continued to serve by teaching Sunday School, preaching when needed, and being an active member of Norma's Morning Glory Circle.

After a lengthy struggle with ALS, Carole passed away peacefully on February 27, 2023. A service and celebration were held at Woodmont United Methodist Church on March 4, 2023.

William O'Neil Jr.



Rachel Camella Carpenter Orbison

November 12, 1941 – June 7, 2022

Rachel "Millie" Carpenter Orbison was the youngest of eight children born to the late William "Bud" and Ruth Miller Carpenter on November 12, 1941, in Statesville, N.C. She grew up in Mt. Ulla, N.C., and before her call to ministry in 2001, she was a lifelong and very active member of Centenary United Methodist Church. She started the first United Methodist "Little" Women's group and planned many outreach activities, including trips to the local homeless shelter and UMAR Fundays. She also helped with Bible School and Christmas plays and pretty much anything that was going on at the church.

Millie was licensed to preach in 2001 and was a pastor for almost 10 years. She was appointed to Boger's Chapel United Methodist Church from 2001-2003. From 2003-2004, Millie helped to start New Hope

Community Mission in Concord, N.C., to serve the children of the local Hispanic community. Millie's additional appointments included: Oak Grove-South China Grove (China Grove), 2004-2008; and Royal Oaks (Kannapolis), 2008-2009. Her time at each appointment was short, but the love and relationships that formed from them lasted for the remainder of her life. She retired in 2010 to care for her husband, Jerry, who passed away in 2015.

Millie's family and faith were the most important part of her life. She married Jerry Darrell Orbison on November 25, 1959. In their 55 years together, they had three daughters: Lori Stutts (Jerry), Dee Lazenby, and Pam Allred (Sam). They also adopted one daughter, Sheila Paleologos (Greg), and three sons—Rodney Orbison, David Orbison, and Augie Orbison—and fostered many other children. She was "Nana" to 11 grandchildren and 27 great-grandchildren, all of whom she adored. She had a passion for helping those in need and her door was always open to anyone. Millie loved to cook. On most Thursdays and holidays, you could find her making dinner for the whole family and any extra "family" she could find. Everyone gathered at her home on Mooresville Road in Mt. Ulla, N.C., for great meals, lots of laughs, and good times.

Millie's earthly journey ended on June 7, 2022. After a long illness and a brief battle with cancer, God reached down, took her hand, and led her home. A memorial service was held on June 11, 2022, at Centenary United Methodist Church, with the Rev. Joe Collins and grandson, Pastor Michael Strickland, officiating. She will be forever remembered by her family and friends for her servant's heart and her gift of hospitality.

Pam Allred



Robert Claude Peurifoy

May 6, 1951 – August 10, 2022

The Rev. Dr. Robert C. Peurifoy was born in the Piedmont textile town of Concord, N.C. He was the second child of Robert E. Peurifoy, a Marine Veteran who survived with two purple hearts from the WW2 battles at Iwo Jima, and his mother, Hazel Staton Peurifoy. Robert grew up in Second Presbyterian Church, his mother's church, where he was baptized. He attended Concord High School, graduating in the class of 1969. Following high school, he attended Montreat-Anderson College and received an Associate of Science degree in 1971.

During his first semester at Montreat, Robert had an experience of New Birth and became a believer in Jesus Christ. Four weeks later he had a tremendous experience in the Holy Spirit. The following winter,

while attending a youth conference, he was called into the ministry upon hearing the words, "You shall minister unto me." Later he would discover this was a quote from the Old Testament book of Ezekiel.

In 1970, his parents began attending a United Methodist Church. Under the mentoring of the Rev. G. Howard Allred, Robert joined Epworth UMC and began the process of entering the ministry through The United Methodist Church. Robert continued his education at Scarritt College for Christian Workers in Nashville, Tenn., where he majored in Bible and sociology and received a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1973. He attended Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C., during which time he also studied at St. George's College in Jerusalem, and he received a Master of Divinity degree in 1978. He later pursued the Doctor of Ministry degree at Drew University in Madison, N.J., and accomplished this in 1991.

Robert's ministry in the Western North Carolina Conference began with being licensed to preach on May 20, 1973, by the Salisbury District. He became a probationary member of the conference and was ordained as a deacon in 1975. From 1975 to 1977, while attending Wesley Seminary, he held a student appointment serving the Marriottsville Circuit in the Baltimore Conference of The UMC in Maryland.

His first appointment in the WNCC was as the Shooting Creek and Clay County Parish Associate from 1977 to 1981. In 1980, he was ordained as an elder in full connection. His appointments included: Robbinsville, 1981-1986; Bethlehem (Thomasville District), 1986-1992; Trinity (Asheville), 1992-1999; Christ (Charlotte), 1999-2003; Deerfield (Boone), 2003-2005. In 2005, Robert took a leave of absence and remained on incapacity leave for health reasons until he retired in 2016, then being in the retired relationship until his death in 2022.

During Robert's pastorate at the Shooting Creek Charge, he was introduced by an adjoining pastor to a young lady, Virginia Byrd, whom he later married in his Ledford's Chapel Church on October 4, 1980. Robert and Virginia had two children who were the delight of his life, Rebekah Ann (9/12/1984-7/20/2019) and Nathan Daniel (5/4/1988-10/13/14). Robert was a valuable support to his wife Virginia in her calling to become and serve in ministry as a licensed local pastor in the WNCC.

For Robert, preaching and teaching the Word of God was his greatest passion. He loved drawing people deeper into the Word of God. He was also blessed to serve on several mission trips, including one to Mexico; another to Cuba; and one to Haiti, which was his last trip. He was honored to attend the World Methodist Conference in Singapore in 1991.

While serving the LORD was the focus of Robert's life, he also had other areas of interest and ministry outside the church. He loved researching genealogy and through the Find-a-Grave website he entered thousands of graves and cemeteries. Robert was a chaplain and volunteer firefighter at various fire departments including Graham County VFD, West Buncombe FD, and Cooks Community VFD. Riding his motorcycle was also one of his greatest passions. He was a member of the Christian Motorcyclists Association, Tour of Honor, and Patriot Guard Riders, among many other groups. He rode thousands of miles and covered many states and historical sites. Additionally, Robert found great joy in serving as a chaplain with the Marine Corps League, Mountaineer Detachment 1320.

Robert was living in Sugar Grove, N.C., (near Boone) at the time of his death, which occurred while riding his well-used Harley Davidson motorcycle. He was riding alone and went off the road at a curve in Beaufort, N.C., on his way to a Circuit Riders ride for pastors. A service was held on Sunday, August 14, 2022, at Oak Plain Presbyterian Church in Sampson County, N.C. The Rev. Frank Gordon, his brother-in-law, of this conference, officiated the service and the burial, which followed in the church cemetery. Additionally, a memorial service was held at FaithBridge UMC in Blowing Rock, N.C., and was led by the Rev. Ben Carson and the Rev. Kyle Sigmon on Sunday, August 28, 2022.

"Now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known." 1 Corinthians 13:12

A. Frank Gordon



James Robert Reeves

December 24, 1946 – February 13, 2023

James Robert "Jim Bob" Reeves was born on Christmas Eve, 1946, to a devout Methodist couple, M.B. and Nan Liner Reeves, and was baptized at Crabtree Methodist Church in Haywood County. After a childhood at Crabtree, and upon influence of his parents and pastors, Jim Bob felt called to ordained ministry as a teenager. He received an Associate of Arts degree from Brevard College in 1966, an Artium Baccalaureus degree from Scarritt College in 1968, a Master of Divinity degree from Duke Divinity School in 1971, and a Doctor of Ministry degree from Drew University in 1986.

Jim Bob received his Local Pastor's License in 1966, was admitted to the Western North Carolina Conference in probationary membership and ordained as a deacon in 1970, and was admitted in full connection and ordained as an elder in 1974.

Immediately after finishing Duke Divinity School, he went on an archaeological dig in Israel for three months, having been appointed as a missionary through the General Board of Missions. After returning to the United States in September 1971, he received a special appointment to his home church, as the associate pastor of Crabtree United Methodist Church. In 1972, the Rev. Don Haynes had the privilege of asking for Jim Bob to be appointed to join him as one of the pastors at Burkhead United Methodist Church in Winston-Salem. With his youth, his warm smile and personality, and his bright mind, he was immediately beloved. Jim Bob remained at Burkhead for a year after Don was moved in 1973, and they remained close friends.

Jim Bob's service in the WNCC included: Student, 1970-1971; Missionary, General Board, 1971; Associate, Crabtree (Waynesville District), 1971-1972; Burkhead (Winston-Salem), 1972-1974; Union Chapel-Chestnut Grove (Thomasville District), 1974-1978; McKendree-Rocky Mount (Statesville District), 1978-1984; First (Valdese), 1984-1988; New Salem (Statesville District), 1988-1990; Maylo (Gastonia), 1990-1994; Denver (Charlotte District), 1994-1997; Pisgah (Gastonia District), 1997-2001; Christ Boulevard (Statesville), 2001-2008; and McKendree (Gastonia District), 2008-2012. Jim Bob retired in 2012.

For 25 years, Jim Bob was director of the School for the Licensing of Local Pastors for the Western North Carolina Conference and served two quadrennia on the Board of Ordained Ministry.

In 1978, Jim Bob was introduced to Robin Alexander by Joan Haynes, with whom Robin was teaching at South Iredell High School. After their "love at first sight" and a brief courtship, they were married on March 25, 1979! The Rev. Donald Haynes heard their vows at Central UMC in Mooresville, Robin's home church. To their marriage were born three lovely daughters—Anna Elizabeth, Sarah Katherine, and Laura Nan. Sarah has been mentally challenged since birth and since age 29 has lived in a caring environment at Twenty-Third Street Group Home in Newton, N.C.

Jim Bob's and Robin's lives and ministry were changed forever when Jim was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis in 1982 at 35 years of age. His theological reflection on that debilitating disease was that it gave him more empathy with parishioners who suffered incurable and/or terminal illnesses. He soldiered on with grit and grace. The love and courage he and Robin shared enabled him to continue "under appointment" for another 31 years!

Upon Jim Bob's retirement in 2012, he and Robin remodeled his childhood home on Reeves Cove Road in Haywood County. The house was built in 1866 after his great-grandfather returned from fighting in the Civil War. The Reeves' family farm also provided the stones for the Lake Junaluska Memorial Chapel.

Jim Bob and Robin were active at Long's Chapel United Methodist Church; Jim Bob had a beautiful voice and was especially active in the chancel choir. Although his mobility was limited, Jim Bob remained active in his garden by crawling on his knees to pick beans. He also loved refinishing furniture, and his greatest joy was spending time with his three daughters and his grandchildren: Heggie Richardson, Reeves Mann, and Archie Mann.

In recent years, he contracted other highly limiting diseases and, in the words of King David, "went the way of all the earth" on February 13, 2023. His memorial service was held at Long's Chapel UMC, with the Rev. Chris Westmoreland officiating. Jim Bob's wife, Robin, and their daughters, Anna and Laura Nan, provided the eulogy.

Having been released from his earthly body, Jim Bob has now been able to fully embody his favorite verse, Isaiah 40:31: "...but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."

Donald W. Haynes and Robin Alexander Reeves



Paul Barry Lloyd Revere

September 2, 1950 – December 14, 2022

Paul Barry Revere, known as "Pastor Paul" to many, was born on September 2, 1950, in Trenton, N.J. He was the firstborn son of the six children of Kenneth Paul Revere and Barbara Joan Revere.

Paul joined the Job Corps at age 16 in Upstate New York. During that service he acquired his GED. He then relocated to Endicott, N.Y., where he worked for IBM. In 1972 he met Dawn Butler, the luckiest woman on earth, and they were married on December 31, 1976. They relocated to Charlotte, N.C., in 1979 when IBM migrated south. Their union was blessed with two wonderful sons, Barry Donald and Malcolm Albert. Paul retired from IBM after 30 years of service, 1968-1998.

However, there is no retirement in the Bible. Beginning in 1995, Paul served at Plaza UMC as an usher and lay leader under the Rev. Dr. Percy Reeves. He also provided support to the Rev. Dr. Emmanuel Morris at Spencer Memorial UMC. During the dawn of the Information Age in the 1990's, the internet emerged to become the primary means of information gathering and communication. Paul employed his vast expertise to teach and train the local churches and pastors on how to harness the technology, thereby lifting those churches into the twenty-first century. He was called to minister the Gospel as a local pastor in the former Lake Norman District under Dr. Lillie M. Jones, District Superintendent. After becoming licensed to preach in 2005, his appointments included: Ebenezer (Charlotte District), 2005-2009; Ebenezer-St. James (Charlotte District), 2009-2012; Morrows Chapel (Mooresville), 2012-2017. He retired from the WNCC of The UMC in 2017.

Paul's long history of service included volunteering at Computer Access to Neighborhoods in conjunction with Charlotte Mecklenburg Schools from 2005-2006. He was a board member of the Exceptional Children's Assistance Center for over 20 years, beginning in 1994; vice chair of the WNCC Commission on Communication from 2004-2008; a member of the WNCC Information Technology Committee, beginning in 2008; an advisory council member of the United Methodist Association for the Retarded, beginning in 2009; and a pastoral care specialist at Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte from 2008-2009. He also completed the Hospice & Palliative Care Charlotte Region volunteer training in 2009.

Pastor Paul was immovable, steadfast, and true to the teaching of God's word in his 12 years of ministry as a local pastor. He continued after that assignment in his gifting of counsel and support for kingdom building, calling it his Scaffolding ministry (a support ministry like Barnabas). He was an exceptional listener and was highly regarded as a "pastor's pastor." His legacy of care, love, and nurture continues through Dawn, his wife of 46 years (his person for 48 years). He stepped into eternity on December 14, 2022. His earthly suit had worn out after battling prostate cancer for the second time.

Dawn Revere and Percy Reeves



Ellis Leroy Rouse Jr. June 26, 1942 — April 25, 2023

The Rev. Ellis Rouse entered into eternal rest in the early morning hours of Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at the Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Home in Winston-Salem following a courageous battle with peritoneal cancer. Ellis was born on June 26, 1942, in Guilford County, N.C., to Ellis Leroy Rouse Sr. and Violet Edwards Rouse. Ellis finished high school in High Point, N.C., and graduated from High Point College with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1964. He later went on to receive a Master of Divinity degree from the Candler School of Theology at Emory University in 1970. Ellis was a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Vietnam conflict era, having served as a chaplain assistant while stationed in Japan. It was there that Ellis confirmed the

call on his life as he ministered to soldiers on R&R (rest and recuperation) from the war in Vietnam.

On November 22, 1969, Ellis married Wanda Parker from Woodland, Ala. With Wanda by his side, Ellis was licensed to preach in the Western North Carolina Conference in 1967. He was ordained as a deacon in 1969 and as an elder in full connection in 1971. For more than 42 years, Ellis and Wanda had a beautiful ministering partnership as he served congregations extending from the mountains of N.C. to the rolling hills of the Piedmont. His service in the WNCC included: Student, 1968-1970; Associate, First (Salisbury), 1970-1972; Harrisburg, 1972-1975; Stony Hill-Randall (Albemarle District), 1975-1977; Stony Hill (Albemarle District), 1977-1980; Bunker Hill (Kernersville), 1980-1986; Skyland (Asheville), 1986-1992; Lewisville, 1992-1998; Centenary (Greensboro), 1998-2003; and Sedge Garden (Kernersville), 2003-2009. Although he was classified as "retired" beginning in 2009, Ellis continued to serve as an interim pastor, a trusted mentor, a faithful friend, and a devoted disciple of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. One of Ellis' passions in retirement was the Feed the Hunger Charity and he led several large food packing campaigns in the Kernersville area, termed "pack-a-thons," in an effort to feed hungry children worldwide. Another of Ellis' retirement passions was the Triad Coalition for Life based in Greensboro, N.C.

Ellis formed friendships with many of his church members, one of whom is Wayne West. Wayne recalls:

I first met Ellis in 2006 while he was serving at Sedge Garden UMC in Kernersville, N.C. My spouse and I were newlyweds, each having lost our spouses at an early age, and we were searching for a church home. Ellis embraced us with loving arms and encouraged us and walked with us as we began a new chapter in our lives. Ellis soon put us to work in ministry, recognizing the gifts we brought into the fellowship. I served with Ellis for a number of years as co-coordinator of the Backpack Program in partnership with the Foodbank of Northwest N.C. Again, following his passion for feeding hungry children, we were able to send 75-100 backpacks home with elementary school children to get them through long weekends during the school year. With Ellis' encouragement and steadfast mentorship, I had the pleasure of serving as lay delegate to the Western North Carolina Annual Conference for 12 years, many of those years alongside Ellis at Lake Junaluska.

One of Ellis' greatest attributes as a dad was his consistency in exhibiting the "fruits of the spirit." These wonderful characteristics were always on full display at home and in his ministry. Time is one of the greatest resources in life, and Ellis was a great steward of this precious resource. This was evidenced by how he poured his time into others, his family included. He sought to be the most interested person in the room versus the most interesting. His hobby was reflecting the sweet and gentle spirit of Christ, always.

Ellis is survived by his wife of 53 years, Wanda Parker Rouse; a son, Andy Rouse, and spouse Crystal; a daughter, Emily Rouse Stokes, and spouse Brian; and his treasured grandchildren: Cole Rouse, Della Grace Rouse, and Graham Stokes. A celebration of Ellis' life and his devotion of service to others was held on Saturday, April 29, 2023, at Hayworth Wesleyan Church in High Point, N.C., with Pastors Brian Matherlee, Brian Allen, and Chris Langham officiating.

Andy Rouse and Wayne West



Charles Wesley Sisk

September 18, 1927 – October 9, 2022

The Rev. Charles Wesley Sisk was born on September 18, 1927, at the Sisk family farm near Table Rock Mountain in Burke County, N.C. He was the son of the late Rev. B.A. and Belle McGimsey Sisk. As the son of a Methodist minister, he spent his early years living all over Western North Carolina.

Charles was a veteran who served his country in the Army of the United States. He served in Japan during the occupation of that nation after the fighting of World War II ceased, serving from February 1946 until April 1947. Charles married Peggy Jeanette Perry on June 19, 1954, a union that would last 68 years until Peggy's death on August 11, 2022. Peggy was a loyal partner with Charles in the service of Christ's church. Charles and Peggy had three sons: John (Kendra) of Knightdale, N.C.; Phillip of Morganton, N.C.;

and Mark (Yvonne) of Sophia, N.C.

