EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

Social Circle, Georgia 30279

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CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

1869 - JANUARY 30 - 1969

JANUARY 26, 1969

Bible School - 10:00 AM
Morning Worship - 11:00 AM
Centennial Program - 1:30 PM

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If you are a visitor be sure to sign our register. A most cordial invitation is hereby extended to everyone to to come and visit with us at anytime. And to those who have not a church-home we would be so happy for you to make our church your home.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND GUEST WHO VISIT WITH US TODAY -

We are so very happy to WELCOME those of you who visit with us today from the other churches of our community and surrounding communities, and from wherever you may have come. We want you to feel perfectly at home; to share in our fellowship -joining in the singing, praying and worship. If there is anything that we can do to make your visit more enjoyable that is what we want to do. We especially urge you to sign our "Guest Book" in the foyer.

TO ALL FORMER MEMBERS WHO HAVE RETURNED FOR THE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION -

Although it may have been many years since you were a member here at Ebenezer, we hope that you will feel just as much at home as you did when you were a member. Perhaps, you will note some improvements in the building and grounds, for which improvements we are most happy for you to see. Of course, some of our present active members have come along since you left who may not know you and whom you may not know. Please feel free to introduce yourself to anyone whom you do not know. We all want to be one big family -past and present.

TO ALL FORMER PASTORS AND GUEST MINISTERS WHO MAY BE VISITING US TODAY -

Naturally, we are delighted and honored to have any and every one of our former pastors present with us today. We THANK YOU for your faithfil and consecrated leadership and services when you were here in our midst. Truly, our church is what she is today because you came our way in the past. Also, we are equally grateful for those of you fellow pastors and denominational leaders who share with us today. Thank you for coming our way.

TO OUR PRESENT MEMBERSHIP -Resident and Non-Resident -

Thank you so much for your untiring efforts down through the years, and most especially, for your efforts in behalf of our Celebration today. Some of you have been most faithful to Ebenezer for many years, and still are just as faithful. Thank You! May our Heavenly Father continue to bless and use each and everyone of you.

EVERYONE INVITED TO SHARE IN THE MEAL AT THE NOON HOUR.

Historical Hi-Lights
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CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION
1869 - 1969

In order to properly evaluate and fully appreciate the importance and significance of the beginnings, and the 100-years' history, of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, it is necessary to review briefly the State, National, and Denominational context into which the church was born.

Fifty-five years prior to the organization of the church, Baptist of the United States had scarcely any denominational organization whatsoever. However, due to the emergency occasioned by the arrival in India of Luther Rice and Adonirum Judson, who had just been converted to the Baptist faith, and who had requested appointment as Missionaries of our denomination, it became necessary for the Baptist denomination to organize in order to be able to accept and appoint these men as our Missionaries. Consequently, the Triennial Convention was organized on May 18, 1814, and Adonirum Judson was appointed as our first Missionary, while Luther Rice was brought home to help organize and promote this new Missionary endeavor.

Naturally, this new mission and ministry did not meet the approval of all church or pastors. Rather, some churches and pastors began a campaign against involvement in such a denominational program of missions. This opposition increased very much in Georgia and several other Southern states, coming to its climax during the decade, 1830 - 1840, during which period the so-called "Primitive Baptist" denomination came into existence, thus bringing about a serious breech in the fellowship that had existed between many churches, and between many brethren. This breech of fellowship and anti-missionary spirit was very pronounced in these several Southern states at the time of the organization of the Ebenezer church. And was, naturally, destined to have some effect upon the early growth and development of the church.

Even the Southern Baptist Convention was only 24 years old -having been organized in Augusta, Georgia on May 8-12, 1845- And, therefore, had not had time to develop its organization, forces and influences so as to be of maximum benefit to a church organized so close to its own founding. Furthermore, the Woman's Missionary Union, Auxiliary to the Southern Baptist Convention, was not organized until 19 years later -1888; neither were the Southern Baptist Sunday School Board, or the BYPU departments organized until 22 years later -1891; nor the Baptist Brotherhood department until 1908 -39 years later.

Moreover, in addition to these facts, there is another factor that was destined to effect teemendously the progress of any church organized at this time. Here I refer to the War between the States which had been closed only about five years when Ebenezer was organized. Thus, Walton County, together with all the Southern States was

already facing the tragic experiences of the Reconstruction period, with all of its hardships and discouragements. Still, and not-with-standing, the Ebenezer Baptist church was constituted and organized on January 30, 1869 -which will be 100 years ago this coming Thursday- with 21 members.

ORGANIZATION AND CONSTITUTION OF EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

On page 22 of the Forty-sixth Annual Session of the Appalachee Baptist Association, which was held with the Sandy Creek Baptist Church, Morgan County, Ga., September 14, 15, and 16, 1880, the following account is recorded of the organization of the Ebenezer Baptist Church.

CHURCH HISTORIES

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH, WALTON COUNTY, GA.

"This church was organized on the 30th day of January, 1869, by ten members, regularly dismissed from other churches for the purpose of organizing at this place. The organizing Presbytery consisted of the ministering Brethren: Wallace, Stillwell, and Nunnally. The first year the church seemed to enjoy the smiles of Providence, and under the charge of Brother L. A. Patillo, prospered. After this, a coldness seemed to take the place of prosperity, and for several years the church was kept together only by the persistent and zealous efforts of a few members, who were unswerving in their fidelity to the church, and untiring in the cause of Christ.

