Welcome to

Homecoming



Pope's Chapel United Methodist Church (Tignall Charge)

**ESTABLISHED AUGUST 1786** 

Twenty-ninth Annual Homecoming Pope's Chapel United Methodist Church Sunday, October 6, 1985 -- 11:30 A.M. Rev. James C. Cantrell, III, Pastor

Presiding Gene Butler, President Song Leader Mr. Fred Corbett Pianist Mrs. Lillie Garrard

## Order of Worship

Piano Prelude Mrs. Garrard Call to Worship and Invocation Mr. Cantrell \*Hymn of Praise "We Gather Together" 41 Opening Remarks and Announcements Welcome Mrs. Evelyn Oglesby Mrs. Jewel Butler Response \*Hymn of Joy "Blessed Assurance" 64 Pastoral Prayer Mr. Cantrell Memorial for the Deceased Mr. Albert Suttles Recognition of Individuals and Groups Mrs. Sarah Way \*Hymn of Preparation "Rescue the Perishing" 143 Our Gifts and Offerings Mr. Cantrell Offertory Mrs. Garrard Ushers: David Chaffin and David Sale \*Doxology Special Music Mr. Corbett Introduction of Guest Speaker Mr. Gene Butler Scripture Lesson Homecoming Address Dr. Earl H. Brendall \*Hymn of Dedication "Are Ye Able" 186 Invitation to "Dinner on the Ground"Mr. Butler Benediction Mr. Cantrell 

Everyone is cordially invited and encouraged to stay for the business session at 2:00pm During the meeting, reports will be presented on the Cemetary Fund and Homecoming Contributions as well as the election of Officers for the following year.

## Afternoon Session - 2:00pm

Hymn #111 "Jesus Is All The World To Me" "Amazing Grace" Hymn #43 Business Session: Secretary's Report Elizabeth Chaffin Treasurer's Report Hazel Combs (Homecoming Contributions/Expenses and the Cemetary Fund) Report of the Nominating Committee Eugenia Bohler and Elizabeth Chaffin Election of Officers Mrs. Charles Wright "I Am Thine, O Lord" Hymn #139 Closing Prayer Clarence Bohler \*\*\*\*

Officers and Committees for 1985

President Mr. Gene Butler Vice President Mr. Tim Suttles Mrs. Elizabeth Chaffin Secretary Treasurer Mrs Hazel Combs Guest Registry Anne Stuart and Ethel Flovd David Chaffin and David Sale Ushers Nominating Committee Mrs. Eugenia Bohler Mrs. Elizabeth Chaffin Mrs. Charles Wright Table Committee Mr. Farmer Combs Mr. Malcolm Chaffin Mr. Jimmy Wheatley Mr. Horace Norman

Mr. George Smith

## POPE'S CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Methodist Society, which was later organized into Pope's Chapel Church, was first organized in August 1786 by Thomas Humphries at the home of James Marks located in what is now Elbert County about 11/2 miles Northeast of Old Baker's Ferry on Broad River. When Elbert County was formed in 1790 from Wilkes County, it left most of the church members in Wilkes County, so the church was relocated into Wilkes County, south about 2 miles from Broad River, on property owned by John Landrum adjoining his homeplace on the east side of Baker's Ferry Road. It was in this location that it received its name, in honor of Rev. Henry Pope, who provided most of the timber used in the building. Bishop Francis Asbury delivered the Dedication Sermon there in 1805. In 1852 the church was again relocated about 2 miles south to its present location. In 1871 Trustees of the church were Benjamin W. Fortson, M. T. Cash, Augustus A. Neal, and James W. Boyd. A second structure was erected in 1897 in which two stained glass windows were installed as a memorial to Benjamin Winn Fortson and his wife Hannah Rebecca Ogilvie by their children. The Dedication Sermon was delivered by Lundye Harris in 1898. This building was severely damaged by a windstorm and a third building, presently in use, was erected in 1957.

## A DEDICATION SERVICE

- DONOR: WE PRESENT THESE GIFTS (A MARKER AT THE ORIGINAL SITE OF POPE'S CHAPEL, A PICTURE OF THAT MARKER, AND THE BOOK, <u>A BRIEF</u> HISTORY OF <u>EARLY METHODIST SOCIETIES</u> AND MEETING HOUSES IN THE BROAD RIVER VALLEY OF GEORGIA) TO BE CONSECRATED TO THE GLORY OF ALMIGHTY GOD AND FOR SERVICE IN THIS CHURCH.
- Pastor: We accept these gifts as a sacred trust and will gaurd and use them reverently. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we consecrate these gifts to the glory of God. May those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the Lord."
  PEOPLE: YEA, OUR HEARTS ARE GLAD BECAUSE WE
- TRUST IN THE HOLY NAME.
- Pastor: Let us make a joyful noise with songs of praise.
- PEOPLE: WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD; WE ACKNOWLEDGE YOU TO BE THE LORD.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Most loving God, without you no words or works of ours have meaning. Accept the gifts of our hands as symbols of our devotion. Grant us your blessing, as we consecrate these gifts to your glory, that they may be an enduring witness before all your people, and that our lives may be consecrated in your service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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