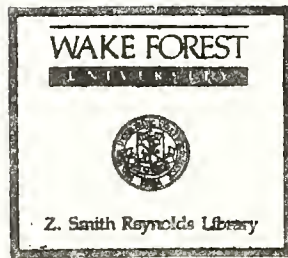




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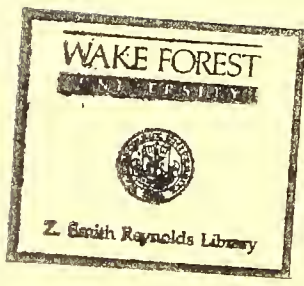
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PREFACE

This year (1995), Reynolda Presbyterian Church is 80 years old. To date, no one has chronicled the history of the church. This volume is an attempt to give an account of the life of the church during its first 80 years.

The Session of Reynolda Presbyterian Church has endorsed this history to the extent they have used Memorial Funds for its printing. However, the author accepts full responsibility for any and all errors contained therein. Either in its content or its interpretation.

The author would like for the reader to think of the church's history as its memory. Through its memory the church perpetuates its deeds, traditions, aspirations, ideals, and even its mistakes. Through its memory the past is linked with the present and future and all becomes one. Let us remember the people and events of Reynolda Presbyterian Church during its first 80 years and let them become part of our memory.

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REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

2200 Reynolda Road

Winston-Salem, North Carolina 27106

CHAPTER ONE: A MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL



Wachovia Arbor School Building
Home Of
Reynolda's Mission Sunday School
Circa 1914

A MISSION SUNDAY SCHOOL

What is now Reynolda Presbyterian Church had its origins in a Sunday School class at First Presbyterian Church in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Reynolda Church was conceived in the mind of Katharine Smith Reynolds and brought to fruition through her efforts and those of ruling elder and Sunday School teacher J. S. Kuykendall.

Sunday School Class No. 4 of First Presbyterian Church was organized in 1910 with three members. The class was a Sunday School Class for young women. The class grew rapidly, and by 1912, it had grown to 26 members. From its beginning, Mrs. Reynolds was its President, and Elder J. S. Kuykendall was its teacher.

At a social meeting of Class No. 4, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Critz on October 7, 1912, Mrs. Katharine S. Reynolds suggested that the class organize and teach a Mission Sunday School at Wachovia Arbor School House at Reynolda with the ultimate goal of organizing a church. The suggestion was received with great enthusiasm by the social gathering. A committee, consisting of all members of Class No. 4, was appointed to confer with Pastor Neal L. Anderson of First Presbyterian Church to establish this Mission Sunday School.

Wachovia Arbor School House, the proposed site of the new Mission Sunday School, stood at the northeast corner of Reynolda and Arbor Roads. Mrs. Reynolds stated that she would send the teachers out from downtown Winston-Salem in her car each Sunday afternoon if the Mission Sunday School was organized.

The leadership of First Presbyterian Church gave every possible assistance to the Committee as they organized the Mission Sunday School. The Committee members visited homes in the Reynolda community and invited all to attend the Mission Sunday School. On Sunday, January 5, 1913, 63 people were present for the first meeting of the new Mission Sunday School, meeting in the rented school building located near the homes of R. C. Norfleet and R. G. Stockton. Forty-seven of the 63 people present enrolled in the Mission Sunday School as members.

During January, February, and most of March of 1913, the small cluster of dedicated members of the new Mission Sunday School Class gathered at the school house for spiritual instruction as an un-official group of First Presbyterian Church. Each Sunday afternoon Mrs. Reynolds and Elder Kuykendall shepherded the flock as their members matured spiritually and grew in number. On March 23, 1913, the Mission Sunday School was officially organized as a body under the direction of First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem.

The officers and teachers of the new Mission Sunday School were

President of the Class	Katharine Smith Reynolds
Superintendent	J.S. Kuykendall
Assistant Superintendent	W.B. Harrison
Secretary-Treasurer	Frank Poole Holleman
Teachers:	Mrs. Katharine Smith Reynolds
	Miss Edna Maslin
	Miss Sena Critz
	Mrs. J.L. Ludlow
	Miss Marguerite Ludlow
	Miss Louise Ludlow
	Miss Eunice McIver

During June, July and August of 1913, ministerial student Leigh R. Scott came as the assistant to Dr. Anderson at First Presbyterian Church and preached on Sunday afternoons at the Wachovia Arbor School House. For this service he was paid \$100. Mr. Scott, who was from Union Theological Seminary, was paid in another way. He later married Miss Margaret Anderson, daughter of Dr. Neal L. Anderson, whom he had met while working at the Mission Sunday School.

The first formal installation of officers and teachers was held January 4, 1914. By this date the membership of the Mission Sunday School had grown to 113. Classes were being taught for senior men, senior women, young men, young ladies, teenage boys, teenage girls and primary age children. With such rapid growth the following teachers were added to the original list of teachers: Mrs. Bettie Woodruff, Miss Margaret Anderson, Mr. J.O. Cobb, Mr. and Mrs. F.S. Vernay, Mrs. D.J. Lybrook, Mr. and Mrs. Van McNair, Miss Ruth Critz and Miss Rhoda Hoffman.

From September of 1913 until June of 1914 the Mission Sunday School came under the leadership of Class President Mrs. Katharine Smith Reynolds (wife of Mr. R.J. Reynolds, the founder of RJR Tobacco Company) and Elder J.S. Kuykendall. Then, on June 7, 1914, after graduating from Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, Rev. Thomas W. Simpson was called as a pastor's assistant to the First Presbyterian Church to assume charge of the work at the Reynolda Mission Sunday School. He continued in this capacity and later became Reynolda's first pastor on October 17, 1915.

On September 20, 1914, the Mission Sunday School Class adopted a Class Motto, "SEEK, FIND, AND WIN FOR CHRIST," that was printed on a large beautiful silk flag. This flag disappeared around 1935 and has not been seen since.

The remainder of this chapter contains information about Reynolda Church's two co-founders---Katharine Smith Reynolds and James Stuart Kuykendall.



Katharine Smith Reynolds (Johnston)
Co- Founder

Katharine Smith first married R.J. Reynolds, founder of R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. Together they had four children. After Mr. Reynolds's death in 1919 she later married J. Edward Johnston. She and Mr. Johnston had one son together.

Katharine Smith Reynolds visualized, designed, and supervised the construction of Reynolda Village where her home Reynolda House was built, and where Reynolda Presbyterian Church is now located.

In October 1939, Lovie G. Eaton wrote the following poem about Mrs. Reynolds' creation at Reynolda.

REYNOLDA

Reynolda now is all aglow
 With hues of red and gold and brown
 For Reynolda, as you must know,
 Is the prettiest spot of all the town

Here the red is the reddest,
 The yellow the yellowest,
 The brown the brownest that can be found
 Reynolda is the prettiest of the pretty,
 Reynolda is the most picturesque place
 The whole world round.

Reynolda has all the tints
 Of the rainbow near and far,
 And motorists passing leisurely,
 Behold the sight with awe;
 And with admiration they exclaim,
 "The prettiest I ever saw."

If I could write like men I know,
 I'd pen in language tense and strong,
 A sonnet to Reynolda and set it to music for a song,
 So that two angels above who planned this scene,
 Could hear the earthly throng;
 And join in the strain both clear and sweet,
 With accent loud and long.

The Christian Church was central to Katharine Reynolds' life. When she first moved to Winston-Salem she attended First Presbyterian Church. After establishing Reynolda Presbyterian Church, she became its chief advocate and supporter. Her love for Reynolda Presbyterian Church lasted until her death, which resulted from medical complications associated with childbirth, on May 23, 1924.

After her death in 1924, the following passages were written about Katharine Reynolds Johnston.

Senah Critiz Kent said of her Aunt Katharine:

“---Uncle Dick derived his greatest pleasure from his pride in Aunt Katharine's executive ability. Supervising the construction of Reynolda was a daily delight to her, and no detail was too technical for her intelligent study and supervision. In the same manner Reynolda Church was both planned and built. Hours upon hours she spent with architects and ministers, trying to coordinate the service of the church with the beauty of the architecture. In a lovely way this is illustrated in the tiffany windows bearing their carefully selected Bible symbols, symbols designed especially for this Church.”

China Lybrook, niece of Katharine, said of her:

“Katharine was a person who thought first of the Church and her responsibility to it.”

Elder and co-founder J.S. Kuykendall said of his friend Katharine:

“She united with the Sunday School for a definite purpose, and gave of her time and means to make the school a success. ...Mrs. Reynolds was truly a friend to the people, and was loved by all who knew her. ... I never saw her happier than she was the night her husband, the late Mr. R.J. Reynolds, professed conversion. I shall always cherish her memory.”

Irving S. Bull, church treasurer, said of Katharine:

“She was faithful in her attendance and not only supported the Church financially, but was devoted to and active in its work.”

Fred E. Evans, one of the original elders elected at Reynolda Church, said of Katharine:

“She loved this Church and those associated with her in its establishment....She was ever ready and willing to give her aid, efforts and time to the Church and had most comprehensive and magnanimous plans for its future.... Her charities, though known to but few, were many and far-reaching, and bespoke her true Christian character.”

Her Pastor, Dr. D. Clay Lilly, said of Katharine:

“...Her support of the services and work of the Church was always generous and inspiring....She ministered to high and low, the sick and the poor, to the friendless and helpless....She was blessed with brilliant intellect, a pure heart and devout spirit. Her courtesy and graciousness never failed. Her charm of manner never forsook her....”

Alfred Drage, Sr., estate gardener, said of Katharine:

“...Today, as we enjoy the fellowship and varied privileges in connection with the Reynolda Church, may we ever be mindful of the fact that these blessings are ours as the fruit of her untiring devotion...”

Reynolda Presbyterian Church pays grateful tribute to the memory of Katharine Smith Reynolds Johnston whose consecrated vision and service gave us our beautiful Chapel which has served as a meeting place for our church family to receive spiritual nourishment for the last 80 years



MRS. R. J. REYNOLDS



James Stuart Kuykendall
Co-Founder

Born September 8, 1871 - Died: January 28, 1961

For over 45 years Elder J.S. Kuykendall was a key leader at Reynolda Presbyterian Church. Year after year, as General Superintendent of the Sunday School, he provided the leadership and motivation that kept the Sunday School at the center of the work of Reynolda Presbyterian Church. For 48 years he was an active elder and leader of the Session of the Church. His dedication, loyalty, and tireless support for the Mission Sunday School, the Church Sunday School and the entire work of the Church extended from January 5, 1913, when the Mission Sunday School first met, until his death on January 28, 1961.

Reynolda Presbyterian Church recognized his founding works and many years of service when they dedicated the educational wing of the Church in his honor in 1960. The dedication plaque erected after his death and located in the Kuykendall Education Wing reads:

**“This Building Is Dedicated
To The Glory Of God
And To The Teaching Of His Word
In Memory Of
J. Stuart Kuykendall
1871-1961
Teacher, Elder”**

The Kuykendall Education Building was dedicated on September 25, 1960. J. S. Kuykendall made the dedicatory speech. The ceremony was held during a combination Rally Day/Promotion Day program. The following information comes from the Rally Day Bulletin dated September 25, 1960:

Dedication Of Kuykendall Education Building

Mr. Kuykendall: For as much as it has pleased Almighty God to permit us to erect this building for worship, study, and training of our youth and all who may enter these doors, let us now proceed to set it apart for this holy purpose.

Grant, Lord, that by thy Holy Word which shall be taught in this building, the teachers and hearers may perceive and know what things they ought to do and may receive grace to fulfill them.

Congregation: Let it be, O Lord.

Mr. Kuykendall: Grant, O Lord, that these who shall find thee here through thy word may be truly saved and sanctified by thy Holy Spirit and may forever remain thy faithful children.

Congregation: Let it be, O Lord.

Mr. Kuykendall: Grant, O Lord, that the fellowship and recreation that shall be conducted in this place shall be clean and wholesome and serve to develop our youth socially and spiritually to the glory of God.

Congregation: Let it be, O Lord.

Unison In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, we now declare this house to be set apart from all profane and common uses and consecrated to the sacred use of teaching, worship, and wholesome fellowship in the things pertaining to the advancement of the Kingdom of God, to Whom be the glory and majesty, dominion and power forever and ever. Amen ”

Each year, Superintendent Kuykendall gave an accounting to the Session of the Church as to the progress the Sunday School was making under his leadership. Let's look at some information found in three of these accountings he made to the Church Session 1917, 1930 and 1931

In his accounting given January 14, 1917, he made the following recommendations:

1. That the teachers and pupils be at the church by 9.55 A.M
- 2 That the Sunday School open promptly at 10:00 A.M.
- 3 That fifteen minutes be devoted to the opening exercises
- 4 That thirty minutes be devoted to the teaching of the lesson and catechism
- 5 That the Sunday School close promptly at 11:00 A M
- 6 That some regular system be adopted by which the classes would return to the main auditorium of the church.

In his January 1930 accounting Superintendent Kuykendall had the following recommendations

- 1 Encourage greater effort in memorizing the scripture
2. Give more attention to memorizing and reciting the catechism
- 3 Stress regular and prompt attendance by teachers and pupils
- 4 Teachers know the needs of each individual member of their class
- 5 Impress on pupils the importance of obedience, order, and reverence at the Sunday School period
- 6 Sunday School teachers construct their lesson so as to bring the pupil to a decision to accept Jesus Christ
- 7 Teachers to prepare lessons before coming to class
- 8 Teachers assign definite work to the pupil each Sunday and see that the assignments are met
- 9 Assistant teachers to teach the lesson on the first Sunday of each month
10. Teachers to study both the lesson and the Bible
- 11 Urge students to attend the services of the Church
- 12 Teachers and pupils read and study Christian literature systematically
- 13 Assist the pupils to apply to daily living the lessons taught in the Bible
14. Urge people to report sickness or other needs to the pastor or superintendent
- 15 Faithfully observe the suggestions and requests of the pastor and officers of the Sunday School

In his January 1931 accounting Superintendent Kuykendall gives us information about how many people were needed to operate the Church Sunday School.

OFFICERS

J.S. Kuykendall	General Superintendent
Charles M. Norfleet	First Ass't Superintendent
John W. Moore	Second Ass't Superintendent

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS

Senior Dept.	Miss Delphine Brown
Intermediate Dept.	Mrs. D.J. Lybrook
Junior Dept.	Mrs. John W. Moore
Primary & Beginners Dept.	Mrs. Irving S. Bull
Home Dept.	Mrs. W R. Martin
Cradle Dept.	Mrs. T.J. Byerly
Missionary	Mr. John W. Moore
Junior Choir Director	Mrs. C.H. Sebring
Pianist	Miss Nadeina Gibson
Sunday School Music Leader	Mr. Stewart Buchanan
Birthday Secretary	Mrs. Alfred Drage
Perfect Attendance Secretary	Miss Ruth W. Kuykendall

TEACHERS AND ASSISTANTS

CLASS	TEACHER	ASSISTANT
Men's Bible Class	Mr. R. W. Pou	Dr. D. Clay Lilly
Senior Ladies Bible Class	Mrs. N.A. Holleman	Miss Delphine Carter
Junior Ladies Bible Class	Mrs. D. Clay Lilly	Mrs. W.R. Martin
Senior Girls, No. 1	Mrs. D.J. Lybrook	Mr. John W. Moore
Senior Boys, No.2	Mr. Stewart Buchanan	Mr. G.E. Woodruff
Senior Girls, No. 3	Miss Delphine Brown	Mrs. W. H. Leggette
Intermediate Boys, No. 1	Mr. F.E. Evans	Mr. Irving S. Bull
Intermediate Girls, No. 2	Miss Maggie Holleman	Mrs. G.E. Woodruff
Intermediate Boys, No. 3	Mr. W.R. Martin	Mr. W.H. Leggette
Junior Department	Mrs. John W. Moore	Mrs. Percy T. Johnson
“ “	Mrs. Charles M. Norfleet	Mrs. Baxter Moore
“ “	Mrs. Calvin J. Griffin	Miss Mary Martin
Junior Dep't Pianist	Mrs. Calvin J. Griffin	
Primary & Beginners Dept.	Mrs. Irving S. Bull	Mrs. Alfred Drage
“ “ “	Miss Sarah Frances Martin	Miss Cassie Dancy
“ “ “	Miss Etta Carter	Mrs. Grace Foster Lilly
“ “ “	Mrs. J.S. Kuykendall	Miss Evelyn Isley
Dept. Pianist	Mrs. Stewart Warnken	

SUPPLY TEACHERS

Mrs R L. Gibson
Mrs Hoke Baggs
Miss Cleo Barkley

Miss Sadie Holleman
Miss Elizabeth Lilly

SUNDAY SCHOOL COUNCIL

Dr D. Clay Lilly
Charles M Norfleet

J.S. Kuykendall
John W. Moore

F P. Holleman
Percy T. Johnson

Superintendent Kuykendall reported that Officers and Teachers Meeting were to be held monthly on the first Monday night after the last Sunday in each month.

For years Superintendent Kuykendall was a prime supporter of Rally Day at Reynolda Church. The purpose of Rally Day was to help collect funds to help neglected children in the South. The Presbytery Sunday School that contributed the most funds on Rally Day was awarded a Rally Day Banner which could be displayed at the winner's church for the following year. Reynolda's Sunday School won the Rally Day Banner for the Winston-Salem Presbytery in the years 1928, 1929, 1930, 1933 and 1934. These Rally Days took place in early October each year at Reynolda Church.

Superintendent Kuykendall has passed on to us a record of Reynolda's Sunday School attendance and collection for these Rally Days during the first seventeen years of its existence. They are

YEAR	ATTENDANCE	COLLECTION
1913	73	\$ 5.93
1914	75	7.26
1915	109	11.42
1916	128	17.26
1917	149	32.75
1918	80	36.29
1919	81	22.61
1920	150	53.00
1921	99	16.16
1922	68	11.72
1923	84	148.68
1924	67	51.02
1925	68	20.93
1926	60	36.00
1927	126	44.86
1928	176	49.83
1929	160	113.00

Superintendent Kuykendall passed on to us another interesting table of information. This table shows the per person contribution per week given to the Church Sunday School for the first seventeen years. These contributions are:

YEAR	PER PERSON CONTRIBUTION/ PER WEEK
1913	.07 8/10 Cents
1914	.07 3/5 Cents
1915	.06 1/3 Cents
1916	.07 Cents
1917	.07 Cents
1918	.09 Cents
1919	.08 Cents
1920	.10 Cents
1921	.06 1/3 Cents
1922	.06 Cents
1923	.18 Cents
1924	.10 Cents
1925	.10 Cents
1926	.15 Cents
1927	.07 1/3 Cents
1928	.10 1/2 Cents
1929	10 Cents

Following his death on January 28, 1961, the Session of Reynolda Church passed a Resolution Honoring the Memory of James Stuart Kuykendall at its next meeting on January 31, 1961. It read as follows:

“Whereas, our dear colleague and friend, James Stuart Kuykendall was largely responsible for the founding and organizing of Reynolda Presbyterian Church through his inspiring work as a teacher of a group of young ladies at the First Presbyterian Church who began a mission afternoon Sunday School in a school building in the Reynolda area in January, 1913;

And whereas, this work of love and devotion grew until a church was organized and his unbounded faith in his Master and enthusiasm for His work bore fruit in inspiring Mrs. R. J. Reynolds, a loyal member of his Sunday School Class, to give the original church building and manse together with the grounds to this congregation:

And whereas, our brother was a charter member of this church and a charter elder who has served his Savior through this church both faithfully and well since its founding in many capacities including that of Sunday School Superintendent, Elder, and Elder Emeritus:

And whereas, he has been a leader in every active forward step in the growth of Reynolda Church both in physical equipment and in spiritual development, with no thought of self-aggrandizement but in the same spirit of meekness and modesty shown by our Savior:

And whereas, his love for children and faith in youth did cause our congregation to dedicate and name our new Educational Building and Fellowship Hall the "J. S. Kuykendall Building" in his honor:

And whereas, our Heavenly Father did call him home on Saturday, January 28 in the year of our Lord 1961:

Be it resolved that we the Session of Reynolda Church express our feeling of personal loss and our deepest sympathy to his beloved wife, Mrs. Ruth Wharton Kuykendall and their daughter, Miss Ruth Wharton Kuykendall, and reaffirm our Christian love and affection for them in this their hour of bereavement:

Be it also resolved that this resolution be sent to Mrs. Kuykendall and Miss Ruth Kuykendall and a copy thereof be inscribed in the minutes of the Session of Reynolda Presbyterian Church."

Reynolda Presbyterian Church, with great respect, pays tribute to the memory of James Stuart Kuykendall whose vision and years of dedicated service turned Katharine Smith Reynolds Johnston's dream of a Reynolda Church into reality.

As Reynolda Presbyterian Church was being founded, a new mood was spreading over the nation. Tremendous technological changes were advancing life in Reynolda and the nation. The automobile, the camera, the telephone, electricity, and other scientific breakthroughs were having a positive effect on the lives of Reynolda people in 1915. In education, less attention was paid to Latin and Greek and more attention on mathematics, science, and the mechanical arts in Mrs. Reynolds' private school at Reynolda. Like much of America, Reynolda was full of hope for bigger and better things to come.

Katharine Smith Reynolds Johnston and James Stuart Kuykendall looked forward to better times in the lives of people in Reynolda. They were happy, generous, and cheerful founders of Reynolda Presbyterian Church. They felt God was favoring them as they went about His work of building a church at Reynolda for His glory and their house of worship.



**“Well done,
thou good, and faithful
servant;...”**

Matthew 25:21

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in heaven,

Hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy will be done in earth,

As it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

As we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the

Power, and the glory, for ever.

Amen.

CHAPTER TWO: A REYNOLDA CHAPEL



Reynolda Chapel Under Construction

1915

(Mrs Katharine Smith Reynolds in center)



CHAPEL PAINTING
Ca. 1922



CHAPEL AND MANSE PICTURE
Ca. 1922



CHAPEL PAINTING
Ca. 1946



CHAPEL PICTURE
Ca. 1946

A REYNOLDA CHAPEL

It soon became obvious to Katharine Reynolds that the Mission Sunday School was a success and she needed to move on to the second part of her vision and establish a church at Reynolda. In January of 1913 she took a small group of women to a creek bank on her estate and looked across a muddy road to a red clay hill where a rugged apple tree stood and remarked, "That is where I want to build a community church---one that will help all persons for miles around. Will you help me?" Each lady there gave their promise to help her.

In a letter written on April 20, 1955 to Leon Rice, Jr. (Secretary, Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, Inc.), Elder Charles M. Norfleet states:

"Mrs. R.J. Reynolds built Reynolda Church when she developed the estate. She told the writer she wanted a church for the benefit of her family and the families who would live on the estate. That her greatest hope was that Mr. Reynolds would be interested in the church and become a member of it. Her hopes were realized and shortly before his death Mr. Reynolds told me how much the Church had meant to him."

Mrs. Reynolds pledged to the worshippers at the Mission Sunday School that if they would keep a pastor and at least twenty functioning church members she would build and maintain a Chapel for them on her Reynolda Village property. As promised, the cornerstone of the Chapel was laid Thursday, November 12, 1914, at 5 P.M. with Dr. Neal L. Anderson presiding. Others participating were Rev. T.W. Simpson, Rev. E.J. Hertwig of the Waughtown mission field, Mr. J.S. Kuykendall, Mr. George W. Maslin and Mr. F.S. Vernay, ruling elders of the First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem. It is of interest to note that besides the Mission Sunday School, there had been organized a night school, a Young Ladies' Society, and a Brotherhood. Articles concerning these organizations were deposited in a sealed copper box in the cornerstone along with other items of interest.

Mrs. Reynolds used architect Charles Keen to design and construct the Chapel. The D'Ascenzo Studios of Philadelphia designed and built the stained and leaded glass in the Chapel. The vapor heating plant was designed by Wiley & Wilson, Consulting Engineers. American Heating Company, a department of the General Fire Extinguisher Company of Greensboro, North Carolina, built the system. Thomas W. Sears, of Philadelphia, was the landscape architect. The pews and Chapel furniture were constructed of American Elm wood. Workers were estate employees and local helpers. Indiana limestone was used in the construction of the building.

On September 13, 1915, Katharine Reynolds wrote a personal letter to the Session of First Presbyterian Church requesting that they overture the Presbytery that Reynolda Church be organized. Following is the letter written by Katharine on her personal stationary.



To the Session
of the
First Presbyterian Church,
Winston-Salem,
North Carolina.

My dears Sirs:-

Confirming my conversation with Mr. Anderson, I am writing to state that it is my purpose, whenever a congregation has been organized by Presbytery at Reynolda, to convey, on certain conditions, the church being erected there and the property on which it stands, to the Trustees to be elected by that congregation.

These conditions will be imposed from no want of a sincere respect for the Trustees, or the Congregation which may worship there, but sim-

ply to guard as far as possible, for all future time, against any perversion of the property from the sacred purpose to which it is dedicated, and against the danger of its becoming forfeited.

now in view of the growth and needs of our work in the Reynolda District, I trust that you may see your way clear to invite the Presbytery, at Mt Airy this week to appoint a Commission to organize a Church at Reynolda, so that the new congregation may take possession of the building when completed

Faithfully yours,
Walter S Reynolds

September the thirteenth.
Nineteen hundred and fifteen.

A formal request to organize the new Chapel into a Presbyterian Church was made to the Orange Presbytery, Southern Presbyterian Church. This request came from the Session and 27 petitioning members of First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem plus five additional members from other evangelical churches. The 27 petitioning members from First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem were:

1. Frank Poole Holleman
2. Fred E. Evans
3. Katharine Smith Reynolds
4. Helen H. Vernay
5. Eunice Lois McIver
6. Anna B. Holleman
7. Senah Critz
8. Edna G. Maslin
9. Fannie S. Douglas Brown
10. Virginia Lee Wiggins
11. Mrs. N.J. Livengood
12. N. Sherwood Holleman
13. Elsie T. Evans
14. N.J. Livengood
15. Louise H. Ludlow
16. J.S. Kuykendall
17. Mrs. Ruth W. Kuykendall
18. Robert L. Hatcher
19. Minnie Hatcher
20. Henrietta Van den Berg
21. Miriam Harris McNair
22. John Van McNair
23. Cornelia S. Taylor
24. Willie Haynes
25. Mrs. C.M. Lybrook
26. James S. Dunn
27. Mrs. Maxie S. Dunn

The five additional petitioning members from other evangelical churches were

1. Lula P. Adams
2. J.C. Cummings
3. Alta H. Cummings
4. Cynthia L. Hauser
5. Mary J. Cornelius

The Orange Presbytery responded to the request by appointing a Commission on September 14, 1915, to organize Reynolda Chapel into a Presbyterian Church.

The Commission assembled on October 14, 1915, at 9:00 P.M. in the Caldwell Memorial Building at First Presbyterian Church in Winston-Salem, to hear the formal request. Present for the meeting was Rev. Neal L. Anderson, Rev. George W. Lee, Rev. E.J. Hertwig, Rev. Thomas W. Simpson and Ruling Elders G.W. Maslin and J.M. Rogers. Elder Maslin was requested to act as clerk. After the request was formally presented to the Commission, the meeting was adjourned until Friday, October 15, 1915, at 12:30 P.M..

At its Friday meeting the Commission acted upon a letter it had received from Mrs. Katharine Reynolds in which she had established the terms for her giving the Reynolda Chapel to the Orange Presbytery. The Commission passed the following resolutions and suggested they be adopted by the Reynolda Congregation.

“Resolved ---that the Congregation of the Reynolda Presbyterian Church do hereby authorize the Trustees to accept the deed of transfer of the Church property located in Reynolda Village, and described in the aforesaid deed, and we do hereby covenant with the Grantor and her heirs that the Church property shall never be used for the purpose of the sale of anything, no matter for what cause or of what nature, and that bazaars and functions of a similar character shall never be permitted on the grounds or in the buildings of the Church.