"In 1876, Brother Joel W. Butts was called to the pastorate. Under his charge the church enjoyed an era of prosperity, and Ebenezer seemed again to be raised above the trials and tribulations through which she had passed. In 1878, a new house was built on the site of the old one. The church, at present, enjoys a thriving Bible School, to which she owes a great deal of her prosperity. There are now forty-six members, nine of which have been received this year, under the charge of Brother J. C. Burton, who is the present pastor."

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We are indebeted to Mrs. Mann Knight for the following historical article that appeared in the Walton Tribute under date of January 30, 1963:

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

(By Mrs. Mann Knight)

"This church was at first owned by the Methodist, and John Wesley was pastor. But in 1868, Mr. J. A. Vallance moved from New York and bought a farm in front and southside of the church. Being a very dedicated Missionary Baptist, he bought the church and lot and donated it as a free will offering to the then few Baptist around. Therefore, the church was constituted, January 30th, 1869.

"The Presbytery consisted of Rev. J. J. Wallace, Rev. G. A. Nunnally and Rev. J. M. Stillwell. During the day of organization the following men and women were received in the church by letter and became charter members: James Blasingame and wife; L. A. Patillo and wife; George Patillo; Lula Patillo; Nancy Patillo; N. E. Blasingame; and William Arnold and wife. We have no record as to who the pastor was at that time. But we do know that our hearts swell with pride when we think of all the improvements made --not in religion for none are more consecrated or faithful to the walks of life as our sainted forefathers who'd walk miles or go on horse back to attend their church.

"On the 17th of March, 1942, this old church was blown down by a rain and wind storm. Services were then conducted in the school house. The late Rev. H. A. White was then pastor. The three deacons were Mr. Corrie Blasingame, Mr. Tom Knight, and Mr. Julius Prather who selected the following to serve as a committee to solicit funds for erection of a new building: Charlie Hawk, Austell Hawk, W. W. Daniel, Charlie Shepherd, Robert Knight, Mrs. Mann Knight, Mrs. Hester Knight, Mrs. Ernest Towler, Mrs. Frank Thomas, Mrs. Charlie Adcock, and Miss Sara Stark. Each one worked untiringly and the new church was completed and services held on the 2nd Sunday in June, 1942. We can now proudly boast of our church's latest improvement of seven Sunday School rooms, a large basement, two rest rooms, large sanctuary with new pews and the old silver communion set of two goblets and the pitcher where everyone had to drink out of the same two goblets has been replaced with individual glasses. We have had some of the best preachers in the state to serve faithfully as Pastors. Rev. Homer P. Cowan is our latest pastor. There is a large beautiful lot near the church that is filling up too fast with precious ones gone one. Must not forget to mention the Woman's Missionary Society that meets every Monday night after the 1st. Sunday in Each month. Sunday School and Sunday morning at 10:00. Raymond Lemonds is Superintendent. Training Union is held every 1st and 3rd Sunday morning after Sunday School; then on 2nd and 4th Sundays, Sunday evening at 6:30. Glenn Smith is BTU Director. Come and be with us anytime. A hearty welcome awaits you.

"The deacons now are Herbert Peters, Larry Hawk, Otis Farmer, Charlie B. Knight, Sanders Knight, Corrie Blasingame, Charlie Hawk, Julius Prather, Clarence Hester and the Sunday School teachers are:Mrs. Herbert Peters, Mrs. Robert Peters, Mrs. Raymond Lemonds, Mrs. Bennie Hester, Mrs. Mann Knight, and Mrs. Charlie Adcock. There's a meeting for the little Sunbeam Band once a month with Mrs. Bennie Hester as leader and Laquetta Williams, assistant."

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EBENEZER RECEIVED BY APPALACHEE ASSOCIATION

The following quotation taken from the Appalachee Association minutes for September 17, 18, and 20, 1869, page 3, is an account of the acceptance of Ebenezer by the Association:

"Saturday, September 18, 9 o'clock, AM. After singing, prayer by Brother Haygood, the Church at Ebenezer applied for membership, and was received. Her delegates, Brethren L. A. Patillo, and W. H. Brockwell, were welcomed by the Moderator extending his right hand to them...Page 4, Resolved, that High Shoals be placed in third district, and Ebenezer in second district."

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COPY OF DEEDS AND OTHER INFORMATION

(By Mrs. Herman Astin)

STATE OF GEORGIA
WALTON COUNTY

QUIT-CLAIM DEED

"Know all men by these presents that this Indenture, made this eighteenth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety six, between J A Vallance of the county of Walton and State of Georgia of the first and the deacons of Ebenezer Baptist Church of the second part, Witnesseth that said J A Vallance having included within his lines a certain tract of land known as Ebenezer Church grove, said tract containing church house and school house, described more fully below -There being no reserve within said lines as they appear in deed of Conveyance to said J A Vallance, neither in former conveyance to different par-

sons. Therefore be it known that J A Vallance of the first part -has remised, released, and quitclaimed and by these presents does remise, release and quitclaim unto to the parties of the second part all that tract as follows-

"Beginning at a point on the Original line between lands of J A Vallance and lands A R Stark (trustee) - Northwest of school house and running at right angle with said Original line, in a Northeast direction (325) Three hundred and twenty-five feet, to center of highway - thence along highway East (150) One hundred and fifty feet- thence SE by S(200) Two hundred feet - thence SW by W (250) Two hundred and fifty feet to Original line - thence NW (275) Two hundred and seventy five feet, along Original line to place of beginning.

