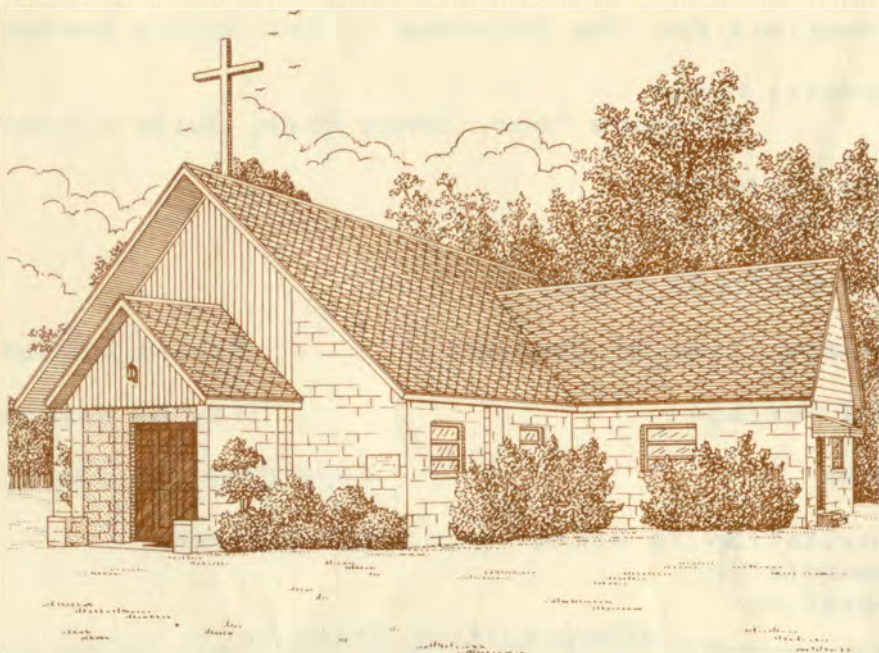


*Welcome to  
Homecoming*



*Pope's Chapel  
United Methodist Church  
(Tignall Charge)*

ESTABLISHED AUGUST 1786

THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL HOMECOMING  
POPE'S CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

October 4, 1992

Pastor, Ronald R. Fearneyhough

Pianist, Sophia Bamford

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Prelude

The Invocation

\*Hymn

#22 Love Divine

Welcome and Recognitions

Hazel Combs

Memorials For The Deceased

Dr. Sophia Bamford

Special Music

Sunshine Pope, Jenny Pope, Julie Simmons

The Offertory

\*The Doxology

The Pastoral Prayer

Introduction of Speaker

Robert Simmons

The Message

Troy B. Watkins

\*Hymn

#87 Blest Be The Tie

\*Invitation To Dinner and Table Blessing

\*Benediction

Postlude

\*Congregation Standing

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*The flowers are placed in the sanctuary to the  
Glory of God and in memory of beloved members and  
family by the Homecoming Association.*

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*Welcome to our Thirty-Sixth Annual Homecoming at Pope's  
Chapel, we are thankful for your faithfulness to make this  
journey to a place our families have called home. We trust  
our worship together will be honoring to God in drawing us  
close to Him and one another.*

*Everyone is invited to "Dinner on the Grounds" following  
the worship service.*

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We welcome to Pope's Chapel our speaker, Mr. Troy B. Watkins, who resides in Natchez, Mississippi with his wife of 48 years, Margaret Sullivan Watkins. Blessed with three sons and two daughters, Troy traces his family connections to Pope's Chapel through the Watkins and Taliaferro families, who are named as trustees on the 1811 Pope's Chapel marker.

Both his father, Singleton B., a former Methodist Minister and his mother, Gwendolyn Arthur, were native Mississippians. Troy is an active member and founder of Grace UMC in Natchez and a leading layman of that congregation. He has a rich and diverse background which includes a degree from University of Mississippi, teaching social studies at a college, later owning and operating a wholesale company. As a public servant, Troy served two terms as mayor (youngest elected in 273 years) of Natchez and two terms as senator of the Mississippi State Senate.

We can give thanks for another life which traces their spiritual roots to Pope's Chapel. It is a reminder of our Christian legacy and our own responsibility to pass on the Christian faith to our families.

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### *Afternoon Session: 2:00pm*

Hymn	#121	The Church In The Wildwood	
Secretary's Report			Tonya Boyd
Treasurer's Report			Hazel Combs
Report of Nominations			Tom Wiggins
Election of Officers			
Other Business			
Hymn	#277	God Be With You	
Closing Prayer			

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### *Officers and Committees for 1992*

President	Robert Simmons
Vice President	Marjorie Gibson
Secretary	Tonya Boyd
Treasurer	Hazel Combs
Ushers	David Sale - David Chafin
Nominations:	
Eugenia Bohler, Tom Wiggins, Elizabeth Chafin	
Table Committee:	
Malcolm Chafin, Farmer Combs, Jimmy Wheatley	
Guest Registry:	
Linda Bunch, Elaine Wheatley, Rhonda C. Keen	



### 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 1½ 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.

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*Home*

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*P: Margie Gibson  
VP: John Keen  
Sec: Shanna Boyd  
Treasurer: Hazel*

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