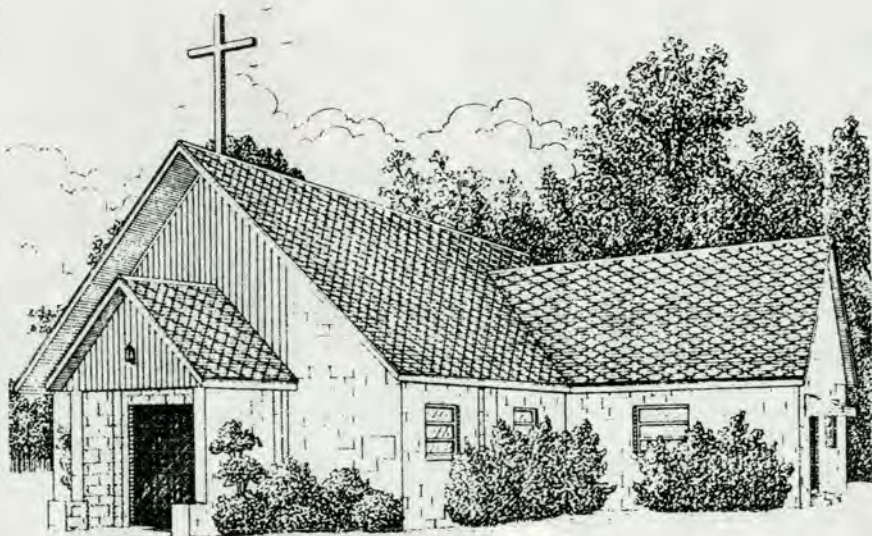


*Welcome to
Homecoming*



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

ESTABLISHED AUGUST 1786

Pope's Chapel
United Methodist Church
Forty-Fifth Annual Homecoming
October 7, 2001
Kathy Morris, Pastor
Debbie Burton, Pianist

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Invocation

*Opening Hymn "O For A thousand Tongues to Sing" p. 6

Memorials for the Deceased Ben Norman

Recognition of Guests Ben Norman

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn "I Need Thee Every Hour" p. 54

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Offering

*The Doxology

Introduction of Speaker Sophia Bamford

Scripture Reading

Message Warren Fortson

Closing Hymn "God Be With You" p.276

*Blessing and Benediction

We welcome you to our Forty-fourth Annual Homecoming at Pope's Chapel. We pray God's rich blessing upon you. Everyone is invited to Dinner immediately following the service.

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God in loving memory :

of Willie Belle Slaton by Russell, Betty and Marion
of and honor of the descendants of Benjamin Wynn
Fortson and Rebecca Olivia Fortson by Sophia
Bamford.

The Piano Arrangement is given in loving memory of Hazel
and Farmer Combs by Malcolm and Elizabeth Chafin.

Afternoon Session

Hymn	"The Church in the Wildwood"	p. 121
Secretary's Report		
Treasurer's Report		
Report on the Committee on Nominations		
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Officers and Committees for 2000

President: Sophia Bamford Vice President: Andrea Walton
Secretary: Nancy Norman Faulk Treasurer: Malcolm Chafin
Ushers David Sale & David Chafin
Nominations: Tom Wiggins, Elizabeth Chafin, John Keen
Table Committee: Malcolm Chafin, George Smith, Alfred
Truitt, Jimmy Norman, and John 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.

10-7-2001



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Dear Friends,

Another year has passed, I'm a year older and hopefully a little more wiser. One thing I have learned as the years go by is how meaningful my faith and heritage is and what an important part it is of our lives. Popes Chapel Church has set aside a day each year to celebrate our faith and heritage.....the 45th annual Popes Chapel Homecoming Day will be celebrated Sunday, October 7, 2001. The guest speaker will be Atlanta attorney Warren Fortson. This day of celebration will begin with Sunday School at 10:30 a.m. followed by the Worship Service at 11:30 a.m. There will also be dinner served under those old beloved oak trees. A short business session will begin promptly at 2:00 p.m.

Please come and celebrate this day with me as we rejoice in the worship of the Lord, our heritage, friendships old and friendships new.

Sincerely,

Nanci Norman Faulk