Resolved further that this congregation also covenant with the Grantor and her heirs that the said buildings and grounds are not to be changed in any respect whatever from what they are in at the time of the making of the above deed, nor shall the church building be in any way enlarged without the consent of the Grantor or her heirs.

Resolved further that a copy of these resolutions, certified by the Moderator and Clerk of this meeting be attached to the said deed.”

The meeting was then adjourned until Sunday, October 17, 1915.

On Sunday, October 17, 1915, at 3:00 P.M., the Commission met in the Wachovia Arbor School House and approved Reynolda Presbyterian Church as a new church in the Orange Presbytery. Present at this meeting was Rev. Neal L. Anderson, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem, Rev. Melton Clark, Rev. E.J. Hertwig, Rev. George W. Lee, Rev. Thomas W. Simpson, pastoral assistant to Dr. Anderson, and Ruling Elders G.W. Maslin, G.S. Norfleet, and J.M. Rogers.

At the October 17, 1915, meeting Mr. Fred E. Evans and J.S. Kuykendall were elected Ruling Elders. Mr. Evans was ordained and installed and Mr. Kuykendall having already served in the office of Ruling Elder in the First Presbyterian Church, was installed. Mr. Frank P. Holleman and Mr. John Van McNair were elected, ordained, and installed in the office of Deacon. The congregation elected Fred E. Evans, J.S. Kuykendall, T P. Holleman, John Van McNair and James S. Dunn as trustees of the Church. The congregation chose the name REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH for the new church.

After all of the above was accomplished, Rev. Melton Clark, D D of Greensboro, North Carolina, a Commission member, preached a sermon from **PSALMS 48 12 & 13** to the assembled Commissioners and Reynolda Congregation. **PSALMS 48 12 & 13** says:

“Walk about Zion, and go around her;
count her towers;
consider her ramparts;
Go through her palaces;
That you may tell it to the next generation.”

Twenty-five years later, on October 20, 1940, the same Dr. Melton Clark, the only surviving member of the organizing Commission for Reynolda Presbyterian Church, was asked to return to Reynolda and give “AN ANNIVERSARY SERMON” during the 11:10 Morning Worship Service.

On October 24, 1915, the first meeting of the Reynolda Church Session was held at the home of Elder Fred E. Evans on North Summit Street. The Session took two actions at this meeting. First, it elected Fred E. Evans as Clerk of the Session. Second, it instructed Clerk Evans to write letters of appreciation to Dr. Theron H. Rice and Rev. D. Clay Lilly for agreeing to participate at the formal dedication of the Reynolda Chapel on November 28, 1915, and Dr. Anderson for helping establish Reynolda Presbyterian Church and agreeing to participate at the formal dedication service of the Chapel.

A Congregational Meeting of the Church was held in the Mission Sunday School Building on Thursday, November 25, 1915. At this Meeting Mrs. Katharine Reynolds presented the Deed to Reynolda Presbyterian Church to the congregation. On this day of thanksgiving, the Reynolda Church congregation truly had something to be thankful for.

On Sunday, November 28, 1915, the first Sunday School and Worship Service were held in the newly finished Chapel. The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem joined in the morning service of dedication of the church and installation of the pastor, Rev. Thomas W. Simpson. Three Hymns sung during the original worship service were, "HOLY, HOLY, HOLY", "GLORIOUS THINGS OF THEE ARE SPOKEN", and "BLEST BE THE TIE THAT BINDS". The Commission was composed of Rev. Neal L. Anderson, D.D., who presided and charged the pastor, Rev. Theron H. Rice, D.D., of Union Seminary, Richmond, Virginia, who preached the sermon, Rev. D. Clay Lilly, D.D., of Nashville, Tennessee, who charged the people, and the ruling elders; J.S. Kuykendall, Fred E. Evans, of Reynolda, J.M. Rogers and George W. Maslin, of the First Presbyterian Church; E.L. Anderson, North Winston Presbyterian Church, and W.F. Carter, Mt. Airy Presbyterian Church.

In the afternoon a service of praise was held. Professor H.A. Shirley of Salem College played the new organ; and at the evening service Dr. D. Clay Lilly preached the dedicatory sermon.

Elder J.S. Kuykendall stated in a report on CHURCH MEMBERS ADDED, MEMBERS LOST AND PRESENT MEMBERSHIP, dated December 31, 1929, that all members received in the Church from October 17th through December 31st of 1915 were considered to be Charter Members. They were:

- 1 Mrs. Lula P. Adams
- 2 Fannie S. Douglas Brown
- 3 Miss Mary J. Cornelius
- 4 Miss Senah Critz
- 5 Mrs. Alta H. Cummings
- 6 J.C. Cummings
- 7 James S. Dunn
- 8 Mrs. Maxie S. Dunn
- 9 Mrs. Elsie T. Evans
- 10 Fred E. Evans
- 11 Minnie Hatcher
- 12 Robert L. Hatcher
- 13 Mrs. Cynthia L. Hauser
- 14 Willie Hayes
- 15 Mrs. Anna B. Holleman
- 16 Frank Poole Holleman
- 17 N. Sherwood Holleman
- 18 J.S. Kuykendall
- 19 Mrs. Ruth W. Kuykendall
- 20 N.J. Livengood
- 21 Mrs. N.J. Livengood
- 22 Miss Louise Ludlow
- 23 Mrs. C. M. Lybrook

24. John Van McNair
25. Miriam Harris McNair
26. Miss Edna Maslin
27. Miss Eunice McIver
28. Mrs. Katharine Smith Reynolds
29. Cornelia S. Taylor
30. Henrietta Van den Berg
31. Mrs. Helen H. Vernay
32. Miss Virginia Lee Wiggins

The Session of the Church met on December 17, 1915, and acted on several church matters. First, they hired Robert Fulcher as its first sexton. His pay was fifteen cents per hour on work days and twenty cents per hour on Sundays. Second, they elected a Music Committee consisting of Elder Fred E. Evans, Chairman, Mrs. F. S. Vernay, and Mrs. Katharine Reynolds. Third, they approved Mrs. Helen Harris Vernay as the first organist and music director of the Church. Mrs. Fred E. Evans was elected as Mrs. Vernay's assistant. Each was to serve for one year. Neither accepted any pay for their services. Fourth, they appointed the following members to serve as ushers: James S. Dunn, J.C. Cummings, F. Poole Holleman, and N.J. Livengood. Fifth, and last, they asked Pastor Simpson to arrange for the purchase of a Communion Service and Baptismal Font

After one year of faithful service, on December 5, 1916, Mrs. Helen Harris Vernay sent a letter to the Church Session asking to be released of the duties of organist and music director. On December 11, 1916, Elder J.S. Kuykendall, Clerk Pro Tem of the Session, sent Mrs. Vernay a letter accepting her resignation with regrets and expressing their appreciation for her time and untiring energy to the music program of the Church.

Upon hearing of Mrs. Vernay's resignation, Mrs. Katharine Reynolds sent Elder J.S. Kuykendall a letter in which she states:

“For a long time it has been on my mind and heart that if our organist would accept no pay, that some material recognition should be made of her services, showing the deep appreciation that I am sure, we all feel, and I want you to accept, for this purpose, the enclosed check for \$100.00, to be used in whatever gift the session think best...”

On December 22, 1916, the Session of the Church gave Mrs. Vernay the \$100.00 and a letter of appreciation for the past year as organist and music director.

Mrs. Reynolds states in a letter dated December 9, 1916, to Elder J. S. Kuykendall.

“For the coming year’s work, effective January 1st, I should be glad to give, in addition to my regular subscription, \$300.00 a year, toward the employment of a choir director, and \$200.00 a year, toward the employment of an assistant in the music. The choir director may be either the organist, or the one who leads the singing, and helps in the training of the voices

The directorship should be dependent on the higher ability of the two persons. If it was thought best, both amounts mentioned might be put together and used, paying one splendid organist and choir director. The best organist in Winston-Salem, when they direct the choir, and give their entire time, receive \$50.00 per month, others receive on down the scale to \$15.00.”

Due to Mrs. Reynolds generosity Reynolda Presbyterian Church could pay a choir director \$25.00 per month and a song leader \$16.66 per month during 1917.

Mrs. Reynolds was generous to the church in another way. On June 21, 1916, she presented to the Church a deed for an OUT-OF-DOOR AUDITORIUM. This outside auditorium was dedicated to the service of God as a permanent place of worship. In its early days, the Chapel used it to supplement its indoor activities particularly in hot weather. The Out-Of-Door Auditorium was located on the back side of the Chapel.



Auditorium (Between Obelisk And Chapel)

The dedication service for this addition to the Chapel was held at the twilight hour on Sunday Evening, June 25, 1916. Rev. Neal L. Anderson, D.D., Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem, preached the dedication sermon, a most inspiring message, from **PSALMS 19: 1 & 2** --- "*The Heavens Declare the Glory of God.*" After the sermon Rev. Anderson presented the deed of transfer to Mr. Fred E. Evans, representative of the Trustees of the congregation. Rev. Thomas W. Simpson, offered the dedication prayer and pronounced the benediction. The music was led by the choir of the First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem and the children's choir of Reynolda Presbyterian Church. The music and dedication service was thoroughly appreciated by more than 300 people present.

Reynolda Church finances were conducted in a very simple way during the first few years. During the year 1915-1916 the Church did not have a formal budget. It was agreed among the congregation and Church Session that they would pay Rev. Thomas W. Simpson \$1,000 a year for his services and take care of current expenses as they occurred. Benevolent causes were ascribed to as they felt directed.

REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

No. 2

WINSTON SALEM, N.C. *29th 1915*

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Rev. T. W. Simpson *100* \$ 83.34

Eighty Three and 34/100 DOLLARS

TO THE **MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK,**
66-50 WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.

By Thomas W. Simpson *435*
TREASURER

REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Reynolda Presbyterian Church Check No. 2
(Rev. Thomas W. Simpson Gets His First Reynolda Pay Check)

By the year 1918-1919 the Church felt the need for a Budget. This first Budget is found in the Session Minutes, Page 39, Session Book Number One. It states:

BUDGET FOR 1918-19

Pastor's Salary-----	\$1,200
Music-----	500
Current Expenses -----	800
Benevolent Causes-----	652
	\$3,152

This Budget must have worked, because on Page 53 of Session Book Number One the 1918-19 Budget is repeated for Budget year 1919-20.

Mrs Katharine S Reynolds, co-founder of Reynolda Church, stated that one of the happiest days of her life was the day her husband R J Reynolds joined Reynolda Presbyterian Church On July 8, 1917, Elders Fred E. Evans and J.S. Kuykendall along with Pastor Thomas W. Simpson met in the Pastor's Study before the Sunday Morning Service and received into membership of the Reynolda Presbyterian Church:

- R J Reynolds
- R.J Reynolds, Jr.
- Mary Katharine Reynolds
- Nancy Reynolds
- Plus others.

Mrs. Reynolds happiness is reflected in the following Western Union Telegraph found in the Reynolda House Archives:

CLASS OF SERVICE DESIRED	
Fast Day Message	
Day Letter	
Night Message	
Night Letter	

Payee should mark on it expense and class of service desired; OTHERWISE THE TELEGRAM WILL BE TRANSMITTED AS A FAST DAY MESSAGE.

WESTERN UNION

TELEGRAM

NEWCOMB CARLTON, PRESIDENT

Form 1212

Receiver's No.
Check
Time Filed

Send the following telegram, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

July 8, 1917

To: Mrs and Mrs. Neal S. Anderson

Montreat, N. C.

I wanted you to know that my happiness is complete. Mr. Reynolds joined the church this morning with much to you both.

Katharine Reynolds

Pay & Charge Mrs. R. J. Reynolds

SENDER'S ADDRESS FOR ANSWER
SENDER'S TELEPHONE NUMBER

The Women's Missionary Society, also known as the Women Of The Church, was organized in a meeting that took place on Wednesday, February 23, 1916, in the reading room on the Reynolda Estate. Mrs. Reynolds was responsible for the meeting; but Mrs. Henry Roam was the guest leader that assisted the women of the church in organizing the Society. The following women were present at this meeting:

Miss Eunice McIver
 Mrs. James Dunn
 Miss Van den Berg
 Miss Ruth Critz
 Miss Senah Critz
 Mrs. Hauser
 Mrs. Hatcher
 Mrs. D.J. Lybrook
 Mrs. R.J. Reynolds
 Mrs. F.S. Vernay

It was decided at this meeting that the Women's Missionary Society should jointly consist of a Ladies' Aid Society, a Home Mission Society and a Foreign Missions Society. Article 11 of its By Laws states:

“The object of this Society shall be to increase intelligent interest in World-Wide Missions, to secure systematic contributions for the prosecution of the work of our Church, and to encourage at home, and abroad, the circulation of Missionary Literature.”

They elected as their officers:

President	Miss Van den Berg
Vice-President	Mrs. Cummings
Secretary	Miss Maslin
Secretary For Foreign Missions And Literature	Miss Eunice McIver
Secretary For Young People's Work	Miss Louise Ludlow

The Women's Missionary Society met the first Monday afternoons of each month, in what was then the Reading Room on the Reynolda Estate. The first works of the Society were assisting the Travelers Aid Society, contributing money and clothes to the missionary work taking place in Stokes' County, and contributing money and clothes to the missionary work taking place in the Kentucky Mountains.

The Women's Missionary Society's financial help for medical missionaries Dr and Mrs. Robert R King in Luebo, Congo, began in May of 1916, and continued until they returned to the United States years later.

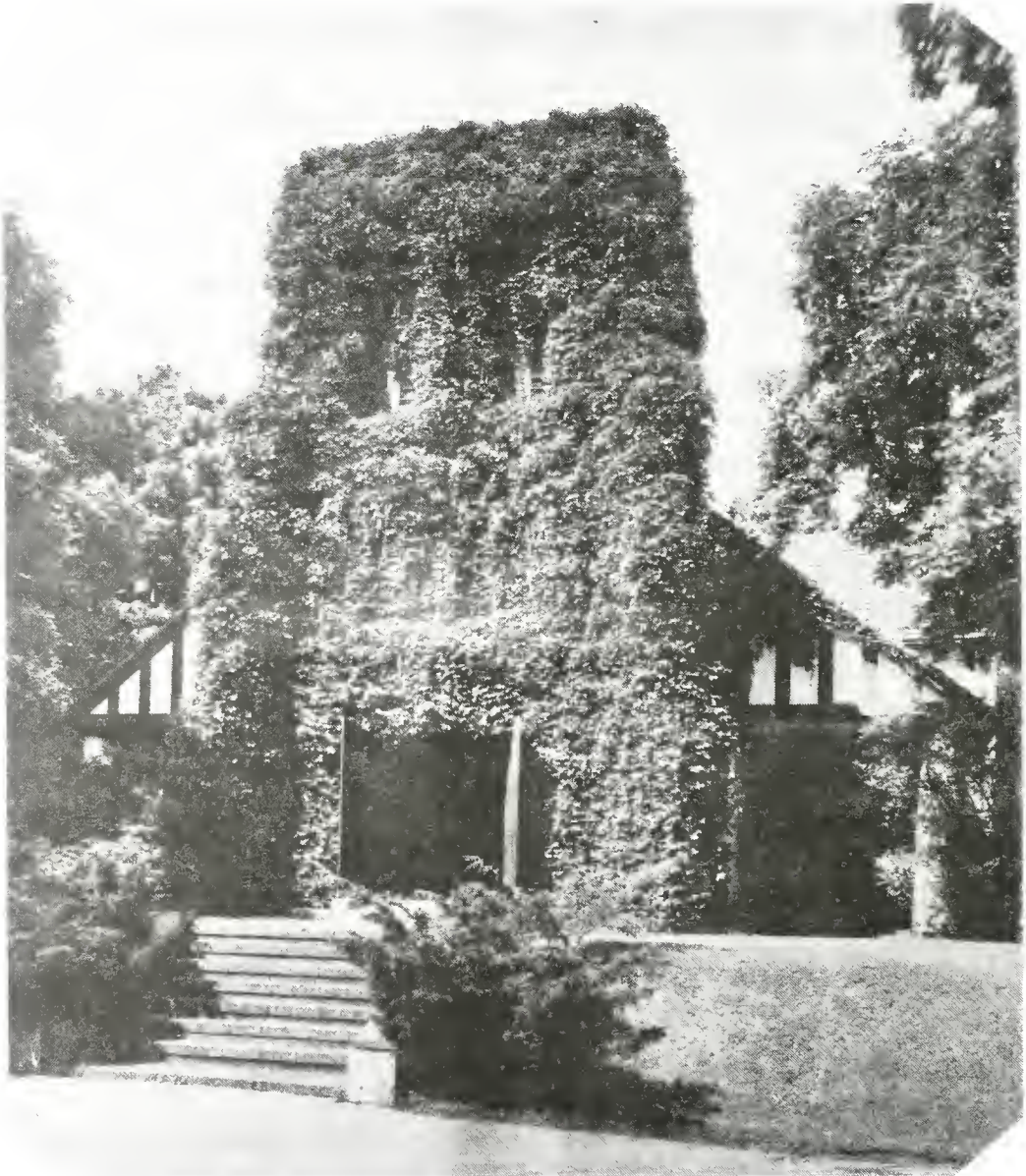
Reynolda Presbyterian Church operated its finances on a yearly Every Member Canvas System This can be seen in the following list of church members and their pledges for the Budget Year 1918

MEMBER	CONTRIBUTION
Adams, Mrs. R.L.	\$ ----
Brown, Miss Fannie S.D.	----
“ Miss Lucy	----
“ Miss Voiney	----
“ Mrs. E.W	----
“ E.W.	----
Bryant, Charles A.	8.05
“ Mrs. Charles A.	----
Cornelius, Miss Mary J.	2.06
Cline, Nellie	----
“ Flossie	----
“ Raymond	----
Critz, Miss Senah	13.00
“ Ruth	13.00
Cartwright, Miss Opal	----
“ Miss Cleo	----
“ Lydia	----
Cummings, J.C.	5.20
“ Mrs. J.C.	2.60
Dunn, James S.	52.00
“ Mrs. Maxie	26.00
Evans, Fred E.	26.00
“ Mrs. Elsie T	26.00
Follin, Mrs. Mary C.	5.20
Fox, Miss Ruby	----
“ Miss Elizabeth	----
Gibson, R.L.	4.00
“ Mrs. R.L.	----
Hanes, Willie	2.60
Holleman, F. Poole	10.40
“ N. Alonzo	5.20
“ N. Sherwood	2.60
“ Thomas E.	----
“ Miss S. Elaine	2.60
“ Miss Sadie	----
Hauser, Mrs. Cynthia L.	2.60

Kuykendall, J.S.	31.00
" Mrs. J.S.	31.00
Livengood, N.J.	2.60
" Mrs. N.J.	-----
Long, Mrs. Ralph	-----
Ludlow, Miss Louise	13.00
Lybrook, Mrs. China M.	26.00
" Miss Mary M.	2.60
Maslin, Miss Edna G.	10.40
McIver, Miss Eunice V.	2.60
McNair, J. Van	-----
" Mrs. J. Van	-----
Melton, Miss Nettie	-----
Reynolds, R.J.	300.00
" Mrs. Katharine S.	1,144.00
" R.J., Jr.	1.10
" Mary Katharine	1.43
" Nancy S.	1.80
Simpson, J.S.	26.00
" Rev. T.W.	23.40
" Mrs. T.W.	23.40
Shields, Luther S.	2.60
" Douglas	-----
Smith, Hazel E.	-----
Thompson, Miss Elizabeth	13.00
Thrift, Mrs. Bernice	-----
" Miss Faith E.	2.60
" Thomas Ellis	5.20
Tucker, C.W.	-----
Vernay, F.S.	25.00
" Mrs. Helen H.	-----
" Miss Helen E.	-----
" F. Stanley, Jr.	5.20
Van den Berg, Miss H.	26.00
Wiggins, Miss Virginia	2.60
Williams, Arthur L.	13.00

TOTAL	\$1,973.78
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Even though Mr. Leigh R. Scott was the first to assist with the Sunday afternoon Mission Sunday School at Reynolda, he is not considered to be the first Pastor at Reynolda Presbyterian Church. This distinction goes to Rev. Thomas W. Simpson. Rev. Simpson earned this distinction on November 28, 1915, when he was installed as the original Pastor of Reynolda Presbyterian Church.



CHAPEL COVERED WITH IVY

CHAPTER THREE: THE FIRST PASTOR AT REYNOLDA



REV. THOMAS WILLIAM SIMPSON
Served: October 17, 1915 - September 24, 1922

THE FIRST PASTOR AT REYNOLDA

Rev. Thomas William Simpson, the first pastor at Reynolda, was born March 11, 1887, in Anderson, South Carolina, to John Allen and Elizabeth Seawright Simpson. He was a 1911 B.A. Degree graduate of Presbyterian College of Clinton, South Carolina. He was a 1914 B.D. Degree graduate of Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Virginia. He married Sarah McGee of Columbia, South Carolina, on June 28, 1916. The Presbytery of East Hannover, Virginia, licensed him to preach as of May 11, 1914, and the Orange Presbytery of North Carolina ordained him as a Minister Of The Gospel on July 7, 1914. He has two sons who were born in Winston-Salem, North Carolina. His first son Thomas William, Jr. was born January 24, 1918. His second son William McGee was born January 12, 1920.

Following is the CALL for the pastoral services of Rev. T.W. Simpson:

CALL
Of The Reynolda Presbyterian Church
For
The Pastoral Services Of The
Rev. T.W. Simpson

The REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, being of sufficient grounds well satisfied as to the ministerial qualifications of you, the Rev. T.W. Simpson, and having good hopes from our past experience of your labors, that your ministry in the Gospel will be profitable to our spiritual interests, do earnestly call you to undertake the office of Pastor in Reynolda congregation, promising you, in the discharge of your duty, all proper support, encouragement and obedience in the Lord.

And that you may be free from worldly cares and avocations, we hereby promise and oblige ourselves to pay you the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per annum, in regular monthly payments, the use of a house during the time of your being and continuing the regular Pastor of this Church.

In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names, this the SEVENTEENTH DAY of OCTOBER, 1915.

F.E. Evans
J.S. Kuykendall
J. Van McNair
F.P. Holleman

Not long after becoming Reynolda's first pastor, Rev. Simpson performed the first marriage ceremony held at the new Church. On December 23, 1915, Charles Bryant and Julia Southern were married in the Chapel. He was a blacksmith on the Reynolda Estate. Neither Charles nor Julia were members of Reynolda Church at the time of their marriage. However, Julia later became a Reynolda Church member on July 20, 1918.

The first members of Reynolda Church to marry at the Chapel were Miss Cornelia Taylor and Ralph A. Long on November 21, 1917.

Mrs. Reynolds' generosity allowed Rev. T.W. Simpson to live rent-free in a house she owned. She states in a letter dated July 1, 1916:

“The little cottage opposite the place where we are building a blacksmith's shop will be turned over, free of charge, for the use of our minister for the present, as I have often told you before, however, I anticipate giving a portion of the property adjoining the present church property on the northwest, to the church, but not until it is put in excellent condition, with a manse that will accommodate any ordinary sized family. It will perhaps be a couple of years before I will be in a position to do this.”

Item 5 in the will of Katharine Smith Reynolds Johnston, probated in Forsyth County, North Carolina, in 1924 states:

“I give to Orange Presbytery for the use of Reynolda Presbyterian Church the house and lot, the boundaries of which are known to A.C Wharton and J.E. Ellerbee, known as “The Manse” or “Kathwood Cottage” and furnishings therein. If at any time regular religious services are discontinued and not held for a period of one year in said Church, the above property is to fall into and become part of the Rest and Residue of my estate.”



“The Manse”

(The residence of the pastor)

Reynolda Presbyterian Church is a church without a cemetery. Why? We can shed some light on the subject by reading an excerpt from a letter written by Mrs. Katharine S. Reynolds to Elder J S. Kuykendall, on July 1, 1916:

“In speaking of Church matters, I would like to say that I feel our church should be on the lookout for ten acres, or more, on ground on a good road as near the church as it is possible to secure property at a reasonable price, for a cemetery. We could buy it, paying down a small amount, and completing the payments as we were in a position to do so. I wish it had been so I could I could have given this near the church, but it will be impossible for me to do so. However, I will be glad to subscribe to this fund whenever a reasonable option is secured on a satisfactory place.”

For some reason this property was never purchased, and Reynolda Church is without a cemetery in 1995.

During his seven year stay at Reynolda, Rev. Simpson had one period of interrupted service to the church. This occurred in late 1918 and early 1919. The reason for this interruption is seen in a letter he addressed to the church session and congregation. In his letter he states:

“After prolonged and prayerful consideration I have been fully convinced that it is my duty and privilege to offer my services for religious work among our soldiers.

In order that I may do this I wish now to place in your hands my resignation as pastor of this Church, to take effect July 22, 1918, and to urge you to join with me in requesting Presbytery to dissolve the Pastoral relations.”

The church responded to this resignation letter by calling a Congregational Meeting. In this meeting the congregation unanimously decided not to accept his resignation, but to grant him a leave of absence for a period of six months during which time his salary would continue to be paid. Rev. Simpson agreed to the wishes of the congregation.

On July 22, 1918, Rev. Simpson departed to Camp Jackson, South Carolina, to work with the Y.M.C.A.. By going to Camp Jackson he felt he was doing his part to help his country in the war effort (World War I) and serve U.S. soldiers in a worthwhile Christian activity. Earlier Rev. Simpson had written the congregation stating:

“My four years among you have been happy years, and I trust in the sight of God and man years of service and usefulness. Many things that I have desired have not been fulfilled, some souls that I have prayed for have not been saved, my own weaknesses have been evident, but in it all I have tried to do the Master’s will. You have been to me a faithful people and in my going I long that your prayers and interest shall follow me, and for you I pray God’s continual guidance and richest blessing, assuring you that wheresoever He shall lead me my heart shall always hold a warm devotion for you.”

In the absence of Rev. Simpson, the church was unable to obtain a steady supply of pastors, and in addition to this hardship, the community experienced the heartache of a flu epidemic. These events are evidenced in a letter Fred E. Evans, Clerk of the Session, wrote Rev. T W Simpson, C/O Y.M.C.A., Camp Jackson, South Carolina, on December 26, 1918. He states:

“ At a recent meeting of the Session of Reynolda Presbyterian Church, it was unanimously decided to write you a letter asking that you return to us as soon as you can possibly make arrangements to do so.

We realize the importance of the work in which you are engaged and are glad that you could be spared from your work here for such a noble and worthy cause, but feel now that the war (W.W. I) is over and most of our boys are coming home, that we are not asking too much to have you released to return to your work here.

Owing to the epidemic of influenza and the scarcity of Ministers, we have not held any services at our church for several months, and we are anxious that you return so that we can make up for lost time.”

On February 9, 1919, Reynolda Presbyterian Church received a letter from the Y.M.C.A.'s Camp General Secretary praising the work of Rev. Simpson and telling them he was returning to them. He did return and stayed on at Reynolda until September 24, 1922.

Reynolda membership remained just below 100 during the years of 1919, 1920, 1921, and 1922.

Rev. Simpson was on vacation during the whole month of August of 1922. Shortly after returning from his vacation, he announced his resignation and CALL from the First Presbyterian Church of Durham, North Carolina, to work with boys and men in that church, at the September 17, 1922, Session Meeting. He asked the Session to call a Congregational Meeting for September 24, 1922, for the Congregation to act on his resignation. He wanted his request acted upon by Reynolda Church on September the 24th so that the Orange Presbytery could take action act on his resignation when it convened in Greensboro on September 26, 1922.

On November 2, 1992, Thomas W. Simpson, Jr., MD, son of Rev. T. W. Simpson, said of his father:

“...In the end, as a young minister in his first charge, he came to realize that life was too simple and easy at Reynolda and deliberately sought further experience as an assistant pastor that would lead to something more demanding. My mother was pushing strongly for them to go as missionaries to China, in fact...”

After the September 24, 1922, Congregation Meeting, Elder J. S. Kuykendall, acting as Moderator of the Session, wrote:

“The congregation desires to express deep regret as being called on to concur in this request (for Rev. Simpson’s resignation), but in as much as Mr. Simpson seems to feel that he was called to work that had great possibilities, and that it was his duty to respond to this call, the congregation voted unanimously to concur in this request.”