"Contains (2) Two acres (more or less) To have and to hold for church and school purposes only the above described premises together with the appertenances -unto the said party of the secon part and their successors forever.

"In witness whereof, the party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal, the day and year above written in presence

of
H. C. Coggin
A. R. Stark NP
Walton Co, Ga

J A Vallance (Seal)

QUIT CLAIM
DEED

J A Vallance
to the
Deacons of
Ebenezer Baptist
Church
Walton Co, Ga

Georgia, Walton County
Clerk's Office, Superior Court,
Filed July 4, 1896
Recorded in Book E
Folio 40 July 6, 1896
Jno F. Robertson, GCS

From the Ebenezer Baptist Church minutes of December 11, 1896:

"After preaching by our pastor the church met in conference, read and approved minutes of last conference. Collected six dollars and twenty-five cents, 6.25, for organ. Elected Brother J. M. Ponder Church Clerk. Agreed for a School House to be built on the church grounds, agreed to see Brother J A Vallance in regards to a cemetery. No other business adjourned in regular order. -W. S. Walker, Moderator, J. J. Hill, C. Clerk. Dec. 12, C 1.33 on organ.

"Plan for distributing the contributions of Ebenezer Baptist Church for the year 1896:

January - Mercer University
February - Home Missions
March - State Missions
April - Indigent Ministers
May - Foreign Missions
June - Home Missions
July - Orphan Home
August - State Missions
September - Foreign Missions
October - Ministerial Education
November - Home Missions
December - State Missions

BRASWELL BAPTIST CHURCH CAME OUT OF EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

Minutes of Saturday, August 15, 1908: "The church granted Brother W E Ivey (Pastor of the church) power to receive and baptize members and organize a church at Braswell Academy. The church to be styled Braswell Baptist Church. And this church Ebenezer agreed to extend an arm to assist in the organization when requested."

Minutes of September 11, 1908: "Brother Ivie made a report on his work at Bras-

well. He reported a gracious meeting having received 25 members for baptism. The church received and e dorsed his report and highly commended him for his work at that place. The church agreed to extend an arm to Braswell when needed to organize a church. On motion the church granted letters to the Braswell members and authorized the clerk to write the same." The following were granted letters on August 15, 1908:

Aubry Crofford	Vally Gordon	Celestia Gordon
Eva Farmer	Mammie Kidd	Young Barner
Lucile Bostwick	Harvey Gordon	Fred Farmer
Resin Brook	Cleveland Wilkins	Kolie Farmer
Gracie Kidd	Martha Wilkins	Pear Parham
Nellie Wilkins	Benny Bostwick	James Barner
Cornelia Anderson	Calvin Parham	John Barnes
Harris Young	Obe Kidd	Rey Kidd
George Parham	Mrs. Margie Farmer	Miss Claudie Crofford

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REPORT ON MISSIONS

The following report on Missions was made by Pastor L. A. Patillo, of the Ebenezer church was made to the Thirty-fourth Annual Meeting of the Appalachee Association which met with the Bethel church, September 17, 18, and 20, 1869, page 6:

"Your committee beg leave to report, that our people have not come fully up to the work as the interest of the case demands. This attributable to the impoverished condition of our country, and short crops, &c. We trust that another year will witness a greater zeal in this cause."

In this report Brother Patillo reveals something of the tragic experiences of the Reconstruction period; the great poverty, discouragements and heart aches that must have been the common experiences in every home. Still, and notwith-standing, there were those in whose heart the Mission flames burned, and upon whose lips an earnest prayer for a greater interest and participation in the causes of Missions constantly abode.

In his report on Missions to the 1873 Annual Associational Meeting, Brother James Frazer says in part:

"The same spirit of indifference which was manifest at our last meeting, seems still to exist in our churches in regard to Missions. The earnest and convencing report of your last committee seems to have produced no effect. The spirit of Missions seems not only to be asleep, but dead..."

In this report notice is taken of something far worse than financial poverty and the attendant miseries that go along with it, notice is taken of spiritual poverty that reveals the tragix death; not of the body, but of the soul.

Ebenezer's first reported Mission contribution was $5.00 to Foreign Missions contributed in 1872. Although, this may not seem much today, it must have meant a great deal more in that far-away distant day, 97 years ago. During the next four years there were no reported contributions to Missions from the church. However, beginning with the year 1877, the church has contributed to Missions consistently, with but few years in which no contributions were reported, on down to our present day. And, we are proud to be able to say that the spiral in such contributions has been upward rather than downward, as may be seen in the comparative average yearly gifts for the past ten years of $182.87, as compared with $232.60 per year for the past five

years. The present indications are that the church will continue the spiral upward in the foreseeable future. To that end let us all work and pray.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL

The first Sunday School was organized at Ebenezer in 1875, with 30 members. This was 16 years before the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention was organized. This first school continued in operation through 1882, after which the school was intermitten, with a school for two or three years, then no school for two or three years up to the year 1931. Beginning with the year 1931 the church has had a school every year -with the exception of 1934, 1935, 1939, and 1946- up to, and including today. At times the enrolment has been very week, down to as low as 11 in 1872, and up to as high as 121 in 1968. At present there is much interest being manifestin our Sunday School. So, with the coming of better weather, increased interest, and wholehearted co-operation on the part of everyone, we expect a minimum increase of 50% in enrolment and average attendance by mid-summer.
According to the records, a Vacation Bible School has been conducted during seven of the past fifteen years, with an enrolment for the past two years of 65. Naturally, a Vacation Bible School is a "MUST" for 1969.