Charles was first licensed to preach in 1955 in the Western North Carolina Conference of The Methodist Church. He graduated from High Point College with an Artium Baccalaureus degree in 1959. He then attended Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C., while serving churches in Oldtown and Hagerstown, Md. He returned to North Carolina after completing a Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1965. Charles was admitted to the Western North Carolina Conference on trial in 1959, ordained as a deacon in 1962, and ordained as an elder in full connection in 1965. He was active in several organizations of the church including the Yokefellow Prison Ministry and other local ministries designed to extend Christian service from the church to the community. At the time of his passing, he was one of the longest-serving clergy members of the Western North Carolina Conference. His ministry, before and after joining the conference, spanned 67 of his 95 years of life.

His early appointments included: Macedonia (Thomasville District), 1956-1959; and Erlanger-Pickett (Lexington), 1959-1960. As a student, he served Oldtown Methodist Church (Oldtown, Md.), 1960-1962; and St. Andrews (Hagerstown, Md.), 1962-1965. After returning to North Carolina, he served the following appointments: Mount Carmel-Ebenezer (Thomasville District), 1965-1967; New Mount Vernon (Thomasville District), 1967-1972; Davie Charge (Center-Salem-Hardison), 1972-1975; Bethesda (Asheville District), 1975-1982; Fairfield (High Point District), 1982-1988; and Swannanoa-Tabernacle (Asheville District), 1988-1992. Charles retired in 1992 after nearly 40 years of service. The Rev. Sisk re-entered service briefly in 1993 as an interim pastor due to a sudden and unexpected absence at Oak Hill United Methodist Church in Morganton.

In 1974, Charles and his family participated in an exchange program in which he served churches in Tyldesley, England, for six weeks. Charles was also active in the Lion's Club in several cities in which he served, at times serving as an officer of the chapter. At the time of his passing, the Rev. Sisk was a member of Mountain Grove United Methodist Church in the Table Rock community near Morganton. He was active for as long as he was able, participating in the various programs of the church, especially the Methodist Men. In addition to the church, he also supported other charities and organizations all his adult life. He particularly supported Crossnore School, the Winston-Salem Children's Home, Heifer Project International, projects sponsored by the Lion's Club, and relief organizations sponsored by The United Methodist Church.

Charles enjoyed working outside in the garden and cutting firewood. He would often help church members with such tasks when visiting them. He believed in visiting church members often. He took joy in the company of the many friends he made over the years of his ministry. He also enjoyed spending time with his family. He would take his grandchildren for tractor rides when they visited. Charles also enjoyed the company of his many dogs, some of whom were strays he enticed (at times for weeks or more) to join the family.

Charles retired from the pulpit in 1992. He never retired from his ministry. He continued to preach occasionally at homecomings and officiate weddings and funerals. He also continued to extend a friendly hand and share the Gospel with all whom he came into contact and make his life an example of Christian love. He made every effort to maintain his life as an example of Christian love, even as age overtook him and his life slowed and finally wound completely down.

A service of thanksgiving for the Rev. Sisk's life and contributions was held on Saturday, October 22, 2022, at the Colonial Chapel of Sossoman Funeral Home in Morganton.

John Sisk and Clint Gorman



Glenn Dale Troutman

August 5, 1942 – September 25, 2022

The Rev. Glenn Dale Troutman was born on August 5, 1942, in Waynesville, N.C., to the late Benjamin Troutman and Helen Cagle Troutman. After receiving an Associate of Applied Science degree from Haywood Technical Institute, he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree and a Bachelor of Science degree at Western Carolina University in 1980 and a Master of Divinity degree at Candler School of Theology in 1986. He married Brittie Moore Troutman on November 3, 1965.

The Rev. Troutman was licensed to preach in 1979, admitted to the Western North Carolina Conference on trial and ordained as a deacon in 1985, and ordained as an elder and received into full connection in 1989. His appointments included: Webster Circuit (Waynesville District), 1979-1981; Shooting Creek

Circuit and Clay County Parish Associate, 1981-1984; Whittier Circuit, renamed Whittier-Olivet in 1985 (Waynesville District), 1984-1986; East Bend Circuit (Northeast District), 1986-1990; Laboratory-Lander's Chapel (Gastonia District), 1990-1997;

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First (Maiden), 1997-2001; Trinity Memorial (Trinity), 2001-2005. After serving churches faithfully for 16 years, he retired in 2005. One of the Rev. Troutman's former church members recalls, "Dale was such a wonderful friend to our family, and we loved him dearly. He served BUMC with his sweet spirit and love for the Lord and served the community of East Bend through the fire department. We will always remember his family..." Another former church member remembers fondly the frequent home visits he made as a pastor.

The Rev. Troutman passed away on Sunday, September 25, 2022, at Willowbrook Rehabilitation and Care Center in Yadkinville. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Brittie. Those left to cherish his memory are a daughter, Melissa (Jeff) Adams of Yadkinville; a brother, Richard (Gwynn) Troutman of Lansen, S.C.; and two grandchildren: Savannah Adams and Madison (Ben) Profitt. At his request, no funeral service was held; his ashes will remain with his family.

Ginna Edwards



Charles McNeille Turner Jr.

January 10, 1940 – December 9, 2022

Charles McNeille Turner Jr. was born on January 10, 1940, in Gastonia, N.C. He was the oldest of four children born to Charles McNeille Turner Sr. and Catherine Lewis Turner. Charles received his primary and secondary education in Reidsville, N.C., where he lived and worked on the family farm.

Upon graduation from high school in 1958, he attended North Carolina State University before enlisting in the United States Air Force in 1960. There he distinguished himself as a noncommissioned officer working in the chaplaincy and serving as a chaplain's assistant. During his time in the armed forces, he was stationed at McCoy Air Force Base in Orlando, Fla.—where he would meet his wife of nearly 60 years, Constance Lee. They were married in 1963. He was also stationed at Brookley Air Force Base in Mobile,

Ala., and received deployments to both South Korea & Vietnam.

Leaving the Air Force as a staff sergeant, he returned to complete his education at Pfeiffer College. After graduating with honors with an Artium Baccalaureus degree in 1970, he began his post-graduate work at Duke University, where he received a Master of Divinity degree in 1973. Charles was licensed to preach in 1966, admitted on trial and ordained as a deacon in 1971, and ordained as an elder in full connection in 1974. Over the course of his career, he served 10 congregations. His appointments included: Associate, First (High Point), 1973-1975; Kerr Street (Concord), 1975-1979; Rose Chapel (Statesville), 1979-1983; Weaverville, 1983-1986; Wesley Memorial (Winston-Salem), 1986-1993; First (Cherryville), 1993-1998; First (Mocksville), 1998-2003; and Lewisville, 2003-2007. After retiring in 2007, Charles served Mitchell's Chapel (Boonville) from 2007-2013 and Bailey's Chapel (Advance) from 2014-2018, before officially retiring again in 2018.

During his 45 years in ministry, Charles received numerous accolades for his work. Awarded the conference Church of Excellence Award twice—once in 2005 and again in 2007—he was also recognized with several sermon and essay writing awards as well. Throughout it all, his focus remained on the Word and his enthusiasm for spreading that Word within the community.

Upon the retirement of his pastoral duties, he continued sowing the Word of God, speaking at numerous homecoming services, and participating in the weddings, anniversaries, and funerals of former parishioners.

Charles was also a devoted father. He had two children: Charles M. Turner III, who was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1972, while Charles was studying at the University of Edinburgh on an academic scholarship; and Christina Michelle Turner, who was born in High Point, N.C., in 1975 during his first church appointment. Survivors include his wife, Constance Lee Turner; children: Chuck Turner (and wife Alex Rozansky) of Long Beach, N.Y.; and Christy Thompson (and husband John Thompson) of High Point; siblings: Mary Sharpe, Jim Turner, and Rosie Chrisco; and grandson, Aidan Elliott Turner.

A service and celebration of his life was conducted at Mitchell's Chapel United Methodist Church in Boonville on Monday, December 19, 2022, with the Rev. Rebekah Ralph officiating.

Shepherd, advocate, mentor, counselor, and friend to all he encountered, the Rev. Turner will be forever remembered for his witness and life of faithful service to Christ and His Church.

Charles M. Turner III



Richard Keith Tutterow

December 16, 1935 – December 26, 2022

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, which made heaven and earth." Psalm 121:1-2 (KJV)

The Rev. Richard Keith Tutterow, 87, of Newland, N.C., died peacefully at his home on the morning of Monday, December 26, 2022.

Rev. Tutterow was born on December 16, 1935, in the Center Community near Mocksville, N.C., to the late Henry Wilson "Bo" Tutterow and Ruth Jarvis Tutterow. He was preceded in death by his brothers Henry Wilson Tutterow Jr. and Junie Martin Tutterow. Family members who remain to honor his memory are his wife Pat Tutterow, son Kirk Tutterow and spouse Cheryl Skinner, son Kevin Tutterow, daughter Kendra Tutterow Sisk, granddaughters Ellen Tutterow and Emmaline Sisk, and sister Harriet Tutterow Jennings.

Keith spent his childhood first in Center and then in Dukeville, N.C., where his father worked at the Duke Energy Buck Steam Station power plant. The family moved back to Center for Keith's senior year at Mocksville High School. Following his graduation in 1953, Keith enlisted in the Army, where he served for two years in the 82nd Airborne Division as a paratrooper. He later enrolled at Appalachian State Teachers College in Boone, N.C., along with his brother Junie. During that time, the brothers worked at Crossnore School Inc. as dorm assistants under the guidance of their uncle, Glenn "Pop" Jarvis, a dorm parent and the principal at Crossnore Elementary School.

Keith planned to be a teacher after graduation. God, however, had other plans, and called Keith to ordained ministry in The United Methodist Church. Keith was licensed to preach and transferred to Emory & Henry College in Abingdon, Va., in the summer of 1959. He was subsequently assigned to serve the six churches on the Warrensville United Methodist Charge in Ashe County where he served from 1959 to 1961. During that time, he met his future wife, Patricia Graybeal, who attended Warrensville UMC along with her parents. Keith graduated from Emory & Henry in May of 1961 with an Artium Baccalaureus degree. Pat and Keith were married on June 25, 1961, and then began married life together as students at Drew University in Madison, N.J. In May of 1964, Pat finished her Bachelor of Arts degree in English and Keith finished his Master of Divinity degree. He later earned a Master of Education Administration degree from Appalachian State University in 1976.

The Rev. Tutterow was admitted on trial and ordained as a deacon by the Western North Carolina Conference in 1962 while in seminary. Following graduation from Drew University, Pat and Keith moved from New Jersey to Newland, N.C., in June of 1964. There, Keith started his first full-time appointment in the conference, serving the five churches of the Elk Park-Newland Charge from 1964 to 1971. After his first year of full-time service, Keith was ordained as an elder in full connection in 1965.

While serving the Elk Park-Newland Charge, Keith served on the Conference Board of Christian Social Concerns from 1968 to 1971 and was the Marion District Director of Religion and Race from 1970-1971. Through his work on these committees, the Holy Spirit opened his eyes to the systemic racism that was present in The United Methodist Church and severely hampering the dream of many to bring the former Central Jurisdiction churches into full integration within the Western North Carolina Conference.

In 1971, Keith made a principled stand on behalf of the Black United Methodist pastors and churches, giving a speech on the floor of the Western North Carolina Annual Conference that called out institutional resistance to integration. Because of his stand, he left parish ministry for a time, and followed his other calling to teach by serving as a principal in the Avery County School System. But even while Keith worked for the public schools, God found a way for him to serve the Gospel of Jesus Christ. One example is that at least five of his former students and one former teacher later became United Methodist ministers.

Mr. Tutterow served one year as an assistant principal at Avery County High School, 10 years at Elk Park Elementary School, and 13 years at Avery Middle School until his school retirement in December 1995. He returned to part-time ministry in 1977, and his appointments included: Banner Elk-Liberty-Piney Grove (Marion District), 1977-1991; Avery Parish Associate, 1991-1996; and Altamont-Jonas Ridge, 1996-2002. He retired from ministry in The United Methodist Church in 2002. In retirement, he served Pisgah United Methodist Church from 2007 to 2013.

Keith's interests included playing ball with his children, drawing and painting, refinishing furniture and making picture frames, working in his Christmas tree fields, spending time with his granddaughters building castles in The Land of Grand and making mudpies on The Bank of the creek, and walking through life hand in hand with his beloved wife Pat.

The Rev. Keith Tutterow's roots are in the red clay soil of the North Carolina piedmont, but the spiritual grounding of his faith is found in the dark soil of the North Carolina High Country. He was a lifelong learner and spiritual seeker who touched many lives with his faith, his example, his spiritual leadership, and his friendship. In serving his dual vocation in ministry and education, he sought to connect God with the people he served and taught. He did this in both word and deed, and with kindness, gentleness, and a generous spirit.

Family, friends, former co-workers, and many others who had been touched by Keith's life and witness gathered at Boone United Methodist Church on January 6, 2023, the Feast Day of Epiphany, to remember and celebrate the life of the Rev. Keith Tutterow. The service was led by the Rev. Patti Connelly and the Rev. Ed Glaize. The gathered congregation sang "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee," "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling," and "For All the Saints." They prayed, cried, laughed, remembered, and celebrated as the Holy Spirit touched everyone present with a renewed commitment to go out into the world in the name of the risen Christ to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God.



Randolph Phillip Waugh
December 19, 1945 – March 16, 2023

The Rev. Dr. Randolph "Randy" Phillip Waugh, son of the Rev. Ray Paschal Waugh and Grace Sprinkle Waugh, was born on December 19, 1945, in Greensboro, N.C. His family's connections were deeply immersed in Western North Carolina Methodism beginning with his father's ordination in 1943. Following in his father's footsteps, Randy felt a strong call to ordained ministry, realizing his life's mission was to proclaim God's word, share the Good News, and nurture disciples of Jesus Christ. Randy spent his early years cultivating a path toward ministry, pursuing his education, and finding a sense of peace and balance on the golf course. He graduated with an Artium Baccalaureus degree from High Point College (now University) in 1968 and was captain of the golf team there in his junior and senior years. Randy then

graduated with a Master of Divinity degree from Duke University Divinity School in 1971. In 1998, he received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from High Point University in recognition of his outstanding commitment to ministry and theology.

Randy was licensed to preach in April 1968 and was welcomed into the Western North Carolina Conference on trial in 1969. He was ordained as a deacon in 1969 and as an elder in full connection in 1972. Randy served the following appointments: Student (Asheville District), 1969-1971; Central (Monroe), 1971-1976; Christ (Greensboro), 1976-1979; Race Street (Statesville), 1979-1983; Memorial (Charlotte), 1983-1989; Mt. Tabor (Winston-Salem), 1989-1997; West Market Street (Greensboro), 1997-2001; Maple Springs (Winston-Salem), 2001-2006. After retiring in 2006, Randy served as a pastor of visitation for several years at Maple Springs UMC, which brought him a great sense of joy and continued purpose.

Throughout his ministry, Randy was admired for his genuine loving compassion for the congregations he served. He pastored with a characteristic warmth and wisdom that truly made the Scripture come alive. Perhaps one of his greatest and most special gifts was his unique ability to share God's word in an approachable and relatable manner through storytelling and through sharing personal experiences of his own unwavering witness of faith. Randy was a kind, loyal, and gentle person in all his endeavors, and he was fully devoted to all aspects of his ministry with a strong emphasis on evangelism and church growth. He wholeheartedly enjoyed preaching, teaching, counseling, leading worship, sharing the sacraments, and visiting with members of his congregations during their times of need. Fully committed to his calling, Randy welcomed others into his churches with consistency and kindness, steadfast as the rising sun, and was able to make churches grow exponentially in attendance and resources. He loved nothing more than seeing sanctuary pews full and bursting at the seams!

While Randy was held in high regard as a pastor, he was also recognized for his natural talents as a leader and administrator. Given his keen gift of vision and stability, he was strategically assigned to churches that were undergoing transformational building projects. Randy viewed his role as a United Methodist minister as an opportunity to serve both those within the church walls and those in the local community. He served on several WNCC committees, including the Board of Directors for the Wesley Foundation (UNCG), Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, Conference Reference Committee, Committee on Call and Disciplined Life (Chair 1982-1988), Committee on Episcopacy, District Committee on Superintendency, District Board of Ordained Ministry (Chair 1990-1996), District Board of Church Location and Building, and Conference Committee on Investigation. Randy also served on the Board of Trustees at High Point University and Greensboro College.

Not only was Randy engaged with the congregations and the committees he served, but he was also equally devoted to his family, especially Brenda Souther Waugh, his wife of 51 years. Randy and Brenda met at his father's parsonage home for a young adult church meeting in 1969, and after that, they were truly inseparable. On June 19, 1971, they were married at Biltmore UMC in Asheville, N.C. Many of their family and friends have shared that they would never see one without the other. It's true that Randy and Brenda shared life and ministry together, always hand in hand, and deeply thankful for that chance meeting years ago. Randy loved his three children, Brian Christopher Waugh (born April 10, 1974), Mark Phillip Waugh (born March 14, 1978), and Kathryn Waugh Ruckart (born February 6, 1989). He also cherished his role as "Pop-Pop" to his grandchildren, Will, Ashley, and Phillip. Randy was a role model to his family and friends, and they deeply admired his compassionate heart, strong sense of integrity, friendly sense of humor, competitive spirit, and wise counsel.

On March 16, 2023, Randy died unexpectedly at his home in Clemmons, N.C. A worship service in celebration of his life and resurrection was held at Centenary UMC in Winston-Salem, N.C., on March 22, with interment in Forsyth Memorial Park. Officiating were the Rev. Dr. Glenn Kinken and the Rev. Jeremy Pegram. Celebrating Randy's life and ministry brings to mind the words from one of his favorite songs, "For Good." The song holds a special message that Randy was often inspired to share with his congregations, friends, and family:

I've heard it said that people come into our lives for a reason, bringing something we must learn, And we are led to those who help us most to grow if we let them, and we help them in return.
...I know I'm who I am today because I knew you...and because I knew you, I have been changed for good.