Moderator Kuykendall further states:

“The congregation desires to express, officially, their deep appreciation to Mr. Simpson, and his wife, for the splendid, untiring and effective work he has done at Reynolda, there he and his wife have endeared themselves to the entire community, without a single exception, and we feel that it will be difficult, if not impossible, to replace him in another pastor.”

With the departure of Rev. Simpson, Reynolda Church lost its first pastor.

In 1922, after leaving Reynolda Church, Mr. Simpson became assistant pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Durham, North Carolina. From the Durham position he was called January 1, 1924, to pastor the First Presbyterian Church of Brunswick, Georgia. He remained pastor of the Brunswick church until his death on May 14, 1936. On this date he died at the church manse as a result of the accidental discharge of his hunting gun.

When the SYNOD OF GEORGIA held its Ninety-Second Session in Decatur, Georgia, on October 13-14, 1936, Rev. Leigh R. Scott read a memorial to Rev. Thomas William Simpson. Rev. Scott said the following about his long-time friend:

“During the twenty-two years of his ministerial life, Mr. Simpson rendered a conspicuous service to the church. In addition to the work of the pastorate, he gave himself without stint to Presbytery and Synod, serving with ability and marked fidelity on many important boards and committees, both in North Carolina and Georgia. In the Synod of Georgia, he was for a number of years a member of Synod’s Work Committee and of the Board of Trustees of Presbyterian College.

In 1934 he was made Moderator of the Synod. In Savannah Presbytery, he was one of the strong and trusted leaders in every important enterprise.

In the city of Brunswick, through a dozen years he faithfully fulfilled the high office of his calling, as preacher, pastor, and friend. The church of which he was pastor was built up in numbers and strength and became one of the leading churches of the Presbytery. He was greatly beloved by people of all classes and took an active part in the civic and educational life of the community. When he died the whole city mourned.”

Mr. Simpson was survived by his two sons, Thomas William, Jr., age 18, and William McGee, aged 16. Mr. Simpson’s devoted wife, Sarah E. McGee Simpson, had died in July of 1935.

During his lifetime, Rev. Simpson had been a faithful servant of Christ, an able leader in the church, and a brother loved by all.

CHAPTER FOUR: DR. LILLY'S VISION FOR REYNOLDA



Rev. David Clay Lilly, D.D.
Served: July 1, 1923 - May 28, 1939

DR. LILLY'S VISION FOR REYNOLDA

The formal process of acquiring a pastor for Reynolda Presbyterian Church was begun on October 15, 1922. On this date a Congregational Meeting was called. In this meeting the Congregation unanimously adopted a resolution to appoint a committee whose duty it was to take such steps as they found necessary to find a Minister whom they would recommend to the Congregation to be called as Pastor of the Reynolda Church.

This Committee was composed of the following:

1. Mr N A. Holleman
2. Mr. Fred E. Evans
3. Mr. J. Edward Johnston
4. Mrs Katharine S. Reynolds Johnston
5. Mr. C. A. Kent
6. Mr. J. S. Dunn
7. Mr S. Wilson Gray
8. Mr J S Kuykendall
9. Mr R L Gibson
10. Mr F P. Holleman

About five weeks later on Sunday, November 26, 1922, a majority of the Ministerial Search Committee met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Johnston to consider the names of several ministers who had been recommended to the Committee. The Committee decided to appoint another Committee to go to hear such ministers preach as they thought would probably be suitable for pastor of Reynolda. This Committee was composed of Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Johnston, Mr. C. A. Kent, and Mr. and Mrs. S. Wilson Gray.

In their search for a new pastor the Committee considered 23 ministers. Only seven of these names were considered suitable for Reynolda. Three of these were called to other churches before the Committee could get to hear them preach or talk with them. The Committee favored Dr. D. Clay Lilly, a two term Pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem, but some thought it impossible to get him to come to Reynolda.

After a four month search, the Ministerial Search Committee unanimously recommended that the church extend a CALL to Dr. D. Clay Lilly. In a Congregational Meeting on March 18, 1923, the 32 members present voted unanimously to extend the CALL. The Congregation then authorized the Committee consisting of Mr. J. Edward Johnston, Mrs. Katharine S. Reynolds Johnston, Mr. Fred E. Evans, Mr. R. L. Gibson, Mr. N. A. Holleman, Mr. F. P. Holleman, Mr. J. S. Dunn, Mr. S. Wilson Gray and Mr. J. S. Kuykendall, to sign the CALL.

Rev. D. Clay Lilly was born at Irvine, Kentucky on September 17, 1870 to Colonel Henry Clay Lilly and Catherine Tracy Lilly. He married Mary DeVault Guerrant on September 3, 1891. They had four children: Grace Guerrant Wharton; Henry Tracy Lilly; Edward Guerrant Lilly; and Anne Elizabeth Swedenberg, Jr.. His father planned for David Clay to enter the law profession but Dr. Edward Owings Guerrant, his father-in-law, influenced him to enter the ministry rather than law.

He graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1890 from the Central University of Kentucky at Richmond, Kentucky. In 1892 he began his studies at Union Theological Seminary in Hampden-Sydney, Virginia, continuing there through 1893. His degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred by Central University in 1900. In 1903 he did further study at Edinburgh University, Edinburgh, Scotland.

David Clay Lilly was ordained to the ministry in 1894, at which time he became a Presbyterian pastor at Frankfort, Kentucky. For forty-five fruitful years he served the Presbyterian Church as pastor and administrator. Following is a list of his pastoral and administrative assignments:

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| 1. Pastor at Presbyterian Church, Frankfort, Kentucky, | 1894-1895 |
| 2. Pastor at Presbyterian Church, Tusaloosa, Alabama, | 1896-1900 |
| 3. Various Church Offices in the Church at large, | 1900-1903 |
| 4. Special student at University of Edinburgh, Scotland, | 1903-1904 |
| 5. Pastor first time at First Presbyterian Church, W-S, | 1904-1907 |
| 6. Special representative, Foreign Mission Committee, | 1907-1910 |
| 7. Pastor of Groce Street Church, Richmond, Virginia | 1910-1913 |
| 8. Various Church Offices in the church at large, | 1913-1916 |
| 9. Pastor second time First Presbyterian Church, W-S, | 1916-1920 |
| 10. Pastor at First Presbyterian Church, Lexington, Ky., | 1920-1923 |
| 11. Pastor, Reynolda Presbyterian Church, Reynolda, NC | 1923-1939 |

It appears that Dr. Lilly moved to a new pastorate or administrative job about every three to five years. His longest stay in one place was at Reynolda Presbyterian Church---16+ years.

In a Congregational meeting on March 18, 1923, the terms of Dr. Lilly's CALL were established. They were:

1. a salary of \$6,000 a year.
2. that a Manse be provided free.
3. an automobile be given Dr. Lilly, and
4. one month of vacation be granted to him each year with salary.

This was a CALL which Dr. Lilly could not turn down.

On July 1, 1923, Rev. D. Clay Lilly, D.D., left his pastorate at First Presbyterian Church of Lexington, Kentucky, with its 500 members, and came to Reynolda Presbyterian Church, with its 100 members. Why? Some possible reasons could have been:

1. he knew the area because he had served as pastor of First Presbyterian Church on two different occasions
2. he knew the history of Reynolda Presbyterian Church
3. he was offered a very substantial financial reward to lead the Reynolda Congregation
4. he saw the opportunity to implement a two-fold vision for Reynolda and Northwest North Carolina.

The first part of his vision involved the Macedonian Call in the Bible to plant churches. Dr. Lilly wanted to serve the small congregation at Reynolda but he also wanted to plant new Presbyterian Churches in Northwest North Carolina. As Dr. Lilly looked to the north of Reynolda he saw a large home mission field of several North Carolina counties. Mrs. Katharine S. Reynolds, who originally came from this region, had long dreamed of carrying the Presbyterian Church to this area. Together, Dr. Lilly and Mrs. Johnston, could do for this region what she and Elder J. S. Kuykendall had done for Reynolda. Dr. Lilly was in complete agreement with Katharine Reynolds dream.

This part of his vision bore fruit on June 22, 1928. At this time Dr. Lilly gave a very eloquent address at the laying of the cornerstone of the Lansing Presbyterian Church in Ashe County, North Carolina. With the death of Mrs. Katharine S. Reynolds Johnston in 1924, Rev. Lilly lost his key supporter and this part of his two-fold vision seems to have lost its importance in his life.

Mr. R. J. Reynolds stated, before his death, that Reynolda Church, acting as the mother church, plant two Presbyterian Churches in Stokes County. His intent was to pay the salaries of the pastors of these two churches as they established themselves. Unfortunately, he died before he and Reynolda Church could act on these plans. However, Mrs. Katharine Reynolds planned to fulfill Mr. Reynolds dream of church planting through the efforts of Dr. Lilly at Reynolda Church.

The second part of his vision involved the whole of Christendom. In the 1920's, Dr. Lilly saw the Church and the Holy Bible being attacked from two important centers of intellectual power. On the one hand, radicals were making destructive criticism of the Holy Bible. On the other hand, Christianity was being attacked by materialistic theories from the realm of science and philosophy. Because of this, Dr. Lilly was concerned that the church was not properly defending the Christian faith.

Dr. Lilly believed science and Christianity were both revelations of the one true God. He believed it was impossible for them to contradict each other. He felt that if scholars from science and religion could get together to compare their notes and to interchange their expert knowledge they could furnish Christendom with a correct interpretation of these revelations and eliminate the conflicts that seemed to exist between science, philosophy, and Christianity.

Dr. Lilly stated in his letter of acceptance of the Reynolda pastorate that

“The Church must not fail to make an adequate intellectual defense against [the radical criticism on one hand and the materialistic theories in the realm of science and philosophy on the other]. The intellect must always have a large place in religion. With this in mind we shall invite representative scholars from the fields of modern scientific theory and others who are at home in modern critical methods and results. More particularly these men will be chosen from the departments which are most closely related to the religious problems of the day, viz.: Biology, Sociology, Education, Psychology, Archaeology, Biblical Criticism and Apologetics. They would meet here [at Reynolda Church] in a conference as our guests once a year, and would continue their special and individual work from one conference to another. They would have as their purpose and spirit an honest and courageous approach to the present day problems of Christianity.”

American people everywhere were casting off old ways of doing things and were finding new scientific and materialistic ways of doing things at an ever increasing speed. Dr. Lilly wanted to know if the new ways were God’s ways. He wanted the Reynolda Conferences to help him find the answers.

Consider the change in American music. Most Americans listened to and danced to a new music called jazz in the 1920’s. To Dr. Lilly jazz symbolized the way many young people of the time felt about life in general. He felt that these young people sought to break away from rigid conventional rules and traditions, just as jazz trumpeters and saxophonists like Louis “Satchmo” Armstrong departed from written notes in order to express themselves. Dr. Lilly wanted to know, was this God’s new way of doing things?

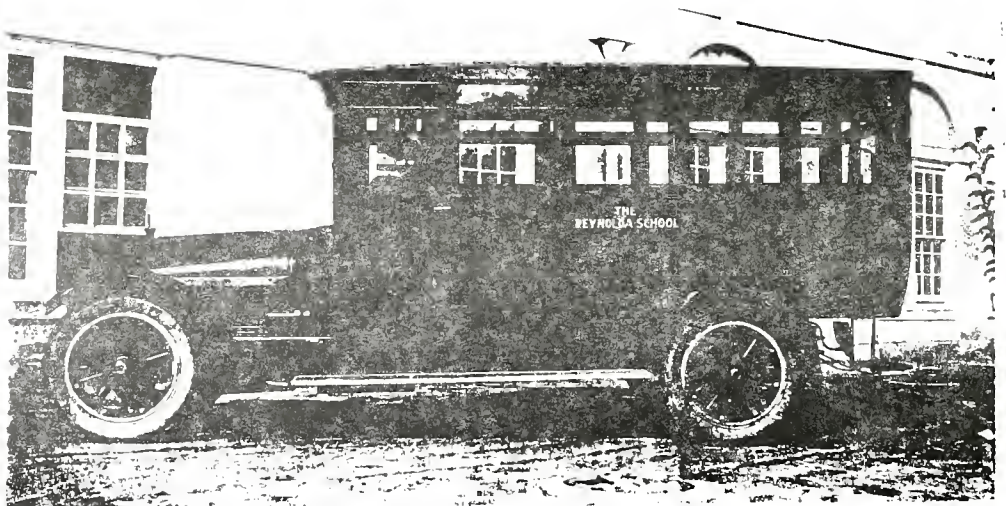
Dr. Lilly astutely observed various changes taking place in the lives of American women. He observed that some young women seemed determined to free themselves from “out-of-date” ideas and rules. He took note that they cast off uncomfortable corsets and thick petticoats in favor of short skirts and loose-fitting clothing. He watched as they cut their hair short. He observed the average American woman use about one pound of face powder and eight rouge compacts yearly in the 1920’s. He noticed that they drank and smoked in public. With the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment, he observed the 1920’s “flapper” demanding the same freedom as enjoyed by men. Was this of God?

Dr. Lilly could not but observe that Americans adopted a whole new set of heroes. Athletes became America's most popular heroes. Public relations ballyhoo and the magic of radio created larger-than-life performers who attracted thousands to spectator sport events. Some of the new American heroes were: heavyweight boxing champion Jack Dempsey; football hero Harold "Red" Grange; football Coach Knute Rockne of Notre Dame; Abe Saperstein, creator of the famous Harlem Globetrotters basketball team; Babe Ruth, baseball's most famous hero; tennis players William Tilden and Helen Wills; swimming record holder Johnny Weismuller; and, Gertrude Ederle, first woman to swim across the English Channel. Could this be of God, he asked?

He noted that Americans flocked to every kind of motion picture. In 1922 forty million people a week were going to the movies. Each year the attendance was increasing. Movies were influencing the way people dressed and talked. Men tried to copy Rudolph Valentino or Douglas Fairbanks. People were fascinated by a talking cartoon featuring Mickey Mouse. Could this type of entertainment be good for America and from God, he inquired?

Dr. Lilly felt radio was the major driving force behind the rapid speed with which the American society was changing. Radio brought news, music, plays, political speeches, and sports events into the American homes. Radio bombarded Americans with commercials by manufacturers of all sorts on what to buy in stores. Should radio be limited to slow down social change, he questioned?

Dr. Lilly observed the automobile was probably having the most influence on reshaping American life in the 1920's. The automobile gave people the power to move about freely and easily. The automobile allowed people to live in the suburbs outside the cities but work in the cities. The automobile allowed people to visit places hundreds of miles away. On the other hand, he noted the automobile tended to separate family members and cause more than half the accidental deaths in America. Was the automobile good for America?



Car from Reynolda House

Observing all of these changes, and others, taking place prompted Dr Lilly to organized and lead an annual conference at Reynolda Presbyterian Church in the month of June from 1924 - 1927. Dr. Lilly wrote the following about his Reynolda Conferences:

“TOWARD AN APOLOGETIC FOR TODAY”

Our purpose is to encourage scholars to state the defense of our common faith in terms of today.

Our fathers did this for their day. We must do this for our day. We do not have in mind finality as our goal. Our sons, in their turn, will have to do this same service for their day.

It is not our aim to array our faith against real scientific progress, or a sound critical method, but rather to confirm and illustrate faith by every fact established by science or criticism.

We shall search for the truth with diligence. We hope to keep always the attitude of learners. We shall not attempt to legislate. We shall not be interested so much in proving others wrong as we shall be in exhibiting the foundation of reality on which our faith rests.

We, as well as others, may be often mistaken as to our facts. But we need not be wrong in the spirit with which we work. We shall traverse a wide range in search of helpful facts and we shall be the better for the quest. If also we are permitted to help others, our joy will be all the greater.

D. Clay Lilly

Reynolda, N.C., November 22, 1923

Some topics discussed at these Reynolda Conferences were

1. Biology
2. Sociology
3. Education
4. Psychology
5. Archaeology
6. Bible Criticism
7. Apologetics

Some of the brilliant Southern Ministers who spoke were:

1. Dr. W. O. Shewmaker
2. Dr. W. W. Moore
3. Rev. Melvin G. Kyle
4. Dr. W. Tallefero Thompson
5. Dr. Robert L. Kelly
6. Dr. Paul H. Veith
7. Dr. Hugh McGill

By 1928 Dr. Lilly realized many scholars were no longer interested in his conferences. Science and materialism had answered his concerns to the point where he realized to pursue these conferences any further was a waste of time and energy. Consequently, his 1927 Conference was his last Reynolda Conference.

After serving about one year as pastor of Reynolda Presbyterian Church, and with the passing of Reynolda's co-founder Mrs. Katharine Reynolds Johnston, Dr. Lilly wrote an article entitled "Our Heavy Sorrow" and included it in the Reynolda Church Bulletin, on Sunday, June 1, 1924. It read:

"This church has experienced its greatest loss in the death of Mrs. J. Edward Johnston [Katharine S. Reynolds Johnston], who was the leading spirit in its organization and work. Her liberality provided this beautiful house of worship for us and also the comfortable manse adjoining the church. Her support of the services and work of the church was always generous and inspiring. Her plans for service reached out far into the future. Her good works are without number. She ministered to high and low, the sick and the poor, to the friendless and helpless.

There are none of us who know the full extent of her benefactions. She was a woman of great understanding. She had broad vision for the present and keen foresight for the future. Her plans were characterized by their magnitude and by their wisdom. Her energy was inexhaustible, and she was thorough in all she did and efficient in all her work.

No one could know Mrs. Johnston without being deeply impressed with the strength of her personality, and beauty of her character. She was blessed with brilliant intellect, a pure heart, and devout spirit. Her courtesy and graciousness never failed. Her charm of manner never forsook her. We are proud today to speak of her as our friend

This entire city united to pay her honor. The papers have written in her praise. Business paused in its feverish haste, the great factories were closed, the people poured forth into the streets on their way to the home or to the auditorium or to the cemetery to pay their tribute of praise to her, and to express their love for her. This church is overwhelmed by its loss, and mourns with her sorrowing family in genuine sympathy.”

Mrs. N. A. Holleman, a Reynolda Church member, wrote the following poem in memory of her friend, Mrs. Katharine Reynolds Johnston.

TENDER MEMORIES

(In memory of Mrs. J. Edward Johnston)

Sleep on, Beloved, sleep,
Thy task on earth is o'er.
May Angels round your pillow keep
A loving watch forevermore.

Calm be thy rest,
So free from toil and pain,
In Heaven at last so richly blest,
Our loss is your eternal gain.

Sweet Spirit, silent now,
In the tender Shepherd's fold,
You wear a crown upon your brow,
You tread the streets of gold.

O Trusting Heart, so true,
Why do we weep, why do we sigh?
Your Savior did you say, "Adieu"
You saw the love-light in His eye.

Hark! Hark! Angels sing,
You heard their calling voice,
You heard their Heavenly music ring.
Oh! Sainted Soul, did you rejoice?

O Glorious Day,
When the Father called you home,
You forgot the sunshine and the ray,
Of earthly joys, in Heaven, sweet Heaven to roam.

We see the beauty of your hand
In the work you've left behind,
You listened to the Lord's command,
You were always true and kind.

O Little Children's Friend,
They'll learn to lisp and love your name,
You're in the world that has no end,
Your memory is sacred just the same.

There's a little church beside the hill,
You builded it with special care,
You strove to do your Master's will,
You humbly worshipped with us there

We loved you then, we love you yet;
Your memory lives within us still.
We think of you, we can't forget,
You give our hearts a tender thrill.

O Soul, so sweet and rare
That earthly treasurers could not spoil,
Your page of life was matchless fair,
Your noble record bear no soil.

We wonder why your footsteps faltered
In the fullness of your day;
God's loving plans must be unaltered
In life, in death, He leads the way.

O Beautiful World, so fair and bright,
We hope to reach Thy courts above
Where all is day, there is no night
When resting in the Savior's love.

Mrs. N. A. Holleman

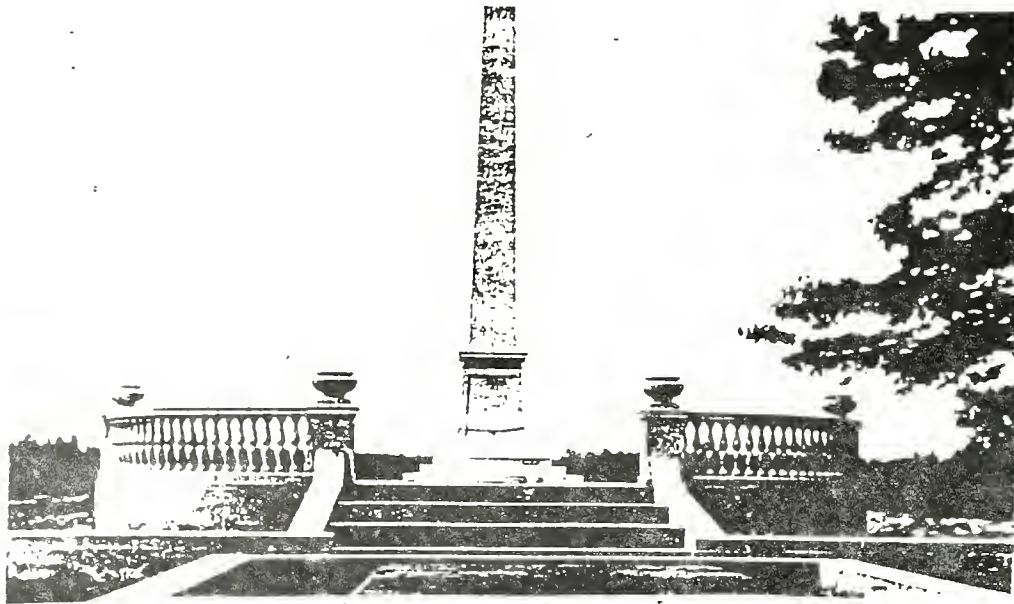
Dr. Lilly was also the Reynolda pastor when Mr. J. Edward Johnston erected the Katharine Johnston Memorial Building as a memorial to his former wife in 1926. Mr. Johnston meant it to be used as a Sunday School by the Reynolda Church. The building was accepted from Mr. Johnston on January 16, 1927. However, it was not occupied until Sunday, October 16, 1927, at the Eleven O'clock Service. At that time Rev. W. Taliaferro Thompson, D.D. of Union Theological Seminary preached the dedication service.



Katharine Johnston Memorial Building

(from Brookfield Road)

Rev Lilly was serving as Reynolda's pastor when The Katharine Johnston Memorial Circle, facing the Memorial Building, was deeded to the Church on October 26, 1932, by Mr. Johnston. He intended the Memorial Circle to be the site where Katharine's body be interred but her son R.J. Reynolds, Jr. insisted she remain in the Salem Cemetery beside his father R.J. Reynolds, Sr.. The church moved the obelisk to the Out-Of-Door Auditorium between the Chapel and Memorial Building in 1967. The Memorial Circle Lot was then sold to Summit



Katharine Johnston Memorial Circle

At the base of the obelisk is found the following statement written by Dr. Lilly:

KATHARINE SMITH JOHNSTON

To her was given the vision of life in its
larger meaning.

She wrought with understanding heart for
a greater future for mankind

All that love and labor for this cause rise up
and call her blessed

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Pastor Lilly had a personality that drew people to him. His congeniality, jovial humor, informality, courtesy and dignity impelled both respect and love from people. He was an artist in simple living and doing things for people that always displayed his unselfishness. He was the kind of Christian that made religion attractive.

While at Reynolda Church his insatiable desire to learn and his alert razor-sharp mind kept him constantly searching for greater knowledge. He read widely in varied fields, especially theology, philosophy, and the natural and social sciences. He felt keenly that all ministers should do this. Each year he gave a talk on the significant books of the year to the Winston-Salem Ministerial Association.

The preeminent characteristic of Pastor Lilly was his understanding and sympathy for the people of Reynolda and Winston-Salem. His overflowing love and care of people knew no barriers of creed, class, race or poverty. He cared deeply for the neglected, the unfortunate, and those whose economic burdens were heavy. He stood unfalteringly for right, against wrong, and for right thinking against slipshod self-deceptive thinking. When chided sometimes for “wasting time” with the ignorant and indigent during the Great Depression of the 1930’s, Rev. Lilly would speak of them as “Christ’s little ones” and continue his gentle and generous services to them.

As he loved people, Pastor Lilly was loved, trusted, and admired by them. He was a devoted friend and wise counselor to all ages and socio-economic levels of people. Local people flocked to him for advise and encouragement; and out of his wide experience of life and his abiding faith in God and love of Him, he could give them both.

Dr. Lilly was the author of three books. In 1924 he wrote a book for men entitled **A Partnership In Living**. His second book, **Some Teachings Of Jesus**, written in 1927, was the subject of a series of lectures delivered to the Women’s Summer School of Missions at Montreat, North Carolina, in July of 1926. For his third book, Dr. Lilly was selected to write the study book for the Diamond Jubilee of the Southern Presbyterian Church in 1935, **Faith Of Our Fathers**, which was used throughout all Southern Presbyterian Churches.

Following is a quote from **Some Teachings Of Jesus** (The Woman's Auxiliary, Presbyterian Church, U.S., 270-277 Field Building, St. Louis, MO) that illustrates the thoughts of Dr. Lilly

“God Working Within Us”

We too, are dependent on a power outside of ourselves for all spiritual awakening and all spiritual life and all spiritual fruitfulness. In the realm of the spiritual God is the supreme and sole source of life and power.

God is everlastingly at work by his Spirit, He made a cosmos out of the elemental chaos. He rules over all the on-goings of the universe. He works through our intelligence and our conscience. He calls and challenges. He persuades and enables. He is the mover in all spiritual processes, and our response to his overtures determines our spiritual progress. Our spiritual experiences are the outcome of God's impact on our personality and our response to his work.

In 1937 Dr. Lilly was elected moderator of the Seventy-Sixth General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, the highest honor that his fellow pastors could bestow upon one of its members, and a fitting tribute to climax his devoted and successful life's work.

One of the last official acts Dr. Lilly performed at Reynolda Church was to officiate at the wedding of Alfred and Mildred Drage, Jr.. He, along with Rev. Charlton D. Hutton, co-pastor at Reynolda Church, and Mildred's pastor Rev. Ned Taylor of Ardmore Baptist Church, married them at Reynolda Church in May of 1939.

Alfred said, “ it took three pastors to get Mildred and me married.”

Alfred also said the following about Dr. Lilly, “Dr. Lilly was so educated and used such sophisticated words in his sermons you could sleep right through them.” Even though Dr. Lilly's sermons were sophisticated, this did not keep the members from loving him. Alfred said, “Without exception, everybody thought the world of Dr. Lilly.”

Throughout his life Dr. Lilly had a passionate love for all simple things of every day experiences---for beautiful colors and textures, tastes and smells; for birds singing in the morning and starshine at night; for grass and flowers, hills and clouds; for fine music; and for art Though he was ill in body for much of his last year and a half, his appreciative awareness was not dimmed and his mind and heart never wearied. He continued to believe that life was beautiful to the very end of his earthly existence.

Death occurred to Dr. Lilly on May 28, 1939, at the Church Manse. He had dressed himself and was preparing to walk over to the Chapel for the 11:10 A.M. Sunday Worship Service when he suffered his second stroke. He lived until Sunday afternoon

When his funeral took place, every minister in the Winston-Salem Presbytery attended. Three pastors took part in his funeral. They were: Dr. John R. Cunningham of First Presbyterian Church, Winston-Salem; R. H. Stone, Clerk of Presbytery; and, Pastor Hutton, Co-Pastor with Dr. Lilly at Reynolda Church.

Dr. Lilly was interred in the Salem Cemetery. As his coffin was carried to the burial site the Reynolda Church choir was stationed along the path the funeral party followed and they sang *My Face Looks Up To Thee*. Dr. Lilly's son Edward asked Pastor Hutton not to use the phrase "ashes-to-ashes and dust-to-dust" at Dr. Lilly's grave site. In its place another phrase was substituted which connected the physical body of Dr. Lilly to the earth.