REPORT ON CHURCH TRAINING DEPARTMENT

The Training Department of the church has not fared so well as the Sunday School and Woman's Missionary Union. The church has reported a Training Union in only three years -1962, 1963, 1964, with an everage enrolment of 43- out of the past 100 years, for a "batting average" of 3%. But, already, we have heard some express a desire for the re-organization of this ministry. To THAT END may we all pray, work and cooperate together.

REPORT ON BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD

I almost said: "This is the step-child of the church", but it has never been a child at all. So far as the records reveal, there has never been a Brotherhood organization in the Ebenezer Church. But, even here also, we have already heard some expressions that are favourable towards this ministry for our church. Personally, I hope we will begin to hear much more about it. In fact, I hope that we will have a Brotherhood in the not far distant future. I challenge YOU MEN to let's all work together for such an organization.

REPORT ON MUSIC MINISTRY

For many years the church has had a Chorister or Music Leader who has made a great contribution to this ministry in our church. The records on the Music Ministry is very scant. But since coming to the church as Interim Pastor I have been most favourably impressed with the possibilities for this ministry. Our Adult and Youth Choir Leaders and Choirs are doing an excellent job, with Choir Rehearsals for both Choirs every Tuesday evening. We are expecting greater things from both Choirs, and know that our expectations will not be let down.

REPORT ON WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The earliest direct and positive reference to a WMU in the records of the Ebenezer church was in the year 1903. However, there are other references that we might classify as "indirect references" that seem to indicate the presence of a WMU in the

church before that date; and, possibly, one in several different years before then. These indirect references we find in the minutes of the Appalachee Association in the form of contributions in different years that would seem to come from a WMU. But beginning with 1903 we find the name of the President of the WMU for that year, for 1921, 1922, 1923, and for every year since 1955. Therefore, we know that there has been a WMU in the church for at least 19 years, and feel reasonably sure for several other years. It was a real privilege for your Interim Pastor to visit with the WMS in their last meeting and to observe the very fine work that they are doing. And "you know what?" if we just had a Brotherhood meeting on that same night I believe that would add many more to our WMS. Yes, just a little hint, brethren, let's do something about it! I dare you to take up the challenge!

Elsewhere in the reports you will find charts and statistical tables giving the names of the various departmental leaders -to such an extent as we have them- for the past 100 years, and such other statistics as are available.

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W. M. S. REPORT
(By Mrs. Harold Adcock)

"First mention of giving to Missions was in 1872. The 1896 records show that contributions would be given to Home Missions in February, June and November; State Missions in March, August and December; Foreign Missions in May and September.

"In 1901 the records show that the Missionary Society gave to State Missions $3.43, to Foreign Missions $2.71; to Home Missions $2.00, and had on hand $5.70. Also the organization had made quilts for the Orphan's Home.

"The giving to Missions was mentioned in 1903, 1904, 1912, 1913, 1915, and 1922.

"Sunbeam was organized in 1922"

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MISCELLANEOUS

In addition to the reports carried here by Mrs. Adcock, Mrs. Astin, and Mrs. Knight others have helped to provide much of the information here given, and to whom we are most grateful. They have provided much of the information, as to dates of service in the list of officers, and other wise. The very finest spirit of co-operation has prevailed, and everyone has willingly given of their time and services to help prepare these reports. Again, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR HELP.

Naturally, we have been able only to share a few of the Hi-Lights. There are many more that we have not shared. However, let us now take a glance backward over the 100 years and see what they contain that will help us as we face the second 100 years, or until our Lord returns:

The following are just a few of the lessons which we should learn from these Hi-lights: First, there are many problems that confronts the church in every day and age. Sometimes these problems become divisive and cause the church much trouble. Second, the road to ultimate victory calls for much love, patience, and persistance. Third, the secret of a truly great church is found in unselfish, sacrificial service. The kind of unselfishness that characterized many of those who helped to organize Ebenezer, and who stayed by her in thick and thin. Wherefore, let our glorious heritage be our guide, motivation, and inspiration as we look towards the future, remembering that as God blessed our forefathers, so He will bless us today.

"Straight Ahead - Forward March" constitutes our marching orders for the future. We have the same God Our fore-fathers had one hundred years ago. He is not dead, as some would have us believe. No, He is not even sick, nor has He changed His mind. He is the same yesterday, today, and tomorrow. That that He began at Ebenezer now 100 years ago He expects you and me to carry on to completion -or at least to movein tha direction- today. Wherefore, let us gird up our loins, and put on the whole armour of God that we may measure up to our very best. Even as many of those who have gone on before us have done.

First, let us inaugurate at the earliest possible date a monthly Church Council wherein we may plan,project, and promote the very best type of program for Ebenezer. Since nothing worthwhile ever just happens planning is a vital and essential part of every church that expects to do the job tnat is theirs. There just isn't any other way to grow a great church -A church that we will all be proud to belong too and have a part in.

Second, let us all put our shoulder to the wheel. Let us unite our heart in a co-operative effort, working together with each other. Let us seek the full support and co-operation of the entire 156 resident members of our church. Let's offer a united front and claim the victories that await us.