Those who were fortunate enough to have known Randy feel it is evident that he came into their lives for a reason. He was a master teacher, a nurturer, an encourager, a faithful servant of the Lord, a true disciple of Christ. Randy was called to teach them all something they must learn: to work hard and serve others, live life to the fullest, love unconditionally, and allow their faith to fully permeate all areas of their lives. Oh, how he transformed countless people's hearts for the better through his ministry and genuine love and compassion for all! And without a doubt, as Randy joyfully entered Heaven's door, his family and friends can imagine him saying to Jesus with confidence and praise, "Because I knew you, Jesus, I have been changed for good."



George Clyde Weekley

October 20, 1934 - April 17, 2023

George Clyde Weekley passed away on April 17, 2023, in Sylva, N.C., surrounded by his immediate family: wife, Ellen; son, George Jr.; and three daughters: Patricia, Donna, and Jean.

George was born on October 20, 1934, in Perdido, Ala., to Lebious Verlyn and Leila Mae Havard Weekley. He graduated from Bay Minette High School in 1952. He attended the University of Alabama, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in secondary education with a focus in guidance counseling in 1955. He continued his studies at Duke Divinity School, where he earned a Bachelor of Divinity degree in 1958. The following year was spent in the Pastoral Counseling Program sponsored by Duke University and Duke Medical Center. While at Duke, George met the love of his life and future wife, Ellen Harris, a fellow

Duke student. George and Ellen married in 1959 and moved to Forest Hills, N.Y., where George served as the Minister of Religious Education at the Church in the Gardens for seven years.

George was licensed to preach in 1951, ordained as a deacon in 1954, admitted on trial in 1955 in the Alabama-West Florida Conference, and ordained as an elder and received into full connection in 1961.

In 1966, George transferred to the WNCC, and he and Ellen moved to Cullowhee, N.C., where George served as the Wesley Foundation Director at Western Carolina University for 32 years until his retirement in 1998. In his role as a United Methodist Campus Minister, George served as a liaison between a loving church community and WCU students to help students celebrate God while connecting with each other and the world around them. In campus ministry, the minister stays in place and the student congregation changes every four years. Consequently, George provided an important sense of continuity to the church congregation as he worked closely with Cullowhee UMC, where the Wesley Foundation is housed. During George's time at WCU the campus doubled in size. From the moment he arrived on campus, his pastoral counseling skills were put to use. In his early years at WCU, the university lacked counseling resources. Seated in his favorite rocking chair with a quiet and caring personality, George was the counselor for many students. Similarly, he performed countless weddings for college students and the children of those students. Many former students who knew him are now members of churches with pastors all across the globe. Still, if asked who their minister is, most would reply, "George Weekley." Students from all the generations he touched remember him with love and admiration, as evidenced in the quotes below:

"When I came to WCU as a freshman I was lost. I had no idea what I was doing, who I was or how to navigate college or college life. Will Chittick, a high school friend, invited me to the Wesley Foundation and that is where I met George. George was welcoming and for the next two years gave me love, support, encouragement, laughs, spiritual guidance and most important a home away from home. Love you George and thank you." - Bill Bowen

"George encouraged me to explore, question, and expand my spiritual beliefs. He was a steadying force in both my faith journey and my secular life, and just a wonderful friend overall." - Reatha Adams Andrews

"George was so friendly and gentle. He cared for us all and treated everyone with love and respect. He was like our campus 'Dad.'" - Lisa Whitfield

"George was a mentor as well as a very understanding spiritual person. He enjoyed his students, and it did not matter your religious affiliation, you were always welcome at the Wesley Foundation." - David Raymond

"Having worked with George for some years in the Wesley Foundation and afterwards, I always admired how he made himself available to everyone to listen, encourage and support. His genuine love of the Lord was so evident." - Grace Gallagher Reed

"George Weekley was much more than Wesley Foundation's Director. He was a father figure who cared for you, looked after you, and helped guide you along your way. He allowed students and others to have a safe place to congregate and relax from the everyday struggles of life and academia." - Ronald Glenn Story

"The thing I always remember about George was he always had time for us. And his time was steeped in kindness and not judgmental. For a young kid trying to figure out the world, and where I fit in it, I am eternally grateful for every minute I had with him." - Gary Sain Sr.

"After my father died when I was nine years old, I missed him very much, but did not lack for father figures until I went to WCU. The day I walked into the Wesley Foundation and met George Weekley, I knew I had found the fatherly influence I had been missing at college. Just like a father, he encouraged me when I needed it and straightened me out more than once; but most of all he simply loved me." - Jenny Blackwelder Capps

"George Weekley was the finest man I have ever known. His love for God, God's people, and his energy level knew no bounds. I consider him the mentor I have looked to for over 40 years. Even when I didn't see or talk to him, he was guiding me through his example. He will continue to be a northern star for me on how to be a disciple. George answered God's call and my life was forever changed, just like the lives of so many others." - Lina Green

"George Weekley's impact on my life was more than just one I was fortunate to have in college. During that time, his guidance, care, and loving ways made the Wesley Foundation a place where everyone was welcome and valued, creating a community of faith and friendship. His work showed how Wesley Foundations and Campus Ministry could change the world, one student at a time. I am honored to be one of those students where my closest friends and the values I learned from

him at Wesley still impact my life daily. Personally, George's daily example of how to lead, work and treat others gave me an example of how to be a better person and Christian, and I feel I am still learning from those lessons every day. He was my mentor, friend, and second father; I will miss him dearly." - Roger Justus

George Weekley's professional service was extensive. He was on the National Advisory Committee for Campus Ministry of the UMC; was Director of Campus Ministry of the General Board of Higher Education for the UMC in Nashville, Tenn., for a year; represented the United Methodist Ministry's service projects to Russia; chaired the Jackson County Ministerial Association; and served on numerous boards and agencies for the WNCC. In 1997, George was the recipient of the Francis Asbury Award in recognition of his years of service to campus ministry and higher education. That same year, he also received the Western Carolina University Distinguished Service Award.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Ellen Weekley. He is also survived by their four children: George Weekley Jr., Patricia Lee, Donna Watson (Gary), and Jean Scott; five grandchildren: Allyson Mogush (Chris), Joseph Lee (Sally), Andrew Watson, Tylor Scott (Tabatha), and Ethan Scott; and three great-grandchildren: Barrett Scott, Colter Dean Scott, and Madison Mogush. The great joys of George's life were his family and friends and his ministry. But most important to George was living a life of faith that led to service to others, and he exemplified this by showing up whenever and wherever he was needed.

Tom Frazier



Aubrey Lee Whitley

September 29, 1941 – December 31, 2022

Aubrey Lee Whitley was born on September 29, 1941, in Stanly County, N.C., to the late Lonnie Whitley and Ila Mae Connell Whitley. Aubrey grew up in a rural area with both Methodist and Baptist influences. He attended Stanfield High School, then entered the U.S. Army and was stationed in Washington State and Germany.

Aubrey received an electrical degree from Central Piedmont Community College. In 1983, at age 39, he began a course of study at Duke University and completed this in 1986. Aubrey was licensed to preach in 1981 and was admitted on trial into the Western North Carolina Conference as an associate member and ordained as a deacon in 1988. During his years in ministry, Aubrey's appointments included: Benton

Heights (Monroe), 1981-1982; Ansonville Charge (Ansonville-Cedar Hill-Concord-Salem), 1982-1989; Friendship, renamed Friendship-Oak Grove in 1995 (Albemarle District), 1989-1997; New Hope-Trinity (Albemarle District), 1997-2004. He retired in 2004. The Oak Grove UMC which he served was his home church.

Aubrey married Gail Morgan on May 8, 1965, and together they were the proud parents of a son, Alex Whitley (Lynette), and the proud grandparents of two beautiful grandchildren.

After retirement, Aubrey returned to his home in Stanly County, where he devotedly supported Oak Grove Church. He left behind many friends as God called him home on December 31, 2022, due to COVID pneumonia. His funeral was held on Monday, January 2, 2023, at Oak Grove UMC. He will always be remembered for his love of God and for the help he gave to others.

Gail Whitley



Edwin Winston Williams Jr.

June 22, 1936 — October 22, 2022

Edwin W. Williams Jr., 86, of Johnson City, Tenn., passed away peacefully in the presence of family on October 22, 2022, after a brief illness. The son of the late Edwin W. Williams and Mary Yeates Williams, he was born in Belzoni, Miss., and remained in his heart a true son of the Mississippi Delta.

He was a graduate of Millsaps College (Artium Baccalaureus, 1958), Duke University (Bachelor of Divinity, 1962), and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Doctor of Philosophy, 1972). He also completed graduate studies at the University of Edinburgh and served as a Rotary International Scholar at the University of Hong Kong. Dr. Williams was licensed to preach in September 1954 and ordained as a deacon in the North Mississippi Conference in 1960, beginning to serve in the Western North Carolina

Conference in 1960 as a seminary student. In 1962, he transferred his membership to the Western North Carolina Conference and in 1963 was ordained as an elder and admitted into full connection.

Dr. Williams began his career as a minister at Hickory Ridge Methodist Church in Winston-Salem, N.C., 1962-1964, and Germanton joined the charge for his third year at Hickory Ridge, 1964-1965. He then went to teach at Brevard College in 1965. He had found joy in parish ministry, but this was when college teachers were needed, and this transition came by his bishop's appointment decision. He sometimes teased friends by noting that John Wesley was both preacher and teacher. He also served as an instructor at UNC-Chapel Hill (1972-1973), before moving to East Tennessee State University in 1973. In addition to his teaching as a professor of English, he served as Director of Humanities, Director of Summer Study Tours of England, and as an Assistant Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. He retired in 1999.

He was a member and president of the Faculty Council of the College of Arts and Sciences, and for 16 years he was also a member of its Faculty Senate and its president. In his wider service to the state, he was a member, then the chair, of the Faculty Sub-Council of the

Tennessee Board of Regents, and a member of the Tennessee Historical Records Advisory Board, serving

as an appointment of the governor. Dr. Williams was also an active participant in several learned societies (Modern Language Association, South Atlantic Modern Language Association, Tennessee Philological Association, Popular Culture Association, and others) and read a number of papers at their annual meetings. He also published articles in journals and chapters in encyclopedias and academic journals on the modern novel, especially on his great love, James Joyce.

Dr. Williams was a longtime member of Munsey Memorial United Methodist Church as a member of the Philosophers Class. He served in many capacities there including being a teacher of several different classes. He was a member and president of the Hurstleigh Club of Johnson City. He served on the board of directors for many years of the Wesley Foundation of ETSU and as its chairman. He also served on the board of the ETSU Retirement Association.

He loved sports, whether playing golf or cheering on the Buccaneers or his beloved Carolina Tarheels.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his first wife, Elizabeth (Betsy) Lackey Williams; sister, Rosemary Cloughley; and brother-in-law, Bill Cloughley. Survivors include his much-loved wife, Calvert Hankins Williams; sons, Timothy Yeates Williams (Kristin) and Jonathan Dixon Williams (Misti); step-son, Walter Hankins Mathes (Katya); seven grandchildren, William Webster Southard, Molly (Alder) Southard, Katherine (Kate) Elizabeth Lackey Williams, Elizabeth (Betsy) Ann Williams, Benjamin Barnett Williams, Patricia Bailey Williams, and Thomas Alexander Mathes; brother, Parham Williams; sister-in-law, Norma; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Dr. Williams was laid to rest during a private memorial service at Monte Vista Memorial Park in Johnson City, Tenn.

Bedford Transou and the Williams Family



George Ervin Williams

March 3, 1940 – October 14, 2022

George Ervin Williams was born to the late John Calvin Williams and Edna Knowlton Williams in McDowell County on March 3, 1940. A strong relationship with Jesus Christ characterized George's life from the time he was eight years old. This relationship poured out in everything he did in life, whether through his music, painting, writing, or preaching. George has been described as a "working man's pastor." He loved being involved in the daily lives of his parishioners.

George received an Associate of Arts degree from Western Piedmont Community College in 1974 and a Bachelor of Science degree from Appalachian State University in 1976. George married his true partner in life and ministry, Gaile Campbell, on September 24, 1960. They had three children: Debra Williams Bush

(Brian), born in 1962; Cathy Williams Marshall (James), born in 1965; and John Frederick "Freddie" Williams (Loretta), born in 1972. George loved their six grandchildren and four great-grandsons.

George was originally ordained in 1969 in the Baptist Church, which he faithfully served for 10 years. He felt called to serve in the United Methodist Church and began serving as a local pastor after he was licensed to preach in 1979. He was admitted on trial as an associate member and ordained as a deacon in 1985. He served churches as a pastor for 53 years, up until his death.

George truly enjoyed the call of ministry on his life and kept Christ at the center of everything he did. Whether he was hunting with a parishioner or singing with his wife while holding a revival, George was the same person: consistent, authentic, and kind. Even while in declining health, he prayed with church members, fellow clergy, and family from his bed until he could no longer speak.

George Ervin Williams was a faithful servant of Jesus Christ. He served Baptist Churches from age 29-39, and then began serving through The United Methodist Church. George joyfully served the following appointments: Bollinger's Chapel-Denton's Chapel-Mt. Pleasant (Marion District), 1979-1982; Denton's Chapel-Mt. Pleasant (Marion District), 1982-1986; Providence-Pleasant Grove (Marion District), 1986-1993; Bess Chapel-Bethlehem (Gastonia District), 1993-1999; Collier's (Lenoir), 1999-2003; Zion Memorial-Mt. Pleasant (Morganton), 2003-2015 (retiring in 2004). He then served Mt. Harmony-Burke Chapel in retirement from 2016 until his death on October 14, 2022.

George passed away on October 14, 2022, after battling illness and injuries, with his loving family by his side. A funeral service for George was held on October 18, 2022, with the Rev. David Christy assisting George and Gaile's son, the Rev. Freddie Williams. The service was held at Mount Harmony United Methodist Church in Connelly Springs, where he was also buried.

A true "renaissance man" in ministry will be missed, but we thank God for his faithful witness!

David H. Christy



F. CHRONOLOGICAL ROLL OF DECEASED CLERGY AND DIACONAL MINISTERS

Note: The complete rolls of deceased clergy of the Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, and the Western North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, prior to Unification in 1939, are to be found in the 1939 journal of the Western North Carolina Conference of The Methodist Church, pages 114, 153, and 252.

The complete rolls of deceased clergy of the North Carolina Virginia Conference of The Methodist Church for the period 1964-1967 are to be found in the 1967 journal of that conference, page 55.

The complete rolls of deceased clergy of the Western North Carolina Conference of The Methodist Church for the period between Unification in 1939 and the formation of The United Methodist Church in 1968, including the deceased clergy of the North Carolina Virginia Conference for the 1967-1968 conference year, are to be found in the 1968 journal of the Western North Carolina Conference, pages 363-366.

The journals referred to herein may be found in the Western NC Conference Archives, located at the G.A. Pfeiffer Library, Pfeiffer University, Misenheimer, NC 28109.

Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them. Revelation 14:13

1. FULL CONNECTION

NO.	NAME	BIRTH (Place and Date)	ADMITTED INTO Traveling ministry	DIED (Place and Date)
		Buncombe Co., April 29, 1908		
		Mecklenburg Co., Sept. 29, 1936		
4	M.B. Stokes	Columbia, SC, Dec. 12, 1882	WNC. 1907	
		Randolph Co., Jan. 8, 1888		
6	R.C. Sharpe	Guilford Co., July 27, 1892	NC, 1933	Baltimore, MD, Nov. 4, 1968
7	T.B. Huneycutt	Stanly Co., Feb. 12, 1886	WNC, 1928	Rutherfordton, Nov. 15, 1968
8	C.M. White	Bedford Co., TN, Nov. 25, 1879	BR A, 1914	Statesville, Dec. 31, 1968
		Cleveland Co., Sept. 22, 1898		
10	L.D. Thompson	Gaston Co., Sept. 14, 1880	WTexas, 1907	Charlotte, March 19, 1969
11	R.F. McCallum	Robeson Co., Aug. 5, 1889	NCME	Winston-Salem, April 15, 1969
		Randolph Co., Dec. 1, 1900		
		Ashe Co., Aug. 11, 1884		
		Gaston Co., May 21, 1879		
		Guilford Co., Oct. 10, 1888		
		Randolph Co., Feb. 1, 1919		
		Anson Co., Oct. 20, 1879		
		Ashe Co., Dec. 4, 1878		
		Stokes Co., May 15, 1892		
		Greenville, SC, Aug. 15, 1888		
		Haywood Co., June 12, 1888		
		Ashe Co., Aug. 4, 1881		
		Randolph Co., May 6, 1905		
		Orangeburg, SC, June 21, 1905		
		Randolph Co., Nov. 6, 1893		
		Forsyth Co., May 11, 1901		
		York Co., SC, Aug. 1, 1890		
		Catawba Co., March 21, 1894		
		Laurens, SC, Dec. 20, 1900		
		Flatwoods, TN, Jan. 8, 1882		
		Davie Co., April 23, 1896		
		Davie Co., April 25, 1696		
		Mecklenburg Co., Dec. 22, 1912		
		Burke Co., Sept. 19, 1922		
		Washington, DC, March 3, 1890		
40	F.C. Widenhouse	Cabarrus Co., Sept. 22, 1890	Holston 1917	Greenshoro Ian 18 1973
		Gaston Co., July 14, 1930		
		Union Co., July 19, 1903		
		Lincoln Co., Oct. 18, 1909		
		Gaston Co., Aug. 16, 1914		
46	A.L. Maxwell	Elbert Co., GA, Oct. 22, 1919	NH, 1943	Eden, June 27, 1973
		Davie Co., April 13, 1880		
		Putnam, OH, March 3, 1888		
49	A.W. Lynch	Galveston, TX, Nov. 13, 1892	WNC, 1923	Waynesville, Oct. 20, 1973
		Mecklenburg Co., Oct. 16, 1913		
		Harnett Co., Dec. 19, 1919		
		Lafayette, LA, Feb. 27, 1907		
		Forsyth Co., Jan. 23, 1884		
		Pulaski, VA, Aug. 29, 1930		
		Surry Co., Dec. 8, 1879		
		Cleveland Co., Dec. 2, 1888		
57	M.P. Hughes, Jr		NAIa, 1945	
		Union Co., Feb. 1, 1904		
		Alexander Co., March 12, 1897		
		High Point, June 22, 1929		
		Union Co., Feb. 16, 1915		
		Mount Holly, Sept. 22, 1891		
		Thermal, June 7, 1916Gastonia, July 17, 1914		
		Scaly Mountain, April 7, 1889		
		Henderson Co., July 2, 1882		
		Yancey Co., June 1, 1888		
		Beaufort Co., May 22, 1914		
		Hickory, May 20, 1889		
		Burlington, Jan. 29, 1930		
		Ashe Co., Oct. 12, 1894		
		Robeson Co., April 18, 1900		
		Cabarrus Co., July 10, 1889		
			WNC, 1917	,,,

