Welcome to Homecoming



Pope's Chapel United Methodist Church (Tignall Charge)

ESTABLISHED AUGUST 1786

Pope's Chapel **United Methodist Church** 52nd Annual Homecoming 11:00 A.M.

October 5, 2008 Richard Seibert, Pastor Debbie Burton, Pianist

Prelude

Hymn

Invocation Richard Seibert

*Opening Hymn "Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us" 69

Welcome and Recognition Libby Walton Foster

"This Is My Father's World" 106

Memorials for the Deceased Libby Walton Foster

Hymn "The Church In The Wildwood" 121

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*The Doxology

Richard Seibert **Pastoral Prayer**

Introduction of Speaker Libby Walton Foster

Message Rev. Brian George

"Blest Be The Tie" *Closing Hymn 87

*Blessing and Benediction Richard Seibert

*Please Stand

We welcome you to our 52nd Annual Homecoming at Pope's Chapel. We pray God's rich blessing upon you. Everyone is invited to "Dinner on the Grounds" immediately following the service.

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Libby and Jeff Foster
In memory of Hazel and Farmer Combs

Thomas Pullen Emmie and Jim Pullen Julia and Carswell Wheless

by

Elizabeth and Malcolm Chafin
Flowers are placed on the piano in memory of
Betty Wiggins and Charles Irvin
by the Homecoming Association

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Afternoon Session

Hymn "Amazing Grace"

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Secretary's Report Treasurer's Report

Report of Committee on Nominations

Election of Officers

Other Business

Hymn "God Be With You"

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Closing Prayer

Officers and Committees for 2008

President: Libby Walton Foster
Vice President: William Dunn Wansley
Secretary: Nancy Norman Faulk
Treasurer: Malcolm Chafin

Ushers: David Sale and David Chafin

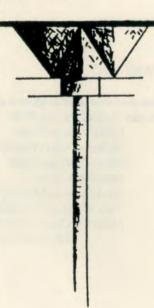
Nominations: Tom Wiggins, Elizabeth Chafin, John Keen Table Committee: Malcolm Chafin, George Smith, John Keen

and Jimmy Norman



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.





Dear Friends.

Subtle memories have come to mind such as a friend's laugh that I haven't seen in a long time, my childhood days spent playing on our farm in Wilkes County, and also worshiping at Popes Chapel. This time of year, as summer fades into fall, the pull to Popes Chapel is like a magnet since Homecoming Day is a great celebration held each October. Please join me for the 52nd annual Homecoming Day on Sunday, October 5, 2008. Worship service will begin at 11:00 am followed by lunch under the oaks. The guest speaker this year will be renown carpenter and Minister Brian George of Washington, Ga. A short business session will be held at 2:00 pm.

Please make your plans to make this journey with me to this special place to renew old friendships, make new ones and worship in this special church which holds so many dear memories......."m looking forward to seeing you there!

Sincerely,

Nanci Norman Faulk

Pope's Chapel UMC sets homecoming Sunday, October 5

Historic Pope's Chapel United Methodist Church, located near Broad River in the northern part of Wilkes County, will be having its 52nd annual homecoming day at the church on Sunday, October 5.

The worship service will begin at 11:00 a.m. and will be followed by lunch under the big oak trees. Rev. Brian George of Wilkes County will be the guest speaker for the occasion.

Following the dinner, the afternoon session will be held at 1 p.m., beginning with the hymn, "The Church in the Wildwood." Reports will be given and officers for 2008 will be elected.

All former members, their families, relatives, and friends are encouraged to be present for all of the events of the day.

Pope's Chapel dates back to 1786 when a society was organized and later became Pope's Chapel Church. · Pope's Chapel celebrated its 52nd old-fashioned homecoming Sunday. October 5, with Rev. Brian George bringing the message. Richard Seibert led in the music with Libby Walton Foster giving the welcome and recognition. Dr. Sophia Bamford was recognized as the oldest person present and Mollie Dawson, daughter of Myles and Brooke Dawson, was the youngest present. Others from this area attending the homecoming were Donald Harrison, Daisy Parker, Clyde and Cissy Rogers, Betsy Harrison, Myles and Brooke Dawson, Whitney, Jordan, and Mollie, and Dr. Sophia Bamford. Evelyn Grimes and Tommy and Jan Oglesby of Elberton; David Sales, Brantley and Vee McIntosh of Dewy Rose; and Mr. and Mrs. David Boyd of Atlanta were also there for the homecoming.

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