

Pope's Chapel Methodist Church holds homecoming

Homecoming at Pope's Chapel Methodist Church Sunday was one of the most inspiring and best attended in many years. There were between 175 and 200 present. The church was filled to capacity with some on the outside.

Dr. Marvin Harper of Atlanta, retired missionary to India, was the guest

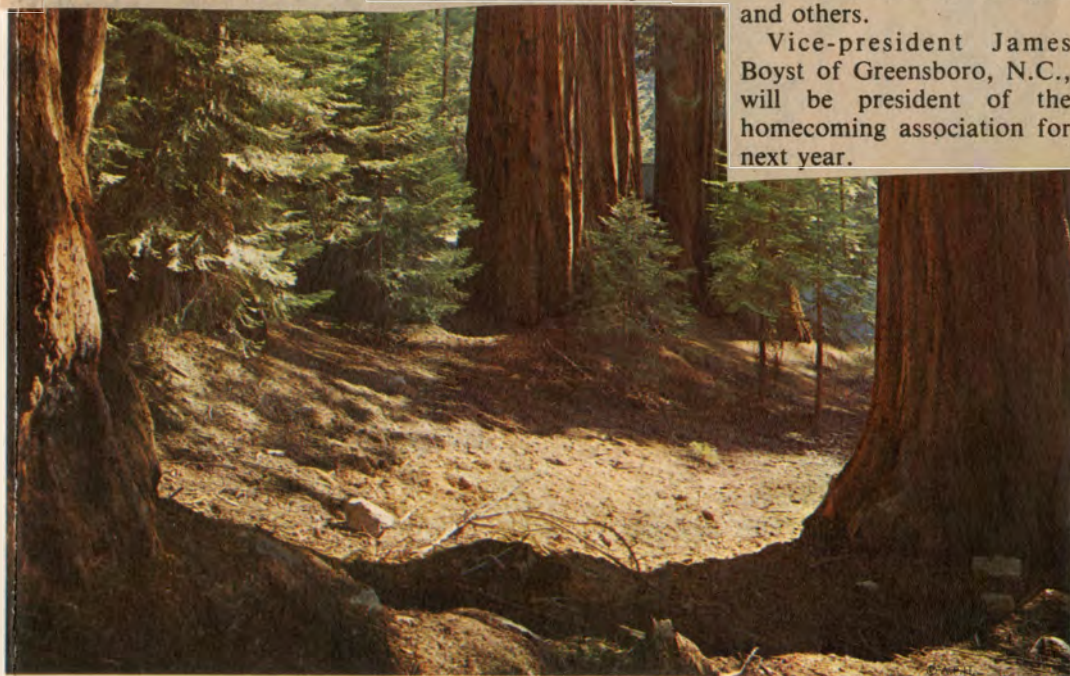
speaker. He was introduced by George Smith of Washington, president of the homecoming association. He presented an inspiring message and Rev. Harold Vaughn, pastor, sang "There Is Room at the Cross." Mrs. Lillie Roberson was pianist. Marvin Armour of Rayle was song leader.

A picnic dinner was served

on tables outside. There was an enormous amount of delicious dishes with every family bringing favorite foods.

Former members and friends came from throughout the area and from Florida, North Carolina and many towns in Georgia including Atlanta, Athens, Elberton, Douglas and others.

Vice-president James Boyst of Greensboro, N.C., will be president of the homecoming association for next year.



Lord, thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting thou art God.

Psalm 90:1-2

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL HOMECOMING SERVICE

POPE'S CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 5, 1980

11:30 A.M.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

- Piano Prelude Mrs. A.L. Roberson
- Call to Worship Mr. George Smith, President
- Invocation Minister
- * Hymn of Praise "Blessed Assurance" # 64
- Welcome Mrs. Annie Laurie Satterfield
- Response Mrs. Sara Sims Way
- * Hymn of Fellowship "Dwelling in Beulah Land" # 95
- Morning Prayer Minister
- Recognition of Guests Mr. Clarence Bohler
- Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings
- Offertory Solo The Reverend Harold D. Vaughn
("Room At The Cross"....Minkler)
- * Doxology
- Memorial Address Mr. Warren Fortson
(Dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Rebecca Fortson Boyst)
- Introduction of Guest Speaker Mr. George Smith
- HOMECOMING SERMON DR. MARVIN H. HARPER
("Bethabara"....John 10:20-42)
- * Hymn of Dedication "Where He Leads Me" # 133
- Benediction and Blessing of Food Minister
- Piano Postlude Mrs. A.L. Roberson
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* Congregation please stand

Following the benediction, let everyone recess immediately to the Church Grounds where ALL ARE INVITED and URGED to remain for dinner and good fellowship.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Marvin H. Harper is Associate Pastor of the North Decatur United Methodist Church in Atlanta, Georgia. A native Atlantian, Dr. Harper holds degrees from Emory University, Yale University, and the University of Chicago. In 1926, he was married to Miss Emmie Ficklen, of Washington, Georgia. They moved to New York, where Mr. Harper served as an officer of the Student Volunteer Movement for Foreign Missions. In 1927, he was ordained a minister of the Methodist Church, and he and Mrs. Harper sailed for India as missionaries on the faculty of Leonard Theological College, in Jabalpur, India. In 1945, Dr. Harper was elected President of that college.

In 1957, The Harpers returned to Georgia: Dr. Harper to become a member of the faculty of the Candler School of Theology at Emory University, and Mrs. Harper a member of the Library Staff at that institution.

Upon his retirement, Dr. Harper was appointed pastor of the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church in Ellenwood, Ga. In 1975, he became the Associate Minister at the North Decatur United Methodist Church.

The Harpers have a son, Marvin, Jr. (Their son Fielding having died last year), and six grandchildren.

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AFTERNOON SERVICE 2:15 p.m.

* Hymn "He Keeps Me Singing" # 110

Business Session Mr. George Smith, Presiding.

* Hymn "God Be With You" # 277

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Chancel Flowers are provided today in loving memory of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Rucker by their children; and of Mr. & Mrs. C.V. Wheless by Mr. & Mrs. Farmer Combs. Those on the Piano in loving memory of Mr. Thomas B. Pullen by Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm Chafin.

Christian sympathy is offered by all to Mrs. Farmer Combs and Mrs. Earl Bradley in the recent death of

their Loved-One, Mrs. Harold (Mary) Goss.

HOMEcoming ASSOCIATION OFFICERS 1980

President	Mr. George Smith
Vice-President	Mr. James Boyst
Secretary	Ms. Nanci Norman
Treasurer	Mrs. Farmer Combs

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT: THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE for the current year will meet in the Sanctuary at 1:45 p.m. today.

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PROGRAM COMMITTEE...1980

Guest Registry	Mrs. Malcolm Chafin Ms. Nanci Norman
Ushers	Mr. David Chafin Mr. David Sale
Publicity	Mrs. Walker Satterfield-
Nominating Committee	Mr. George Smith Mr. Albert Suttles Mr. Warren Fortson
Song Leader	Mr. Marvin Armour
Pianist	Mrs. A.L. Roberson
Acolyte	Miss Claudia Smich