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79	W.B. Bobbitt		WNC, 1950	Matthews, Sept. 26, 1975
81	D.A. Payne	High Point, Aug. 7, 1924	WNC, 1945	Weaverville, Nov. 29, 1975
85	L.C. Stevens	Depauw, IN, Sept. 28, 1899	BR A, 1927	Asheville, Aug. 16, 1976
86 87	B.L. Baucom M.W. Edwards	Union Co., Jan. 25, 1934	WNC, 1968	Boonville, Aug. 25, 1976
88	J.B. Tabor, Jr	Guilford Co., May 22, 1898	WNC, 1926	Greensboro, Sept. 12, 1976
		Pickens Co., AL, Aug. 3, 1896 Iredell Co., Aug. 10, 1893		
		Guilford Co., June 22, 1911		
92	C.W. Avett	Stanly Co., May 5, 1914	WNC, 1938	Catawba, Nov. 24, 1976
		Burke Co., Aug. 7, 1887		
		Randolph Co., May 26, 1886		
		Alexander Co., Feb. 10, 1883		
98	L.M. Mayfield	Commerce, GA, April 29, 1912	NCME, 1936	Winston-Salem, April 8, 1977
		Mecklenburg Co., Feb. 27, 1903 Cabarrus Co., May 21, 1911		
101	R.D. Ware	Cleveland Co., Sept. 15, 1899	WNC, 1927	Asheville, June 2, 1977
		Haywood Co., Oct. 8, 1886		
		Rockingham, May 6, 1903		
		Seagrove, July 27, 1893		
		Iredell Co., Feb. 20, 1897		
108	W.H. Benfield	Alexander Co., Aug. 8, 1903	WNC, 1931	Statesville, Oct. 23, 1977
		Rowan Co., Dec. 6, 1893		
111	A.C. Waggoner	Forsyth Co., Sept. 23, 1901	WNC, 1929	Clemmons, Dec. 26, 1977
		Mecklenburg Co., Aug. 17, 1925		
		Gatawba Co., March 1, 1926		
		Clay Co., Feb. 25, 1922		
118	H.G. Lanier	Davidson Co., Dec. 12, 1925	WNC, 1947	Winston-Salem, Sept. 9, 1978
119	J.H. Green B F McCracken	Ashe Co., March 16, 1890	WNC, 1914 Holston, 1955	Charlotte, Oct. 4, 1978 Harrodshurg KV Nov 25, 1978
121	C.W. Bailey	Wilkes Co., Feb. 18, 1906	NC C, 1946	
		Guilford Co., March 18, 1912 Dale Co., AL, Sept. 3, 1895		
		Buncombe Co., Oct. 14, 1895		
128	K.W. Clark	New York, NY, Jan. 11, 1898	WNC, 1943	Durham, July 27, 1979
131	H.C. Freeman	Swain Co., Sept. 28, 1891	WNC, 1922	Charlotte, Dec. 4, 1979
132	J.H. Phillips LN Snow	Mecklenburg Co., May 6, 1912 Dobson, Jan. 6, 1897	Balt, 1942 NDak 1927	Durham, Dec. 23, 1979 Mesquite TX Dec. 25, 1979
134	G.B. Ehlhardt	St. Louis, MO, Dec. 5, 1914	WNC, 1943	Dubuque, IA, Jan. 7, 1980
		Davie Co., April 14, 1897		
137	G.M. Phelps	Advance, July 11, 1890	NCME, 1918	Greensboro, July 5, 1980
		Cabarrus Co., Feb. 9, 1892		
		Cleveland Co., June 6, 1898		
		Marion Co., GA, Aug. 29, 1904		
144	W.Q. Grigg, Sr	Cleveland Co., Oct. 9, 1899	WNC, 1928	Charlotte, Feb. 11, 1981
		Rutherford Co., June 28, 1893Randolph Co., Oct. 6, 1897		
147	H.H. Peterson	Ballwin, MO, Oct. 10, 1908	Malaya, 1938	Thomasville, July 14, 1981
		Rockingham Co., May 4, 1896		
150	F.R. Davis	Iredell Co., Aug. 21, 1904	NC, 1932	Rockingham, Jan. 2, 1982
153	E.W. Mills	Iredell Co., Aug. 30, 1896	BR A, 1933	Monroe, May 10, 1982
		Belwood, Aug. 3, 1896		
156	H.L. Blackwelder	Salisbury, April 8, 1906	WNC, 1948	Salisbury, July 16, 1982
		Marion, July 25, 1909		
160	H.T. Penry, Jr	Southmont, Sept. 19, 1925	WNC, 1958	Greensboro, Nov. 12, 1982
163	M.G. Ervin	Iredell Co., Nov. 17, 1897	WNC, 1917	Charlotte, Jan. 4, 1983
		Ansonville, Jan. 4, 1903		
166	E.M. Reagan, Jr	Weaverville, Dec. 9, 1924	WNC, 1953	Bethesda, MD, April 7, 1983
		Sherrills Ford, May 28, 1927		
170	G.A. Hovis	Gaston Co., Oct. 17, 1902	WNC, 1939	Winston-Salem, June 20, 1983
		Albemarle, July 20, 1899		
173	E.C. Black, Jr	Charlotte, Dec. 10, 1928	WNC, 1954	Charlotte, Aug. 12, 1983
		Fayetteville, AL, Aug. 16, 1914		
176	W.L. Crowell	Badin, April 8, 1925	WNC, 1964	Charlotte, Dec. 3, 1983
177		Pikeville, TN, Nov. 2, 1893	WTexas, 1918	Asheville, Dec. 6, 1983
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179	Byron Shankle N.S. Ogburn, Jr	Stanly Co., Dec. 28, 1901	WNC, 1907	Charlotte, Dec. 20, 1983

NO.	NAME F.F. McCallum	BIRTH (Place and Date)Lumberton, April 28, 1891	ADMITTED INTO TRAVELING MINISTRY NOME 1937	DIED (Place and Date) Greenshoro Ech 5 1984
		Greensboro, Aug. 20, 1908		
183	C.A. Pope, Jr	Thomasville, March 9, 1938	WNC, 1963	Shelby, March 22, 1984
		Cleveland Co., July 24, 1897		
		Lincoln Co., July 3, 1915		
187	E.J. Jones	Guilford Co., May 21, 1917	NC C, 1956	Greensboro, June 19, 1984
		Cabarrus Co., July 10, 1905		
		Davidson Co., May 17, 1896 Lawns Co., GA, June 24, 1909		
		Maiden, Feb. 3, 1911		
192	J.Q. Dula	Caldwell Co., Jan. 26, 1895	NCME, 1936	
		Nevada, OH, Dec. 19, 1907		
		Winston-Salem, July 22, 1899 Summerton, SC, April 4, 1904		
		Lawndale, May 27, 1908		
		Morganton, Aug. 28, 1898		
		Grayson Co., VA, Sept. 23, 1887		
		Stokes Co., May 3, 1897		
		Monroe, July 31, 1918		
		Concord, Sept. 14, 1920		
203	M.C. Ellerbe	Richmond Co., June 22, 1902	NC, 1923	Charlotte, July 30, 1985
		Randleman, Aug. 7, 1901		
		Troutman, Sept. 2, 1927		
206	V.K. Masters LS Gibbs Sr	Celo, Dec. 22, 1895	WNC 1919	Charlotte Oct 18 1985
		Bluefield, WV, Dec. 11, 1917		
209	H.R. Simpson	Altoona, PA, Feb. 21, 1915	NC, 1939	Winston-Salem, Dec. 8, 1985
		Punxsutawney, PA, Nov. 13, 1893		
		Baxley, GA, April 9, 1928Vicksburg, MS, July 18, 1915		
214	S.J. Brawley	Iredell Co., Sept. 17, 1892	BR A, 1930	Yadkinville, April 13, 1986
215	F.R. Barber	Rutherford College, Oct. 5, 1908	WNC, 1933	Asheville, April 23, 1986
		Asheville, April 10, 1913		
		Davidson Co., Feb. 18, 1900		
		Stokes Co., July 1, 1922		
221	R.H. Ballard	Asheville, June 1, 1907	WNC, 1966	Yadkinville, June 18, 1986
		Lenoir, April 25, 1891		
		Kincey, AL, Oct. 11, 1919		
		Lincoln Co., March 25, 1902		
227	W.G. Burgin	Old Fort, April 9, 1918	WNC, 1943	Hickory, Dec. 18, 1986
		Fayette Co., AL, April 2, 1923		
		Lumberton, March 24, 1908		
		Statesville, Nov. 27, 1902		
232	R.C. Stephens	Stokes Co., Jan. 20, 1921	WNC, 1955	Winston-Salem, March 12, 1987
		Albemarle, Sept. 11, 1924		
		Reidsville, July 25, 1914		
237	W.H. Weisner, Jr	High Point, Sept. 23, 1947	WNC, 1978	Catawba Co., April 25, 1987
		Buncombe Co., Oct. 10, 1902		
		Delta, AL, Jan. 7, 1921		
		Coshocton, OH, Jan. 22, 1919		
243	O.C. Hatcher, Jr	Williamson Co., TN, June 3, 1936	Montana, 1962	Concord, Oct. 26, 1987
244	P.D. Hunter, Jr		WNC, 1960	Shelby, Dec. 11, 1987
		Asheboro, Oct. 1, 1913		
248	B.B. Bearden	Buckhead, GA, Dec. 15, 1924	WNC, 1966	Mocksville, Feb. 22, 1988
		Forsyth Co., Oct. 4, 1931		
		Burke Co., June 27, 1933		
		Roanoke Rapids, Nov. 2, 1912		
253	L.E. Johnson	Rockingham Co., July 12, 1937	WNC, 1979	Greensboro, May 5, 1988
254	L.F. Ditchfield	Liverpool, England, April 16, 1912	WNC 1968	Buncombe Co., May 8, 1988
		Guilford Co., March 19, 1905		
		Rowan Co., Feb. 1, 1915		
258	I.M. Brendle	Catawba Co., April 14, 1909	WNC, 1956	Charlotte, July 25, 1988
259	C.F. Womble	Chatham Co., July 6, 1903	WNC, 1930	Laurens, SC, July 28, 1988
		Pittsburgh, PA, March 17, 1892		
264	G.W. Thompson	Alamance Co., Oct. 5, 1926	WNC, 1951	Charlotte, Jan. 5, 1989
265	C.J. Huneycutt	Henderson Co., Jan. 11, 1917	NC, 1943	Albemarle, Jan. 24, 1989
		Lockhart, SC, June 24, 1925		
		Pineville, Nov. 20, 1902		
270	R.F. Streetman	Durant, MS, Feb. 11, 1932	NMiss, 1956	Montclair, NJ, June 1, 1989
271	R.H. Lockridge, Jr	Kings Mountain, Sept. 2, 1926	WNC, 1962	Cabarrus Co., June 21, 1989
		Duplin Co., Dec. 27, 1914		
274	R M Hauss		WNC 1922	Charlotte July 31, 1989
		Lexington, May 13, 1923		
		Belmont, April 16, 1930		
277	F.W. Paschall	Warren Co., Sept. 25, 1897	NCMP, 1923	Chattanooga, TN, Aug. 29, 1989
		Montgomery Co., Dec. 16, 1921		
		Jackson Co., Dec. 20, 1901 Columbia, SC, Oct. 3, 1914		
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			WNC. 1939	Winston-Salem, Jan. 3, 1990

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283	J.A. Magnuson, Jr		WNC, 1973	Boone, May 20, 1990
		Alamance Co., Sept. 23, 1906		
		Ashe Co., April 28, 1895		
		Randolph Co., Sept. 25, 1927Albemarle, Dec. 4, 1916		
289	McRae Crawford	Hayesville, May 8, 1903	WNC, 1934	Lenoir, Nov. 7, 1990
		Raleigh, WV, Dec. 18, 1927		
292	S.M. Anderson	Wonsan, Korea, June 20, 1910		
293	N.L. Oliver	Caswell Co., March 4, 1908	WNC, 1946	
		Avery Co., March 21, 1912		
		Alexander Co., Jan. 16, 1899 Morganton, Feb. 5, 1929		
297	P.F. Snider	Davie Co., July 4, 1902	WNC, 1938	Morganton, April 4, 1991
		Alamance Co., Aug. 26, 1920		
		St. George, WV, Aug. 4, 1921		
301	B.W. Clinard	Thomasville, Nov. 1, 1930	WNC, 1967	Greensboro, Sept. 28, 1991
		Halifax Co., VA, Aug. 20, 1906 Lincoln Co., July 16, 1930		
		Columbia Crossroads, PA, Aug. 20, 1924		
305	J.M. Norris	Athens, GA, July 15, 1898	SWMo, 1925	Winston-Salem, Nov. 15, 1991
		Davidson Co., April 15, 1919 Forsyth Co., June 18, 1932		
308	J.C. Grose, Sr	Rutherford Co., March 16, 1901	WNC, 1927	Charlotte, Jan. 24, 1992
		Cleveland Co., Nov. 21, 1897		
		Montgomery Co., Sept. 26, 1912 Emerickville, PA, Aug. 14, 1932		
		Winston-Salem, July 31, 1904		
313	W.G. Biggerstaff	Rutherford Co., March 30, 1929	WNC, 1967	Morganton, April 24, 1992
		Troy, Nov. 26, 1923		
		Surry Co., Aug. 17, 1899 Concord, Nov. 27, 1917		
317	P.W. Townsend	Waynesville, Feb. 14, 1901	WNC 1927	Newland, Aug. 6, 1992
		High Point, Oct. 8, 1920		
321	C.W. Benson	Salisbury, July 8, 1917	WNC, 1943	Charlotte, Oct. 2, 1992
		Yancey Co., May 12, 1920		
		Granite Falls, Oct. 5, 1905		
325	J.R. Morris	Pound, VA, Sept. 28, 1932	WNC, 1956	Hickory, Feb. 24, 1993
		Greensboro, May 29, 1907		
		Hickory, Jan. 15, 1909		
329	J.S. Johnson	Lake View, SC, Sept. 11, 1920	WNC, 1945	High Point, March 22, 1993
		Randolph Co., March 31, 1905		
333	J.W. Fowler, Jr	Monroe, Aug. 26, 1910	WNC, 1938	Greensboro, July 10, 1993
		Thomas Co., GA, June 2, 1916Union Co., Jan. 4, 1909		
		St. Louis, MO, Feb. 4, 1917		
337	J.C. Swaim	Kernersville, July 9, 1908	WNC, 1933	Salisbury, Aug. 6, 1993
338	H.T. Reeves	Greenville, SC, June 12, 1920 Spartanburg, SC, June 8, 1926	SC, 1958	Columbia, SC, Aug. 12, 1993
		Spartanburg, 5C, June 6, 1926		
341	H.C. Austin	High Point, Aug. 25, 1926	WNC, 1949	Charlotte, Sept. 27, 1993
		Towanda, PA, Feb. 16, 1930 High Point, March 8, 1910		
		Dubois, PA, July 6, 1923		
345	E.C. Price	Clay Co., Dec. 4, 1904	WNC, 1936	Murphy, Jan. 4, 1994
		Birmingham, AL, June 26, 1919		
		Hiddenite, March 21, 1907		
		Graham, Sept. 18, 1901		
		Hoke Co., Feb. 21, 1906		
		Albemarle, Oct. 9, 1929		
356	L.P. Barnett	Madison Co., Oct. 1, 1901	WNC, 1931	Charlotte, Nov. 13, 1994
		Reidsville, June 19, 1904		
		Mount Holly, Dec. 30, 1892 Forsyth, GA, Aug. 30, 1916		
360	B.H. Ziglar	Fries, VA, Aug. 11, 1902	WNC, 1955	Statesville, Feb. 15, 1995
		Greenwood Co., SC, Dec. 28, 1907 Lyons, IN, July 17, 1929		
364	A.G. Perkins	Lynn, MA, Aug. 27, 1904	WNC, 1951	Charlotte, July 11, 1995
		Greensboro, May 19, 1927		
		Troy, Aug. 8, 1916 Trenton, TN, Nov. 18, 1900		
368	H.M. Jamieson	Succasunna, NJ, July 22, 1916	NC, 1949	Greensboro, Aug. 8, 1995
		Stokes Co., Oct. 14, 1912		
		Belmont, Dec. 1, 1922		
372	H.L. Marbury	Goodwater, AL, Feb. 22, 1937	ETenn, 1964	Atlanta, GA, Dec. 18, 1995
		Greensboro, July 11, 1923		
376	J.S. Bellamy	Nashville, TN, April 22, 1928	WNC, 1955	Lake Junaluska, June 23, 1996
		Buffalo Valley, TN, Jan. 23, 1911Hiddenite, May 12, 1917		
		Mooresville, Aug. 19, 1934		
381	A.A.W. Stowe	Kings Mountain, Feb. 11, 1914	NC-CJ, 1942	Charlotte, Oct. 25, 1996
		Buffalo, WV, April 23, 1904		
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	C.D. Stokes	Summerton, SC, May 11, 1915 Draper (Eden), Dec. 24, 1920		
		Fulton, MS, Aug. 22, 1909		
388	C.W. Clubb	Gibson, Nov. 15, 1914	WNC, 1971	Loris, SC, Feb. 4, 1997
		Hopkins Co., KY, Dec. 7, 1920		
		Summerfield, Dec. 23, 1919		
		Union Co., March 15, 1922		
		Mount Airy, Oct. 9, 1914		
394	F.L. Andrews	Landrum, SC, April 21, 1921	NGa, 1951	
395	H.B. Hyatt	Anson Co., May 28, 1919Fayetteville, July 7, 1929	NGa 1962	Winston-Salem, May 27, 1997
		Kerrville, Texas, Aug. 25, 1919		
		Cornelius, Dec. 29, 1907		
		Clover, SC, May 26, 1917		
		Winston-Salem, Dec. 16, 1910		
		Commerce, GA, Oct. 15, 1905		
		Watertown, SD, March 29, 1910		
		Alexander Co., Oct. 10, 1907		
		Randleman, April 12, 1913		
408	W.O. Weldon	Camden, SC, March 15, 1911	Upper SC, 1933	Greensboro, March 15, 1998
		Winston-Salem, March 8, 1921		
410	W.L. Middlebrooks, Jr	High Point, Sept. 19, 1953Troutman, May 20, 1921	WNC, 1978	
		Albertville, AL, Feb. 9, 1917		
413	G.G. Adams, Jr	Norwood, June 9, 1924	WNC, 1947	Charlotte, July 25, 1998
		Cheraw, SC, April 15, 1922		
		Mt. Gilead, Aug. 29, 1919		
418	G.E.S. Miller	Stony Point, Dec. 9, 1913	WNC, 1941	Statesville, March 5, 1999
419	D.B. Parker	Lexington, Feb. 5, 1931	WNC, 1955	Charlotte, March 9, 1999
		Transylvania Co., Feb. 2, 1907 High Point, Sept. 14, 1914		
		Troy, Nov. 16, 1914		
423	L.D. Keasey	Frankstown, PA, May 6, 1920	WNC, 1973	Boone, June 7, 1999
424	K.R. Moore, Jr	Durham, Dec. 18, 1949	WNC, 1973	Seattle, Wash., July 4, 1999
425	R.T. Frazier	Knoxville, TN, Sept. 16, 1939Rocky Mount, July 2, 1911	N.Ga., 1965	
		Bessemer City, June 6, 1932		
428	B.F. Stamey	Fallston, June 13, 1929	WNC, 1953	Daytona Beach, FL, Sept. 6, 1999
		Montgomery Co., July 28, 1907		
		Brown Summit, March 3, 1916 Charlotte, Dec. 9, 1908		
		Rockingham Co., Nov. 23, 1900		
		Iredell Co., May 26, 1932		
		Rutherford Co., Sept. 12, 1927		
		Lexington, KY, March 9, 1918		
		Lincolnton, July 16, 1929 Roxboro, Aug. 4, 1901		
		Laurinburg, Aug. 9, 1919		
		Aurora, March 10, 1914		
440	W.L. Lanier	Norwood, Feb. 5, 1906	WNC, 1932	Spartanburg, SC, Jan. 13, 2000
		Lenoir, Jan. 5, 1920		
443	T.A. Langford, Jr	Winston-Salem, Feb. 22, 1929	WNC, 1951	Durham, Feb. 13, 2000
		Lincoln County, May 10, 1912		
		Blacksburg, SC, Jan. 18, 1904 Buncombe Co., May 26, 1927		
		Bishop Hill, IL, Sept. 17, 1907		
448	E.F. Pepper, Jr	High Point, March 21, 1926	WNC, 1953	Wadesboro, Aug. 15, 2000
		Davie Co., Dec. 4, 1914		
		Pine Hill, AL, Jan. 21, 1905		
		Grassy Creek, April 2, 1929		
		Crouse, Sept. 27, 1927		
454	J.T. Frazier, Jr	Anderson, SC, April 23, 1919	WNC, 1948	Easley, SC, Jan. 21, 2001
		Hendersonville, April 16, 1911Landrum, SC, May 26, 1923		
		Randolph Co., Jan. 25, 1915		
459	J.J. Patterson	Rockingham, May 3, 1912	NC-CJ, 1940	High Point, March 28, 2001
		Iredell Co., July 6, 1914		
		Burke Co., Jan. 21, 1930 Cleveland Co., Oct. 6, 1903		
		Gleverand Co., Oct. 6, 1903		
464	J.A. Lowder	Cooleemee, Aug. 22, 1921	WNC, 1943	Charlotte, May 5, 2001
		Salisbury, Sept. 12, 1918		
		Perry Co., AL, June 22, 1910		
		Anniston, AL, Feb. 3, 1919		
469	C.D. Pyatt	Marion, Nov. 26, 1928	WNC, 1950	Salisbury, Aug. 14, 2001
470	J.E. Rink	Salisbury, Nov. 12, 1912	WNC, 1938	Jacksonville, FL, Aug. 18, 2001
		Queens, NY, June 6, 1931 Hickory, May 29, 1925		
474	H.H. Wood	Denton, Aug. 9, 1913	WNC, 1939	Olathe, KS, Nov. 29, 2001
475	C.A. Weller	Lowville, NY, March 5, 1920	WNC, 1969	Pilot Mountain, Dec. 14, 2001
		High Point, Feb. 2, 1913		
478	B.C. Wallace	High Point, Oct. 20, 1912Pine Bluff, AR, Oct. 9, 1910		Greensboro, Jan. 23, 2002
		Winston-Salem, Aug. 29, 1917		
480	W.R. Locke	Manchester, NH, Nov. 20, 1907	NewHamp, 1929	Asheville, March 11, 2002
		Lewisville, Oct. 27, 1916		
		Aaron, MO, Sept. 5, 1914		
		Pinnacle, May 9, 1940		
485	H.R. Wilkinson	Mecklenburg Co., April 20, 1911	WNC, 1956	Charlotte, May 1, 2002
486	W.H. Likins	Louisville, KY, Feb. 7, 1931	Louisville, 1951	Nashville, TN, May 21, 2002