After Dr. Lilly's funeral, his wife, Mary Guerrant Lilly, asked Pastor Hutton to insert a poem by S.H. Chester in the Church Bulletin for the following Sunday's Worship Service. It reads:

What must it be to step on shore,
 And find it---Heaven;
 To take hold of a hand,
 And find it---God's hand;
 To breathe a new air,
 And find it---celestial air;
 To feel invigorated,
 And find it---immortality;
 To rise from the care and turmoil of earth,
 Into one unbroken calm;
 To wake up and find it---Glory.

This was the same poem Dr. Lilly had used at his grandson's funeral after he had been killed in an automobile accident.

When Rev. Hutton visited the Church Manse, upon hearing of Dr. Lilly's stroke, after returning from delivering a Commencement Address at Mitchell College, he was told by Dr. Lilly's daughter Grace that Reynolda Church was now without its senior pastor because "**Papa has gone to Heaven.**"



Dr. Lilly with Reynolda Church Choir.

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LAYMEN'S MISSIONARY MOVEMENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA

D. CLAY LILLY, FIELD SECRETARY
1026 SEVENTEENTH AVENUE, SOUTH

NASHVILLE, TENN.

Nov. 2nd, 1915.

Dear Bro. Evans:-

I thank you for your letter of the 29th October relative to my coming to Winston Salem for the dedication of the Reynolda church. I assure you this will be a service of love on my part. There is no place in all the world which I love as I do Winston Salem and her fine people. I shall look forward to seeing you, and the other good workers who have made this church a possibility, with the greatest pleasure.

Cordially,

D. Clay Lilly

CHAPTER FIVE: THE CO-PASTOR BECOMES PASTOR



REV. CHARLTON DOBYNS HUTTON

Served: May 15, 1938 - January 4, 1943

THE CO-PASTOR BECOMES PASTOR

When Dr. Lilly had his November 1937 stroke and was unable to perform his pastoral duties, Reynolda Church called Rev. Charlton Dobyns Hutton as its co-pastor.

Rev. C.D. Hutton, the seventh child in the James Buchanan and Irene Roselane Quinn Hutton family, was born in 1912 in Jackson, Mississippi. His father was a famous Jackson Presbyterian Minister who had moved there from his birth place in Glade Springs, Virginia. Charlton earned a Bachelor Of Arts Degree from Millsaps College in Jackson. His seminary training took place at Columbia Seminary in Decatur, Georgia.

Elder J.S. Kuykendall contacted Rev. Hutton in 1937 about preaching at Reynolda Church on November 21, 1937. Rev. Hutton was visiting his sister in Salisbury, North Carolina, at the time. Mr. Kuykendall had learned about Rev. Hutton through his contact with Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Norfleet. Mrs. C.M. "Corinne" Norfleet was from Jackson, Mississippi, and she knew the J.B. Hutton Family.

From this November 21, 1937, contact, Rev. Hutton developed a relationship with the Reynolda Church through Elder Kuykendall and staff member Delphine H. Carter that brought him to Reynolda Church as its co-pastor in March of 1938.

The following article appeared in the March 20, 1938, Church Bulletin:

The officers of Reynolda Presbyterian Church invite you to a reception to be given in the Katharine Johnston Memorial Building Monday, March 21[1938], from 7:30 to 9:00 o'clock.

This will give you an opportunity to meet the new co-pastor, Rev. Charlton D. Hutton, of Jackson, Mississippi. Let's all come and enjoy this Christian fellowship in greeting our new leader.

He was officially installed as co-pastor with Dr. Lilly on May 15, 1938. The Commission for his Installation consisted of:

1. Rev. John R. Cunningham, D.D.
2. Rev. R.H. Stone
3. Mr. John M. Wells, Jr.
4. Rev. James W. Witherspoon

The Installation took place at the Sunday evening worship service.

During 1938 and 1939 many Sundays passed when Dr. Lilly was unable to perform his pulpit duties. Rev. Hutton was always ready to step in and do these duties in his absence. When Dr. Lilly felt well enough he did the Sunday morning worship services and Rev. Hutton did the Sunday evening worship services. When Dr. Lilly was not feeling well co-pastor Hutton preached at both Sunday worship services.

In 1938 Rev. Hutton started having weekly meetings with the young people of the Church. Under his leadership the Juniors became known as “The Daniel Band” because of their courage to stand alone for Christ as had Daniel; the Intermediates became “Treasure Hunters” by seeking precious treasures from the Bible; and the Young People left their name as it was.

Also in 1938 Rev. Hutton conducted a Bible School in the African-American Community Church at Reynolda from August 29 to September 2 for the Black Americans living in Five Row. The school was sponsored by the Women’s Auxiliary of Reynolda Presbyterian Church.

Just before Christmas of 1938, co-pastor Hutton gave the Reynolda Congregation Ten Commandments for a Christian Christmas. They were:

1. Thou shalt not make “X-mas” out of Christmas. The **known** Christ and not the **unknown** “X” should stand at the fore in word and in life.
2. Thou shalt not value thy gifts by their cost, but by the love that prompts them.
3. Thou shalt give thyself with thy gifts. Thy love increaseth the value of thy gift hundredfold.
4. Thou shalt not let Santa Clause take the place of Christ, thus making of Christmas a fairy tale rather than the sublime reality of the love of God.
5. Thou shalt not burden thy servant, but be considerate of the shop girl, the mail carrier, and the merchant.
6. Thou shalt not neglect thy church. Its Christmas service is planned to make the Christmas season spiritual for thee, thy child, and thy household.
7. Thou shalt not neglect the needy.
8. Thou shalt be as a little child, for not until thou hast become as a little child in thy spirit art thou ready to enter the kingdom of Heaven
9. Thou shalt prepare thy soul for Christmas, for verily most of us spend more time in getting gifts ready than in preparing our souls.
10. Thou shalt add to the gold, frankincense, and myrrh, the love of all thy heart, all thy mind, and all thy soul.

While serving Reynolda Church as co-pastor, Rev. Hutton became the Moderator of the Thirty Third Meeting of the Winston-Salem Presbytery. This Presbytery met in the Adult Chapel of the First Presbyterian Church in Winston-Salem at 10:00 A.M. on January 10, 1939

Upon Dr. Lilly's death on May 28, 1939, the Reynolda Church pastorate was declared vacant by the Presbyterian Book Of Church Order. Rev. Malcomb P. Calhoun, from Union Seminary, was sent to Reynolda Presbyterian Church to serve as supply pastor while the Reynolda Congregation decided what to do about obtaining a pastor to take Dr. Lilly's place.

In July of 1939, the Reynolda Congregation decided to issue a **CALL** to Rev. Charlton D Hutton. The **CALL** reads:

The Church of Reynolda, being of sufficient grounds, well satisfied of the ministerial qualifications of you, Rev. Charlton D. Hutton, and having good hopes from our knowledge of your ministrations in the Gospel will be profitable to our spiritual interests, do earnestly call you to undertake the pastoral office to said congregation, promising you, in the discharge of your duty, all proper support, encouragement and obedience in the Lord, and that you may be free from worldly cares and avocations, we hereby promise and oblige ourselves to pay you the sum of twenty four hundred (\$2,400) a year in regular monthly payments, during the time of your being and continuing the regular pastorate of this church

In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our respective names, this 23rd day of July A.D. 1939.

The Church Bulletin, dated July 23, 1939, ran the following notice:

Mr Hutton plans to give his forenoon's to study and his afternoons for calling. You may call him during study hours, 8 A.M. to 12, in case of any emergency or for making a special appointment during the afternoon.

On December 3, 1939, Rev Hutton was formally installed as pastor of Reynolda Presbyterian Church.

Pastor Hutton made it a particular point to work with the Youth at Reynolda Church. Under his leadership the Youth undertook the following projects:

1. Organization of a Junior Choir
2. Shut-In Prayer Meetings
3. Religious Canvas for the Sunday School
4. Vacation Bible School for selves and five-row community.
5. Daily Bible Reading
6. Distribution of John's Gospel to the unchurched
7. Easter Carol Program
8. Mothers Banquet
9. Christmas "Feast Of Carols"
10. Attend all church rallies and conferences.
11. Hymn Memorization
12. Soul Seeking
13. Weekly Tithe
14. Flowers to the sick

In his work, Rev. Hutton inspired one of the Church's young people to write the following cheerleading chant for the young people to use at some of their meetings.

"Reynolda-ites ain't what they used to be,
 ain't what they used to be,
 ain't what they used to be.
 Reynolda-ites ain't what they used to be 25 years ago.

No Young People's meetings then.
 No Young People's meetings then,
 Reynolda-ites ain't what they used to be 25 years ago.

Reynolda-ites ain't what they're gonna be,
 Ain't what they're gonna be'
 Ain't what they're gonna be'
 Reynolda-ites ain't what they're gonna be 25 years from now.

Finding spiritual treasures
 Given in weekly measures
 Reynolda-ites ain't what they're gonna be 25 years from now."

On October 17, 1940, Reynolda Church observed its Silver Anniversary. To celebrate this special occasion the Church held four worship services. The first was held on Thursday, October 17, 1940, at 7:30 P.M.. The sermon was delivered by Dr. Albert Sidney Johnston, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Charlotte, North Carolina. His sermon topic was "Reynolda Girding Herself For Evangelism". The second service was held on Friday, October 18, 1940, at 7:30 P.M. Dr. Homer McMillan, Executive Secretary, Assembly's Home Missions, Atlanta, Georgia, delivered the second sermon entitled "Reynolda's Future and Home Missions' Challenge". The third service was held Sunday, October 20, 1940, at 11:10 A.M. Dr. Melton Clark, Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Anniston, Alabama, the only surviving member of the Commission which organized Reynolda Church, gave an address entitled "An Anniversary Sermon." The fourth, and final, service was held Sunday, October 20, 1940, at 7:30 P.M. Dr. C. Darby Fulton, Executive Secretary, Assembly's Foreign Missions, Nashville, Tennessee, spoke on "Reynolda's Future And Foreign Mission's Challenge."

The Silver Anniversary Church Bulletin listed the following historical facts:

1. Glade Valley High School was the first Home Mission benevolent cause supported by Reynolda Church.
2. For Reynolda's first 25 years of history contributions to benevolent causes exceeded operational expenses by \$19,027.
3. During 25 years of church history 275 persons were received by letter; 196 persons were received by profession of faith; 190 persons were lost by death and dismissal to other churches; original membership was 32; and, present membership was 281.
4. The banner of the church since its beginning read "SEEK---FIND---WIN FOR JESUS CHRIST".

For this special occasion Rev. Hutton, Reynolda's Pastor, wrote the following poem.

THE SANCTUARY

Reynolda holds fragrance now of many years of prayer,
 And once again the wings of prayer shall our petitions bear,
 Come Lord Jesus, from Thy heavenly glory,
 Deign to dwell within this temple lowly,
 May all who enter here now, find Thy presence near,
 Let all who go from here, then hold Thy service dear,
 Make Thine abiding place within each heart,
 Lord claim them all we pray---not just a part,
 With zeal and knowledge Father, fire our souls this day,
 Then Crown that with holy love for this Thy house always,
 Where Thou art wont to strengthen souls with an amazing grace,
 Which filled the heart of Thy dear saint who built this hallowed place.

---Charlton D. Hutton (October 17, 1940)

Pastor Hutton ran the following advertisement for the Daily Vacation Bible School for the year 1941 in the Church Bulletin dated June 22, 1941:

THINK

WORK

PRAY-----This is our annual threefold request of each member of our Church for the benefit of our "Daily Vacation Bible School." Let it never be said truly that some child failed to have his soul anchored in the "Word Of God" during these fearful times, because YOU neglected this call.

Opening Day: Monday, June 23, 9 A.M.

THINK of those who should come,

WORK to get them here,

PRAY that they receive God's message.

--- Will you bring a child on June 23rd?

It must have worked because the June 29th Church Bulletin says 204 came the first week.

Rev. Hutton had a fondness for Glade Valley High School. Under his leadership, the Youth of the Church purchased five milch cows for the Home Mission School at Glade Valley, North Carolina. Mr. E.B. Eldridge, Superintendent of the Home Mission School at Glade Valley wrote Rev. Hutton that "This gift is a permanent asset to the School... We are very grateful for the gift. The milk and butter help so much in the winter..." The Youth paid for these five cows by donations they made themselves and first Sunday night collections they were allowed to keep to support causes such as Glade Valley High School. The five cows were named: Sambo's Betty Sylvia, Felix's Eudora, Sue of Boiling Springs, Linda, and Evelyn. Linda was the most expensive. She cost \$225.

The Church Bulletin for August 2, 1942, states that "the Young people of the Church who have been faithful to all its services or who promise solemnly to be faithful are to be rewarded with the opportunity to attend a Christian Camp at Glade Valley from August 3 to Saturday August 8." It points out, "the morning hours of the Camp will be spent in Bible Study and Discussion Groups." The Faculty is listed as being the Rev. W.C. Cooper, of Mocksville, NC, "Bible" teacher; the Rev. Marion G. Bradwell of Athens, Georgia, "Personal Witnessing" teacher; the Rev. H.W. Washburn, D.D., "Missions" teacher; and the Rev. Howard H. Thompson of Bristol, Tennessee, Vespers speaker.

Pastor Hutton wrote the following statement which was placed on the front of the church bulletins he used as Pastor of Reynolda Church. It states:

To all who mourn and need comfort---to all who are tired and need rest---to all who are friendless and want friendship ---to all who are lonely and want companionship---to all who sin and need a Savior, and to whosoever will---this Church opens wide its doors and in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, says: WELCOME.

Rev. Hutton was well known for his Christmas Program entitled the “ Feast Of Carols”. He presented this program each Christmas during his stay at Reynolda Church. His first performance was in December of 1938 and his last one was in December of 1942. Even though Pastor Hutton produced beautiful singing Christmas programs, he was not a renowned singer. His voice did not blend well with other voices.

His last “**Feast Of Carols**” was presented at 7:30 P.M. on December 20, 1942. At this last performance Rev. Hutton knew he was leaving Reynolda Church. On October 11, 1942, he had submitted his resignation; and on December 10, 1942, the Church had extended a CALL to Rev. Marion G. Bradwell. However, he continued to serve the congregation as Supply Pastor until Rev. Bradwell arrived on January 4, 1943.

He used his last “**Feast Of Carols**” to extend a “Season’s Greeting and a Pastor’s Farewell” to the Reynolda Congregation. He wrote:

“So I greet you at this Christmas season not with
a frail human wish or an extravagant token too
small for a friend’s love but too great for his purse.
These would mock your greater need and greatest desire.
So here is my heart’s prayer for you to
Our Savior which is Christ The Lord!
 The Lord bless thee!
 How shall He bless thee?
 With gladness that knowth no decay,
 With the richness that shall not pass away,
 With the sunshine that makes an endless day.
 Thus may He bless thee!
 And keep thee!
 How shall He keep thee?
 With the all covering shadow of His wings,
 With the strong love that guards from evil things,
 With the sure power that safe to glory brings,
 Thus may He keep thee!”

Most sincerely, I Am
Always your friend if not your pastor,
---Charlton D. Hutton
I Timothy 1: 15

The performers in the 1942 “**Feast Of Carols**” were:

Bobby Armfield	Ila Mae Gordon	Carolyn Longbottom	Louise Sapp
Katharine Babcock	Virginia Greer	Delores Longbottom	Oliver Sapp, Jr.
Charles H. Babcock, Jr.	Phyllis Hemrick	Peggy Longbottom	Beverly Shives
Sally Barbee	Barba Jean Hill	Alberta Medlin	Lindsay Shives
Eleanor Bodenheimer	Bryan Hill	Jack Medlin	Alice Sigmon
Pecky Bodenheimer	Forrest Hill	Marie Medlin	Eleanor Sigmon
Betty Brown	Helen Hill	Elizabeth McElrath	Mary Lou Sigmon
Terry Brown	Mary Lou Hill	Jack McElrath	Nell Sigmon
Florence Branson	Betty Holleman	Delores Paige	Agnes Turner
Bobby Buchanan	Hazel Holleman	Ann Pardington	Norah Turner
Betty Colter	Sonny Holleman	Bet Patterson	Nancy Thomas
Doris Colter	Tommy Holleman	Josephine Puryear	Richard Wilkinson
Sammy Colter	Jack Holleman	Betty Redman	Jane Windsor
Norma Denson	Katherine James	Billy Redman	Ruth Winfrey
Anne Evans	Margaret Jones	Jimmie Redman	Roy Winfrey
Betty Ann Garwood	Stuart Jones	Joan Redman	Kenneth Winfrey
Skippy Gilliam	Mark K. Johnson	Maxine Redman	Mary Winfrey
Iris Goia	Annete King	Charlie L. Sapp	
Erma Gordon		Eugene Sapp	

Charlton D. Hutton, Director
 Clara Wiley Pou, Pianist
 Betty Lou Holleman, Asst. Pianist

Alfred and Mildred Drage, Jr., long time Reynolda Church members, remember Rev. Hutton very well. He participated in their marriage ceremony on May 20, 1939. He became Reynolda's only pastor while they were on their honeymoon. Then for the next 56 years he phoned them on their wedding anniversary to wish them a happy anniversary.

Upon leaving Reynolda Church Rev. Hutton became a Chaplain in the United States Army. On November 19, 1945, Elder J.S. Kuykendall wrote Captain Hutton a letter updating him on the happenings at Reynolda Church and thanking him for a gavel he had presented to the church on its thirtieth birthday. He addressed his letter to:

Chaplain Charlton D. Hutton, Captain
 0-521904
 Port Chapel
 APO 795
 New York, NY

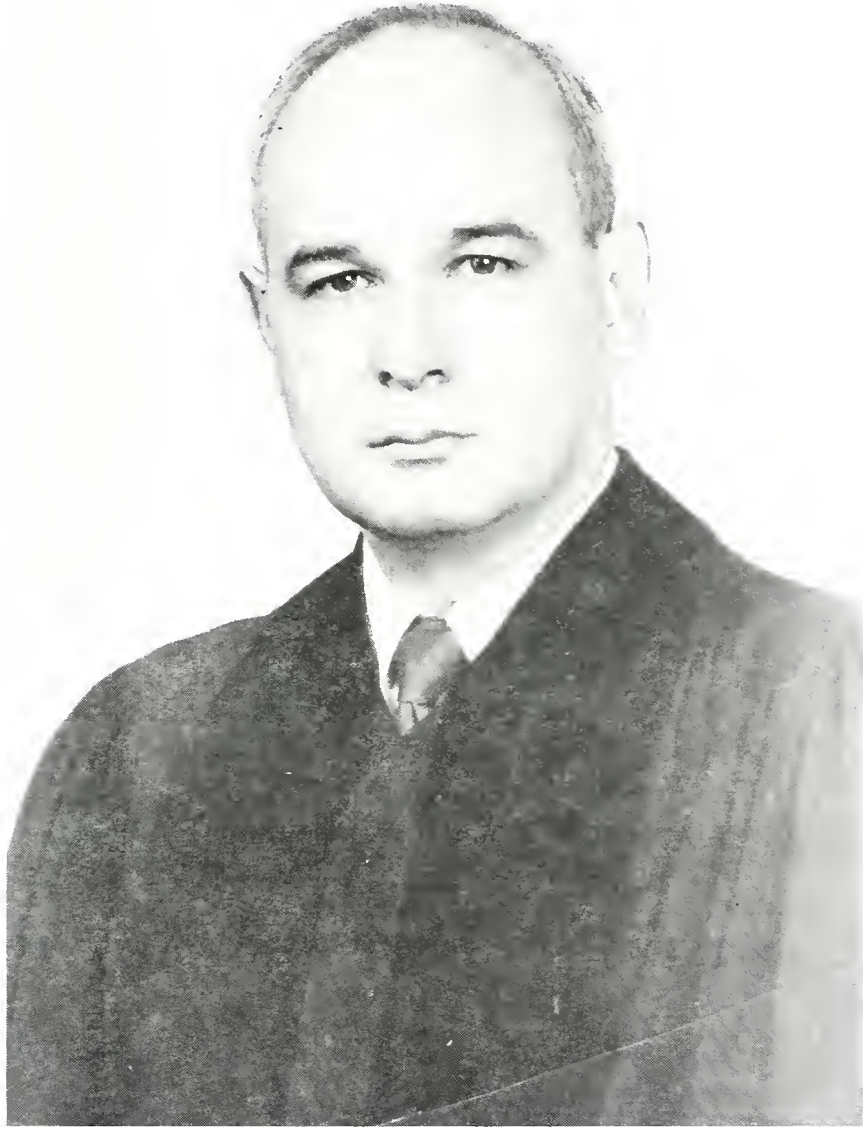
On the last day Rev. Hutton was pastor of Reynolda Presbyterian Church he served as the minister at the funeral of Mr. Carl Lee Winfrey. Mr. Winfrey had died on Friday and his funeral was on the Sunday Rev. Hutton was leaving the Reynolda Church as its Pastor.

As Reynolda Presbyterian Church celebrates its 80th Anniversary in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, in 1995, Rev. Hutton celebrates his 83rd birthday in Jackson, Mississippi.



Rev. Charlton D. Hutton

CHAPTER SIX: REYNOLDA'S WORLD WAR II PASTOR



REV. MARION GORDON BRADWELL

Served: January 4, 1943 - May 22, 1949

REYNOLDA'S WORLD WAR II PASTOR

As Rev. Charlton D. Hutton was leaving the Reynolda pastorate, his seminary friend Rev. Marion G. Bradwell, whom he had recommended, was taking his place as pastor at Reynolda Church.

Rev. and Mrs. Bradwell and sons Gordon and Charles came to Reynolda on January 4, 1943. Rev. Marion G. Bradwell left Central Presbyterian Church in Athens, Georgia, to come to Reynolda. Son J. Sumpter Bradwell was born at Reynolda, N.C.

Reynolda's CALL to Rev. Marion G. Bradwell reads:

"The Reynolda Presbyterian Church, Reynolda, North Carolina, being of sufficient grounds well satisfied with the ministerial qualifications of you, Reverend Marion G. Bradwell, and having good hopes from our knowledge of your labors that your ministrations in the Gospel will be profitable to our spiritual interests, do earnestly call you to undertake the pastoral office in said congregation, promising you, in the discharge of your duty, all proper support, encouragement and obedience in the Lord, and that you may be free from worldly cares and avocations, we hereby obligate ourselves to pay you the sum of Three Thousand (\$3,000.00) Dollars a year in regular monthly payments and use of the manse free of rent, during the time of your being and continuing the regular pastor of this Church.

Reynolda Presbyterian Church also obligates itself to pay the necessary expenses of moving Reverend Marion G. Bradwell, his family and household effects from Athens, Georgia, to Reynolda, North Carolina, without cost to him and also agrees to contribute to the Ministers Annuity Fund the sum of Two Hundred and Twenty-Five (\$225.00) Dollars annually during this period of his pastorate.

In testimony whereof we have respectively subscribed our names this 10th day of December, A.D., 1942.

J.S. Kuykendall
CLERK

Rev. Charlton D. Hutton
MODERATOR

Rev. Bradwell had captured the hearts of Reynolda members in 1939 when he conducted a series of revival services at Reynolda Church for his friend Rev. Hutton

For the adults of the church he started a series of services entitled "The Ministry Of Jesus, As Presented By Mark". This series lasted from January 11, 1943 through the Easter Season of that year.

For the young people of the church he started a Bible Study entitled. "What The Bible Teaches." This study started on January 11, 1943 and lasted for over a year. In addition, the young folks continued with their Catechism Questions program. However, the Catechism Questions program stopped in 1944.

On March 7, 1943, the Session and Pastor Bradwell announced that beginning the following Sunday, the Independent Bus Lines would be providing free bus service to bring worshippers to and from Reynolda Church. This bus service was available to all those living on or near Cherry Street, Polo and Reynolda Roads. Every Sunday morning at 9.15 A.M., a bus of the Independent Lines was to leave town and proceed North on Cherry Street to Polo Road, then East on Polo Road to Reich Street, then West on Polo Road to Shores Farm Road, from where it would turn and come back down Polo Road and Reynolda Road to the Church. Immediately after the morning worship service the bus loaded and retraced the above route. The same schedule was followed in the evening with the Independent Lines bus leaving down town at 7:00 P.M..

On June 6, 1943, the Church opened a Church Nursery for the first time at Pastor Bradwell's urging. This was for the benefit of Reynolda parents who had no one with whom to leave their small children when they came to morning worship service. The Church nursery was under the direction of Mrs. Charles M. Norfleet, Jr. The nursery was open every Sunday morning during the morning worship hour, and parents of Reynolda Church were cordially urged to avail themselves of this thoughtful provision by Pastor Bradwell and Mrs. Norfleet.

The Bulletin for September 12, 1943, of Reynolda Church states.

Under the leadership of Pastor Marion G. Bradwell, a "Book-A-Month" Club is now being organized. The purpose of this club is to encourage consistent, systematic reading of God's Holy Word. The pastor has prepared a list of twelve books of the Bible to be read, one a month, during the next year. The majority of these books, this first year, are brief. In order to read the twelve of them less than two chapters a week need to be read. In addition to this reading, a mimeographed copy of questions will be given out each month for the members to answer from their reading of the book for that month. This will serve as a guide to the book, and a means for making permanent in the mind and heart the truths learned during the four week period. If you would like to join this Book-A-Month Club sign below and hand in to the Pastor.

I wish to signify my desire of becoming a member of the "Book-A-Month" Club. -----

In January of 1944, former Reynolda Pastor and Chaplain Charlton D. Hutton of the United States Army was a guest speaker at the Thursday Night Bible Study of the young people.

One of the main pastoral duties of Rev. Bradwell was to encourage the hearts of several Reynolda mothers during World War II. Following is a list of known Reynolda Church people that served their country as members of the Armed Forces of the United States in World War II. They are:

Memory Johnson	James W. Peoples
R.M. Lybrook	Robert B. Lindsay
Carl B. Wilkerinson, Jr.	Thomas M. Barkley
James M. Furches	Jack McElrath
Albert C. Wharton	LeGrand K. Johnson
David J. Lybrook, Jr.	Charles M. Norfleet, Jr.
Charles Babcock, Jr.	Frank Pou
William R. Barkley	Aaron B. Bowles
Irving S. Bull, Jr.	Frances G. Dance
Alfred J. Drage, Jr.	Edward W. Drage
F.E. Evans, Jr.	James P. Eldridge
Robert L. Gilliam, Jr.	Sam Orien Hill
Eugene S. Isley	Earl William Isley
Munro P. Jones	Fred R. Jones
Percy T. Johnson, Jr.	J. Edward Johnston
William R. Lybrook	Richard K. Martin
Adrian L. Sigmon, Jr.	James Wall
Herman R. Wooten	Harrison C. Whitehead

On April 20, 1944 Rev. Bradwell was a presenter at the Thursday evening Session of the Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Winston-Salem Presbytery that met at Reynolda Church. His presentation was entitled "Mexico In Pictures".

In 1945 Reynolda Church started an Out-Post Mission Sunday School under Rev. Bradwell's leadership at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Drage, Sr. The families that lived in the area of Mr. and Mrs. Drage's home were home owners and were a good class of people with whom to work. They were very appreciative of the fact that a Sunday School was close enough for their children to attend. The Sunday School was held at 3:30 P.M. each Sunday. Elder J.S. Kuykendall taught the adult class. Others taught the children. Rev. Bradwell was the Superintendent. It had an enrollment of 45 and an average attendance of about 35. Though it was self-supporting financially, this Out-Post Mission Sunday School was abandoned when it failed to grow.

Below is a picture of the Out-Post Mission Sunday School taken at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Drage, Sr., in 1946. Pastor Marion G. Bradwell is on the left.



