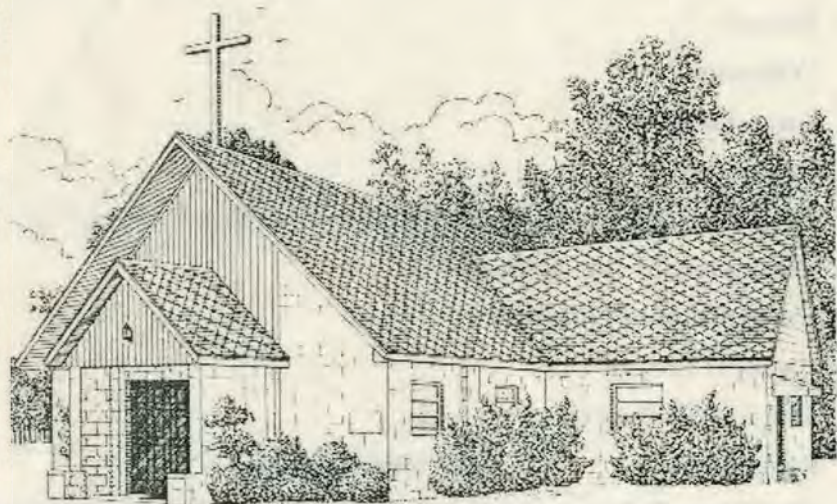


*Welcome to
Homecoming*



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

ESTABLISHED AUGUST 1785

POPE'S CHAPEL
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

49th Annual Homecoming

Marvin Mason, Pastor

Dr. Sophia Bamford, Pianist

October 2, 2005

11:15 a.m.

Prelude

Welcome

Announcements

Invocation

*** Opening Hymn "All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name" P. 14**

Memorials for the Deceased

Recognition of Guests

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Special Music "Abide With Me"

(By Ethan & Mason Jones - In Honor of Dr. Sophia Bamford)

Offering

*** The Doxology**

Introduction of Speaker (Robert "Bob" Fortson)

Message Charles Baird Fortson

*** Closing Hymn "God Will Take Care of You" P. 94**

*** Blessing and Benediction**

*** Please Stand, as you are able**

We welcome you to our Forty-Ninth 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 Memory of Charles Fortson, Jr. by the Family**

**In Honor of and Memory of the Norman Family by Nanci
Norman Faulk**

**The Piano Arrangement is given in Memory of Pearl and Ethell
Bufford by the Family**



AFTERNOON SESSION

- * Hymn **"The Church in the Wildwood" P. 121**
- Secretary's Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Report on the Committee on Nominations
- Election of Officers
- Other Business
- * Hymn **"God Be With You" P. 277**
- Closing Prayer

**** OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES for 2004 - 2005 ****

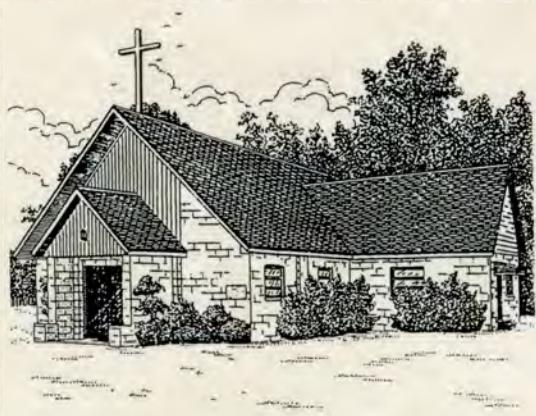
- President:** **Charles Baird Fortson**
- Vice President:** **Ben Joe Norman**
- Secretary:** **Nancy Norman Faulk**
- Treasurer:** **Malcolm Chafin**
- Ushers:** **David Sale and David Chafin**
- Nominations:** **Tom Wiggins, Elizabeth Chafin, John Keen**
- Table Committee:** **Malcolm Chafin, George Smith, John Keen
and Jimmy Norman**

*** Please Stand, as you are able**



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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Dear Friends,

Hello.....I am writing to remind you of a very special event that is celebrated every first Sunday in October - **Homecoming Day at Popes Chapel**. Please accept this invitation to join me for the 49th annual Homecoming Day on Sunday, October 2, 2005. Worship service will begin at 11:15 am followed by lunch under the oak trees. The guest speaker will be Charles Baird Fortson of Panama City, Florida who is also our Homecoming President for this year. Charles has grown up attending Homecoming at Popes Chapel being a member of one of the founding families of this historical Methodist Society.

A short business session will be held at 2:00 pm.

Please make your plans now to be in attendance to give honor to this special church which holds a dear place in so many hearts.....I'm looking forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

Nanci Norman Faulk