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488	F.H. LeMasters	Neffs, OH, April 11, 1930	East Ohio, 1969	
		Eden, Feb. 2, 1928		
		Columbia, SC, July 1, 1922		
492	F.L. Berrier	Davidson Co., Oct. 4, 1933	WNC, 1966	Winston-Salem, Oct. 22, 2002
		Greenville Co., SC, Aug. 10, 1908		
494	I.P. Rutledge M I Byers	Stanford, AR, July 1, 1918Caroleen, July 25, 1925	WNC 1955	Rutherfordton Ian 25 2003
496	B.W. Stewart, Jr	Charlotte, Jan. 11, 1946	New York, 1972	Gastonia, March 25, 2003
497	J.C. Davis	Shelby, April 25, 1932Atlanta, GA, June 24, 1930	WNC, 1963	Greensboro, March 29, 2003
500	G.H. Godfrey	McDowell Co., Feb. 16, 1937	WNC, 1975	Marion, April 21, 2003
		Union Co., March 27, 1938		
502	D.W. Mashburn	Winston-Salem, Feb. 16, 1913		Winston-Salem, May 31, 2003
504	R.G. Wagoner	Brown Summit, Feb. 2, 1916	WNC, 1943	Taylorsville, June 8, 2003
		Traphill, Sept. 15, 1915Thomasville, July 10, 1920		
508	C.B. Ross	Roxboro, May 21, 1914	WNC, 1939	Winston-Salem, Nov. 14, 2003
		Albemarle, Feb. 16, 1908		
		Henderson, Dec. 7, 1920		
513	D.L. Willis		WNC, 1976	Hermitage, TN, March 19, 2004
		Winston-Salem, June 10, 1953		
516	W.D. Stone	Sharon, WV, Dec. 11, 1926	WestVa, 1956	Greensboro, May 8, 2004
517	C.E. Wright	Brown Summit, Sept. 23, 1935 Oregon Co., MO, Feb. 4, 1922	WNC(AM), 1996	Greensboro, May 12, 2004
519	C.W. Dennis	Athens, TN, March 26, 1904	BR-A, 1928	Florence, SC, June 16, 2004
		Burlington, March 4, 1917		
521	N.C. Bush	Cramerton, Nov. 17, 1920	WNC, 1952 Holston, 1965	Jacksonville, FL, July 28, 2004 Pfafftown, July 31, 2004
523	W.C. Leonard	Lexington, Jan. 9, 1922	WNC, 1949	N. Myrtle Beach, SC, Sept. 7, 2004
		Pinetown, Aug. 28, 1938		
525	H R McSwain	Asheville, March 1, 1929	NF Ohio 1941	Charlotte Sept 20 2004
527	J.R. Hamilton	Norwood, Jan. 3, 1915	WNC, 1939	Lexington, Sept. 24, 2004
		Winston-Salem, March 31, 1945 Durham, March 27, 1924		
		Pelham, April 9, 1919		
531	E.E. Richardson, Jr	High Point, May 31, 1959	WNC, 1988	Climax, Dec. 6, 2004
534	R.F. Swink	Davidson Co., June 1, 1918	WNC, 1946	Charlotte, Feb. 15, 2005
		Charlotte, April 25, 1923		
538	J.W. Lasley	Winston-Salem, July 6, 1924	WNC, 1949	Asheville, May 20, 2005
539	C.A. Rhinehart		WNC, 1954	Winter Park, FL, May 22, 2005
541	M.W. Dulin		NC, 1982	Asheboro, Aug. 16, 2005
		Statesville, July 21, 1915		
		Marlin, TX, Oct. 10, 1914		
545	R.D. Kelly	Rutherford Co., June 15, 1942	WNC, 1984	Hickory, Dec. 31, 2005
		Hiddenite, May 8, 1912Greensboro, July 15, 1928		
		Florence, SC, April 25, 1922		
		Miami, FL, Jan. 9, 1948		
543	R.L. Grant	High Point, Dec. 29, 1923	WNC, 1953	High Point, June 24, 2006
		Nashville, TN, Feb. 26, 1922		
		Stokes Co., Oct. 28, 1923		
547	F.A. Wright	Fallston, April 5, 1909	WNC, 1941	Shelby, Sept. 16, 2006
		Pensacola, FL, March 3, 1945		
		Songdo, Korea, Aug. 23, 1908		
551	A.L. Joyner, Jr	Lexington, Sept. 3, 1946	WNC, 1985	Durham, Nov. 30, 2006
		Vance Co., June 28, 1912Union Grove, Dec. 24, 1908		
		Lincolnton, June 5, 1925		
		Landrum, SC, May 29, 1918		
		Nebraska City, OK, Jan. 10, 1951 Louisville, MS, Aug. 12, 1918		
		Rockingham, Feb. 28, 1928		
		Person Co., Nov. 6, 1916		
562	M.D. Mashburn	Forsyth Co., Dec. 15, 1961	WNC, 1986	Winston-Salem, July 26, 2007
		Lawrenceville, GA, Oct. 9, 1920		
566	P.M. Hart	Morganton, Oct. 26, 1930	WNC, 1962	Hickory, Oct. 7, 2007
		Bristow, OK, Nov. 18, 1913		
570	J.L. McWhorter	Waxhaw, Sept. 4, 1926	WNC, 1954	Asheville, Dec. 25, 2007
		Katy, TX, June 23, 1938		
573	W.G.H. Hawks	Carroll Co., VA, March 24, 1921	WNC, 1959	Mount Airy, Jan. 15, 2008
574		Lexington, July 7, 1921Freedom, PA, July 7, 1928		
		Freedom, PA. July /, 1928		iviatiuti, jati. ∠9, ∠008
575		Charlotte, Sept. 27, 1936	WNC, 1959	
575 576 577	D. Wilkinson		WNC, 1950	The Villages, FL, Feb. 22, 2008

NO. 580	NAME J.W. Crawley	BIRTH (Place and Date)Greensboro, Nov. 30, 1917	ADMITTED INTO TRAVELING MINISTRY NEDESO 1942	DIED (Place and Date)Chapin, SC. April 5, 2008
		Laurel, MS, June 30, 1928		
		Catawba Co., Aug. 21, 1920 Lexington, May 17, 1919		
585	Luther Crady, Jr	Fagus, MO, Dec. 9, 1931	SC, 1964	Winston-Salem, May 28, 2008
		Lawsonville, July 30, 1909		
		Davie County, Feb. 17, 1934		
589	Robert Bunch	Statesville, April 2, 1924	WNC, 1951	Winston-Salem, Oct. 14, 2008
		Cabarrus County, Oct. 19, 1941 Birmingham, AL, July 15, 1917		
		Yadkin County, Sept. 12, 1914		
		Watertown, TN, Nov. 5, 1930		
		High Point, Feb. 3, 1914 Harnett Co., Feb. 19, 1934		
596	James W. White	Burke County, Aug. 26, 1946	WNC, 1984	Valdese, Jan. 21, 2009
		Shawnee, OK, July 27, 1938 Asheboro, Sept. 30, 1922		
		Napoleonville, LA, Feb. 20, 1928		
600	Doris C. Weddington	High Point, April 14, 1926	WNC, 1992	Mooresville, March 23, 2009
		Starkville, MS, March 2, 1942Elkin, Sept. 3, 1946		
		Charlotte, April 12, 1918		
604	Fred Donald Beaty	Belmont, Dec. 27, 1931	WNC, 1955	Concord, May 31, 2009
		Barnwell Co., SC, Sept. 21, 1912 Gastonia, Jan. 24, 1923		
		Burke Co., Nov. 8, 1931		
		Cleveland Co., April 1, 1928		
		Jamestown, May 30, 1927		
		Memphis, TN, Oct. 7, 1936		
		Marion, IN, Dec. 18, 1933		
615	John Wesley Cole	Rutherford County, Dec. 10, 1924	WNC, 1963	Valdese, Jan. 20, 2010
		Belwood, Nov. 3, 1915		
		Pineville, July 6, 1933		
619	Claude L. Campbell, Jr	Onancock, VA, May 28, 1925	SGA, 1953	Gastonia, Feb. 16, 2010
		Porter, IN, April 21, 1928		
		Taylorsville, May 26, 1916Hickory, May 16, 1932		
623	Habakkuk Taylor	Midnight, MS, Feb. 8, 1931	WNC, 1993	Shelby, July 17, 2010
		Mooresville, July 11, 1920		
		Valdese, Sept. 18, 1962 Lexington, Oct. 1, 1924		
627	William H. Phaegin, Jr	Hall Co., GA, July 7, 1926	WNC, 1957	Shelby, Sept. 15, 2010
		Iredell Co., June 26, 1914		
631	Joseph Meek Goode Warner	Greensboro, Dec. 11, 1928	WNC, 1951	Irmo, SC, Oct. 7, 2010
		Kuling, China, May 31, 1919		
634	Richard Douglas Bailey	New York, NY, March 6, 1934	Peninsula, 1957	Charlotte, Oct. 10, 2010
		Bakersville, Nov. 21, 1941		
		High Point, April 15, 1947 York, SC. Dec. 1, 1958		
638	Eugene Clark Johnston	Asheville, Jan. 7, 1927	Virginia, 1957	Asheville, Feb. 15, 2011
		Belmont, Sept. 9 1929		
		Concord, Feb. 10, 1942		
642	George Elton Auman	Biscoe, April 20, 1929	WNC, 1954	Terrell, March 20, 2011
643	Benjamin Franklin Davis	Lawndale, Aug. 14, 1933 Onancock, VA, April 20, 1916	WNC, 1967	Lawndale, April 27, 2011
		Hickory, Sept. 17, 1934		
		Winston-Salem, Oct. 10, 1922		
649	Dayle Gregory Groh	St. Joseph, MO, July 21, 1934	WNC, 1959	Charlotte, Aug. 4, 2011
		Morven, Aug. 28, 1924		
		Gaston Co., March 5, 1917		
653	Lloyd George Hunsucker	Hampton, VA, Aug. 3, 1926	WNC, 1959	Winston-Salem, Nov. 1, 2011
		Salisbury, Jan. 21, 1926		
		Randolph Co., April 16, 1914 Jonesville, March 17, 1916		
657	Henry Samuel Carter	Walkertown, March 17, 1925	WNC, 1948	Winston-Salem, May 12, 2012
		Amarillo, TX, Jan. 19, 1945		
		Belmont, July 5, 1926 Abington, PA, Nov. 7, 1938		
661	Edward Davis Cantor, Jr	High Point, Dec. 15, 1922	WNC, 1969	Charlotte, June 21, 2012
		Habana, Cuba, Sep. 17, 1915 Avondale, July 24, 1926		
		Maiden, June 24, 1921		
665	Charles Adolph Stewart	Greensboro, July 13, 1940	WNC, 1993	Graham, Oct. 14, 2012
		Thomasville, April 24, 1934Reidsville, March 28, 1952		
		Wilmore, KY, Dec. 9, 1917		
669	Joe Alvis Law	Draper, Feb. 7, 1938	WNC, 1961	Winston-Salem, Dec. 15, 2012
		Centerville, AL, June 10, 1934		
672	Julian Astor Lindsey	Leatherwood, VA, May 23, 1913	WNC, 1939	Winston-Salem, Feb. 15, 2013
673	Glynn Aubrey Oglesby	Selma, AL, Jan. 10, 1920	WNC, 1945	Orange Park, FL Feb. 28, 2013
		Candler, Feb. 7, 1924		
		Kansas City, MO, April 19, 1925		
677	Henry Morrison Pollock	Connelsville, PA, Nov. 6, 1920	WNC, 1951	Rockingham, May 2, 3013
		Stanley, Jan. 16, 1930 Louisville, KY, Nov. 9, 1926		
680	Joseph Marion Fulk, Sr	Mt. Airy, July 11, 1027	WNC, 1962	Kannapolis, June 14, 2013
		Dunbar, WV, April 3, 1930		