In the Fall of 1945 Rev. Bradwell conducted a series of revival services for the First Presbyterian Church in Mount Airy, North Carolina. On October 30, 1945, Mr. G. Kellock Hale, Jr., Clerk of Session at the Mount Airy Church, wrote expressing his appreciation to the Session of Reynolda Church for granting Rev. Bradwell a leave of absence for one week for these services. In his letter Mr. Hale, Jr. stated “---as you can well imagine, Mr. Bradwell gave splendid messages throughout the entire week, and they were well received by the members of this congregation---”.

On May 31, 1946, Mr. Percy T. Johnson tendered his resignation to the Church as treasurer. He asked that his resignation become effective on July 1, 1946. He had served in this capacity since July 1, 1928, a period of 18 years. Rev. Bradwell was asked by Mr. Johnson to turn the job over to a younger man.

On Sunday, January 9, 1949, Rev. Bradwell was instrumental in having Dr. L. Nelson Bell, Billy Graham's father-in-law, speak at Reynolda Church. At the time Dr. Bell spoke he was the Associate Editor of *The Presbyterian Journal*. He spoke on “Christianity And Communism”.

In the Church Bulletin for January 23, 1949 Pastor Bradwell placed a short article in the bulletin on “How To Read The Bible.” It states:

1. Read slowly and prayerfully.
2. Read keenly and thoughtfully, imagining the scenes.
3. Read obediently, searching for a personal message each day.
4. Read with a thankful heart, willingly seeking guidance.
5. Underline passages which give a personal message to you.
6. Memorize one key verse each day.
7. Set aside a definite time each day for Bible reading.
8. Make Bible reading a habit.

At the Sunday Morning worship service on January 23, 1949, Rev. Bradwell delivered a sermon entitled: “The Meaning Of Church Membership” based on ACTS 2, 37-47. The following people were welcomed into the fellowship of Reynolda Presbyterian Church as new members during the service:

1. Mr. and Mrs. John G. Edwards
2. Mr. and Mrs. Rufus N. Ferguson
3. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Garner
4. Mr. and Mrs. Bryce Miller and son Charles Miller
5. Mr. Thomas Pratt
6. Mr. and Mrs. Robert M. Scott
7. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Smith

Ushers on duty for this service were:

H.B. Segraves
Allen Gwyn
J.K. Paul
Hubert Cline

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Clive Foster on the birth of a son Dan Milton Foster were extended by Rev. Bradwell in the church bulletin on March 6, 1949. Dan had been born Monday, February 28th of 1949, at Baptist Hospital. Ted Foster now had a baby brother and Reynolda Church had a new baby.

Gordon, Sumpter, and Charles, sons of Rev and Mrs. Bradwell, were full of boyish mischief and were always doing things that annoyed adult church members. One adult member fondly remembers them and states that if given a chance they could "break the plan of salvation."

Rev. Marion G. Bradwell resigned the Reynolda pastorate April 3, 1949. His resignation was accepted by the Reynolda congregation on April 10, 1949. The Presbytery accepted it on April 24, 1949. On May 22, 1949, he preached his last sermon on "The Body Of Christ" at the Eleven O'Clock service as Pastor of Reynolda Presbyterian Church.

On May 23rd he and his family left Reynolda for Waycross, Georgia. He was now the Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Waycross, Georgia.

Rev. Marion Gordon Bradwell died in 1991.

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Miss Delphine C. Brown, Director of Religious Education
Office Phone 2-3554

Mrs. C. H. Sebring, Choir Director, Miss Betty Jean Holleman, Organist

THE SESSION

Marion G. Bradwell, Moderator	J. S. Kuykendall, Clerk of Session	
W. Stewart Buchanan	F. Pool Holleman	Will R. Martin
Irving S. Bull, Church Treas.	Percy T. Johnson	Charles M. Norfleet
Fred E. Evans	J. Edward Johnston	Raymond M. Shives
S. Wilson Gray	Walter S. Lindsay	Carl B. Wilkinson

THE BOARD OF DEACONS

Wade S. Legette, Chairmau	Charles M. Sprinkle, Secretary	
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Hubert R. Cline	Sherwood Holleman	Charles M. Norfleet, Jr.
R. Lester Frye	John V. Hunter, Jr.	H. S. Peoples
J. G. Furches	Robert R. King, Jr.	G. Conrad Windsor

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Historian	Mrs. Percy T. Johnson
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THE MEN OF THE CHURCH

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Vice-President	J. Calvin Griffin
Treasurer	Charles M. Sprinkle

THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SOCIETIES

Y. P. C.	Pioneers	Juniors
President — Betty Redman	Margaret Jones	Lindsay Shives
Vice-Pres. — John McElrath	Mary Lou Hill	Pat Shermer
Sect. — Ruth O. Winfrey	Barbara Jean Hill	Stuart Jones
Treas. — Josephine C. Puryear	Richard L. Gilliam	Bryan Hill
Cor. Sect. — Ila Mae Gordou	Roy A. Winfrey	Marie Vaught

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Carl B. Wilkinson, Superintendent, W. S. Buchanan, Hubert Cline, Asst. Supts.
F. Pool Holleman, Sect. — F. Pool Holleman, Jr., Asst. Sect.

Men's Bible Class	Marion G. Bradwell and J. S. Kuykendall	
Women's Bible Class	Mrs. J. S. Kuykendall and Mrs. W. R. Martin	
Young Adults Class	Robt. R. King and Charles M. Sprinkle	
Young People's Class	Will R. Martin and Mrs. Percy T. Johnson	
Senior Girls' Class	Miss Delphine Brown and Mrs. D. J. Lybrook	
Senior Boys' Class	W. G. Jones and R. Frank Alexander	
Intermediate Girls	Miss Maxine Redman and Miss Virginia Greer	
Intermediate Boys	Raymond M. Shives and Sherwood Holleman	

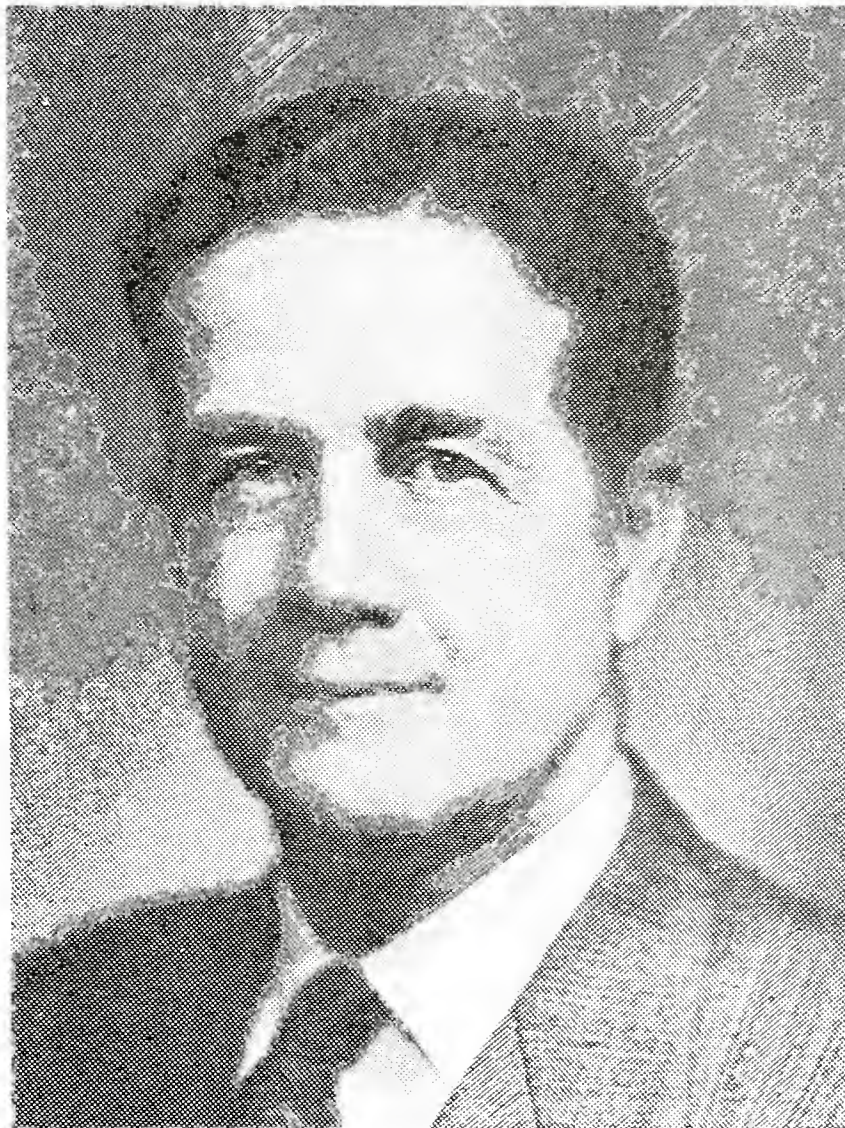
Junior Department

Mrs. Charles M. Norfleet	Superintendent	
Mrs. Alfred Drage, Mrs. Pool Holleman, Miss Betty Jean Holleman, Mrs. W. G. Jones, Miss Mary Lou Fox.		

Beginner and Primary Department

Mrs. Hubert Cline	Superintendent	
Mrs. Stewart Buchanan, Miss Louise Martin, Mrs. J. K. Gray		
Cradle Roll	Mrs. Charles M. Sprinkle	

CHAPTER SEVEN: A CHURCH DIVIDED



REV. SINCLAIR TEBO
Served: May 29, 1949 - May 3, 1953

A CHURCH DIVIDED

After accepting Rev. Bradwell's resignation on April 24, 1949, the Reynolda congregation elected the following Nominating Committee to nominate a pastor for Reynolda Church:

Elder, John Hunter, Chairman
Elder, A.H. Baldwin
Elder, Charles M. Norfleet, Jr.
Mrs. E. E. Rothe
Mr. John P. Cooper
Miss Eleanor Sigman

The Nominating Committee quickly organized and started searching for a pastor for Reynolda Presbyterian Church.

In the absence of a regular pastor, Reynolda Church turned to a part-time pastor. His name was Rev. Sinclair Tebo. Rev. Bradwell preached his last sermon on May 22nd of 1949, and Rev. Sinclair Tebo preached his first sermon on May 29th of 1949. The wife of Rev. Tebo, Nana Johnson Tebo, was a sister of Percy T. Johnson and Mrs. C. H. Sebring, long time members of Reynolda Church. Rev. Tebo had preached on numerous occasions at Reynolda Church when visiting Mrs. Tebo's relatives in Winston-Salem. The earliest record of his preaching at Reynolda was an evening service on January 7, 1934.

Rev. Tebo was born in Watertown, Ontario, Canada. At the age of 12 he moved to Detroit, Michigan. He had been the pastor of Eastside Presbyterian Church in Rochester, New York, earlier in his career. From 1942 until 1946 he had served as Staff Chaplain for the Western Technical Training Command of the Army Air Corps. When he became Reynolda's part-time pastor in 1949, he was working as a Vocational Advisor at the local office of the Veteran's Administration.

As a full-time Vocational Advisor and part time minister, Rev. Tebo preached every Sunday at Reynolda Church; worked as much as he could with the young people of the Church, and directed the 1949 Vacation Bible School. During his August vacation Rev. John Gordon, Rev. Charles Brockwell, Jr., and Bishop Howard Rondthaler supplied the pulpit in his absence.

At a Congregational Meeting on October 16, 1949 the Nominating Committee placed his name before the congregation as their nominee. The vote was unanimous in Rev. Tebo's favor. He accepted the CALL and was installed as Reynolda's pastor on December 4th of 1949.

The installation service took place at 5:45 P.M. on Sunday, December 4, 1949, at Reynolda Presbyterian Church. Rev. Thomas C. Bryan, Moderator of the Installation Commission, presided. The Invocation was given by Dr. Julian Lake, of First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem. The Installation Sermon, "The Glorious Gospel," was given by Dr. Edward G. Lilly, Pastor of First(Scots) Presbyterian Church, Charleston, South Carolina, and son of former Reynolda Pastor Rev. D. Clay Lilly. The Constitutional Questions were presented to Rev. Tebo by Dr. Carl W. McMurray, Pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Marion, North Carolina. The Charge to the Congregation was made by Ruling Elder Mr. Tully D. Blair, Presbyterian Church of Ardmore. The Benediction was given by Rev. Sinclair Tebo. Mrs. Carl W. McMurray, a well-known soprano of Marion, North Carolina, sang Harker's *How Beautiful Upon The Mountains*.

The Chapel of Reynolda Presbyterian Church had special meaning for Rev. Tebo. Fourteen years before he became pastor of the Church, he and Nana Johnson were married in the Reynolda Chapel on October 9, 1935. Now years later he was preaching in the same Chapel in which he was married.

Some of Rev. Tebo's most impressive services were his Communion Services. They were held once each quarter. These services were divided into several parts. First, new members were united with the church. Second, a moving children's message was given by the pastor. Third, and last, the Lord's Supper was served.

The last part of the service included a hymn, a short Meditation sermon, an Invitation to participate, another hymn, a short Celebration, the serving of the communion elements, and a closing hymn. Following is an example of this last part of a Communion Service:

HYMN NO 88	- When I Survey The Wondrous Cross
COMMUNION MEDITATION	- <i>This Freedom</i> , Text: ACTS 22:28
COMMUNION INVITATION	- Whosoever will come!
HYMN NO 381	- Break Thou The Bread Of Life
COMMUNION CELEBRATION	
	"Here would I feed upon the bread of God, Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heaven, Here would I lay aside each earthly load, Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven."
HYMN NO. 379	- From The Table Now Retiring

Five months after Rev. Tebo become Reynolda's Pastor, Boy Scout Troop Number 24 was organized at Reynolda Church. Following is an article found in the May 21, 1950, issue of the Church Bulletin. It reads:

Last Tuesday Night [May 16, 1950] the troop sponsored by the Men-of-the-Church was formally organized. Mr. Wade Poindexter, representing the Woodsmen of the World, gave the Troop an American flag and two compasses. The charter was presented to Mr. James K. Paul, President of the Club. The following are members of the new Troop

Committeemen - John Cooper, Chairman, J. William Martin, Roger N. Reynolds, Jr., and Owen Talbert

Scoutmaster - Cameron Sinclair

Assistant Scoutmasters - James Drummond and Robert Paxton

Scouts - O. Gordon Brewer, Jr., Richard Carswell, Robert Neil Chafin, Alexander Council, Ted Foster, David Herr, Gerald T. Ketner, Donald M. Koontz, Philip Leinback, Richard W. Matthews, Charles Miller, T. Badger Robinson, Ralph S. Sapp, Deo Smothers, Jr., Joe Weston, James R. White and James Wood

Rev. Tebo was asked to give talks on the local radio station. He spoke over WAIR each morning of the week of July 3, 1950. He gave the WAIR morning meditations on other occasions as well.

One of Pastor Tebo's customs was to invite the Reynolda congregation to join him and his wife at the Manse for an old-fashioned Hymn Sing. He would hold these when the congregation indicated they wanted one. We know he held one on October 9, 1950 and a second one on November 25, 1950. On both occasions the Hymn Sing lasted from 8 to 9 P.M.

When Rev. Tebo was pastor of Reynolda Church, Mr. Charles H. Babcock, son-in-law of Katharine Reynolds, took an active interest in the affairs of the Church. He saw the need for Reynolda Church to acquire unrestricted titles to the properties deeded to the Church by Mrs. Reynolds and her heirs. Mr. Babcock realized that if Reynolda Church was to expand and grow, it must have unrestricted titles to its properties in order to borrow money for future growth and expansion. This is reflected in an entry on Page 53 of Session Book Number 5 dated December 4, 1950. It states

“Mr. Bull advised the session that Mr. Charles Babcock had suggested that we continue our efforts to acquire unrestricted titles to our Church properties.”

In the mid-fifties this was accomplished with the help of Mr. Babcock.

During Rev. Tebo's tenure at Reynolda, two people dear to Reynolda Church co-founder Katharine Reynolds Johnston died. First, her second husband J. Edward Johnston died on October 17, 1951. Second, her daughter Mrs. Mary Reynolds Babcock died on July 16, 1953.

Reynolda Presbyterian Church has not only served the religious needs of its co-founder Katharine Reynolds and her children but also some of her grandchildren. On September 9, 1951, Barbara Frances Babcock, Betsy Main Babcock, and Charles Henry Babcock, Jr., were baptized and united with the Reynolda Presbyterian Church congregation.

Rev. Tebo held an annual baptismal service for infant members of the church when he was Reynolda's pastor. These services were always held on Palm Sunday of each year at 4 P.M. On Palm Sunday, March 18, 1951, the following Cradle Roll members were baptized:

1. Richard Allen Darr, born November 30, 1949, and
Carolyn Irene Darr, born January 2, 1951
Children of Adam Mock and Lenna Katherine Darr
2. Kendall Dixon Hanson, born October 12, 1950
Son of Gilbert and Evelyn Hanson
3. Suzanne Karola, born October 12, 1950
Daughter of Joseph E. and Phyllis Karola
4. Bunny King, born December 12, 1949
Daughter of Harvey and Lucille King
5. Evan Romulus Ray, born January 8, 1950
Son of Earle and Evar R. Ray
6. Ruth Lynn Speas, born November 12, 1949
Daughter of Robert and Ruth Speas

For its first thirty-eight years Reynolda Church had the custom of electing elders and deacons as church officers as they were needed and then making them active offices for life. Deacon Hubert Cline observed, that "you either had to move away or die to give up the work of elder or deacon once elected at Reynolda Church." This prompted him to propose a rotation system for Church officers. Pastor Tebo agreed with Deacon Cline's proposal.

Deacon Cline proposed his rotation system to a June 8th, 1953 Session Meeting. After lengthy debate the system was approved and taken to the congregation for their approval on December 20, 1953. They approved the rotation system and it went into effect one year later in 1954.

An application of this system can be seen in the election of Deacon Alfred Drage, Jr. as one of the first church officers elected under this rotation system. He was elected, ordained, and installed as Deacon on December 5, 1954. He then served as an active Deacon from January 1, 1955 thru December 31, 1957. He then rotated off the Board of Deacons and a newly elected Deacon took his place. Alfred remained an ordained Deacon once he rotated off the Board of Deacons, but was inactive until elected to serve a second time.

In 1952, trouble broke out in the Reynolda congregation. This trouble continued for over a year and it eventually led to the resignation of Rev. Tebo on March 29, 1953.

It appears the controversy centered around Rev. Tebo's wife Nana, and Mrs. Lee Golson, President of The Women Of The Church. There seems to have been some jealousy between the two of them and it drew the congregation into the conflict.

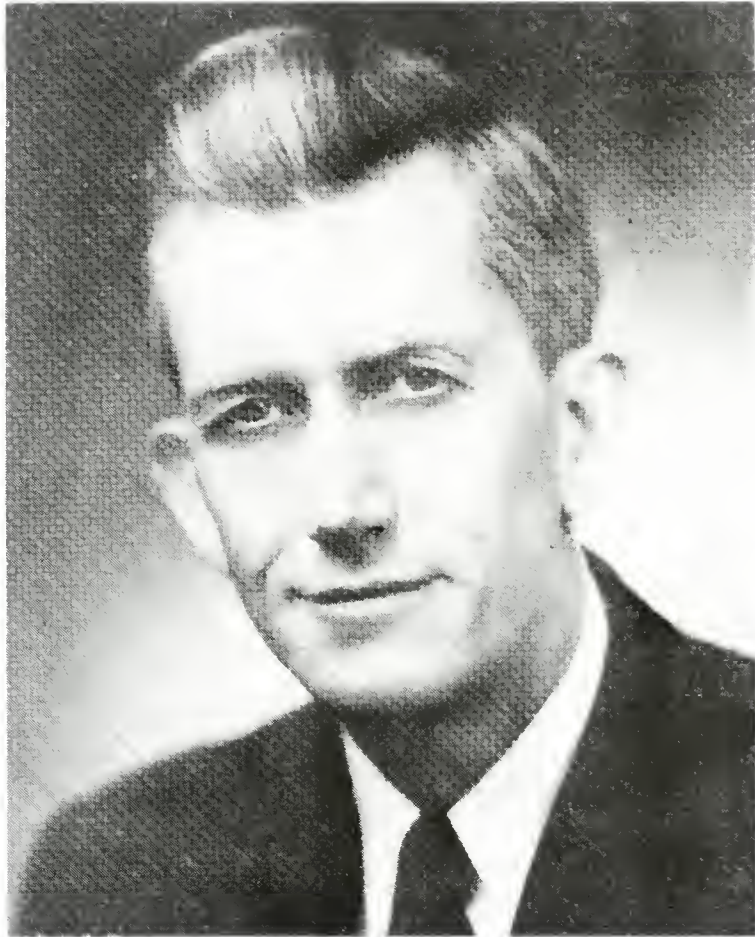
On June 23, 1952, Rev. Tebo asked the Session to call a Congregation Meeting to act on his resignation. On June 29, 1952, six days later, the Session appointed a committee of three elders to contact certain members of the congregation whom they thought may have been doing harm to the Church. They were to investigate instances of discontent and criticism expressed by some of the Women Of The Church involving literature used in the Church Sunday School. This helped for a while because on August 22, 1952, Rev. Tebo asked the Session if he could withdraw his letter of resignation. They granted his request.

The conflict came to a conclusion when Rev. Tebo actually resigned on March 29, 1953. In his letter of resignation he made two charges. First, he said the congregation had broken its covenant with him when they failed to follow his religious teachings as they had promised in his CALL. Second, he said his preaching of the Word was undermined by a few members of the congregation who were vocal critics of his actions as Pastor of Reynolda Church.

The congregation was allowed to vote on his letter of resignation in a Congregational Meeting on May 3, 1953. The question asked of the congregation was did they wish to accept Pastor Tebo's resignation? One hundred twenty-two votes were cast at this meeting. Sixty-two members voted to accept his resignation. Sixty voted to reject his resignation. The Session of the church declared the Reynolda Presbyterian Church pulpit vacant as a result of this Congregational Meeting.

Rev. Tebo became inactive as Reynolda's pastor after this May 3rd 1953 meeting. However, he continued to live in the Reynolda Manse until July 31, 1953. At which time he moved out of the Manse and Reynolda.

CHAPTER EIGHT: A NEW SANCTUARY



REV. WILLIAM ROBERT "SHORTY" SMITH, JR.
Served May 1, 1954 - January 1, 1965

A NEW SANCTUARY

The first mention of Rev. W.R. Smith, in local church records, are found in the Minutes of an Adjourned Meeting of the Presbytery of Winston-Salem, which met on January 17, 1950 at the First Presbyterian Church of Thomasville. On pages 12 and 13 of these Minutes is found the following article:

RECEPTION OF THE REV. W.R. SMITH, JR.

“A certificate of transfer of membership of the Rev. W.R. Smith, Jr., from Roanoke Presbytery and an accompanying letter graciously commending him to this Presbytery, were read by the Stated Clerk. The certificate was found in order.

Mr. Smith was then given the examination prescribed by the Book of Church Order. Questions pertaining to his experiential religion and his views touching theology, church government, and the sacraments were put to him by our appointed examiners. The examination in its several parts and as whole was sustained as satisfactory.

Mr. Smith was received into membership of this Presbytery upon his signing the obligation.”

Rev. Smith, who was known as “Shorty,” though he was six-feet, four-inches tall, came to Winston-Salem from Chatham, Virginia. He had joined the Winston-Salem Presbytery so that he could become its Executive Secretary. He served this post for four and one-half years.

In Chatham, Rev. Smith had served the Chatham Presbyterian Church as its pastor. Before that he had been a circuit pastor, orphanage superintendent, and an evangelist. He had been serving the Presbyterian Denomination since May 22, 1923.

After Rev. Sinclair Tebo resigned the Reynolda pastorate, the Winston-Salem Presbytery appointed Rev. Smith to resolve the conflict which had developed between Rev. Tebo and the Reynolda Church Session. He worked out a three part solution. First, he had to get Rev. Tebo to move out of the Reynolda Church Manse. Second, he had to find a temporary supply pastor to fill Reynolda’s pulpit until a new pastor was found. Third, he had to appoint a Committee to recommend a pastor for Reynolda Church.

He worked out an agreement with Rev. Tebo that he would leave the Manse at the end of July. Rev. Smith eventually located Dr. J. A. Christian as a supply pastor. Dr. Christian began his duty as supply pastor on the First Sunday in January of 1954 at Reynolda Church. At a Congregational Meeting on October 12, 1953 the Reynolda congregation appointed the following Nominating Committee to recommend a pastor for the church.

Mr. Brice Miller, Chairman
 Mr. Gordon Brown
 Mrs. Sarah Ashburn
 Mrs. June Lineback
 Miss Evelyn Drage
 Mr. Gerald Long
 Mr. Jim Futrell

The Nominating Committee nominated Rev. W. R. Smith, Jr. himself as their choice. He accepted the CALL and on May 1, 1954 became Reynolda's pastor.

Following is a list of some sermon topics Rev. Smith preached at Reynolda in 1959.

DATES	TOPICS
January 4, 1959	"The Intention Of Christ In The Last Supper"
February 4, 1959	"Spiritual Resource"
March 1, 1959	"Facing Up To Our Sins"
March 8, 1959	"The Meaning Of Confession"
March 22, 1959	"The Voice Of Judgment"
April 12, 1959	"The Third Commandment"
May 3, 1959	"Death---And More"
May 31, 1959	"When Stones Come Alive"
June 14, 1959	"Strangers In The Church"
July 26, 1959	"Lost In Glory"
August 16, 1959	"The Christian's Hope"
August 30, 1959	"Portrait Of A Fool"
September 13, 1959	"Total Commitment"
September 27, 1959	"The Church Is Measured"
November 8, 1959	"The Men You Choose"
November 22, 1959	"The Lord Will Be Gracious---Maybe"
December 13, 1959	"Is It Just"

Rev. Smith was a great supporter of young peoples activities. One such program he supported was Reynolda's Scout Program. The Scout Program had the following organization pattern in 1948

Reynolda girls had a Brownie group which met in the kindergarten room on Wednesday afternoons. Mrs. Oliver Woody and Mrs. Lillian Ford directed sixteen little Brownie girls in their scouting activities. The girls also had an Intermediate Girl Scout Troop #102 which met on Friday afternoons in the Primary Department of the Johnston Building. Mrs. J. E. Korola was their leader and Mrs. Leslie Fox their assistant leader.

Reynolda boys had three scout groups. The Cub Pack, of which Mr. Roy Deal was Committee Chairman and Mr. Malcolm Craven the Cubmaster, had four dens. Mrs. Deal, Mrs. Craven, Mrs. Maurice Aronhime, and Mrs. Jean Staley were the den mothers. The dens met weekly at the home of the den mothers and got together once a month for their Pack Meeting in the Johnston Building on the fourth Thursday night. The Sea Scouts met Monday nights in the basement of the Johnston Building with Mr. Wade Sapp as skipper. At age eleven the boys became Scouts. They met each Wednesday night in the Johnston Building with Scoutmaster Joe E. Korola. The fifty-two boys in Troop 324 frequently went camping and engaged in various other scouting projects from time to time. Mr. Emmett Gentry was the Church's representative to the scouts.

By 1956 the Reynolda Chapel was full to capacity at its worship services. Rev. "Shorty" Smith saw the urgent need for a new sanctuary. At his urging a Building Fund Committee was created, and Elder W.S. Buchanan was appointed to serve as its General Chairman.

Before the Church could borrow money for a building program it had to get a clear title to its properties. This was accomplished through Mr. Charles Babcock, owner of Reynolda Estate. Mr. Babcock was able to get all the heirs of Katharine Reynolds to sign a clear title to the Trustees of Reynolda Church for its church properties. In addition, he gave Reynolda Church two additional acres of land south of the Church on September 24, 1961.

Elder James S. Buchanan began his work and accomplished two things. First, his committee had Larson & Larson, Architects to draft a drawing of a proposed new sanctuary. Second, his committee hired Ketchum Incorporated of Pittsburgh as a fund raising organization to raise funds to build the new sanctuary.

With the above completed Elder Buchanan and his committee decided to go to the congregation with their plans. He wrote the congregation the following letter

REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Building Fund

Winston-Salem, N. C.