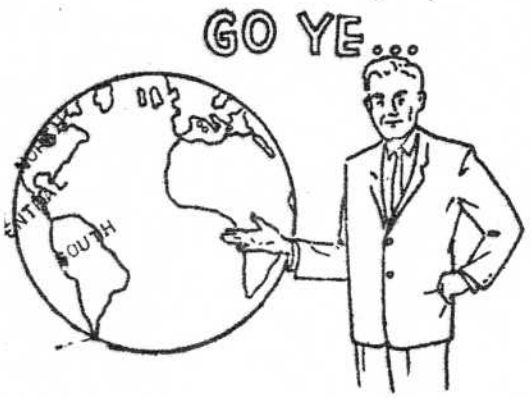
Third, let us begin planning for a REAL FULL-TIME church program. That is, worship every Sunday morning and evening; Sunday School and Training every Sunday; a fully graded WMU and Brotherhood; a fully graded Music Ministry; a Mid-week prayer service; and all others ministries that a church should have. Naturally, we cannot do all of this next week, next month, or, maybe, next year. But we can begin working in that directiom without further delay.

Fourth, let us consider the installation of a "Rotation System" for our Deacons so that every male member of our church may have the opportunity of serving his Lord in the highest capacity that a layman can serve Him; and provided, of course, that his life measures up spiritually for such a place of leadership. Accoring to this plan, when a deacon reaches the age of 65 he will not rotate off anymore, but will be on active status the remainder of his life.

Fifth, let us plan to increase our average attendance upon all regular services of the church. With 156 resident members, plus children and others who are not members, we should average not less than 125 in Sunday School, 150 in morning worship service, 75 in Church Training; and 100 for evening worship service. Then, proportionately in all other services of the church.

Sixth, a monthly church paper will be inaugurated in February and will be mailed to every member of the church. In this paper we will discuss all matters of interest to our church. Also, it will carry the monthly information reports and other promotional emphasis. So, be sure to read each article in every issue and become an informed member in what your church will be doing.

CRUSADE OF THE AMERICAS
1968 - 1969



The Crusade of the Americas is a united thrust on the part of 43 Baptist groups, with a total membership of 25,000,000, located in 28 different countries of North, Central, and South America, to win the lost to Christ and claim the Western Hemisphere for Him during the Crusade. It received its inspiration and motivation from a National Revival in Sao Paulo, Brizil, in 1963, which resulted in 42,000 baptisms, and 500 new churches within a two-year period. Truly, beyond any shadow of a doubt, this is the greatest Crusade for winning the lost to Christ, and establishing new churches by any church or group of churches, or by any denomination or group of denominations, since the founding of the church by the Lord Himself.

Although slow in formally entering this Crusade, the Ebenezer Baptist church is now committed to participation, and is now sharing in its responsibilities and privileges. To that end we now outline briefly the involvements that will be ours from here to the end of the Crusade:

"PACT" an International Agreement to Pray for the Crusade of the Americas. We are late, but not too late, to participate in this phase. Although, we are too late to be assigned a "Prayer Partner" in one of the countries involved, we can PRAY daily for the Crusade in each country, for the salvation of the lost everywhere, and for a great REVIVAL here at Ebenezer.

"PROJECT 500"- This is a two-year effort to establish and build five hundred church buildings in strategic locations of the Pioneer Areas into which Southern Baptist are now working. We fell short of our offering goal for this project last year, but will have a change to redeem ourselves in the Annie Armstrong Offering, which includes an item of $1,500,000 to meet this need, th e week of March 2-9, 1969. Let's plan to do our best in this offering.

"JANUARY BIBLE STUDY WEEK"- Although the suggested dates for this study have gone, we still can observe the study and profit just as much from it at our earliest possible opportunity. Let's make our plans to that end.

"CRUSADE REVIVAL" - Our church voted last Sunday to conduct this Revival the week of April 13-18. Therefore, we urge that every member put this week on your prayer calender and pray for it every day.

"C-NIGHT" Commitment, Consecration, and Challenge Night following the Crusade Revival. On this night each church will endeavor to orient into the fellowship and membership of the church those who will be won to Christ, and those who may move their membership to us, during the Crusade Revival.

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
1869 - 1969

100 Years Of
CHURCH LEADERSHIP

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND LEADERS
EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
1869 - 1969

PASTORS

1869 -	L. H. Patillo
1872 -	W. A. Brooks
1873 -	
1874 -	W. Dennington
1875 - 1875	T. H. Burruss
1876 - 1879	Joel W. Butts
1880 - 1883	J. C. Bruton
1884 - 1891	J. W. Burson
1892 - 1892	W. M. Janes
1893 - 1893	J. B. Childs
1894 - 1894	J. W. Burson
1895 - 1898	W. S. Walker
1899 - 1899	J. J. Bennett
1900 - 1900	W. S. Walker
1901 - 1902	T. E. McCutchens
1903 - 1903	Jno. F. Edens
1904 - 1904	W. D. Winburn (Died)
1904 - 1911	W. E. Ivey
1912 - 1913	J. S. Settles
1914 - 1914	W. E. Ivey
1915 - 1915	G. H. Gosnell
1916 - 1916	No Pastor
1917 - 1918	W. S. Walker
1919 - 1923	S. E. Rogers
1924 - 1928	W. P. Holland
1929 - 1929	No pastor
1930 - 1930	S. E. Rogers
1931 - 1932	H. A. White
1933 - 1933	W. N. Pruitt
1934 - 1934	Geo. H. Hulme
1935 - 1942	H. A. White
1943 - 1945	W. M. Dunnagan
1946 - 1946	Robert B Herndon
1947 - 1947	No pastor
1948 - 1950	Ben F. Stone
1951 - 1953	J. C. Elliott
1954 - 1957	Gordon Pittard