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682	James Thomas Trollinger	Asheboro, Feb. 8, 1945Siler City. March 15, 1918	WNC, 1968	
		Kings Mountain, March 24, 1925		
		Lincolnton, July 3, 1921		
		Flint, MI, July 17, 1936		
		Pinnacle, Feb. 5, 1931		
		Landrum, SC Sep. 13, 1934		
690	William Tracy Medlin, Jr	Raleigh, Jan. 8, 1916	WNC, 1942	Winston-Salem, Dec. 24, 2013
		Polk Co., Sep. 15, 1917		
		Davisboro, GA., Oct., 21, 1921 Asheville, Sep. 29, 1934		
		Belwood, Sep. 12, 1920		
		Canton, Aug. 7, 1920		
		Greensboro, June 13, 1932		
		Jefferson, Nov. 17, 1935		
600	Louis Miles	Waverly, WV, Nov. 15, 1932	W.Va., 1955	Asheville, April 26, 2014
		Salisbury, Jan. 14, 1934		
		Greenbackville, VA, Aug. 6, 1917		
703	Fred Falls, Jr	Kings Mountain, March 26, 1937	NC, 1964	Gastonia, July 28, 2014
		Lincoln Co., Aug. 7, 1938		
		Winston-Salem, Oct. 9, 1957 Charlotte, June 19, 1943		
		Eufaula, May 15, 1927		
708	James O. Prichard	Hiddenite, Feb. 10, 1921	WNC, 1962	Hiddenite, Oct. 25, 2014
		New Bern, Oct. 1, 1926		
		Brevard, July 3, 1935		
712	Joseph C. Daniels, Sr	Greensboro, Aug. 28, 1926	WNC, 1961	Conway, SC, Nov. 24, 2014
713	D. P. Smotherman, Jr	Murfreesboro, TN, Sep. 4, 1931	Tenn., 1955	High Point, Nov. 29, 2014
		Asheville, Oct. 11, 1947		
		Albemarle, June 29, 1928		
717	R. Harold Strader	Rockingham Co., Oct. 18, 1924	WNC, 1953	Asheville, Dec. 29, 2014
		Charlotte, April 25, 1938		
		Thomasville, Jan. 25, 1925Guilford Co., Nov. 3, 1933		
		Salisbury, Jan. 1, 1946		
722	Boyce Huffstetler	Kings Mountain, Nov. 11, 1930	WNC, 1953	Mooresville, Feb. 9, 2015
		Davidson Co., March 19, 1928 Monroe, Sep. 4, 1931		
		Belmont, April 12, 1930		
726	Russell N. Burson, Jr	Selma, Oct. 3, 1929	N.Ala., 1953	Waynesville, April 29, 2015
		Easley, Aug. 11, 1920		
		High Point, Nov. 21, 1938		
		Forest City, Feb. 6, 1945		
		Lexington, Feb. 17, 1949		
		Bakersville, July 19, 1939		
735	J. Edward Maddox	Marshall, MO, Sept. 9, 1945	GNJ, 1969	Sherrills Ford, Oct. 14, 2015
736	James W. Fowler III	Reidsville, Oct. 12, 1940 East Bend, Jan. 29, 1929	Nwrk, 1964	Decatur, GA, Oct. 16, 2015
738	Lillie M. Jones	Brevard. Dec 8. 1942	WNC, 1958	
739	Zane G. Norton	Raeford, April 16, 1924	WNC, 1952	Concord, Oct. 27, 2015
		Salisbury, May 17, 1923		
		Greensboro, Jan. 17, 1936		
		High Point, July 30, 1928		
		Wayne Co., May 28, 1940		
		Statesville, Sept. 21, 1919		
748	Harley M. Williams	Concord, Oct. 24, 1920	WNC, 1944	Asheville, March 4, 2016
		Matthews, June 20, 1921 Burlington, April 10, 1938		
		Dry Fork, VA, July 2, 1934		
752	Henry A. Justice	Alexander, Nov 1, 1935	WNC, 1959	Charlotte, April 23, 2016
		Thomasville, Sept. 18, 1924		
		Raleigh, June 5, 1947Farmer, July 19, 1931		
		Lumberton, August 11, 1931		
		Lexington, March 17, 1929		
		Yadkinville, March 13, 1928Troy, January 4, 1932		
		Maiden, August 2, 1931		
760	James R. Faggart	Landis, October 20, 1935	WNC, 1959	
		Gadsden, AL, September 6, 1949		
		New Orleans, LA, March 7, 1926 Catawba, January 17, 1930		
		Dillon, SC, August 12, 1930		
		High Point, April 18, 1929		
		Greensboro, April 5, 1931Christiansborg, Ghana, June 8, 1935		
		Kannapolis, September 26, 1928		
769	Mark S. Denton	Salisbury, June 13, 1954	WNC, 1987	Mocksville, June 12, 2017
		East Spencer, Feb. 20, 1931		
		Randolph County, Feb. 9, 1933Statesville, Aug. 5, 1931		
773	Charles L. Adams	Elkin, May 12, 1937	WNC, 1968	Greensboro, Oct. 14, 2017
774	James M. Armstrong, Sr	Belmont, Aug. 23, 1931	WNC, 1954	Charlotte, Oct. 22, 2017
		Greensboro, April 26, 1954Charleston, WV, Sept. 18, 1941		
		Bostic, June 28, 1916		
778	Robert T. McLawhorn	Cabarrus County, July 27, 1945	WNC, 1991	Salisbury, Dec. 11, 2017
		Greenville, Dec 2, 1933		
100	IVIIIIIIIE D. DAVIS	Laurens, SC, Oct. 27, 1945		
	Bernard R. Fitzgerald	Lexington, Oct. 28, 1924		Charlotte, Feb. 22. 2018

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		Monroe, June 18, 1919		
		High Point, Oct. 22, 1957		
		Belwood, June 5, 1932		
		Asheboro, April 21, 1930		
		Shelby, Nov. 12, 1945Greensboro, July 21, 1933		
		Bolton, September 16, 1946		
791	Joe L. Ervin	Asheville, September 18, 1929	WNC, 1950	Lincolnton, August 29, 2018
792	William H. Osborne Jr	Asheboro, April 22, 1942	WNC, 1965	Salisbury, September 19, 2018
		lredell County, October 27, 1945		
		Weaverville, April 02, 1931		
		Wadesboro, June 12, 1932		
		Atlanta, GA, September 05, 1944		
		Thomasville, January 28, 1941Cleveland, OH. September 29, 1931		
		Portsmouth, VA, December 13, 1944		
801	Elizabeth L. Graves	Colorado Springs, CO, April 27, 1960	WNC, 1987	Lake Junaluska, November 27, 2018
		Elmira, NY, April 10, 1943		
		Richton, MS, August 14, 1936Sims, March 24, 1928		
		Randleman, June 14, 1927		
		Beckley, WV, May 17, 1933		
		Meadville, PA, October 24, 1931		
		Newton, April 04, 1939		
		Charlotte, February 18, 1934		
		Kinston, November 13, 1939		
812	Keith W. Bingham	Charlotte, June 28, 1951	WNC, 1974	
		Barnardsville, May 11, 1925		
		Andrews, April 27, 1934		
816	James E, Smith	Wayne County, IN, January 16, 1942	NC. 1962	
817	Carl B. Barr Jr		WNC, 1953	Gastonia, September 14, 2019
818	Donald S. Stanton	Baltimore, MD, June 08, 1932	Balt, 1954	Lake Junaluska, October 30, 2019
		Concord, April 03, 1934		
		Asheboro, July 25, 1925		
		Lincolnton, March 17, 1948		
		Columbia, SC, March 21, 1952		
		Blackstone, VA, September 29, 1935		
		Detroit, MI, May 29, 1943		
		Charlotte, December 20, 1938		
828	Richard L. Ogburn	Greensboro, April 20, 1942	NC, 1969	Statesville, June 23, 2020
		Lynchburg, VA, October 10, 1954		
830	Jerry D. Murray	Maiden, June 26, 1925	WNC, 1948	Winston-Salem, July 15, 2020
		Winston-Salem, January 26, 1926		
833	Johnnie G. Boyd Jr	Jamestown, July 05, 1929	WNC, 1976	High Point, August 25, 2020
834	Lawrence E. Barden		WNC, 1953	Kannapolis, September 01, 2020
		Hickory, December 19, 1924Stony Point, July 23, 1933		
		Caldwell County, October 31, 1939		
838	Sara C. Elliott		WNC, 1988	Charlotte, December 31, 2020
		Statesville, October 21, 1936		
		Marion, January 08, 1927		
		Randolph County, February 11, 1928		
		Bonham's Landing, LA, January 16, 1925		
		Greenville, SC, April 09, 1945		
		Hickory, November 07, 1961		
		Thomasville, April 03, 1931Concord, August 29, 1947		
		Weldon, November 03, 1931		
849	Claude J. Kayler	Hendersonville, October 20, 1962	WNC, 1987	Lake Junaluska, July 16, 2021
		Rutherford County, December 31, 1959		
		Salisbury, Rhodesia, June 28, 1933Asheville, March 08, 1929		
		Hickory, June 19, 1925		
854	Boyd M. Holliday	Brevard, December 31, 1949	WNC, 1974	Lake Junaluska, September 06, 2021
		Wilmington, March 16, 1946Antigua, December 23, 1936		
		Eden, March 26, 1940		
859	C. Richard Johnson Sr	Gastonia, April 19, 1941	WNC, 1994	Gastonia, December 12, 2021
		Walkertown, April 25, 1933		
		Seneca, SC, July 25, 1951		
863	J. Rodney Fulcher	Craven County, January 30, 1933	NC. 1957	High Point, January 02, 2022
		Sylva, May 15, 1932		
865	Jack J. Early	Corbin, KY, April 12, 1925	SDak, 1952	Louisville, KY, January 22, 2022
		Charlotte, October 12, 1949		
		Mount Pleasant, January 19, 1929		
869	James A. Raines	Augusta, GA, November 06, 1935	WNC, 1961	Greensboro, March 02, 2022
870	Carl F. Dunker	Cairo, IL, November 27, 1929	CIII, 1953	Asheboro, March 07, 2022
		Charlotte, December 23, 1964		
		Marion, IN, August 21, 1961 Edgecombe County, June 02, 1945		
		Forsyth County, January 15, 1934		
875	Lewis C. Gibbs	Lenoir, January 12, 1936	WNC, 1968	Asheville, April 17, 2022
		Carbondale, PA, December 13, 1951		
	E. Wannamaker Hardin Jr	Winston-Salem, August 27, 1940		
878	Edwin G. Needham	Charlotte, August 22, 1933		
878 879	Edwin G. Needham George M. Coates		WNC, 2012	Charlotte, July 28, 2022
878 879 880 881	Edwin G. Needham George M. Coates Robert C. Peurifoy Walter H. McKelvey	Lawndale, November 04, 1953		Charlotte, July 28, 2022 Sugar Grove, August 10, 2022 Columbia, SC, August 15, 2022
878 879 880 881 882	Edwin G. Needham	Lawndale, November 04, 1953Concord, May 06, 1951	WNC, 2012 WNC, 1975 SC-CJ, 1963 WNC, 1967	

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885Charles W. Sisk	Burke County, September 18, 1927	WNC, 1959	Morganton, October 09, 2022
886Robert L. Moore	Rutherfordton, May 07, 1935		Sylva, October 18, 2022
887Edwin W. Williams Jr	Winston-Salem, June 22, 1936	NMiss, 1960	Johnson City, TN, October 22, 2022
888Raymond O. Hall	Athens, TN, August 10, 1940	Hol, 1972	Stanfield, November 02, 2022
889George D. King	Yonkers, NY, November 09, 1928	NAIa, 1952	Macon, GA, November 06, 2022
	Cincinnati, OH, July 25, 1928		
891Charles M. Turner	Gastonia, January 10, 1940	WNC, 1971	Mocksville, December 09, 2022
	Canton, December 06, 1929		
893R. Keith Tutterow	Davie County, December 16, 1935	WNC, 1962	Newland, December 26, 2022
	Charlotte, September 19, 1933		
	Winston-Salem, May 06, 1932		
	Waynesville, December 24, 1946		
897Kenneth A. Horn	Philadelphia, PA, June 17, 1928	WNC, 1952	Charlotte, February 23, 2023
	Tallahassee, FL, April 01, 1941		
	Albemarle, June 20, 1929		
	Winston-Salem, May 24, 1929		
	Greensboro, December 19, 1945		
	Perdido, AL, October 20, 1934		
	Guilford County, March 15, 1955		
	High Point, June 26, 1942		
905Philip A. Pharr	Statesville, August 05, 1939	WNC, 1962	Boone, May 17, 2023

2. PROVISIONAL MEMBERS

		BIRTH	ADMITTED INTO	DIED
NO.	NAME	(Place and Date)	PROVISIONAL MEMBERSHIP	(Place and Date)
1	P.L. Wilkins, Jr	redell Co., July 15, 1932	WNC, 1969	Mocksville, Sept. 1, 1970
2	D.R. Halliburton	Miami Beach, FL, Aug. 12, 1944	WNC, 1994	Asheville, May 14, 1997
3	R.R. Kingston	Laurel, MS, Oct. 31, 1954	WNC, 2000	Shelby, July 7, 2002
4	K.M. Day	Erie, PA, Jan. 26, 1955	WNC, 2002	Randleman, Dec. 27, 2002
5	Robert Allen Ingram, Jr	High Point, June 26, 1960	WNC, 2008	Harmony, May 13, 2011
6	Anne Collins Musselman	Baltimore, MD, Sep. 8, 1938	WNC. 1998	Decatur. GA. Dec 12, 2015

3. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

		BIRTH	ADMITTED INTO	DIED
NO.	NAME	(Place and Date)	ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP	(Place and Date)
		Rowan Co., Sept. 7, 1915		
		Clay Co., WV, Aug. 10, 1918		
		Pacolet Mills, SC, April 9, 1914		
		Catawba Co., Jan. 18, 1906		
		Bennettsville, SC, Oct. 18, 1910		
		Burke Co., Jan. 13, 1906		
		Rowan Co., July 18, 1902		
		Dillsboro, March 18, 1904		
		Stokes Co., April 26, 1902		
		Rockingham, April 17, 1901		
		Burnsville, April 20, 1901		
		Lawndale, Feb. 1, 1916		
		Albemarle, Jan. 29, 1915		
		Asheboro, March 20, 1922		
		Rockingham Co., Feb. 2, 1935		
		Gastonia, Feb. 4, 1918		
		Taylorsville, June 18, 1915		
		Madison Co., April 21, 1909		
		Rutherford Co., March 4, 1908		
23	R.L. Crook	Rowan Co., Feb. 12, 1922	WNC, 1974	Winston-Salem, Aug. 15, 1988
		Washington, GA, Oct. 1, 1910		
		Huntersville, June 8, 1922		
27	D I Eccony		WNC 1969	Kings Mountain Nov. 20, 1990
		High Point, March 21, 1918		
		Cramerton, March 15, 1928		
		Edgecombe Co., Oct. 13, 1925		
		High Point, Jan. 25, 1908		
32	J. Leonard	New York, NY, June 10, 1914	WNC. 1977	Seminole, FL, July 12, 1993
		Iredell Co., Nov. 2, 1917		
		Iowa City, Iowa, June 4, 1909		
		Franklin, May 9, 1912		
		Thomasville, April 30, 1924		
		Asheboro, Dec. 6, 1918		
		Lincoln Co., July 6, 1934		
		Whittier, March 15, 1917		
		Huntersville, Feb. 7, 1916		
		Pittsburgh, PA, Aug. 8, 1916		
		Minneapolis, MN, June 14, 1912 Lando, SC, Dec. 22, 1911		
		Concord, Oct. 5, 1909		
		New Castle, PA, Nov. 4, 1915		
		Greenwood, DE, April 9, 1910		
		Surry Co., Nov. 29, 1941		
49	F.R. Loflin	Davidson Co., May 14, 1910	WNC. 1969	Denton, Feb. 23, 2001
		Forsyth Co., Oct. 3, 1929		
51	H.H. Mandel	Norfolk, VA, Sept. 30, 1915	WNC, 1971	Monroe, Aug. 4, 2002
		Pageland, SC, Aug. 18, 1918		
		Midland, March 11, 1932		
54	R.L. Burnett	Rutherford Co., Dec. 15, 1935	WNC, 1985	Hamptonville, April 7, 2004
		Cherokee Co., SC, Nov. 22, 1914		
		Tazewell Co., VA, May 13, 1938		
		Davidson Co., June 23, 1917		
		Union Co., Aug. 3, 1934		
		Gharlotte, Aug. 21, 1924		
		Lawndale, Dec. 15, 1921		
		Mountain Park, July 22, 1936		
		Burke Co., Aug. 28, 1924		
		Lexington, Aug. 12, 1925		
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		BIRTH	ADMITTED INTO	DIED
NO.	NAME	(Place and Date)	ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP	(Place and Date)
		Welcome, June 7, 1920		
67	E.C. Kincaid	Nallen, WV, Dec. 2, 1927	WNC, 1987	Gastonia, May 26, 2009
		Guilford County, July 24, 1911		
69	K. G. Fansler	Winston-Salem, Feb. 26, 1926	E. PA, 1971	Pawleys Island, SC, Jan. 26, 2010
		Stuart, VA, April 27, 1925		
		Mulga, AL, March 13, 1940		
		Winston-Salem, April 1, 1928		
		Gaston Co., Aug. 12, 1930		
		Todd, July 17, 1925		
		High Point, May 9, 1911		
		Brookhaven, MS, April 26, 1929		
		Ashe Co., Jan. 5, 1941		
		Greensboro, Oct. 22, 1944		
		High Point, Sep. 7, 1940		
		Shelby, July 15, 1955		
		Cabarrus Co., March 17, 1943		
82	Arelin R. Freshour	Hot Springs, Aug 28, 1926	WNC, 1969	Marion, Dec 22, 2015
		Marion, Oct. 14, 1944		
		Chechon, South Korea, April 4, 1939		
		Asheville, June 17, 1926		
		Rowan County, KY, April 18, 1944		
		Kearney, NE, September 18, 1937		
		Newark, NJ, September 21, 1937		
		Asheville, December 13, 1920		
		High Point, September 14, 1927		
		Rutherford County, April 20, 1944		
		Greensboro, March 06, 1937		
		Shelby, February 26, 1956		
		Warren County, GA, May 06, 1928		
		Chicago, IL, November 17, 1936		
		Montgomery County, December 13, 1935		
97	Homer C. Dawkins	Guilford County, July 16, 1942	WNC, 2002	Greensboro, September 25, 2021
		Ashe County, September 21, 1937		
		Stanly County, January 27, 1951		
		Durham, April 24, 1931		
		McDowell County, March 03, 1940		
102	Aubrey L. Whitley	Stanly County, September 29, 1941	WNC, 1988	Mount Pleasant, December 31, 2022