Telephone 4-0662

January 17, 1957

W. R. SMITH, JR.
Minister

CAMPAIGN STEERING
COMMITTEE

W. S. BUCHANAN
General Chairman

DIVISION
CO-CHAIRMEN

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ROBERT J. PAXTON
A

CHARLES M. SPRINKLE
EVERETT MARTIN
B

C. GORDON BROWN
JOHN B. COOPER
C

CHARLES TRUESDALE
ROBERT LEON
D

COMMITTEE
CHAIRMEN

PERCY JOHNSON
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MRS. PERCY JOHNSON
Meetings Arrangements

RUSSELL GOODWIN
LEE TESH
Auditing

GEORGE SHEEK
Organizations

MRS. THOMAS PASSONS
Secretary

LEWIS HARRISON
Treasurer

Dear Friends:

Enclosed you will find a brochure which tells the story of our plans for expansion at Reynolda Presbyterian Church.

Please read it carefully and prayerfully, for this is our challenge to do our part in the growth of God's Kingdom. How we meet this challenge will determine, largely, what others will do to help us.

We are faced with the problem of a growing community and a growing Church. If we do not expand our Church to provide adequate and attractive facilities to meet this growth, some other Church will have to do it.

This is the first time we have been called upon to build and I am sure you will want to do your part.

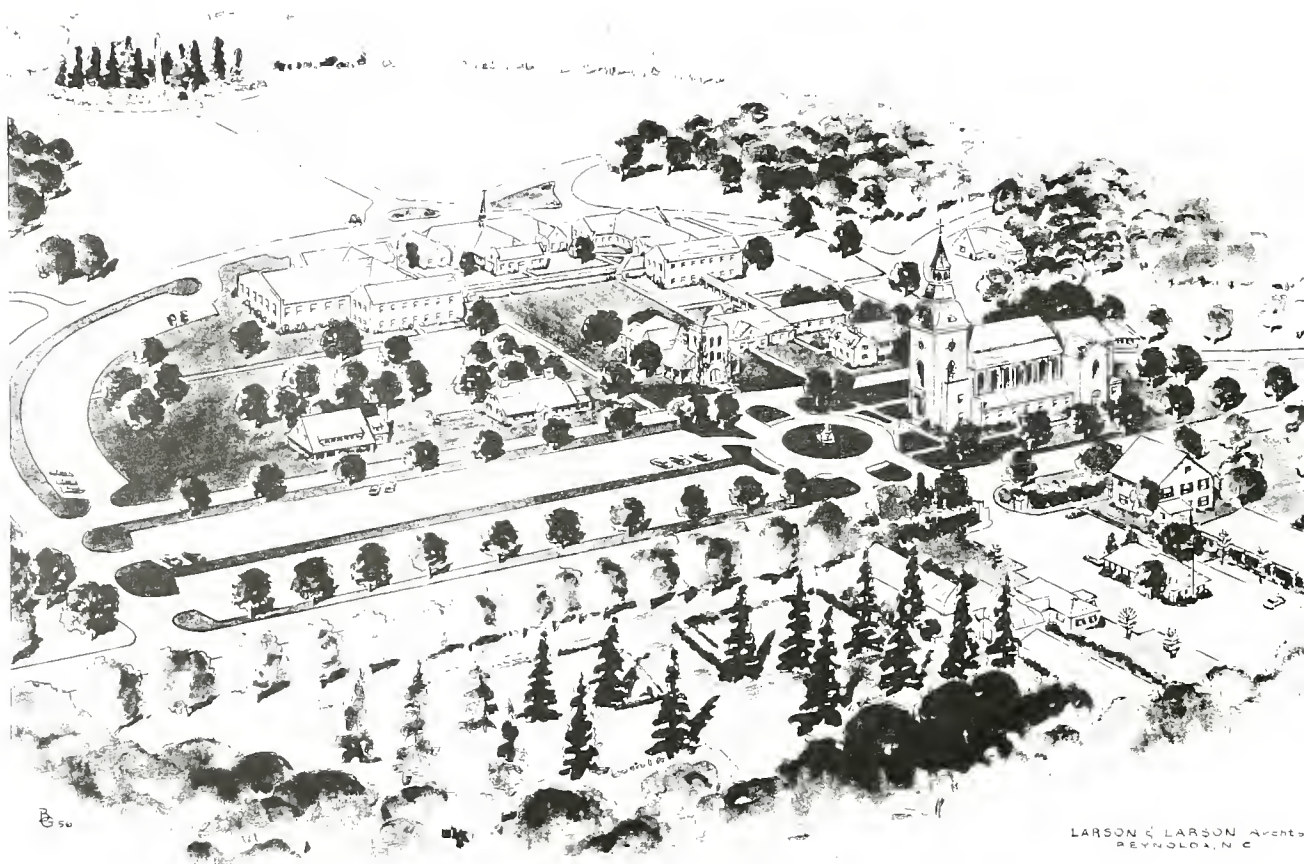
Vision foresaw the need.
Genius created the design.
Zest consummates the plan.

Yours in faith and confidence,



W. S. Buchanan

On the front cover of the brochure Elder Buchanan referred to in his letter was the following architectural drawing by Larson & Larson of Reynolda, North Carolina:



Inside the same brochure was a letter written by Rev. W. R. Smith, Jr. to the Reynolda congregation. It states:

OUR CHALLENGE

We at Reynolda Church have conceived a great dream which gives us an opportunity to immortalize our faith. Our present church buildings were provided for us through the generosity of someone else. The people of our church have not been called upon to do any building in all the church's history.

Now we are about to take our FIRST STEP toward the realization of our hopes. We are asked to pledge our faith by raising \$125,000 toward a new sanctuary to glorify God and bless us and our children.

If the church is vital to us and God a reality in our lives our goal will be more than realized.

To consummate this FIRST STEP, we need three qualities expressed—vision, faith and sacrifice. We need vision, for where there is no vision people perish. We need faith, for where there is no faith men falter. We need sacrifice, for where there is no sacrifice there is no salvation. We have our vision, our faith is strong waiting to be expressed in our individual sacrifices.

We need to understand, too, that this responsibility belongs to each of us. Each one will have the opportunity to do his share in appreciation for what others have done for us and to glorify God for His unspeakable gifts to us.

May God bless us in our hopes, our prayers and our works, when because of our love of Him, our cooperation, and sacrifice we become a greater church to serve an age which needs our best.



W. R. Smith, Jr.

Nancy Drage was the daughter of Alfred and Mildred Drage. As a young lady, she died in an automobile accident. At her funeral, Rev. Smith told Nancy's mother that the "first dollar given to help build the new sanctuary was given by Nancy and her friend Frankie Boles."

Following is a letter Nancy and Frankie wrote Rev. Smith when they were only ten years old. It states:

Dear Mr. Smith

I want to tell you that I heard we were going to have a new church, and that it would cost more than a \$1,000.00 dollars. Frankie Boles and I want to give some money to it. We feel that we owe it to God and to you, too

Signed: Frankie Boles (Age 10)
Nancy Drage (Age 10)

Records show that each girl contributed five dollars each toward the goal of the Building Fund Campaign

The congregation did not like the design of the new sanctuary drawn up by Larson & Larson. They felt it was more of a cathedral rather than a local church. The outside fund raising organization, Ketchun, Incorporated of Pittsburgh, was not successful either. Reynolda people would not contribute to this outside organization. This first effort to build a new sanctuary was off to a shaky start.

In September of 1958, about a year and eight months later, a Congregational Meeting was held to consider another attempt at a Building Fund Campaign. In a packed Chapel, the members were asked to consider two building options and a system for funding the project selected. Building option number one was a proposal from the Winston-Salem Presbytery to build a new sanctuary and educational building at a cost of \$275,000. The Presbytery would fund \$150,000, and Reynolda Church would fund \$125,000. Building option number two was to build a new sanctuary and educational building plus a fellowship hall above the educational building at a cost of \$346,000. Reynolda Church was to raise \$196,000 and Presbytery was to contribute \$150,000. In both cases, funding at Reynolda was to be through family pledging and contributions raised in memory of loved ones.

The congregation voted enthusiastically and unanimously to approve building plan number two. This plan included the following elements and costs:

Sanctuary and Educational Building	\$260,000
Fellowship Hall	60,000
Purchase Of Mrs. Redfern's House	23,000
Estimated Cost Of Moving House	3,000
TOTAL	\$346,000

It is rather interesting that Reynolda Church went heavily into debt for a building program when it was having financial trouble meeting its current budget. Deacon Hubert Cline said "he was giving only \$2.00 a week to the church." Treasurer Bull told him "he was the top contributor." He said years later when he looked at the financial records of the church Treasurer Bull was correct. With this kind of congregational giving Rev. Smith and Reynolda Church stepped out in faith to build the new sanctuary.

In its darkest financial hour Katharine Reynolds' niece and son-in-law stepped forward to rescue Reynolda Presbyterian Church from financial ruin. Katharine's niece, Mrs. C.A. Kent, gave generously of her resources. Katharine's son-in-law, Mr. Charles Babcock also gave generously. Mr. Babcock suggested the Session of the Church apply to the Directors of the Mary Reynolds Babcock Foundation, the foundation named in honor of his wife, for financial help. He, and the other Foundation Directors, approved two three year grants of \$5,000 a year to Reynolda Presbyterian Church. The Church applied for these three year grants on April 20, 1955 and January 9, 1957. They covered the years 1955-1960.

As a fund-raising project, the Building Committee sent a letter to the congregation on November 1, 1959, stating: "It is customary in the building of new churches such as ours to give those who wish to do so an opportunity to purchase some portions of the building in honor of, or as a memorial to, some loved one whose memory they wish to perpetuate." Following is a list of specific items and suggested amounts to cover these items. They are:

1. Large Stained Glass Window in Chancel.....	\$10,000
2. Side Stained Glass Windows in Sanctuary.....	1,500 each
3. Rose Window in Narthex.....	4,000
4. Pulpit	900
5. Lectern	150
6. Communion Table	250
7. Hanging Lighting Fixtures in Sanctuary	1,000 each
8. Balcony in Sanctuary	6,000
9. Women's Dressing Room off of Narthex	1,500
10. Tower over Narthex	4,200
11. Pastor's Study	3,000

12 Church Offices	2,400	
13 Corridor between Sanctuary and Educational Wing	6,000	
14 Session Room	2,300	
15 Kindergarten Classroom	5,200	each
16 Nursery Classroom	4,000	each
17 Primary Classroom	3,600	each
18 Chalkboard - Tackboard	100	each
19 Kitchen	7,500	
20 Ladies Bible Class	3,000	
21 Social Hall	30,000	
22 Fireplace in Social Hall	500	

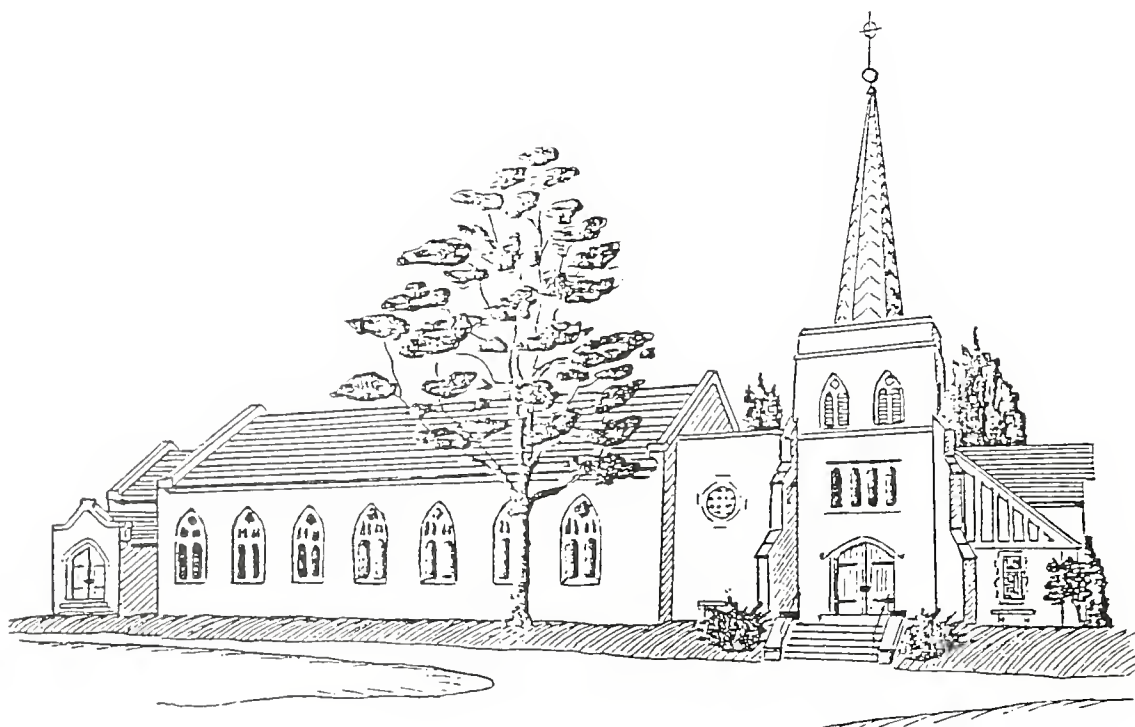
Plaques located at the Church indicate several people gave memorials to honor loved ones They are.

<u>Person(s) Honored</u>	<u>Item Given</u>	<u>Given By</u>
THE TRINITY	Chancel Furniture	Rev. William Robert Smith, Jr And His Wife Nancy LaVena Marion Smith
D CLAY LILLY, D.D	The Pulpit	Unknown Giver
LEWIS WALTER HARRISON	Rose Window	Katherine and Kay Harrison
MRS KATHARINE JOHNSTON	Flentrop Organ	Mrs. Nancy Reynolds Verney
MARY REYNOLDS BABCOCK And REV. WILLIAM R. SMITH, JR	Chancel Window	Charles H. Babcock, Jr.
MARY REYNOLDS BABCOCK	Sanctuary Carpet	Barbara Babcock
MR & MRS. WILLIAM E. PAUL	Window No. 1	Mr & Mrs James K. Paul
MARGARET JEAN DRUMMOND	Window No. 2	Mr. & Mrs. J L Drummond
ROBY LESTER FRYE, JR	Window No. 3	Mattie S. & R. Lester Frye
WILLIAM EVERETT GILES	Window No. 4	Mrs William E. Giles And Mr & Mrs. J A Giles
MR & MRS W R MARTIN	Window No. 5	-----

HARVEY B. SEAGRAVES	Window No. 6	Ola S. Endsley
DR. & MRS. D. CLAY LILLY	Window No. 7	Their Children
N A. HOLLEMAN And Wife		
SARAH POOLE HOLLEMAN And Their Son	Window No. 8	The Holleman Family
F. POOL HOLLEMAN		
DR. WILLIAM C. BUCHANAN And	Window No. 9	Mr. & Mrs. W.S. Buchanan
MRS. MINNIE C. BUCHANAN		
CHARLES M. NORFLEET	Window No. 10	His Wife Children And Grandchildren
MRS CHARLES M. NORFLEET	Window No. 11	Dr. & Mrs. C. M. Norfleet, Jr And Mr. & Mrs. M.E. Miller
A L. ASHBURN	Window No. 12	The Ashburn Family

Nadeina Buchanan, wife of W. S. "Buck" Buchanan, invariably sits near Window No. 9 when she attends worship services in the Sanctuary. The author asked her one day why she did this. She replied, "This is my window." Knowing the two events depicted in Window No. 9 were "Gethsemane" and "Crucifixion", the author asked her why she and her husband selected this window. She replied, "Because Buck was crucified so many time in building the Sanctuary." By this she meant her husband had difficulties in pleasing all the members of the congregation as decisions were made in the construction and decorating of the Sanctuary, Kuykendall Education Wing, and the Fellowship Hall.

The new sanctuary was dedicated on June 11, 1961. This was the culminating work of Reynolda's Church Building Committee consisting of Mr. W.S. Buchanan, Chairman; Mr. F. Lee Tesh, Secretary; Mr. Russell Goodwin; Mr. Gerald W. Long; and, Mr. George W. Sheek, Jr.. It was also the work of the following: Architect, Mr. Ralph Crump; Consulting Architect, Mr. J. Frederick Larson; Chief Engineer, Mr. Louis Bouvier; and, Chief of Construction, Mr. William A. Knott.



DEDICATION DRAWING

June 11, 1961

The Dedication Program points out that Rev. W.R. Smith III, son of W.R. "Shorty" Smith, Jr., delivered the Dedication Message. It was based on MARK 10:35-45, and was entitled "Fellowship And Service In The Covenant Community". Rev. W.R. Smith III was minister of Eastminister Presbyterian Church, Knoxville, Tennessee at the time of the Dedication.

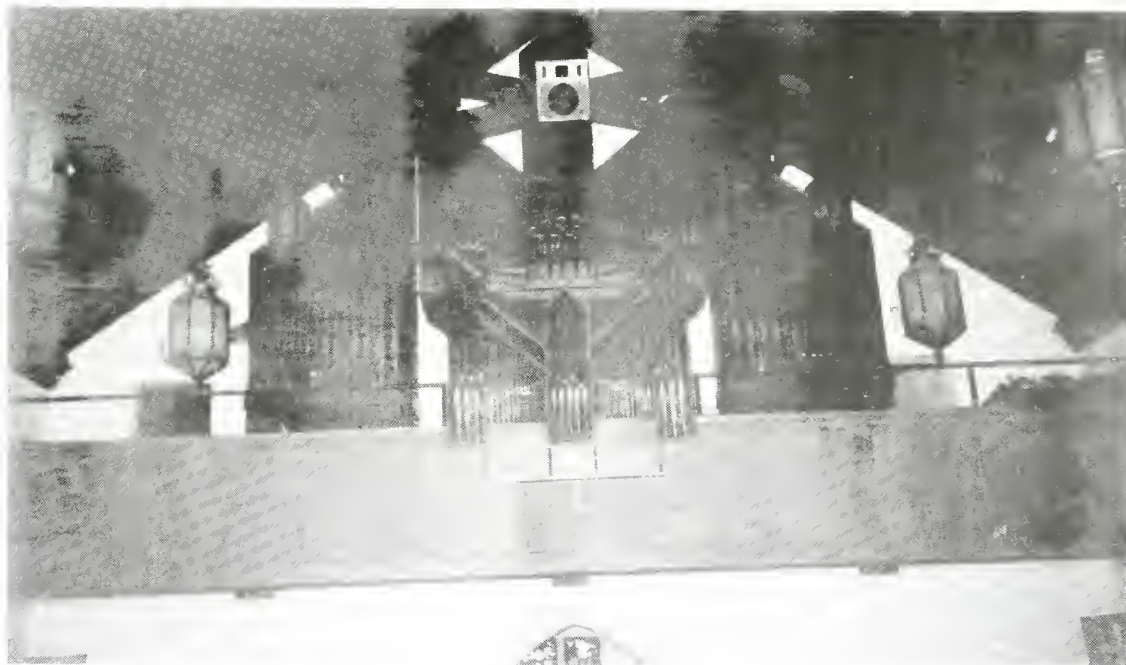
The Sanctuary Dedication Program proclaims:

"This is the Lord's House, and all are welcome: the poor, the rich, the learned, the unlearned; the wise, and the unwise; and the stranger within our gates. Hither may the little ones love to come. Here may the young men and maidens be strengthened for the adventure of life. Hither may age turn its footsteps to find light at eventide. Here may the needy find friends, the tempted find help, the sorrowing find comfort. May those who fear be encouraged, and those who doubt have their better hopes confirmed. Here may the careless be awakened to timely repentance, and all striving souls be assured of the Divine grace and mercy that saves us from sin, for service, and may all who enter here rejoice and be exceeding glad in the love of Jesus Christ our Lord."

While Rev. W.R. Smith, Jr. was pastor at Reynolda Church, the Flentrop Organ was dedicated on Sunday, November 19, 1961, at 4.00 P.M. The following information is found in the Dedication Program of the Flentrop Organ with Dedication Recital by John Mueller, M.M., Organist:

THE ORGAN

“The organ was designed and built by Mr. D. A. Flentrop of Zaandam, Holland. Its most outstanding feature is its combination of the finest in organ building from the 17th Century until the present day. The tone is influenced by the instruments remaining in Europe from the 17th and 18th Centuries when organ building reached its peak, yet the organ is completely modern, utilizing contemporary building materials and considering the tonal needs of the total literature written for the organ during the past four centuries. a literature which has been composed almost completely for use in the Church.”



Flentrop Organ

The Dedication Program states the following about the organ:

“There are three manual divisions and one pedal division, each a separate organ standing in its own case which blends and focuses the sound. The action is mechanical rather than electric which affords the performer a more sensitive command of the instrument.

The organ’s tonal resources, consisting of approximately 2,000 pipes, 39 ranks, and 30 stops are disposed as follows:

Great		Swell (Brustwerk)	
Quintadeen	16	Lieflijk	8
Prestant	8	Dulciana	8
Roerfluit	8	Spitsfluit	4
Octaaf	4	Prestant	2
Nachthoorn	4	Quint	1 1/3
Quint	2 2/3	Basson-Hobo	8
Superoctaaf	2	Tremulant	
Mixtuur	IV		
Trompet en Chamade	8		
Positiv		Peda	
Gedekt	8	Subbas	16
Prestant	4	Prestant	8
Roergedekt	4	Bourdon	8
Gemshoorn	2	Quint	5 1/3
Scherp	III	Octaaf	4
Sesquialter	II	Mixtuur	IV
Kromhoorn	8	Fagot	16
		Trompet	4

CIMBELSTER

Couplers

Great to Pedal

Swell to Pedal

Positiv to Pedal

Swell to Great

Positiv to Great”

THE DEDICATORY RECITALIST

“The guest organist is John S. Mueller, M.M., Associate Professor and Head of the Organ Department of Salem College and Director of Music at Lee Memorial Presbyterian Church.”

THE DONOR

“Mrs. Gilbert Verney, who gave this magnificent organ, is the youngest daughter of the late Mr. Richard Joshua Reynolds, Sr. and the late Mrs. Katharine S. Reynolds Johnston. She is a native of Winston-Salem and made her home at Reynolda with her parents until her marriage.

She is a member of this church and was active in its work during her residence here. Mrs. Verney is presenting this instrument in loving memory of her mother who gave both the original sanctuary, built in 1914, and now in use as the chapel, and the present manse to the congregation of Reynolda Presbyterian Church.”

After serving seven years at Reynolda Church, Rev. “Shorty” Smith found a friend, helper and soul partner in J. Alfred Drage, Jr. Mr. Furches, the Church’s custodian retired; and Rev. Smith asked Elder J. Alfred Drage, Jr. if he would serve in that capacity until a permanent custodian was found. At its January 17th, 1961, Board of Deacons Meeting, the Personnel Committee proposed that Al Drage be hired to succeed Mr. Furches at a monthly salary of \$40. Al served in that capacity for many years until a heart attack forced him to relinquish his duties to a younger man.

One problem Rev. Smith had to deal with when he was Reynolda’s pastor was that of adjusting the property line between the Church and its next door neighbor, Mr. & Mrs. J. K. Paul. When the Paul House and Redfern House were built by the Reynolds they installed only one driveway between them. When the new church sanctuary was built they purchased the Redfern property to acquire land to place the Kuykendall Education Building on. This placed the Church’s property line in the middle of Mr. Paul’s driveway. He then appealed to the Church to sell him the church’s half of the driveway.

Mr. Paul offered to bear all costs and fees and to make a contribution to the Building Fund of the Church if the Church would deed to him enough land to place the line along the north edge of his driveway. Such a motion was made by the Session of the Church on November 4, 1962. In due course, a strip of land ten feet by one hundred eighty-seven feet was conveyed to the estate of J.K. Paul. His family now owned the driveway.

Rev. Smith became involved in a second incident involving J.K. Paul. Mr. Paul, who had been a very active Church member, died in 1963. In lieu of flowers Mrs. Paul requested that money be given to Reynolda Presbyterian Church as a memorial to Mr. Paul. Forty eight persons or groups donated \$470 for this purpose. Several months after Mr. Paul's death his wife decided the funds should be spent on a baptismal font for the sanctuary.

When this request was presented to the Memorials Committee of the Church a debate developed over where the baptismal font would be placed. After some negotiations, it was decided the font would be placed on the floor of the sanctuary rather than in the Chancel. It was to sit on the right side of the Sanctuary floor.

The font was to have two tops. It was to serve as a flower stand when there was no baptismal service. One of the tops was to have a flat surface to provide a level surface for flowers. The other top was to have a cross and was to be used on the days of baptismal services. Mr. Glenn Irvin, a member of the Church and a cabinet maker, was authorized to make the baptismal font.



Baptismal Font Without Cross



Baptismal Font With Cross

In 1961, Elder W. S. Buchanan was given the job of designing and producing a cover for the church bulletins depicting the new sanctuary. The following design is what he produced:



CHURCH BULLETIN DRAWING
1911-1965

After 41 years of Christian service in the Presbyterian Church, Rev. W.R. Smith, Jr., decided it was time to retire since he was nearing the compulsory retirement age. He requested the Session of Reynolda Presbyterian Church call a Congregational Meeting for this purpose. Such a meeting was held on Sunday, August 2, 1964. The stated purposes for this Congregational Meeting were:

1. To act and concur with Rev. W.R. Smith, Jr. in his request to the Presbytery of Winston-Salem for permission to retire from the active pastorate and to dissolve the pastoral relationship between him and the Reynolda Church to become effective January 1, 1965.
2. To elect a nominating committee to seek a pastor.

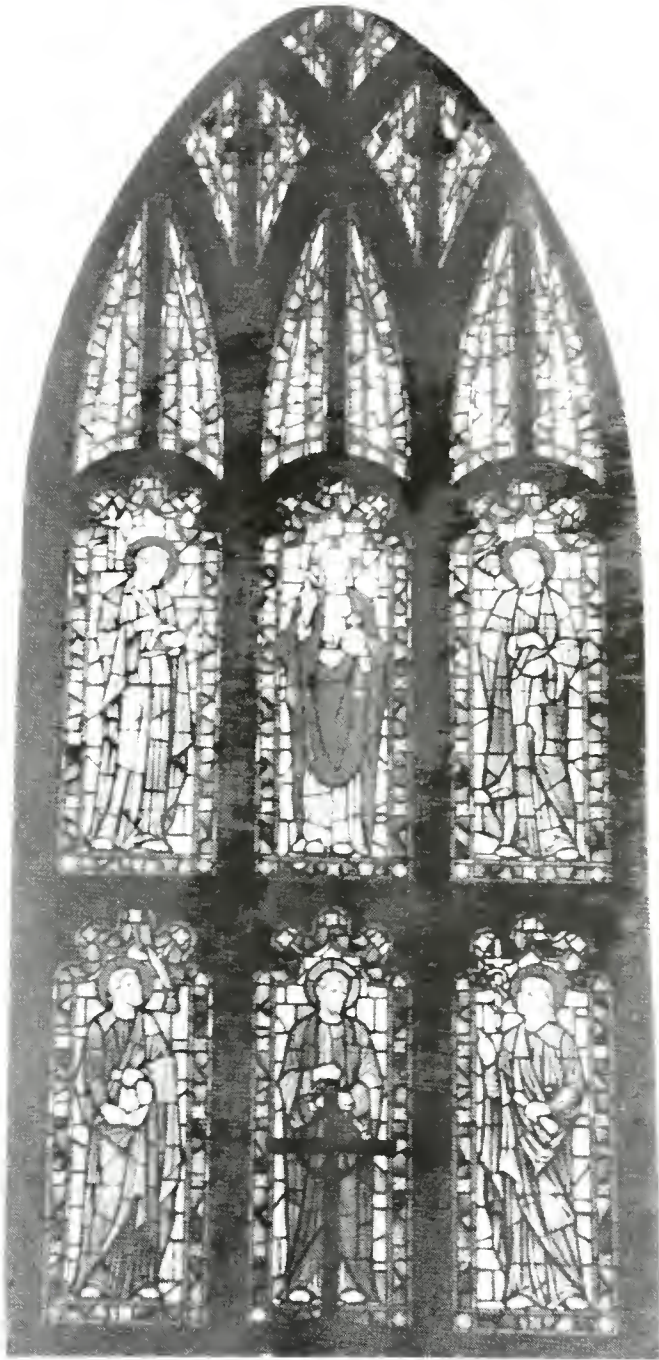
The congregation accepted his resignation with regrets. They elected the following people as members of the nominating committee:

- 1 Mr. Thomas C. Clark
- 2 Mr. Fuller G. Weatherwax
- 3 Mr. Tom K. Lewis
- 4 Mrs. William Cahoon
- 5 Mrs. Oren W. McLean

Mr. Thomas C. Clark was elected Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

On December 20, 1964, at 4:30 P.M., a Worship Service of Christmas music was presented by the choir and guest musicians under the directions of Mrs. Gertrude Haney, to the Church. Following the service, an informal reception was held in the Fellowship Hall. It was thought by the Pastor and his wife the members of the choir were to be the honored guests. However, the real honored guests were Mr. and Mrs. W.R. Smith, Jr. The Pastor, and his wife, were going into retirement on January 1, 1965. They were very much surprised when the congregation presented them with a new Buick car and Mrs. "Polly" Smith with red roses at the reception.