PASTORS

1958 - 1958	No pastor
1959 - 1961	Albert Mulkey
1962 - 1962	No pastor
1963 - 1968	Homer P. Cowan
1969 - Present	J. Spurgeon Hays, Sr. Interim Pastor

DEACONS

1905 -	T. J. Knight
1902 - 1933	T. J. Bryant
1902 - 1911	J. T. Bryant
1905 -	G. F. Thomas
1902 -	C. H. Cocroft
1902 -	M. P. Copeland
1906 -	M. F. Fuller
1911 -	W. E. Stark
1911 -	W. F. Powers
1911 -	T. [illegible]. Bryant
1916 -	W. D. Conner
1935 - Present	Julius Prather
1935 - Present	O. C. Blassingame
1946 - 9-7-68	S. P. Sanders, (Died)
1946 - Present	Charlie Hawk
1954 - Present	Herbert Peters
1954 - Present	Larry Hawk
1954 - Present	Charlie B. Knight
1959 -	Jessie Malcom
1959 - Present	Otis Farmer
1959 - Present	Clarence Hester
1961 - Present	Raymond Lemmonds
1961 - Present	Herman Knight

CLERKS

1896 - 1896	J. J. Huff
1897 -	J. M. Ponder

Clerks Cont'd.

1901 - 1903	T. J. Knight
1904 - 1904	C. H. Crocroft
1905 - 1906	T J Knight
1907 - 1911	E. H. Herring
1912 - 1918	W. D. Conner
1919 - 1937	T J Knight
1938 - 1940	Frank Thomas
1941 - 1952	J. W. Prather
1953 - 1956	Robert Knight
1957 - 1958	Malcom Peters
1959 - Present	Charlie B. Knight

W. M. U. PRESIDENTS

1903 -	Mrs. C. H. Crocroft
1920 - 1920	Mrs. Lawrence Adcock
1921 - 1922	Mrs. Mann Knight
1923 -	Mrs. J. W. Prather
1924 - 1954	No records
1955 - 1959	Mrs. Herbert Peters
1960 - 1960	Mrs. Glenn Dariel
1961 - 1961	Mrs. Ralph Peters
1962 - 1966	Mrs. Herbert Peters
1967 - Present	Mrs. Harold Adcock

TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS

1962 - 1962	Glenn Smith
1963 - 1964	Herbert Peters

MUSIC MINISTRY

Pianist:

1945 -	Mrs Charlie Adcock
	Mrs. T. B. Thomas
	Mrs. S. P. Knight
1950 -	Miss Sylvia Hester
1952 - 1953	Mrs. Ruth Elliott
	Mrs. S. P. Knight
1954 - Present	Mrs. Herbert Peters

Chorister or Music Director:

1948 - 1968	S. P. Knight
1968 - Present:	
	Adult Director: Raymond Lemmons
	Youth Director: Mrs. Larry Malcom

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

1875 - 1878	J. Blasingame
1879 - 1882	J. A. Vallance
1883 - 1889	No record
1890 - 1890	Thomas Henson
1892 - 1893	H. K. Hensley
1896 - 1897	John T. Bryant
1900 - 1901	J. T. Bryant
1902 - 1902	M. F. Fuller
1903 -	C. H. Crocroft
1906 - 1907	E. H. Herring
1907 - 1908	William Williams
1908 -	J. H. Queen
1911 - 1911	E. H. Herring
1915 - 1915	M. F. Powers
1917 - 1918	Ray Bryant
1920 - 1921	T. J. Knight
1926 - 1926	S. P. Sanders
1931 - 1932	Julius Prather
1933 - 1933	Eddie Hanson
1936 - 1936	Julius Prather
1938 - 1938	Miss Lizzie Peters
1940 - 1943	Robert Knight
1944 - 1945	T. B. Thomas
1947 - 1947	Thomas Peters
1948 - 1950	Miss Sylvia Hester
1951 - 1956	Mrs. Harris Hester
1957 - 1961	Jessie Malcom
1962 - 1966	Raymond Lemmonds
1967 - Present	Harold Adcock

TREASURERS

1942 - 1947	T. J. Knight
1948 - 1949	J. W. Prather
1950 - 1968	O. C. Blasingame
1968 - Present	Mrs. Herman Astin

We hope to continue working on the dates that each person served so as to complete these lists. The records are not too clear in some instances. Perhaps, we have overlooked some names, if so, it is unintentional. This is the best we could do in the short time since I came as Interim Pastor to get up the information.

The same is true with reference to the otherreports. We had to do the research so huridly that we may have missed some valuable information.

The church is very much indebeted to our State Executive-Secretary, Dr. S. S. Garrison for the use of the Georgia Baptist Convention minutes from 1869 to present, and to Brother C. Virgil Langford, Mars Hill, and Brother J. P. White, First Church, Monroe, for lending the use of the Appalachee Associational minutes back to 1869.