4. LOCAL PASTORS

NO.		BIRTH	YEAR	DIED
NO.	NAME	(Place and Date) 	LICENSED	(Place and Date)
		Cabarrus Co., Nov. 12, 1907		
		Forsyth Co., July 18, 1906		
		Davie Co., May 12, 1906		
		lredell Co., June 10, 1914		
		Ashe Co., May 10, 1890		
		Delphos, OH, Dec. 9, 1905		
		Madison Co., April 1, 1892		
		Anderson, SC, April 29, 1907		
		Transylvania Co., July 18, 1899		
		Trov. Feb. 14. 1902		
		Madison Co., April 4, 1892		
		Surry Co., Nov. 15, 1904		
		Guilford Co., Sept. 10, 1897		
		Chicago, IL, Oct. 25, 1933		
		Somerset, KY, April 17, 1891		
		Catawba Co., April 17, 1891		
		Spartanburg, SC, Sept. 22, 1914		
		Rogersville, TN, Nov. 14, 1911		
		Mitchell Co., June 25, 1888		
		Summerfield, Sept. 1, 1898		
		Yadkinville, Jan. 19, 1890		
		Kernersville, May 26, 1916		
		Stanley, July 12, 1894		
		Sparta, Feb. 6, 1899		
31	Ο Δ Withers Sr	Stokes Co., July 21, 1898	NC-CI 1949	Winston-Salem Feb 1 1986
		Randolph Co., Jan. 25, 1947		
		Asheboro, March 20, 1939		
		Reidsville, Aug. 6, 1895		
		White Plains, NY, Sept. 21, 1948		
		Salisbury, Oct. 10, 1909		
		Catawba Co., Feb. 5, 1914		
		Rockingham Co., June 5, 1903		
		Wilkes-Barre, PA, April 24, 1913		
42	R.E. Robinson	Lincoln Co., June 17, 1923	WNC. 1982	Albemarle, Jan. 7, 1996
43	S.J. East	Pilot Mountain, Jan. 25, 1906	NC-CJ, 1958	Winston-Salem, May 4, 1996
44	L.C. Morton, Sr	Boothbay Harbor, ME, June 8, 1914	WNC, 1965	Columbus, Jan. 7, 1997
45	B.C. Miller	Rural Hall, Dec. 15, 1919	NC-CJ, 1953	Rural Hall, July 6, 1997
46	F.L. Brooks	Union Co., Sept. 17, 1916	WNC, 1962	Albemarle, Aug. 26, 2000
47	M.J. Snider	Greensboro, April 13, 1916	WNC, 1951	Morganton, June 18, 2001
48	R.T. Griffin, Jr	Jacksonville, FL, June 21, 1930	WNC, 1990	Greensboro, Sept. 8, 2001
49	L.L. Wade, Sr	Winston-Salem, March 1, 1934	WNC, 1993	Winston-Salem, Oct. 4, 2001
		Reidsville, June 19, 1921		
		High Point, Oct. 8, 1931		
		Lenoir, March 18, 1930		
53	Charlie Houston, Jr	Mecklenburg Co., April 10, 1925	WNC, 1985	Mooresville, July 27, 2004
		Leicester, Oct. 10, 1926		
54	D.R. Frye	Forest City, June 26, 1937	WNC, 1994	Cornelius, July 27, 2007
55	H.M. Kiser	Gaston Co., Aug. 21, 1918	WNC, 1965	Lincolnton, Feb. 10, 2008
		Robeson Co., May 7, 1955		
		Waynesville, April 26, 1943		
		Graham, Dec. 29, 1966	WIND DOOD	

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		BIRTH	YEAR	DIED
NO.	NAME	(Place and Date)	LICENSED	(Place and Date)
59	Alvin G. Jones	Mecklenburg Co., Aug. 13, 1923	WNC, 1957	Lincolnton, Sept. 23, 2009
60		Lincoln Co., Sept. 17, 1940		
61	Mike D. Roseman	Concord, April 18, 1955	WNC, 1992	Kings Mountain, Sept. 19, 2010
62	Lee Roy Hunt	Asheboro, March 28, 1928	WNC, 1958	Asheboro, Oct. 20, 2010
		Surry Co., Dec. 4, 1949		
		Detroit, MI, Nov. 27, 1918		
		Iredell Co., July 21, 1941		
66	Ethel Lorena Kincaid	Morganton, June 10, 1931	WNC, 1997	Valdese, Sept. 5, 2012
		Forest City, Oct. 16, 1932		
68	James Wilson Finney	Yadkin County, March 9, 1933	WNC, 1974	Charlotte, Dec. 11, 2012
69	Robert Baxter Arnold	Lexington, May 7, 1925	WNC, 1991	Charlotte, April 29, 2013
70	John Powell Deason, Jr	Parish, AL, April 12, 1926	WNC, 1980	Dobson, Sept. 30, 2013
		Boone, July 13, 1931		
72	David Carter Arledge	Shelby, Aug. 9, 1951	WNC, 2001	Charlotte, Dec. 10 2013
73	Neville Brandon Storey	Albemarle, Aug. 26, 1935	WNC, 1985	Salisbury, Jan. 4, 2014
74	Donald R. McCorkle, Sr	Gastonia, Jan. 17, 1938	WNC, 2000	Charlotte, April 9, 2014
75	Daniel D. Tapp	Spartanburg, Jan. 13, 1965	WNC, 2008	Connelly Springs, Sep. 5, 2014
76	C. Dennis Brown	Asheville, July 22, 1944	WNC, 2005	Leicester, Jan. 4, 2015
77	Kelly B. Ottinger	Gastonia, Jan. 21, 1959	WNC, 2001	Charlotte, Jan. 22, 2015
78	Shirley M. Allcorn	Pittsburgh, May 27, 1930	WNC, 2002	Chattanooga, TN, March 10, 2015
79	Jerry L. Reid, Sr	Lenoir, May 24, 1950	WNC, 2003	Lenoir, April 8, 2015
80	Raymond O. Endicott	Evansville, Feb. 16, 1924	WNC, 1960	Asheville, May 7, 2015
81	Kermit E. [Ebb] Shoaf	Davie Co., Dec. 28, 1931	WNC, 1972	Statesville, May 11, 2015
82	Tracie C. Rose	South Charleston, WV, Aug. 21, 1954	WNC, 2010	Matthews, May 13, 2015
83	Talmadge C. Cheek, Jr	Winston-Salem. April 26. 1951	WNC. 2008	Durham. Oct. 25, 2015
84	Charles B. Walker	Trinity, Jan. 18, 1920	WNC, 1958	Trinity, Feb. 14, 2017
		Shelby, Sept. 9, 1953		
86	Patt J. Miller	Union County, May 23, 1937	WNC, 1996	Chattanooga, TN, July 29, 2017
87	R. Lee Eakes	Nash County, Feb. 27, 1931	Hol, 1991	Horse Shoe, Oct. 29, 2017
88	Hugh W. Russell, Jr	Cocke County, TN, June 22, 1953	WNC, 2013	Clyde, Dec. 22, 2017
89	Panzie M. Stevens	Garrard County, KY, October 04, 1934	WNC, 1991	Charlotte, July 11, 2018
90	G. A. Preslev	Somerset, KY, February 04, 1950	WNC. 2010	Newton, October 19, 2018
		St. Petersburg, FL, October 26, 1940		
92	Paul A. Sears	Los Angeles, CA, April 13, 1956	WNC. 2008	Franklin, December 24, 2018
93	Kelly A. Creekmur	New Brunswick, NJ, July 16, 1951	WNC. 2009	Lenoir, February 10, 2019
		Parkersburg, WV, August 04, 1961		
		Raleigh, December 17, 1937		
		Statesville, June 26, 1946		
		Oakland, March 15, 1933		
		Blue Ridge, GA, October 08, 1948		
		Lexington, January 04, 1927		
		Shelby, September 27, 1945		
		Salisbury, December 05, 1945		
		Forsyth County, June 25, 1935		
104	R. Glenn Camp	Henderson County, November 18, 1938	WNC. 2000	Hendersonville, March 26, 2021
105	Edwin Worley	Madison County, May 19, 1942	WNC. 1976	Leicester. August 23, 2021
		Reidsville. June 25. 1943		
		Iredell County, November 12, 1941		
108	Paul B. L. Revere	Trenton, NJ, September 02, 1950	WNC. 2005	Charlotte, December 14, 2022
109	Glenda M. Bramlet	Los Angeles, CA, January 25, 1954	WNC. 1999	Lawndale, April 06, 2023
		Lincolnton, September 14, 1952		
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5. DIACONAL MINISTERS

		BIRTH	CONSECRATED	DIED
NO.	NAME	(Place and Date)	DIACONAL MINISTER	(Place and Date)
1	W.S. Farrow	Washington, DC, Feb. 6, 1915	WNC, 1977	Charlotte, February 27, 1982
2	C.J. Burtner	Butler, PA, Jan. 12, 1922	MoW, 1977	Asheville, September 2, 1986
3	C.P. Gabriel	Catawba Co., Feb. 18, 1929	SC, 1977	Winston-Salem, May 22, 1991
4	W.R. Edwards	Catawba Co., April 13, 1918	WNC, 1977	Winston-Salem, July 28, 1996
5	M.C. Morgan	Hickory, Dec. 12, 1914	WNC, 1977	Hickory, March 18, 1998
		Somerset, KY, June 24, 1931		
7	Jonell Robinson	Waycross, GA, Dec. 26, 1923	WNC, 1977	Boone, December 18, 2003
8	D.J. Bowman	Brown Summit, March 14, 1934	WNC, 1977	Greensboro, June 18, 2006
9	M.E. Bethea	Wilmington, June 15, 1916	WNC, 1977	Asheville, March 10, 2007
10	Z.E. Barnhardt	Lenoir, July 13, 1914	WNC, 1977	Winston-Salem, August 8, 2007
11	John Borchert	Ridgeley, WV, July 5, 1928	WNC, 1977	Charlotte, October 4, 2008
12	Doris Cornelius	Union Co., Dec. 13, 1927	WNC, 1977	Union Co., September 24, 2009
13	Susan Felder Osterberg	Brookhaven, MS, May 7, 1968	WNC, 1996	Dobson, May 30, 2011
		Leesville, SC, Nov. 16, 1914		
15	Marion Craig Nifong Clarke	Wadesboro, March 29, 1917	WNC, 1977	Charlotte, February 17, 2012
16	William Henry Jordan	Davisboro, GA, July 20, 1925	WNC 1977	Greer, SC, December 18, 2012
17	Sarah Lou Reynolds Dixon	Winston-Salem, Nov. 26, 1933	WNC, 1991	Winston-Salem, March 25, 2014
18	Ann Tyler	Athens, AL, June 9, 1922	Okla., 1977	Charlotte, November 18, 2014
19	Jean Marie Morgan	Karns City, PA, May 24, 2027	WNC, 1977	Asheville, September. 26, 2016
20	Mary Margaret Houk	Morganton, January 11, 1930	WNC, 1978	Asheville, January 20, 2017
		Sioux City, IA, December 12, 1932		
		Laurel, MS, December 25, 1923		
23	Peggy L. Hina	Fleming, KY, December 04, 1935	WNC, 1977	Brevard, December 03, 2020
24	Edward W. Allred	Greensboro, May 17, 1941	WNC, 1997	McLeansville, November 17, 2021

C. HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Western North Carolina Conference shall include all North Carolina west of the North Carolina Conference, except Savannah Church, in Alleghany County, North Carolina; and also that part of North Carolina lying north of the New River, and including that part of Virginia lying south of that river in the loop in Grayson County, Virginia; including all the territory in Carroll and Patrick Counties, Virginia, south of the crest of the Blue Ridge, and west of the Dan River. (*Discipline*, 1948, ¶ 1957)

This territory is identical with that of the Western North Carolina Conference of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South. All three branches of Methodism forming The Methodist Church were included in this new conference. From the Blue Ridge-Atlantic Conference of the former Methodist Episcopal Church came 39 ministers and 11,901 church members. The North Carolina Conference of the former Methodist Protestant Church contributed 74 ministers and 22,361 church members. The Western North Carolina Conference of the former Methodist Episcopal Church, South, added 377 ministers and 167,028 church members. This gave the new conference 490 members, with 28 others on trial, and 201,290 church members. The Blue Ridge-Atlantic Conference has held 62 sessions; the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church, 112; and the Western North Carolina, 50 (see *Journal*, 1939, pp. 115, 169).

The Western North Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church was formed on June 5, 1968, by the merger of the Western North Carolina Conference and that portion of the North Carolina-Virginia Conference situated within the bounds of the Western North Carolina Conference (see Journal, 1968, p. 84). The North Carolina-Virginia Conference had been organized in Greensboro on Aug. 11, 1964, and, in addition to the organizational session, held four sessions prior to the 1968 merger.

D. CONFERENCE SESSIONS

1. WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

	Where and When	Held	Presiding Bishop	Secretary	Members Full Connection	Pastoral Charges	Total Lay Membership
1	Greensboro	1939	Clare Purcell	Edgar H. Nease	490		
2	High Point	1940	Clare Purcell	Edgar H. Nease	492	392	194,448
3	Winston-Salem	1941	Clare Purcell	Edgar H. Nease	496	390	201,865
4	Charlotte	1942	Clare Purcell	Edgar H. Nease	496	402	202,133
5	Statesville	1943	Clare Purcell	Edgar H. Nease	502	410	204,854
6	Charlotte	1944	Clare Purcell	Edgar H. Nease	502	412	209,065
7	Greensboro	1945	Clare Purcell	Edgar H. Nease	515	425	214,205
8	Asheville	1946	Clare Purcell	Edgar H. Nease	517	426	220,473
9	Charlotte	1947	Clare Purcell	Edgar H. Nease	522	445	223,971
10	High Point	1948	Costen J. Harrell	Edgar H. Nease	524	450	226,387
11	Winston-Salem	1949	Costen J. Harrell	Edgar H. Nease	531	462	230,080
12	Asheville	1950	Costen J. Harrell	Edgar H. Nease	533	491	233,297
13	Greensboro	1951	Costen J. Harrell	Edgar H. Nease	544	506	237,325
14	Charlotte	1952	Costen J. Harrell	Charles D. White	556	504	240,393
15	High Point	1953	Costen J. Harrell	Charles D. White	569	515	244,900
16	Asheville	1954	Costen J. Harrell	Charles D. White	600	528	246,648
17	Charlotte	1955	Costen J. Harrell	Charles D. White	619	556	247,337
18	Winston-Salem	1956	Nolan B. Harmon	Charles D. White	639	569	249,221
19	Lake Junaluska	1957	Nolan B. Harmon	Charles D. White	640	576	251,346
20	Lake Junaluska	1958	Nolan B. Harmon	Charles D. White	647	593	254,080
21	Lake Junaluska	1959	Nolan B. Harmon	Charles D. White	658	610	255,078
22	Lake Junaluska	1960	Nolan B. Harmon	Charles D. White	672	623	257,599
23	Lake Junaluska	1961	Nolan B. Harmon	Charles D. White	703	634	260,369
24	Lake Junaluska	1962	Nolan B. Harmon	Charles D. White	715	647	264,129
25	Lake Junaluska	1963	Nolan B. Harmon	Charles D. White	734	649	266,018
26	Lake Junaluska	1964	Nolan B. Harmon	Charles D. White	757	650	268,595
27	Lake Junaluska	1965	Earl G. Hunt, Jr.	Charles D. White	777	651	269,762
28	Lake Junaluska	1966	Earl G. Hunt, Jr.	Charles D. White	775	650	271,060
29	Lake Junaluska	1967	Earl G. Hunt, Jr.	Charles D. White	776	656	272,333

2. NORTH CAROLINA-VIRGINIA CONFERENCE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH

					Members Full	Pastoral	Total Lay
	Where and When	Held	Presiding Bishop	Secretary	Connection	Charges	Membership
0	Greensboro	1964	Charles F. Golden	John G. Corry	78	93	14,750
1	Greensboro	1965	Charles F. Golden	Avery E. Robinson	79	120	19,358
2	Greensboro	1966	Charles F. Golden	Avery E. Robinson	78	111	20,025
3	Greensboro	1967	Charles F. Golden	Avery E. Robinson	82	97	19,555
4	Greensboro	1968	L. Scott Allen	Avery E. Robinson	78	94	18,907

3. WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

					Members Full	Pastoral	Total Lay
	Where and When Held	Presiding	Bishop	Secretary	Connection	Charges	Membership
1	Lake Junaluska	1968	Earl G. Hunt Jr.	W. T. Medlin Jr.	810	706	273,227
2	Lake Junaluska	1969	Earl G. Hunt Jr.	W. T. Medlin Jr.	824	705	282,572
3	Lake Junaluska	1970	Earl G. Hunt Jr.	W. T. Medlin Jr.	846	687	283,006
4	Lake Junaluska	1971	Earl G. Hunt Jr.	W. T. Medlin Jr.	872	685	282,367
5	Lake Junaluska	1972	Earl G. Hunt Jr.	W. T. Medlin Jr.	880	682	281,758
6	Lake Junaluska	1973	Earl G. Hunt Jr.	W. T. Medlin Jr.	894	682	280,667
7	Lake Junaluska	1974	Earl G. Hunt Jr.	W. T. Medlin Jr.	896	689	279,621
8	Lake Junaluska	1975	Earl G. Hunt Jr.	R. Paschal Waugh	909	706	278,657
9	Lake Junaluska	1976	Earl G. Hunt Jr.	R. Paschal Waugh	911	714	278,642
10	Lake Junaluska	1977	L. Scott Allen	R. Paschal Waugh	913	715	278,757
11	Lake Junaluska	1978	L. Scott Allen	R. Paschal Waugh	914	713	278,709
12	Lake Junaluska	1979	L. Scott Allen	R. Paschal Waugh	928	713	278,405
13	Lake Junaluska	1980	L. Scott Allen	R. Paschal Waugh	929	713	278,121
14	Lake Junaluska	1981	L. Scott Allen	•	935	713	277,210
15	Lake Junaluska	1982	L. Scott Allen	R. Paschal Waugh R. Paschal Waugh	951	721	277,210
16		1983		•	963	721 724	277,211
	Lake Junaluska		L. Scott Allen	R. Paschal Waugh	965	730	
17	Lake Junaluska	1984	L. Scott Allen	Charles D. White Jr.			276,922
18	Lake Junaluska	1985	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	974	734	276,529
19	Lake Junaluska	1986	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	985	729	276,504
20	Lake Junaluska	1987	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	991	731	276,012
21	Lake Junaluska	1988	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	1,003	729	275,952
22	Lake Junaluska	1989	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	1,008	734	275,253
23	Lake Junaluska	1990	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	1,030	739	274,457
24	Lake Junaluska	1991	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	1,040	747	276,077
25	Lake Junaluska	1992	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	1,055	748	277,444
26	Lake Junaluska	1993	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	1,053	753	278,074
27	Lake Junaluska	1994	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	1,054	766	278,697
28	Lake Junaluska	1995	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	1,058	775	280,902
29	Lake Junaluska	1996	L. Bevel Jones III	Charles D. White Jr.	1,077	784	282,819
30	Lake Junaluska	1997	Charlene P. Kammerer	Charles D. White Jr.	1,106	790	284,909
31	Lake Junaluska	1998	Charlene P. Kammerer	Charles D. White Jr.	1,114	801	286,290
32	Lake Junaluska	1999	Charlene P. Kammerer	Charles D. White Jr.	1,142	805	288,575
33	Lake Junaluska	2000	Charlene P. Kammerer	Charles D. White Jr.	1,136	813	289,661
34	Lake Junaluska	2001	Charlene P. Kammerer	Charles D. White Jr.	1,146	826	291,484
35	Lake Junaluska	2002	Charlene P. Kammerer	Charles D. White Jr.	1,145	847	291,727
36	Lake Junaluska	2003	Charlene P. Kammerer	Charles D. White Jr.	1,155	848	292,071
37	Lake Junaluska	2004	Charlene P. Kammerer	Charles D. White Jr.	1,171	868	292,595
38	Lake Junaluska	2005	J. Lawrence McCleskey	Charles D. White Jr.	1,168	877	293,735
39	Lake Junaluska	2006	J. Lawrence McCleskey	Charles D. White Jr.	1,188	885	293,089
40	Lake Junaluska	2007	J. Lawrence McCleskey	Charles D. White Jr.	1,204	888	293,772
41	Lake Junaluska	2008	J. Lawrence McCleskey	Charles D. White Jr.	1,200	879	293,588
42	Lake Junaluska	2009	Larry M. Goodpaster	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,200	868	293,180
43	Lake Junaluska	2010	Larry M. Goodpaster	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,202	868	292,824
44	Lake Junaluska	2011	Larry M. Goodpaster	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,208	834	291,651
45	Lake Junaluska	2012	Larry M. Goodpaster	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,218	849	290,821
46	Lake Junaluska	2013	Larry M. Goodpaster	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,203	828	286,589
47	Lake Junaluska	2014	Larry M. Goodpaster	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,215	808	286,074
48	Lake Junaluska	2015	Larry M. Goodpaster	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,211	807	283,910
49	Lake Junaluska	2016	Larry M. Goodpaster	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,217	798	282,792
50	Lake Junaluska	2017	Paul L. Leeland	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,224	799	279,996
51	Lake Junaluska	2018	Paul L. Leeland	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,230	787	276,528
	Lake Junaluska						
52		2019	Paul L. Leeland	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,227	785 750	271,621
53	Virtual	2020	Paul L. Leeland	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,229	759 740	267,233
54	Virtual	2021	Paul L. Leeland	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,226	749	257,100
55	Lake Junaluska	2022	Kenneth H. Carter Jr.	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,202	733	248,129
	Virtual Called Session	5/6/23	Kenneth H. Carter Jr.	Kimberly T. Ingram			
56	Lake Junaluska	2023	Kenneth H. Carter Jr.	Kimberly T. Ingram	1,146	591	239,642

D. CHURCH HISTORICAL DATA

1. CHURCHES CHARTERED AND NEW CONGREGATIONS ESTABLISHED

See BAC Question 10.a-d, Section V. Part I, page 161.

2. CHURCHES MERGED

See BAC Question 10.e, Section V. Part I, page 162.

3. CHURCHES DISCONTINUED/ABANDONED

Maylo (Gastonia) Replaced roof on church and carport

See BAC Question 10.f, Section V. Part I, page 162.

4. CHURCHES RELOCATED OR RENAMED

See BAC Question 10.g-h, Section V. Part I, page 164.

5. NEW CHURCH BUILDINGS

District & Church	Type of Building or Expansion
CATAWBA VALLEY	
Bethlehem (Claremont)	. Built 30'x40' garage for van and storage
Denver (Denver)	. Opened Mission Depot to support three church ministries and the community; added a new patio to the Arbor; created community garden
First (Belmont)	. Constructed new narthex
NORTHERN PIEDMONT	
Mount Pleasant (Kimesville)	. Funding has been received to build a columbarium, but the project has not begun yet
Stokesdale (Stokesdale)	. Received a gift of approx two acres of land and a house adjacent to the church
Woodmont (Reidsville)	. Installed two new sheds

6 CHURCHES REMODELED

6. CHURCHES REMO	ODELED
District & Church	Details of Facility Improvements
APPALACHIAN	
Bethany (West Jefferson)	Repaired restructure bell tower and steeple; repaired Narthex ceiling; repairing plaster walls/inside walls damaged by water
Smethport (West Jefferson)	Replaced sanctuary roof
BLUE RIDGE	
, ,	Replaced the sanctuary air conditioner with a heat pump that works with the oil furnace, cutting down oil consumption/carbon footprint and lowering the overall utility cost
CATAWBA VALLEY	
. 3,	Installed new HVAC unit for church office area. 2021: replaced roof
Bethlehem (Claremont)	Laid new carpet in sanctuary; fellowship hall: built walls and added doors for storage rooms, added new rear door, updated emergency lights, removed natural gas lines from kitchen and replaced cooktop and stove with new electric appliances; Child Development Center: installed new fire alarm system, added security cameras, laid new flooring and painted CDC office and classrooms, added secure internet network for offices
Bollinger's Chapel (Valdese)	floor, added curtains and sheers, installed a dehumidifier, added furniture and a fireplace, rewired the room for outlets, and added a ceiling border of the Last Supper; converted an empty classroom into a prayer room
Casar (Casar)	washed and painted steeple, painted sanctuary.
	Installed a new HVAC system in our Family Life Center
Central (Shelby)	Replaced all window protectors on the sanctuary building with new clear window protectors; remodeled two nursery rooms and had a new mural painted in the preschool hallway; upgraded two entrances with new paint and art work on the walls
Christ (Gastonia)	Replaced HVAC unit in Family Life Center
Crouse (Crouse)	Replaced HVAC units for sanctuary, classroom areas, and basement; repaired a broken water line in the floor of the fellowship hall that required cutting through asphalt in the parking lot and removal of a small patch of concrete in the floor of the fellowship hall
Denver (Denver)	Replaced 3 HVAC units; painted the Family Life Center hallways; painted the Community Outreach Resource Center (CORC); upgraded lighting in CORC/Admin Building to LED; installed mood lighting in Chapel; added facade lighting on the front side of the church
First (Belmont)	Renovated sanctuary
	Repaired roof; replaced carpet in church offices; repaired bus garage (major restoration after fire);
First (Hickory)	Remodeled entirety of Christian Life Center due to flooding on Christmas Day, 2022
First (Newton)	Replaced two air conditioning units above sanctuary and installed access door for new units; installed indoor and outdoor security cameras; painted rooms and hallway in preschool area
First (Valdese)	Repainted sanctuary; replaced roof; cleaned and repainted steeple
Laurel Hill (Vale)	Laid new carpet in sanctuary

	. Purchased and installed three new HVAC units . Repainted upstairs classrooms; replaced toilet fixtures throughout education building; replaced roof on sanctuary and added a cover over a sanctuary side exit door; cleaned and painted exterior of sanctuary and bell tower; added electrical signs at both church entrances; added new security system to church office door; completed upgrades to fire suppression system and security system to meet updated compliance standards
Myrtle (Gastonia)	Painted fellowship hall and hallways outside of the bathrooms and stairs; installed new 20-gallon water heater and connected new hot water lines to all bathrooms
Pleasant Grove (Lincolnton)	Replaced HVAC systems for the church, education/office spaces, and the basement; performed extensive maintenance and repairs to the stained-glass window at the front of the sanctuary; professionally cleaned the carpet on the first floor
Rehobeth (Terrell)	Built A/V booth and replaced A/V equipmentin sanctuary; replaced kitchen ice maker; contracted preventative maintenance for HVAC systems; installed gutter guards in family life center; established professional security coverage
St. Luke's (Hickory)	Installed new flooring in the office and painted. Installed new HVAC in chapel; painted family life center; cleaned and sealed (waterproofed) steeple; installed new lighting in sanctuary; upgraded audio/visual equipment for both sanctuary and family life center; renovated children's building to include new entryway, bathrooms, kitchen, and multi-purpose room, as well as painted, and installed new lighting and flooring
	. Replaced one HVAC unit (of 6) in Family Life Center
	Installed new hardwood floors in men's study Converted an empty classroom into the church's first library, with book collection from deceased member; converted an empty classroom into a new prayer room utilizing music, murals, electric candles, etc.
METRO	converted art empty classiform into a new prayer room utilizing music, murals, electric cardines, etc.
	. Replaced roof on brick building; repainted nursery and preschool wing
Morrows Chapel (Mooresville)	Repaired bathrooms and laid new laminate flooring in back of church due to water damage Upgraded and repaired sanctuary, including: added media mix room with new equipment, replaced organ pipes, purchased new piano, and replaced stage lights; improved safety in areas outside the sanctuary including: raised sidewalk area, and installed middle hand rail and LED step-lighting on outdoor steps leading to main entrance; improved and repaired fellowship and educational areas including: replaced ceiling in lower A Building; created new kids wing in A Building with security doors, gates, storage units, furniture, toys, and decor; removed boiler and cleared old materials; and purchased new HVAC units for chapel and older fellowship hall areas, including new wiring; improved and repaired youth house and garage (God Cave) areas including: cleared dead plants and replaced handrails on porch; renovated inside house with new flooring, fixtures, furniture, A/V equipment, and internal windowed doors; cleaned and replaced air ducts and ceiling grills; and replaced carpet in garage
	building (God Cave)
NORTHERN PIEDMONT	
Christ (Greensboro)	Remodeled four restrooms (built in 1968 and 1988); created three new office spaces in our main office suite. Installed new range in main kitchen; installed new handicapped-accessible ramp in chancel area of sanctuary; retrofitted all florescent ceiling lights in sanctuary with LED; repainted bell tower, exterior of sanctuary and education buildings; replaced six HVAC units in office areas and adult education building
Hickory Grove (Greensboro)	Replaced windows in education building; added new heat pump for pastor's office; painted exterior of Little Church
Honewell (Trinity)	Repaired and replaced air conditioning systems in fellowship rooms and parishes
	Remodeled a floor of Western Rockingham Ministries Building for a youth ministry space
	Replaced roof on sanctuary and education building; installed new toilets, sinks, and faucets in the fellowship hall bathrooms, along with a new 300-gallon water heater
	. Painted fellowship hall ceiling and sanctuary walls; refinished floors; replaced heat pump for educational wing; installed instant hot water heater for women's bathroom; replaced roof on furnace room; installed new rubber roofing on two entrances; pressure washed all sidewalks; installed new outside electronic signage
St. Peter's (Randleman) Woodmont (Reidsville)	. Replaced roof . Instaled new windows on entire church; installed new gutters and replaced soffitts; installed two new HVAC units for sanctuary; upgraded security system; installed new fire system in elevator (that state code officer had missed
	in original inspection); replaced and upgraded outdoor electronic sign
SMOKY MOUNTAIN	in onginal mopeodion, replaced and appraised outdoor electronic sign
	. Updated A/V system, obtained new cameras and computers; installed new security access point to the main office door and children's wing
Shady Grove (Waynesville)UWHARRIE	g .
	. Cleaned and remodeled whole church after a fire; painted upstairs; wallpaper removed from Sunday school rooms; laid new carpet on ramps; sanded and refinished wood floors; laid new flooring in fellowship hall, Sunday school rooms, kitchen, and bathrooms; installed new vanities in two bathrooms; in kitchen: replaced insulation, ceiling, stove, microwave, cabinets, counter tops and back-splash; upgraded lights throughout the church (except in the sanctuary)
Wesley Chapel (Misenheimer)	Remodeled nursery: new flooring, furnishings, paint, and cabinet; updated sanctuary: new carpet, pew cushions, kneelers, and paint; opened wall in chancel to show organ pipes; added lighting to chancel cross; performed mold remediation
YADKIN VALLEY Centenary (Winston-Salem)	. Replaced chiller; replaced and updated security door and elevator controls

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Hillsdale (Advance)	Replaced carpet in the main lobby, classrooms, and gym/sanctuary of the church; painted the lobby and parts of
	the gym/sanctuary; resurfaced the entire outdoor playground with rubber mat flooring (replacing wood mulch);
	purchased 420 new sanctuary and classroom chairs
Lewisville (Lewisville)	Upfitted sanctuary: restructuring construction, painted and refinished; upgraded lighting, floor coverings, sanctuary
	seating, chancel furniture, and A/V systems
West End (Thomasville)	Removed and replaced vinyl siding; installed hardy board siding caulk and painted; reflashed and sealed all
	areas, including windows and steeple; installed internet

7. CHURCHES DEDICATED

District & Church	Building or Feature	<u>Date</u>
CATAWBA VALLEY		
Bollinger's Chapel (Valdese)	. Dedicated new prayer room	January 29, 2023
Denver (Denver)	. Dedicated the Mission Depot	November 20, 2023
First (Belmont)	. Consecrated new narthex and renovated sanctuary	November 6, 2022
Rehobeth (Terrell)	Consecrated \$2.2mil Family Life Center (completed in 2017) upon the final paym	
NORTHERN PIEDMONT		
Madison (Madison)UWHARRIE	Dedicated Youth Ministry Floor at Western Rockingham Ministries Building	May 13, 2023
St. Stephen (Lexington)	The marker from the National Historic Register was installed and a service of Dec	

District & Church APPALACHIAN	Details of Improvements or Acquisition
Warrensville Charge (Clifton,	
	Sold jointly-owned parsonage
BLUE RIDGE	
CATAWBA VALLEY	Sold parsonage (08/2022)
	2022: installed new HVAC unit
Bethlehem (Claremont)	Built new rear deck and backyard privacy fence; removed dead and overgrown bushes; removed bees from insid walls, replaced sheetrock and painted; repaired additional sheetrock; painted interior; repaired bathroom wall and reinforced flooring supports; refinished existing kitchen cabinets, added new cabinets, and installed new granite tops; replaced refrigerator and stove
Christ (Gastonia)	Sewer line replaced
Crouse (Crouse)	Replaced laminate flooring in kitchen; replaced all carpeting in the upstairs bedrooms and hallway; painted a of the upstairs living areas, hallways, bathroom, and closets; replaced the upstairs HVAC system
	Put on new shingles and gutters, replaced rotten soffit and boxing
	Repainted parsonage interior; replaced gutters; replaced dishwasher; installed new window blinds
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	Installed new driveway and patio
	Replaced laminate flooring in the kitchen; painted upstairs living spaces, hallways, and bathroom; replaced the upstairs carpet; replaced the upstairs HVAC
Rehobeth (Terrell)	Replaced hot water tank, refrigerator, and stove/cooktop; made HVAC systems improvements; painted interic and exterior performed repairs on roofing, electrical, and plumbing; added ceiling fans in bedrooms and patic upgraded landscaping
St. Luke's (Hickory)	Added HVAC unit to upstairs of parsonage; installed new dishwasher
	Replaced some blinds and refrigerator; repaired porch railing
West Lincoln (David's Chape	
	Sold jointly-owned parsonage
METRO	
NORTHERN PIEDMONT	Sold Parsonage (03/2022)
Center (Greensboro)	
	Upgraded main bathroom; repaired roofing
St. John's (Greensboro)	
	Installed a whole-house generator
	2021: remodeled kitchen; installed granite countertops in kitchen and bathroom; removed carpet from maste bedroom and refinished wood floors
SMOKY MOUNTAIN	
Cashiers (Cashiers)	Repainted some exterior surfaces (back deck); replaced microwave, dishwasher, kitchen faucet, and clothe dryer; installed water filtration system to the house
YADKIN VALLEY	
West End (Thomasville)	Painted outside front entrance, doors, and carport; installed new sewer, cleaned drains

9. PARSONAGES DEDICATED

<u>District & Church</u> <u>Building or Feature</u> <u>Date</u>

No data reported for the year

10. OTHER PROPERTY OR ASSET CHANGES

District & Church	Details of Improvements or Acquisition
CATAWBA VALLEY	
	Laid concrete and paving for new garage building, and concrete pad in parking lot for dumpster; added motion light at back east corner of church building; removed two large, hollow trees from front of church; added mulch to grounds; purchased new nativity scene including Holy family, stable, angel, donkey, wiseman, ram, sheep, shepherd, and star, and installed new utility pole and outlet for power supply
Catawba (Catawba)	. Sold ballfield
Denver (Denver)	Installed electronic sign; purchased new portable speakers; purchased 15 passenger van; installed additional defibrillators in the Mission Depot, Scout Center and Arbor; installed potable water at the Mission Center; planted trees between the Arbor and Cemetery; replaced Community Outreach Resource Center sidewalk; painted speed limit signs in the parking lot
First (Cherryville)	. Purchased four new computers for office staff and Sanctuary sound system; installed two new laser projectors and high defination screens
First (Newton)	Replaced all choir chairs and added chairs to sanctuary (60 total, with book rack and communion cup holder); installed new outdoor lighting
First (Valdese)	. Updated playground with new equipment, mulch, etc.; installed new AV equipment and monitors to support livestreams
	. Updated landscaping; added privacy fence on the north side of the building by retail store . Older cemetery professionally renovated; rebuilt BBQ pit chimney; installed additional surveillance cameras for parking lots
St. James (Denver) METRO	. Installed audio/visual system including two television screens in our sanctuary.
	Arbor rebuilt in early 1900s is undergoing emergency preservation and structural repair. Upgraded sanctuary A/V for livestream: sound boards, recorder, mics, mixing equipment, HD monitors, tablets for musicians and singer, electric stage piano
NORTHERN PIEDMONT	
Guilford College (Greensboro) Union Memorial (Greensboro)	Bought a 15-passenger van; added new LED lights and speakers to the contemporary worship space. Installed new landscaping in front of sanctuary; retrofitted all parking lot lights to LED Replaced security fencing; installed new monitored security system Returned Mission First property to Conference Trustees (05/2022)
UWHARRIE	. Sold Pine Grove property after Crabtree UMC and Pine Grove UMC merged
Wesley Chapel (Misenheimer)	. Repaved parking lot; installed new sanctuary A/V equipment

Note: the above information is compiled from reports submitted to the conference secretary by representatives of each church.