Rev. and Mrs. Smith moved from the church manse into an apartment at the Presbyterian Home in High Point on February 9, 1965.



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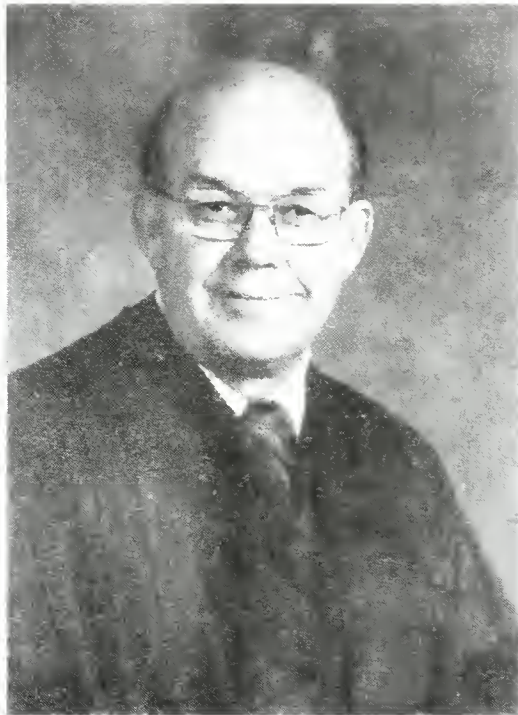
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CHAPTER NINE: THE CHARISMATIC MOVEMENT
PENETRATES REYNOLDA



REV. ELMER PERRY MOBLEY, D.D.
Served: February 28, 1965 - January 14, 1979

THE CHARISMATIC MOVEMENT AT REYNOLDA

The Pastoral Nominating Committee began their search in August of 1964. By February of 1965, they had sought out and found a pastoral candidate. In a Congregational Meeting held on February 28, 1965, Mr. Tom Clark, Committee Chairman, nominated Dr. E. Perry Mobley of Knoxville, Tennessee, to become the next Pastor of Reynolda Presbyterian Church. The congregation unanimously concurred with the Nominating Committee's choice and elected Dr. Mobley as their pastor.

The terms of the CALL agreed upon by Dr. Mobley and the Congregation were:

1. An annual salary of \$8,000
2. An annual automobile allowance of \$600
3. Payment of moving expenses
4. Contributions to social security and ministers' annuity
5. A manse with all utilities.

Rev. E. Perry Mobley, D.D. and wife, Jean Duke Mobley, were both natives of Georgia. He came to Reynolda Church from a five year pastorate at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church of Knoxville, Tennessee. Prior to that he had served as pastor in Presbyterian Churches in Tifton, Georgia, and Havana, Florida.

His academic training was received at Presbyterian College, Clinton, South Carolina and his theological training at Columbia Seminary, Decatur, Georgia.

Dr. and Mrs. Mobley and their four children, Duke, David, Elizabeth, and Mark, moved into the Reynolda Church manse on March 31, 1965. Duke was their natural son but David, Elizabeth and Mark were adopted children. His first sermon at Reynolda was on April 7, 1965. His formal installation took place on May 9th of 1965 at 7 P.M. The Installation Commission consisted of:

1. Rev. James H. Monroe, Executive Secretary Of the Winston-Salem Presbytery.
2. Rev. David Burr, First Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem
3. Rev. Malcolm Anderson, Highland Presbyterian Church of Winston-Salem
4. Rev. W. R. Smith, Jr., former Pastor of Reynolda Presbyterian Church.
5. Elder Robert F. Clodfelter
6. Elder George Sheek

Dr. Mobley accomplished several things while pastor at Reynolda Presbyterian Church. One accomplishment was the establishment of a Tuesday morning men's breakfast. This was accomplished in 1965. Rev. Mobley arrived at the Church each Tuesday morning at 5:30 A.M., started the coffee, and began cooking. He prepared the bacon and eggs. Later, Emmett Gentry and Alfred Drage arrived and helped with the grits and toast. By 7 A.M. the meal was ready, devotionals were given and the men ate a gigantic meal. After the meal, time was devoted to Bible study, prayer, and topics of interest to their Church and community. For about the first four years fifteen men were at the Tuesday Morning Men's Breakfast. Regular members were: Rev. Mobley, Emmett Gentry, Alfred Drage, Jay Giles, Bill Rice, Bob Sloan, Jim Gross, George Davidson, Tom Kellam, Roy Whitley, R.W. Cahoon, Dick Deal and Bill Ayers.



Chief Cook Rev. E. Perry Mobley

A second accomplishment was a week-day kindergarten at the Church. In a Session Meeting held on May 30th of 1965, Dr. Mobley proposed to the Church that they initiate a weekday kindergarten. After some discussion, it was moved, seconded and carried that:

1. Reynolda Church institute a weekday kindergarten beginning in September, 1965;
2. Joanne Cagle be made an offer of \$4,800 per year to teach in the kindergarten, and;
3. the tuition rates be determined at a later date after further study.

A third accomplishment was regular Wednesday night suppers. In a Session Meeting held November 8th of 1966, Rev. Mobley presented the possibility of having a regular Wednesday night supper in the Fellowship Hall to the Session of the Church. After some discussion it was moved, seconded, and carried that these supper meetings begin on January 4, 1967. It was further moved, seconded and carried that these dinner meetings were to begin with Bible studies and continue according to the wishes of those who participated. The Church prepared the meals and adults were charged 50 cents and children under the age of twelve were charged 25 cents. Dr. Mobley was the original cook. During the summer months of June, July, August, and September, the Wednesday Night Suppers were discontinued. Eventually these meetings became so popular they were held year round. When this happened the Church hired a part time dietitian to do the meal preparation.

A fourth accomplishment was a yearly Thanksgiving morning breakfast and worship service at the Church. Starting in 1966 and continuing for the next eighteen years, the Reynolda congregation met in the Fellowship Hall, ate breakfast together at 8:30 A.M., and gave thanks in a worship service until 9:30 A.M. The original price for the Thanksgiving breakfast was fifty cents for adults and twenty five cents for children. Dr. Mobley was the original cook for this meal.

One thing Dr. Mobley was not able to accomplish was an Associate Pastor position at the Church. He did try but could not convince the Session to establish such a position. The Church Session favored a strong Director of Christian Education position rather than an Associate Pastor. The pastor before him, Rev. William R. Smith, Jr., also had tried to do the same thing but had failed for the same reason.

On October 15, 1965, Reynolda Church began the celebration of the Fiftieth year of its existence. On that occasion, Dr. E. Perry Mobley wrote:

“...Our past history has been a glorious one, a history in which we have grown in our witness and service to the Lord, a history in which we have known a good numerical growth, a history in which our facilities have become more beautiful and adequate. Truly the Lord has been good to us and for this we are thankful.”

Below is a photograph commemorating Reynolda's Golden Anniversary.



The Church experienced an on going problem with the Katharine Reynolds Johnston Monument located several yards away from the Church on a small parcel of land. Due to its isolated location, the Monument attracted destructive people to congregate at the Monument. On several occasions, over a thirty year time period, the Monument was vandalized. Dr. Mobley, along with the Trustees of the Church, decided it was time to take some positive action to solve their problem. They decided to move the Monument to the Church and sell the Monument Lot.

The Reynolds heirs were contacted for their opinions. All the Reynolds family approved the proposal except Mrs. Mountcastle. Katharine Reynolds Johnston's daughter Nancy Reynolds Verney agreed to cover the expenses for the move, beautification of the new amphitheater site where the Monument was relocated, and renovation of the grounds of the Johnston Memorial Building. The company of Yarborough and Wall were employed to move the Monument in the summer of 1967. To this day the Reynolds Obelisk remains in the amphitheater between the Chapel and the Johnston Educational Memorial Building.

In preparation for the sale of the land, Dr. Mobley and the Church Trustees asked Harry D. Jones, a real estate appraiser, to appraise its worth and recommend how best to dispose of the lot. On October 12, 1967, he placed its value at \$3,085 and recommended that the 0.90 acre of land either be sold to Summit School or an adjoining land owner Jefferson H. Stone. Mr. Jones was concerned about the problems connected with running water and sewer lines to the isolated monument lot as he appraised its worth.

With the above recommendations in hand, Rev. Mobley and the Trustees approached the Session of the Church and asked them to take some action on the matter. On December the 18th of 1967 a motion was made and passed that the Session go on record as approving the recommendations of the Trustees that the Church sell the Monument property. The Session gave the Trustees the authority to negotiate the sale of the property. The Trustees approached Summit School and offered to sell them the lot for \$8,500. Summit School responded by offering the Church \$5,000. The Church accepted their offer and the lot is now owned by Summit School.

As one reviews the history of the Reynolds Memorial Monument one comes to the conclusion that the Reynolds Obelisk was moved and the lot sold for a second reason. That reason being that the Church did not want to pay the yearly cost of maintaining a family monument from Church tithes since giving was low at the church. As long as J. Edward Johnston was alive he reimbursed the Church for any costs they incurred in the maintenance of the Monument. When Mr. Johnston died he did not provide in his will for the upkeep of the Monument. His son, however, reimbursed the Church for maintenance of the Monument until the Reynolds heirs gave the Church clear titles to all Church properties, including the Reynolds Memorial Monument. Once this occurred, Mr. J. Edward Johnston, Jr. felt it was the Church's responsibility to care for the Monument, not his. After all he was not a Reynolds resident and had never lived in Winston-Salem. Consequently, he stopped his yearly payments to the Church. Undoubtedly, this had some influence on the Church to move the obelisk and sell the Monument lot.

The five thousand dollars acquired from the sale of the Reynolds Monument Lot was spent on two Church projects. One thousand dollars was spent on purchasing items for the youth program of the Church. Four thousand dollars was spent on fixing up the Redfern Cottage the Church owned in order for the youth to hold their meetings and recreation activities in the cottage.

A financial concern developed at the Church after Dr. Mobley had been its pastor for only one year. The church had been given:

- 600 shares of common stock in R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company
- 25 shares of common stock in El Paso Natural Gas Company
- 7 shares of common stock in Standard Oil Company.

These shares had an estimated value of \$21,000 in 1966. Pastor Mobley felt for the Church to have too many shares of stock would give the congregation the idea that Reynolda Church was an endowed church and its people would stop giving of their monies to the Church. This called for a committee to study the situation and make some recommendations as to what to do with the common stocks that had been given to the Church.

A Stock Holding Committee was formed and on December 20, 1966 they made the following recommendations to the Session of the Church:

1. The Reynolda Church continue to hold stocks.
2. That the amount of stock held by the Church be limited to the range of \$5,000 to \$20,000, and that in excess of this range be converted to cash for use in capital expenditures, in the budget, or in reduction of the Church debt.
3. That a committee be appointed by the Session, in accordance with the Book of Church Order, to manage stocks held by the Church and to obtain professional advice when changes in stock holdings are contemplated.
4. That no stocks be purchased or sold by the Church except by approval of the Session and Diaconate.
5. That upon receipt of stocks from a donor, the Church should obtain a commitment from the donor as to whether he prefers that the stocks be sold immediately and the fund be applied to a specific goal or whether the stocks may be held and managed by the Church officers to provide funds for future needs.
6. That the needs of the Church, as it works toward the advancement of the Kingdom of God, be held uppermost in the management of funds represented by stock holder.

All six of these recommendations were approved by the Church Session.

One of the major problems Pastor Mobley faced at Reynolda Church had to do with the Church manse. Years of neglect had left the old house in very poor condition. Over the years when major repairs were needed, funds were not available for the repairs and up-keep. In May of 1971 Alfred Drage, Church Custodian, reported that the roof of the manse had deteriorated to the point where a new roof was needed. This forced the Session to take some action. They appointed a special committee to review the situation and recommend a course of action with cost estimates to renovate the manse.

Mrs. Nancy Reynolds Verney was contacted, and she graciously agreed to give \$10,000 toward renovation of the manse. Elder Bob Russell, from the special Manse Committee, reported that it would require \$32,910 to repair the manse. The Church Session decided the job should be done right and requested Mrs. Verney give \$20,000. Members of the church would pay the remaining \$12,910. She felt this was too expensive and withdrew her offer.

Various ideas were explored as what to do with the manse from May 30, 1971 until May 6, 1973. Some of the ideas were:

1. build a new manse on church property
2. build a new manse at another location
3. purchase a new manse at another location
4. get out of the housing business and give the minister a housing allowance
5. raze the manse and landscape the manse site.

The manse problem was finally resolved in a Congregational Meeting May 6th of 1973. The motion that was made, seconded, and carried at this Meeting reads as follows:

1. Raze the manse and landscape the site
2. Purchase a manse away from Church property not to exceed \$50,000---subject to minister's approval
 - A. Sell the manse to the minister at terms agreed upon by Officers and Property Committee.
 - B. Furnish minister with housing allowance to cover mortgage, interest, taxes, insurance, and utilities
 - C. The Church agrees to purchase the manse at its original costs if the minister leaves
 - D. The Church be given first refusal to purchase manse if selling price exceeds original costs if minister leaves

The old manse was razed and Pastor Mobley moved to 726 North Stratford Road. The Pastor now faced all the problems any other home owner faced. The Church was now out of the housing business.

Probably the major event that took place at Reynolda Church when Dr. Mobley was its pastor was the Church's reaction to the Charismatic Movement. The Movement had been active in America during the 1950's and 1960's but did not reach Reynolda Church until the 1970's.

From 1965 until 1971, Reynolda Church was a typical Presbyterian Church. Then, in 1971, the Charismatic Movement came to Reynolda Church. After this, the Holy Spirit moved in new ways at Reynolda.

The beginnings of the Charismatic Movement at Reynolda Church can be traced back to a Lay Renewal Conference. For three days in February of 1971 about twenty lay persons from North and South Carolina told the Reynolda congregation how the Holy Spirit had been active in their lives and how much they loved Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. This contact sparked a desire among Reynolda members to acquire the gifts of the Holy Spirit for themselves. This Lay Renewal Conference gave new meaning to the Charismatic Movement at Reynolda Church.

Three local people influenced the Reynolda Charismatic Movement. Alice and Hampton Morgan, a local banker and his wife, were early converts to the Charismatic Movement. Alice had been baptized in the spirit in a Florida meeting with Rev. Jimmy Moore. Hampton was founder and president of the local Full Gospel Business Men's Organization and a charismatic convert. They were having charismatic meetings in their home where some Reynolda members attended. David Jones, a spirit-filled Moravian minister who had been removed from his church was also having charismatic meetings in his home. Some future Reynolda Church members were attending these meetings. From these spirit-filled home meetings charismatic ideas were filtering into Reynolda Presbyterian Church.

One Reynolda member that attended the charismatic meetings at Alice and Hampton Morgan's house was Doris Russell. She in turn invited other Reynolda members to accompany her to these Morgan meetings. Some of the Reynolda Church members or future members that attended were:

1. Doris and Bob Russell
2. Pastor and Mrs. Mobley
3. Harry and Zola Tiller, Jr.
4. Roy and Lynne Whitley, Jr.
5. Ted and Gladys Foster
6. Julia Ross
7. Betty Deal

After attending a Morgan meeting in July of 1971 where Rev. Jimmy Moore was a guest leader, Elder Harry Tiller, Jr. felt God spoke to him to have Rev. Moore address the Reynolda congregation on the charismatic movement. On Saturday morning, before Rev. Moore was to speak on Sunday, Elder Tiller reported this to Pastor Mobley, who was scheduled to have a vacation Sunday the next day. He and Pastor Mobley then spent Saturday morning going from house-to-house of Session members getting their permission for Rev. Moore to address the Reynolda congregation, arranging with Rev. Moore to speak, and requesting Dr. James Sizemore relinquish his Sermon time on Sunday to Rev. Moore. It was all arranged and Rev. Moore spoke to the Reynolda Church as directed by God.

This speaking engagement further developed the Holy Spirit's work at Reynolda. Many members were baptized with the Spirit and became more open to the moving of the Holy Spirit. With the passing of time, Reynolda Church members began to

- 1 speak in tongues
- 2 sing in the Spirit
- 3 raise their hands in praise to the Lord during worship services
- 4 stand on their feet to praise God during church services
- 5 prophesying

One outcome of the Charismatic Movement at Reynolda Church was the establishment of a Sunday night *Prayer and Praise* service. A worship service, led by the pastor and/or Spirit filled elders, which allows the Holy Spirit to flow freely in the service. The emphasis of this service is on singing praise, praying, and allowing the Holy Spirit to manifest Himself among the congregation to the Glory and Honor of Jesus Christ.

Mrs. Jean Mobley was a major participant in the new work of the Holy Spirit at Reynolda Church. She received the baptism in the Holy Spirit at the Morgan's home through Rev. Jimmy Moore. She said to Rev. Moore: "The Lord sent you to Winston-Salem just for me." She helped convince her husband Pastor E. Perry Mobley that baptism of the Holy Spirit was of the Lord, and was instrumental in getting him to support the Charismatic Movement at Reynolda Church. A short time later Pastor Mobley attended a Conference in Florida where Agnes Sanford prayed for him to be baptized with the Holy Spirit. He then became a dynamic charismatic pastor at Reynolda Church.

Over the next four or five years, Pastor Mobley and the Church Session had several guest speakers address the church that were charismatic. They were: Dr. Derek Prince, Ruth Carter Stapleton, Minnie Coleman, Jim Spillman, Jim Brown, Evelyn Carter, Don Basham and a return visit by Jimmy Moore.

On one occasion, Pastor Horace Hilton from Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church in Charlotte was key note speaker at a Youth Conference. Youth from Reynolda, Concord, and Mt. Airy were in attendance. Many of Reynolda's young people made commitments to the Lord and were baptized with the Holy Spirit.

How is the Charismatic Movement at Reynolda Presbyterian Church to be explained? First, one must understand the nature of God. The Westminster Confession states:

“There is only one living and true God, Who is infinite in being and perfection, a completely pure spirit, invisible, without body, parts, or emotions, unchangeable, immensely vast, eternal, limitless, completely wise, completely holy, completely absolute. He works everything according to the purpose of His own unchangeable and completely righteous will for His own glory. ”

Second, one must understand the Trinity of God. The Westminster Confession states:

“In the unity of the Godhead there are three persons, having one substance, power, and eternity: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit...”

Third, the way one looks at the Charismatic Movement at Reynolda Church depends on how one views the Holy Spirit---for some, the forgotten Member of the Trinity.

The Bible plainly teaches that each believer is the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. As a living Resident within the Christian believer, the Holy Spirit gives strength for our weaknesses. He guides us in understanding God's Word and God's Will. He helps us to pray. He empowers us to serve. He comforts us in our sorrow. He opens our eyes to eternal values, lightens our minds to perceive the truth, fills our hearts with divine love, gives compassion for others, makes intercession for us when we know not how to pray, comforts in the hours of tears, strengthens in the midst of battle, lifts us in the valley of defeat. He assist us in every area of our lives.

The heart of the Charismatic Movement at Reynolda Church involved the way Reynolda members supernaturally praised and worshipped God and Christ Jesus through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. To the Reynolda charismatic member, praise and worship was a time when one was completely willing to throw one's entire being, body, mind, and soul into a whole new phase of loving God through praise and worship and locking everything else outside during this special time of intimacy with God and Christ Jesus.

Once one accepts this supernatural way of praise and worship one begins to worship in “spirit and truth.” As one worships in the spirit, one rejoices, sing praises, give thanks, speak forth the words of the Lord, praise corporately, play instruments, shout for joy, lift hands, stand, dance, fall down before the Lord, look up, clap hands, meditate, rest before the Lord, give offerings, and laugh Holy Laughter. As one worships in truth, one exalts the Lord and honors the Word of God. All in an appropriate manner.

After serving Reynolda Church for a little more than thirteen years, First Presbyterian Church, Florence, S.C., began to talk with Dr. Mobley about becoming their pastor. Dr. Mobley felt the Lord prompting him to talk with their search committee, even though he did not want to leave Reynolda Church. After a long process, the Lord impressed upon him that He wanted the move. On December 13, 1978, Dr. Mobley announced to the Session his decision to accept a CALL from First Presbyterian Church in Florence, South Carolina. He told the Session that he planned to announce his decision to the Reynolda congregation after the morning worship service on December 17, 1978.

After Pastor Mobley outlined the things the Session needed to do in light of his decision to relocate, Mr. Leon Corbett made a motion that a Congregational Meeting be held on December 31, 1978. His motion stated the purposes of the meeting to be

1. To concur with the request that relationship between minister and congregation be dissolved effective January 14, 1979.
2. To begin the process of electing a search (pulpit) committee and
3. To attend to any matters growing out of the above actions.

Elder Harry Tiller, Jr. was elected to serve as Session Moderator in the absence of a pastor. He moved that Dr. E. Perry Mobley preach his last sermon as Reynolda Pastor on January 7, 1979. The Session approved the motion. On January 14, 1979, Dr. Mobley left Reynolda Church for First Presbyterian Church in Florence, South Carolina.

CHAPTER TEN: REYNOLDA BECOMES AN EVANGELICAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



REV. RICHARD HENRY LITTLE, D. MIN.
Served: March 16, 1980 - June 30, 1995

REYNOLDA BECOMES AN EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Between the pastorates of Dr. Mobley and Dr. Little, Rev. Robert Bryan served as a full-time interim supply pastor at Reynolda Presbyterian Church. From January 14, 1979 until late April, members of the Session fulfilled the religious functions of the pastor. On April 29, 1979, Mr. L. C. Smith, Chairman of the Worship Committee, made a motion to the Session that Rev. Bob Bryan be CALLED as full-time interim supply pastor for an indefinite time until a pastor was CALLED. Rev. Bryan became Reynolda's full-time interim supply pastor on June 1, 1979. He served in that capacity until Dr. Little assumed the Reynolda pastorate on March 16, 1980.

By February of 1980, the Pulpit Nominating Committee had selected Dr. Little as Reynolda's new pastor. To show Rev. Bryan how much the Church appreciated his services during the interim, the Session of the Church passed the following resolution:

IN APPRECIATION OF BOB BRYAN

For his ministry to Reynolda Presbyterian Church from the Spring of 1979 through the first quarter of 1980;

For his insights on and teaching of the Word of God which helped us to gain new insights and expand our learning;

For his sense of humor which helped us to laugh when laughter was needed;

For his gentleness which provided for us a living example of how to improve our relationships with one another;

For his love of God, his family and his fellowship which taught us more about loving;

For his tireless and tender work with our sick and infirm which brought renewed faith and hope in time of need for many of us;

For his sermons which were an inspiration to us and those to us and those who visited with us;

For his sharing of his experiences---his triumphs and successes, his frustrations and failures---which helped us to better understand our own humanness and need for divine mercy and guidance;

For his very presence among us to teach, assist, guide, prod, direct and inspire us at a time when we were a flock without a human shepherd---

For all these things, we the officers of Reynolda Presbyterian Church hereby express our appreciation of Bob Bryan and a heartfelt "Godspeed" and prayer for success and satisfaction in his new ministry, and our thanks to God for sending him to us. We hereby direct that a copy of this resolution to be drafted and presented to Bob Bryan and that a copy be recorded in the minutes of the proceedings of the Session of this the 10th day of February 1980.

When the Congregation met on December 31, 1978, they elected the following as a Pulpit Nominating Committee to elect a new pastor to replace Dr. Mobley:

Elders:

Mrs. Elaine Leight
Mr. Thomas Clark
Mr. Robert Russell

Deacons:

Mr. Lacy Bellomy
Mr. William Heisler

Members-At-Large:

Mrs. Julia Ross
Mrs. Frances Wall

Mr. Lacy Bellomy was instructed to call the Committee together. Mr. Thomas Clark was elected chairman.

In a Session Meeting in December of 1979, Mr. Thomas Clark announced that Rev. Richard (Dick) Little from the Norfolk Presbytery was the man that the Lord had led the Pulpit Nominating Committee to present to the session and congregation as the proposed new Reynolda Church minister. He then asked the Session to call a Congregational Meeting for December 23, 1979, for the Congregation to act on the nomination if they approved. They did approve and Rev Little was approved unanimously in the December 23rd Congregational Meeting.

Richard H. Little was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and grew up in Anniston, Alabama. He graduated from Davidson College in North Carolina. Although he “joined the church” at an early age and was raised in it, he did not actually become a Christian until his junior year in college. After his call to the ministry, he attended Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia, where he received his Master of Divinity degree in June of 1958. He then did further graduate work at Lancaster Theological Seminary in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. He received his Doctor of Ministry degree from Luther-Rice Seminary in May of 1983.

Before entering full-time evangelistic work, Pastor Little served as Chaplain of the Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center in Fishersville, Virginia. For six years he was Pastor of the Parkview Presbyterian Church in Newport News, Virginia. This church was featured in The Presbyterian Survey, the denominational magazine, due to the fact that thirteen young people and adults made decisions to enter full-time church vocations.

From 1965-1979 he was engaged in full-time preaching evangelism under the auspices of the Presbyterian Evangelistic Fellowship. He ministered in Presbyterian churches all over America and in churches outside our denomination in the United States, South America, Puerto Rico, Israel, and India. He was the founder of the Hawkridge Home of the Elderly in Neyyattinkara, India, and served as the Coordinating Director for the First and Second World Conferences on the Holy Spirit in Jerusalem, Israel.

In addition to serving in these capacities, he has served on the Church College Council for Montreat-Presbyterian and Reformed Renewal Ministries International, and as President of the Board of Associates in Christian Counseling in Winston-Salem.

Dr. Little and his wife, Shirilee, have a daughter Kathy and son Bryant.

Very soon after being installed as Pastor at Reynolda Church, he instituted a practice of having each person approaching the church for membership interviewed by a Ruling Elder to establish the person’s saving faith in Jesus Christ. In his first year, he also began training members to be able to share their faith and lead others to faith in Christ. The training program grew and continues today with two 12 week courses per year. Over 300 members have been trained.

In 1981 Pastor Little defined the Mission of Reynolda Presbyterian Church as being:

1. To seek to know God and His will for us, both individually and corporately
To praise Him in all things.
2. To be the Body of Christ to each other and to all whom our lives touch so that Jesus Christ be lifted up and glorified, that all may be drawn to Him.
3. To rely on God’s power through the Holy Spirit to accomplish His work of grace in and through us.

4. To encourage personal growth in the Body through Bible study, special services, counseling, and retreats.
5. To give nurture to the youth (fellowship, teaching, counsel) in the protection of the Body, enabling them to come into a saving relationship with Jesus Christ and to mature into committed Christians.
6. To give liberally of our time, talent, and financial resources to those in need
7. To minister, individually and corporately, to one another and to those outside the congregation.
8. To spread the “Good News” that Jesus is Lord.

This Mission Statement guided Pastor Little’s work at Reynolda.

Dr. Little was called to Reynolda Church in a Congregational Meeting on December 23, 1979. He became Reynolda’s Pastor on March 16, 1980. However, before his CALL and INSTALLATION, the Church initiated efforts to add a new addition to the Kuykendall Education Building.