UNOFFICIAL CHURCH ROLL

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
Social Circle, Ga Rt 2
January 26, 1969

RESIDENT MEMBERS:

1. Adcock, C. Harold	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
2. Adcock, Mrs. C. Harold (Sara)	" "
3. Adcock, Mrs. Nina	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
4. Adcock, Mrs. Charles (Lillie)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
5. Astin, Herman	500 E Washington St, Monroe, Ga 30655
6. Astin, Mrs. Herman (Lizzie)	" "
7. Astin, Samuel	" "
8 Blasingame, O. C.	Rt 3, Monroe, Ga 30655
9. Blasingame, Mrs. O. C.	" "
10. Broach, Mrs Ray (Nellie)	E Washington, Monroe, Ga 30655
11. Day, Mrs. Vessie Lee	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
12. Daniel, Elmer	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
13. Daniel, Mrs. Elmer (Marie)	" "
14. Daniel, Glendell	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
15. Daniel, Mrs. Glendell (Mary)	" "
16. Erwin, Mrs. M. P.	Rt 1, Madison, Ga 30650
17. Farmer, Otis	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
18, Farmer, Mrs. Otis (Sara)	" "
19. Fuller, Mrs. Gary (Dianne)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
20. Hanson, John William	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
21. Hanson, Mrs. John William (Edna)	" "
22. Hanson, Harry	Rutledge, Ga Rt 1, 30663
23. Hanson, Mrs. Harry (Patsy)	" "
24. Hanson, Mrs. Lena Mae	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
25. Hanson, Mrs. Roy (Mary Dean)	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
26. Hanson, Mrs. Ossie Mae	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
27. Hanson, Ronald	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
28. Handon, Mrs. Ronald (Jackie)	" "
29. Haralson, Mrs. Gail	Woodland Road, Monroe, Ga 30655
30. Herndon, Mrs. Lowell	Rt 2, Social Circle, Ga 30279
31. Hester, Mrs. Addie Mae	Rt 2, Social Circle, Ga 30279

32. Hester, Bill	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
33. Hester, Mrs. Charlie (Berdie)	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
34. Hester, Mrs. Lester (Cleo)	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
35. Hester, Herbert	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
36. Hester, Mrs. Herbert	" "
37 Hester, Bennie	Etton Drive, Monroe, Ga 30655
38 Hester, Mrs. Bennie (Charlotte)	" "
39. Hester, Kathy	" "
40. Hester, Mrs. Junior (Louise)	1346 Madison Ave, Monroe, Ga 30655
41. Hester, Johnnie	" "
42. Hester, Thomas	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
43. Hester, Mrs. Thomas (Martha)	" "
44. Hester, O. N.	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
45. Hester, Mrs. O. M. (Mavis)	" "
46. Hester, Nell Carey	Etton Drive, Monroe, Ga 30655
47. Hester, Mrs. Harris (Rachel)	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
48. Hester, Steve	" "
49. Hester, Rommie S	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
50. Hester, Clarence	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
51. Hester, Mrs. Clarence (Ruby)	" "
52. Houston, Wallace	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
53. Houston, Mrs. Wallace (Wynelle)	" "
54. Houston, Sherry	" "
55. Hawk, Charlie	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
56. Hawk, Mrs Charlie (Addie Lou)	" "
57. Hawk, Austell	Rt 1, Spcial Circle, Ga 30279
58. Hawk, Mrs. Ausyell (Stella)	" "
59. Hawk, Walter	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
60. Hawk, Mrs. Walter (Carlene)	" "
61. Hawk, Larry	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
62. Hawk, Mrs. Larry (Helen)	" "
63. Hawk, Loyd	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
64. Hawk, Mrs. Loyd (Lottie Bell)	" "
65. Hawk, Mrs. Louise	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
66. Johnston, Mrs. Clomer (Betty Jean)	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
67. Keesee, Mrs. John R.	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
68. Knight, Charlie B.	3014 Delmonice Drive, Decatur Ga 30032
69. Knight, Hester	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
70. Knight, Mrs. Hester (Frances)	"

71. Knight, Mrs. Sanders (Irene)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
72. Knight, Mrs. Mann (Minnie)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
73. Knight, Monroe	1221 S Madison Avenue, Monroe, Ga 30655
74. Knight, Mrs. Monroe (Hazel)	" "
75. Knight, Mrs Carl (Margaret)	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
76. Knight, Robert	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
77. Knight, Wayne	Social Circle, Ga 30279
78. Lemmonds, Mrs. Georgia Lou	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
79. Lemmonds, Raymond	902 Church Street, Monroe, Ga 30655
80. Lemmonds, Mrs. Raymond (Bernice)	" "
81. Lemmonds, Robin	" "
82. Lemmonds, Lee	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
83. Lemmonds, Mrs. Lee (Maggie)	" "
84. Little, Mrs. Ruby Nelle	Rt 1, Bishop, Ga 30621
85. Malcom, Alvin	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
86. Malcom, Mrs. Alvin (Omie Dell)	" "
87. Malcom, James	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
88. Malcom, Mrs. James (Sybil)	" "
89. Malcom, Marie	" "
90. Malcom, Don	" "
91. Malcom, Dan	" "
92. Malcom, Mrs. Thomas (Evelyn)	Rt 1, Madison, Ga 30650
93. Malcom, Mrs. Bonnie (Frances)	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
94. Malcom, Mrs. Ralph (Julia)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
95. Malcom, Judy	" "
96. Malcom, Mrs. Howard (Pauline)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
97. Malcom, Tommy	" "
98. Malcom, Mrs Edward (Mildred)	Rt 1, Madison, Ga 30650
99. Malcom, Mrs. Larry (Sherrell)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
100. Malcom, Mrs. Emory Lewis (Willie)	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
101. Malcom, Mrs. Larry (Sara)	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
102. Mitchell, Melvin	529 Lawrence Street, Monroe, Ga 30655
103. Morris, Mrs. Deral (Grace)	418 Woodland Rd, Monroe, Ga 30655
104. Peppers, Mrs. Dan (Brenda)	S. Madison Ave, Monroe, Ga 30655
105. Peters, Charlie T	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655

106. Peters, Mrs. Charlie T (Emma)	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
107. Peters, Cliff	109 Bryant Road, Monroe, Ga 30655
108. Peters, Mrs Lewis (Cleo)	Rt 2, Social Circle, Ga 30279
109. Peters, Foster	Rt. Social Circle, Ga 30279
110. Peters, Mr. Gussie	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
111. Peters, Hardy Lee	231 Marable Street, Monroe, Ga 30655
112. Peters, Mrs. Hardy Lee (Ida Mae)	" "
113. Peters, Herbert	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
114. Peters, Mrs. Herbert (Elizabeth)	" "
115. Peters, James	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
116. Peters, Mrs. James (Geneva)	" "
117. Peters, John	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
118. Peters, Mrs. John (Judy)	" "
119. Peters, Emory Lee	122 3rd Street, Monroe, Ga 30655
120. Peters, Mrs. Emory Lee (Ophelia)	" "
121. Peters, Malcom	201 Glyn Iris Drive, Monroe, Ga 30655
122. Peters, Mrs. Malcom (Dot)	" "
123. Peters, Mrs. Mildred Sue	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
124. Peters, Mrs. Preston (Mary Ella)	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
125. Peters, Mrs. Maggie	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
126. Peters, Mrs. Rachel	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
127. Peters, Ralph	Rt 1, Madison, Ga 30650
128. Peters, Mrs. Ralph (Mary Ruth)	" "
129. Peters, Elaine	" "
130. Peters, Wayne	" "
131. Peters, Tommie	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
132. Peters, Mrs. Ted (Allene)	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30279
133. Prather, John M	Woodland Road, Monroe, Ga 30655
134. Prather, Mrs. John M (Dorthy)	" "
135. Prather, J. H.	338 Woodland Drive, Monroe, Ga 30655
136. Prather, Mrs. J. H. (Hazel)	" "
137. Prather, Julius	302-A ~~Woodland Drive~~ Bryant Rd, Monroe, Ga 30655
138. Prather, Mrs. Julius (Nannie Mae)	" "
139. Richardson, James	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
140. Richardson, Walker	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
141. Mrs. Walker (Lucile)	" "

142. Richardson, Vernon	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
143. Richardson, Mrs. Vernon (Sandra)	" "
144. Richardson, William	Rt 1, Rutledge, Ga 30663
145. Richardson, Mrs. William (Margaret)	" "
146. Shirley, Mrs. Bob (Larue)	Social Circle, Ga 30279
147. Spinks, Mrs. Pearl Barnes	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
148. Starks, Mrs. William (Martha)	122 Glyn Iris Drive, Monroe, Ga 30655
149. Starks, Mrs. Nettie Lou	Rt 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
150. Stewart, Mrs. Sarah Hester	Good Hope, Ga Rt
151. Studdard, Mrs. Johnny (Annie Lou)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
152. Studdard, Mrs. Claude (Annie Lou)	Monroe, Street, Social Circle, Ga 30279
153. Studdard, Mrs. C. D. (Beatrice)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
154. Thomas, Mrs. Bobby (Jean)	Rt 1, Madison, Ga 30650
155. Wellborn, Mrs. Alice	Social Circle, Ga 30279
156. Whitley, Mrs. Larry (Nancy)	Re 2, Monroe, Ga 30655
157. Young, Mrs. Robert (Larene)	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279
158. Young, Tommie Lee	Rt 1, Social Circle, Ga 30279

NON-RESIDENT MEMBERS -

1. Adams, Mrs Sid
2. Armisted, Willie
3. Alexander, Martha
4. Bell, Mrs. Tom -Winder
5. Blasingame, Louie
6. Brown, Mrs. George
7. Conner, Lois
8. Conner, Mrs. Hughlon
9. Conner, Annie Mae
10. Conner, Lettie
11. Conner, Mrs. Corrie
12. Conner, Mrs. H. L.
13. Colquitt, Arlene
14. Cowan, Rev. Homer
15. Cowan, Mrs. Homer
16. Cowan, Steve
    Rt 1, Norcross Ga
17. Daniel, Mrs.Pearl
18. Durden, Mrs. Berta Mae
19. Edmondson, Willis
20. Fuller, Troy
22. Hamby, Mrs. Richard
23. Hanson, Mrs. Dianne
    Athens, Ga
24. Haralson, Lillie Mae
25. Hester, Lucile
26. Hester, Sadie
27. Hester, Johnnie
28. Hester, Eugene
29. Howard, Mrs. Dianne
30. Jenkins, Adell
31. Jones, Mrs. Carol
32. Knight, Miss Bernice
    621 N Highland Ave NE
    Atlanta, Ga
33. Knight, Herman
34. Knight, Mrs. Herman
    1680 Carter Road, Decatur, Ga
35. Malcom, Mrs. Bessie
36. Meadows, Emory
37. Mitchell, Mrs. Lottie
38. McClain, Mrs. Kate
39. McHugh, Pierce, Monticello
40. McLunkins, W. M.-Bethlehem
41. Peters, Hoyte
42. Peters, Wiley
43. Peters, Lucile
44. Simmons, Barbara Jean
45. Simmons, Mrs. Margie
46. Smith, Mrs. Laquetta
    Gainesville, Ga
47. Stapp, Rosa Lee
48. Taylor, Pauline
49. Turner, Ada

If any names have been overlooked we are so very sorry. Such oversight is due to the shortness of time in which to get up these reports. If any addressed are incorrect, or incomplete please give correct address to pastor. Also, we would like to have addresses of all non-resident members. If you know any address please advise.