In a Session Meeting on February 10, 1980, three Church officials reported the following information. Mr. Paul Barr, from the Study Committee, reported the estimated cost of the new building at about \$270,000. Mr. William Heisler, Chairman of the Board of Deacons, estimated that the new building, its furnishings, and equipment would be about \$325,000. Mr. Jay Giles, Church Treasurer, said all the new additions would cost the church about \$3,000 per month in debt payments.

On August 24, 1980, the Congregation approved several recommendations made by a Joint Committee that had been established to develop a capital development plan. These recommendations were:

1. Construct a new wing to the Kuykendall Building.
2. Renovate the office area.
3. Construct parking facilities in the rear of the Church.
4. The new construction was to be financed through offerings and pledges and no construction was to be started until all necessary money is available.

Construction actually began when only one half the necessary funds were available. All funds necessary to pay for the new education wing was in by the time the building was occupied in August of 1983. Pastor Little was pleased with this development.

Under Pastor Little’s leadership, the church operated on a “faith budget”. Members were urged to tithe and give to the work of the Church. After prayerful consideration, the church officers undertook activities and projects they felt the Lord directed them to establish at Reynolda Church. The officers had faith that God would provide funds from the congregation for the activities, programs, and projects He directed.

Reynolda Church had been without a pastor for over a year when Dr. Little became its pastor. Consequently, the Session placed an outside speaking engagement restriction on Pastor Little when he came to Reynolda Church. This restriction was to last for two years. On June 8, 1980, and July 13, 1980, Dr. Little asked the Session to lift the restriction. Both times the Session turned him down. However, on December 14, 1980, they allowed him two out of town meetings per year.

Under Pastor Little's leadership, Reynolda Presbyterian Church joined the Evangelical Presbyterian Church in the following chronology of events:

June, 1983: The UPCUSA (Northern Church) reunited with the PCUS (Southern Church) to form the Presbyterian Church USA (PCUSA). Part of the plan for reunion allowed a particular church to be released with its property to another Reformed denomination up until 1991

1983: The Session of Reynolda Presbyterian Church appoints a Denomination Study Committee to monitor the directions the newly created PCUSA Denomination was headed.

February 10, 1986: The Session of Reynolda Church directed the Denomination Study Committee to "*establish criteria by which it will be guided in evaluating the relationship of this church to our denomination.*" The Denomination Study Committee for 1986 consisted of

1. Chris Small
2. Lacy Bellomy
3. John Manley
4. Al Drage
5. Bill Rice
6. Larry Reavis

June 10-17, 1986 : Pastor Little and James and Frances Wall attend the 198th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., to learn everything they could about the current denomination. They were shocked and surprised by what they learned

1. ON ABORTION
2. ON HOMOSEXUALITY
3. ON SANCTUARY FOR ALIENS
4. ON AID TO THE CONTRAS
5. ON GLOBAL MILITARIZATION
6. ON THE SPEECH GIVEN BY CONGRESSMAN DAUB

June 30, 1986: The Denomination Study Committee held a lengthy discussion of issues before the PCUSA and what Reynolda's position would be in the denomination. Following the discussion they made, seconded and passed the following motion: *"The committee will develop a position to support a recommendation to the Session to withdraw from the PCUSA and join the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC)."*

July 10, 1986: The Denomination Study Committee formulated a five part recommendation for Session consideration at their August 11, 1986 Meeting. It reads:

(1) That the Session call a congregational meeting for the purpose of discussing the question "Shall the Reynolda Presbyterian Church Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), request dismissal to another Reformed body of its choice?" pursuant to Article 13 of the Plan for Reunion.

(2) That our choice for another Reformed body be the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC). All staff are guaranteed equal benefits to that which they now receive.

(3) That Concord Presbytery be notified of the call for the congregational meeting.

(4) That the Denomination Study Committee be dissolved upon the adoption of this recommendation and be replaced with a "Denomination Committee" consisting of the entire Session and an equal number of members appointed by the Session.

(5) That no vote be taken by the Session on this recommendation before the September 8, 1986, meeting to allow time for prayerful consideration.

September 15, 1986: By a unanimous vote the Session of Reynolda Church called a congregational meeting for November 2, 1986, for the purpose of discussing the question, "Shall the Reynolda Presbyterian Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) request dismissal to another Reformed body of its choice?" pursuant to Article 13 of the Plan For Reunion.

October 15, 1986: A packet of researched material was sent to the Congregation. The Session stated, "In this packet of researched material, we desire to make our position perfectly clear to each of you." They also stated, "We unanimously agree that God is leading us in our recommendation that Reynolda Presbyterian Church request dismissal to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church." The Cover Letter was signed by: Elders Lacy G. Bellomy, Edward T. Best, Thomas C. Clark, Paul S. Davenport, Jr., James W. Johnson, John W. Manley, Larry A. Pearce, Thomas G. Pullen, IV, Rudolph O. Rogers, Christopher J. Small, Lyndle C. Smith, and James A. Wall; Associate Pastor Richard N. Robinson; and Moderator Richard H. Little.

November 2, 1986: The Moderator of the Concord Presbytery appointed a Special Committee to oversee and attend the Congregational Meeting held at Reynolda Church on this date. They were:

1. Rev. Jack C. Robinson,
2. Pastor of Unity Presbyterian Church
3. Elder Cynthia Kirkman, Highland Presbyterian Church
4. Rev. Steve McCutchan, Pastor of Highland Presbyterian Church
5. Rev. Julian Lake, Retired Minister of Concord Presbytery
6. Rev. Carlton Eversley, Pastor of Dellabrook Presbyterian Church

January, 1987: After the November 2nd. Congregational Meeting several Reynolda Church members organized a "Committee to Preserve Reynolda Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)." They sought to prevent the church from being dismissed from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). The Committee Members were:

Sarah Ashburn
Edith Helsabeck
Herman Preseren
Mary Ramsey
Sara Frances Thompson

March-April, 1987: A Session directed Awareness Campaign was conducted preceding the May 17th congregational vote. They felt this was necessary because two-thirds of Reynolda Church Members present and voting at the meeting must vote to request dismissal so that dismissal be accomplished.

April 1, 1987: Certified Public Accountants McGladrey, Hendrickson & Pullen were contracted to supervise the congregational vote on May 17, 1987.

May 17, 1987: The Reynolda congregation voted on dismissal from Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

1	Requested dismissal	385
2.	Did not request dismissal	113
3.	Unmarked ballot	1
4	Challenge ballot (did not request dismissal)	1

Out of a total membership of 764, there were 500 ballots cast. By a 77 % majority Reynolda Presbyterian Church voted to be dismissed to the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

June 20, 1987: At a meeting of the Presbytery of Concord, a recommendation was acted upon at 10:59 A.M. on June 20, 1987 which read: *“That Rev. Richard Little and Rev. Richard Robinson be dismissed, effectively immediately, to the Presbytery of the Southeast, Evangelical Presbyterian Church, at their request and in connection with the action of the Reynolda Church on May 17, 1987, voting --- requesting that the congregation be transferred to the same jurisdiction.”*

June 20, 1987: An official recommendation of the Presbytery of Concord acted upon at 4:10 P.M. on June 20, 1987 which read: *“That the Presbytery of Concord, with a deep sense of loss and sadness, dismiss the Reynolda Presbyterian Church with its property, to the Presbytery of the Southeast, Evangelical Presbyterian Church, with prayer for God’s blessing.”*

June 20, 1987 - Reynolda Presbyterian Church becomes the 100th. church to join the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC).

July 19, 1987: On this date Reynolda Presbyterian Church celebrated its reception into the EPC at its 7:00 P.M. Sunday evening service. Guests of honor were:

1. Rev. L. Edward Davis, Stated Clerk of the General Assembly
2. Rev. E. Perry Mobley, Moderator of the General Assembly
3. Rev. Howard Shockley, Stated Clerk of the Southeast Presbytery
4. Rev. Dr. Robert M. Norris, guest speaker for the evening.

For years the leadership of Reynolda Church had debated among itself the merits of either having a strong Youth Director or an Associate Pastor. In the summer of 1981 the church leadership resolved the debate by deciding to have both a Youth Director and an Associate Pastor. Consequently, on March 14, 1982, the Reynolda Congregation issued a CALL to Richard N. Robinson as Associate Pastor at Reynolda Church. He began his ministry on May 10, 1982

For many years Dr. Little had been accustomed to a one-man operation. First, as a traveling evangelist. Second, as pastor of Parkview Presbyterian Church. Third, as Reynolda’s sole pastor for two years. Then, with the CALL of Associate Pastor Robinson, Dr. Little had to adjust his thinking to accommodate a fellow pastor in his ministry. He quickly learned that Dick Robinson was a capable pastor that could be depended upon to help with the work of Reynolda Church.

Under Pastor Little's leadership, evangelism at Reynolda Church was divided into three areas. They were:

1. evangelism within the local congregation
2. evangelism to Winston-Salem and Forsyth County
3. evangelism to all parts of the world

Evangelism within the Reynolda congregation stressed two objectives. First, knowing God's Word and what it requires and teaches. Second, lifting up the name of Jesus as Lord and Savior. These objectives were reached through Reynolda's worship services, church school, playschool, Wednesday Night Fellowship, Prayer And Praise Service, and visitations by the pastors, elders, and deacons.

Evangelism to Winston-Salem and Forsyth County took on many forms. Members have visited and ministered to people in hospitals, jails, prisons, and nursing homes. Church contributions have been given to various local missions. Financial aid has been dispersed to needy local people.

Member Betty Deal and her Reynolda volunteer helpers have largely been responsible for the annual success of the Christmas Cheer Toy Shop for needy children over the past several years. Below is a picture of "Mother" Deal with Dr. Little on the left and Pastor Robinson on the right.

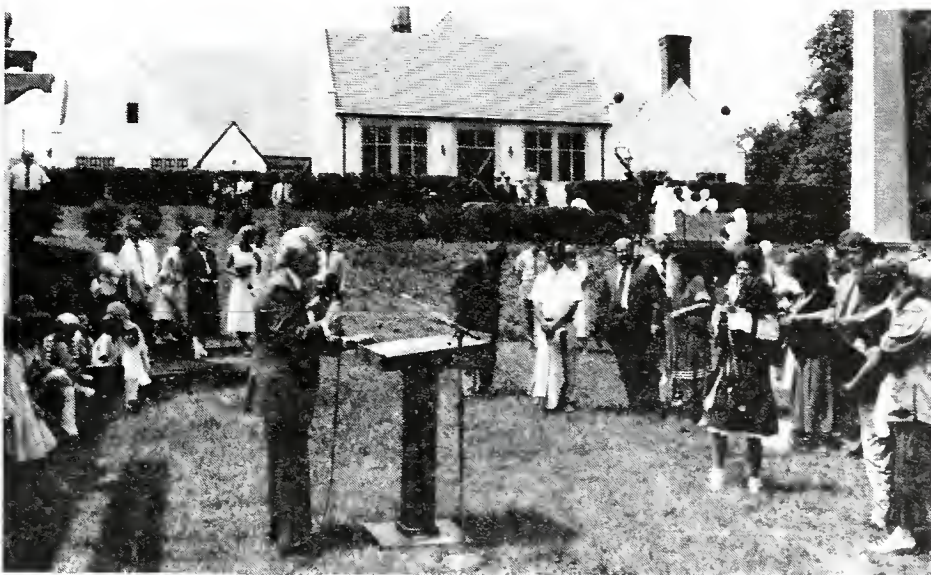


Evangelism to all parts of the world has included missionary help in Africa, India, Asia, and all parts of the world. Reynolda Church has given financial aid to missionaries and members who have become workers in God's earthly kingdom. The church has sponsored long and short term mission trips for many years. Reynolda members have traveled to Jamaica for years to help build churches and schools and minister to the physical and spiritual needs of the people. Elder Larry Reavis and his wife Karen are now full time missionaries living in Jamaica. Elder Rudy Rogers has led several mission teams to Jamaica.

One custom Dr. Little changed at Reynolda Church involved its Communion Service. For many years Communion was served only once each quarter. When he arrived at Reynolda, Pastor Little arranged for the church to serve Communion twice each month. Communion was served at the Sunday Morning Worship Services on the first Sunday of each calendar month. On the third Sunday of each month, Communion was served at the Sunday evening *Prayer and Praise Service*. This custom continues to be followed as Reynolda Church celebrates its 80th birthday.

Another custom changed under Dr. Little's leadership was the music performed at its worship services. Member Debbie Pullen suggested the church establish a *Prayer and Praise Music Team* to perform modern contemporary religious music at the Sunday evening Prayer And Praise Worship Service. Dr. Little and the Worship Committee of the Session approved the idea and the *Prayer And Praise Music Team* was organized under Debbie Pullen's direction. The Team was so successful that it was later used at the Sunday Morning Worship Services

After years of use, the Johnston Educational Building was in need of renovation. In the late 1980's, Deacon Dan Privett was asked to head a committee to supervise the renovation of the building. By August of 1990 the renovation was completed. Below is a picture taken during the August 12, 1990, Dedication of the Renovation of the Johnston Building. Pastor Little is at the speaker's stand, Pastor Robinson is in the center of the picture looking downward, and Dan Privett is the man near the obelisk. The Johnston Building is in the background with the bow on the door.



On March 19, 1995, Dr. Little announced his retirement to the Reynolda congregation. He pointed out that he had delivered his first sermon at Reynolda Church fifteen years earlier on March 16, 1980. The congregation stood and applauded his years of service to Reynolda Presbyterian Church.

In his retirement statement Pastor Little reminded the Congregation of three things he considered important during his fifteen years as Reynolda's pastor. First, he reminded them that Reynolda Church became an evangelical church under his leadership when Reynolda Church left the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. and joined the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Second, he felt it important that the congregation had referred to him as their pastor and not their minister. He stated that the members of Reynolda Church are the ministers and he their pastor. Third, and last, he pointed out that he had one goal for the church as he served as its pastor. That goal was that Reynolda Presbyterian Church glorify God. He said the church did this by being.

1. A worshipping congregation
2. A healing community
3. An equipping center for ministry
4. A deployment center, sending out people to minister to the world.

Dr. Little was honored on June 30, 1995, at the church, with a Birthday and Retirement Party. A party presented by the congregation honoring the fifteen years Dr. Little had been the beloved pastor of Reynolda Presbyterian Church. The theme for the party was *Good Night Dick*. Below is a picture taken of Dick and Shirlee at his Birthday and Retirement Party.



CHAPTER ELEVEN: REYNOLDA BETWEEN SENIOR PASTORS



REV. RICHARD NEIL ROBINSON, M. DIV.
Served: May 10, 1982 - Present (1995)

REYNOLDA BETWEEN SENIOR PASTORS

On June 30, 1995, Senior Pastor Dick Little retired. This left Associate Pastor Dick Robinson "in charge" until a Senior Pastor is located by the Pastoral Search Committee and CALLED by the Reynolda Congregation.

The Pastoral Search Committee is composed of the following members:

- 1 Rudy Rogers, Chairman
- 2 Lacy Bellomy
- 3 Ed Best
- 4 Debbie Pullen
- 5 Harry Tiller
- 6 Roy Whitley
- 7 Tim Zehnder

For 13 years Richard Neil Robinson served as Associate Pastor under Senior Pastor Richard H Little, D. MIN.

It was on March 14, 1982, that the Reynolda congregation issued a CALL to Richard N. Robinson as an Associate Pastor.

The terms of his CALL were:

Salary	\$13,800
Housing Allowance	6,800
Car Allowance	2,700
Professional Books	200
Ministers Annuity	2,800
Medical Insurance Premium	1,093

TOTAL \$27,413

Vacation	Four Weeks Per Year
Educational Leave	Granted On Approval Of Session
Educational Expenses	Paid Or Reimbursed As Approved By Session
Moving Expenses:	

1. Movement of household items to be fully reimbursed
2. A relocation allowance of \$1,500 Paid in one lump sum payment
3. Travel Expenses of approximately \$400.
4. Interim Housing Allowance of \$100 a week for up to 8 weeks

The congregation CALLED Pastor Robinson to spend the majority of his time in the following areas: The Youth Program, Christian Education, Small Group Ministry, and Visitation. The remainder of his time, they stated, was to be devoted to occasional preaching, teaching, and counseling

Pastor Robinson was born in San Antonio, Texas, but was raised in Los Angeles, California. He graduated from the University of California at Berkeley in 1961 with a degree in Economics. Carrie, his wife, was born in Atlanta, Georgia, but raised in Virginia, New York, and Connecticut. She attended Sweet Briar College, in Lynchburg, Virginia. After college, Dick, as he is known, served as an officer in the Navy for two years. Then he became a stock broker in San Francisco, California. He and Carrie were married in August of 1965.

Dick and Carrie have three children: daughters Laura and Gwen, and son Danny, the youngest child

In the spring of 1971, the Lord directed Dick and Carrie to move to Atlanta, Georgia. He continued there in his work as a stock broker. In January of 1973, he entered the finance end of the real estate development business, where he remained until the Lord called him into the pastorate in May of 1976, at the age of 37. After one and a half years at Columbia Theological Seminary, he transferred to Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary, near Boston, to complete his education at a more conservative school

After graduating in May of 1979 with a Master of Divinity Degree, he was called as the pastor of Hopewell Presbyterian Church, a 165 member church just outside Florence, South Carolina

Soon after becoming Associate Pastor at Reynolda Church in 1982, Pastor Robinson proposed three major ideas that were implemented by the church. First, he proposed the church reform the way in which the finances of the church were managed. He called his proposal a church Spending Plan.

His Spending Plan had two major components. The first component dealt with the church's income. Instead of canvassing the congregation for pledges to a budget, the Session had faith that the congregation would be prompted by God to continue to give at least as much as the previous year, and probably more, as they matured, and the congregation grew. Income was divided on a percentage basis among the Ministry Centers of the church. The second component dealt with the church's expenses. Expenses were classified either as essential or non-essential. Essential expenses were paid first each month. Non-essential expenses were spent on discretionary programs and projects as funds were available each month. Income and spending was tracked each month by the Session through Income and Spending Reports.

The second major proposal of Pastor Robinson was that Reynolda Church begin to hold a once-a-year Missions Conference. This Missions Conference was to establish which local, national, and international missions were to receive funds each year, and the missions' funding goal of the church for the coming year. The Conference is held over several days and includes reports to the congregation by missionaries which are supported by the church. The first Conference was held in 1984. Each year a new Missions Committee was established to organize the Missions Conference. After prayerful consideration each member of the congregation is asked to make a "faith promise" which is an annual dollar figure based on their faith in God to provide the means for giving. The faith promise is paid weekly or monthly by the giver.

The third major proposal of Pastor Robinson was the **School Of Discipleship**. For years, a Wednesday night family supper was held at the church, followed by Bible study by the pastor. In the summer of 1983, the Session approved Pastor Robinson's recommendation for a **School of Discipleship**, which came through the Christian Education Committee. The **School** provides special courses which promote personal growth for living the Christian life and the development of skills for ministering to others in addition to the Bible study. In the fall of 1983, Pastor Robinson taught his first course, *Listing To The Deep Heart*, in the church's **School Of Discipleship**.

The **School** has its year organized into four quarters. At the beginning of each quarter, there is the opportunity to select one of several course offerings. During the year of 1986 the following courses were taught

1. BIBLE STUDY by Pastor Little
2. LISTING TO THE DEEP HEART by Pastor Robinson
3. RATIONAL CHRISTIAN THINKING by Pastor Robinson
4. BREAKING FREE FROM THE PAST by Pastor Robinson
5. PRAYER, PRAISE & SINGING by Larry Reavis
6. ORGANIZING AND CONDUCTING SMALL GROUPS by Faron Humphrey
7. CHRISTIAN PARENTING by Carrie Robinson
8. THE MINISTRY OF WIFE AND MOTHER by Karen Reavis
9. PARENTS AND TEENAGERS by Lloyd Odell
10. AMERICA'S CHRISTIAN HERITAGE by Jack Cavanagh
11. UNDERSTANDING YOUR TEMPERAMENT by Debbie Pullen
12. BIBLICAL PRINCIPLES OF FINANCE by Larry Pearce
13. CREATION VS EVOLUTION by Susan Schamback
14. COMMON SENSE MARRIAGE by James and Frances Wall

In keeping with Pastor Robinson's CALL, Senior Pastor Little delegated certain areas of responsibility to him. He was asked to organize small group meetings among the members of the church. He was asked to work with the Youth Director, The Director of Children's Ministry, and Play School Director to further the cause of Christian activities with the youth and children of the church. He was requested to preach at least eight times a year and more as needed. He was to teach a Sunday School class and a class in the Wednesday night School of Discipleship. He was to assume the leadership role in the Tuesday Morning Men's Breakfast. He was to attend Session Committee Meeting and Session Meetings. He was expected to visit the sick. He was expected to counsel church members that requested his advice and counsel.

Currently Pastor Robinson not only performs the duties listed above, but has assumed additional ones. He conducts monthly meetings of the Session as its Moderator. He preaches at Sunday Morning Communion Worship Services each month, and leads the evening Prayer and Praise Service twice each month. He conducts regular staff meetings. He co-ordinates church meetings and functions. He does other things as the need arises.

The capable program staff of the church continues to function very well in the absence of a Senior Pastor. They are:

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| 1. David Beaty | Director Of Outreach |
| 2. Carla Collins | Nursery Coordinator |
| 3. Dean Shore | Youth Director |
| 4. David Smith | Director Of Music |
| 5. Dorothy Smith | Pianist |
| 6. Peggy Tolerico | Playschool Director |
| 7. Carol Winn | Organist |
| 8. Michael Young | Director Of Children's Christian Education |

The equally capable support staff continues their professional services in the same manner. They are:

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| 1. Wanda Blankenship | Housekeeper |
| 2. Linda Cooke | Executive Secretary |
| 3. Bert Evans | Plant & Grounds Manager |
| 4. David Roddick | Business Administrator |
| 5. Cathy Rose | Food Service Coordinator |
| 6. Michael Sheff | Sexton |
| 7. Lisa Shirley | Church Receptionist |

The church bulletin for July 9, 1995, asks the Reynolda congregation to pray for its Pastoral Search Committee. It asks that the congregation pray that:

1. The Search Committee be drawn into one accord.
2. The Search Committee members lay aside their own agenda, and desire to find God's will, leading to His choice for Reynolda's new Senior Pastor.
3. The Search Committee will be enabled to complete the preliminary steps of writing a church profile and pastor profile without difficulty.
4. Each Reynolda member will receive a heart burden to pray for the Search Committee regularly.

In the absence of a Senior Pastor, the following speakers preached for the months of July, August, September, and October, of 1995. They were:

July

- 2 David Beaty
- 9 Pastor Robinson
- 16 Bill Rice
- 23 Vance Rutan
- 30 Michael Young

August

- 6 Pastor Robinson
- 13 David Beaty
- 20 Bo Winn
- 27 Pastor Robinson

September

- 3 Pastor Robinson
- 10 David Beaty
- 17 Michael Young
- 24 Vance Rutan

October

- 1 Pastor Robinson
- 8 Dr. E. Perry Mobely
- 15 David Beaty
- 22 Peter Kuzmic
- 29 World Missions Closing Speaker

As Reynolda Presbyterian Church celebrates its 80th anniversary on October 8, 1995, it is still without a senior pastor.

CHAPTER 12: GENERAL INFORMATION

Charter Members

Membership For The First Eighty Years

Church Elders Through December 5, 1954

Church Deacons Through December 5, 1954

Clerks Of Session

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CHARTER MEMBERS

1. Mrs. Lula P. Adams
2. Mrs. Fannie S. D. Brown
3. Miss Mary J. Cornelius
4. Miss Senah H. Critz
5. Mrs. Alta W. Cummings
6. Mr. J. C. Cummings
7. Mr. James S. Dunn
8. Mrs. Maxie S. Dunn
9. Mr. F. E. Evans
10. Mrs. Elsie T. Evans
11. Miss Minnie A. Hatcher
12. Mr. Robert Lee Hatcher
13. Mr. Willie Haynes
14. Mrs. Anna B. Holleman
15. Mr. Frank P. Holleman
16. Miss Cornelia S. Taylor
17. Miss Henrietta van den Berg
18. Mrs. Cynthia L. Hauser
19. Mr. N. S. Holleman
20. Mr. J. S. Kuykendall
21. Mrs. Ruth W. Kuykendall
22. Mr. N. J. Livengood
23. Mrs. N. J. Livengood
24. Miss Louise H. Ludlow
25. Mrs. D. J. Lybrook
26. Miss Edna G. Maslin
27. Miss Eunice L. McIver
28. Mr. John Van McNair
29. Mrs. Miriam H. McNair
30. Mrs. R. J. Reynolds
31. Mrs. Helen H. Vernay
32. Miss Virginia L. Wiggins

MEMBERSHIP OF REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

FIRST EIGHTY YEARS

* 1913	47	1938	257	1963	668	1988	787
* 1914	113	1939	269	1964	584	1989	797
1915	51	1940	264	1965	622	1990	780
1916	57	1941	301	1966	616	1991	858
1917	73	1942	321	1967	638	1992	783
1918	79	1943	285	1968	642	1993	817
1919	82	1944	297	1969	670	1994	810
1920	79	1945	308	1970	622	1995	No Report
1921	93	1946	331	1971	657		
1922	90	1947	349	1972	677		
1923	113	1948	393	1973	701		
1924	129	1949	418	1974	722		
1925	126	1950	407	1975	747		
1926	126	1951	413	1976	784		
1927	166	1952	411	1977	641		
1928	175	1953	415	1978	667		
1929	192	1954	372	1979	686		
1930	203	1955	374	1980	722		
1931	215	1956	439	1981	835		
1932	235	1957	507	1982	845		
1933	235	1958	542	1983	856		
1934	222	1959	578	1984	836		
1935	234	1960	618	1985	836		
1936	246	1961	659	1986	760		
1937	257	1962	659	1987	732		

* Reynolda was only a Sunday School in 1913 and 1914.

In 1915 thirty-two of the fifty-one members were considered original charter members.

REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ELDERS

The Office Of Elder Was A Permanent Position Until December, 1954

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE ELECTED</u>
J. S. Kuykendall	October 17, 1915
Fred E. Evans	October 17, 1915
Nathan Alonzo Holleman	July 20, 1919
F. S. Vernay	July 20, 1919
J. Edward Johnston	November 26, 1922
Charles A. Kent	November 26, 1922
James S. Dunn	March 29, 1925
Irving S. Bull	March 29, 1925
W. R. Martin	November 11, 1928
Percy T. Johnson	November 11, 1928
John W. Moore	November 11, 1928
Charles M. Norfleet, Sr.	November 11, 1928
Frank Poole Holleman	October 27, 1938
W. Stewart Buchanan	October 27, 1938
Carl B. Wilkinson	July 12, 1942
Walter S. Lindsay	July 12, 1942
Raymond Mason Shives	July 12, 1942
J. Calvin Griffin	March 17, 1946
Dr. Charles M. Norfleet, Jr.	March 17, 1946
John V. Hunter	March 21, 1948
Charles M. Sprinkle	March 21, 1948
Frank Alexander	March 21, 1948
Ralph Brimley	March 21, 1948
James Thomas Futrell	March 30, 1952
R. Lester Frye	March 30, 1952
C. Horace Sebring	March 30, 1952
Brice Miller	March 30, 1952
Harold D. Beck	March 29, 1953
James Drummond	March 29, 1953
June Lineback	March 29, 1953
Robert Paxton	March 29, 1953
George Sheek	March 29, 1953
Charles W. Tuesdell	March 29, 1953

The following was the first group to serve under the new rotation system for electing church elders as adopted by the congregation on December 20, 1953:

Ralph Garner	December 5, 1954
Lewis Harrison	December 5, 1954
Owens Talbert	December 5, 1954
E. E. Jones	December 5, 1954
Frank Kimbrough	December 5, 1954
John Redman	December 5, 1954

Under the new rotation system there were to be eighteen active elders who could be elected for two consecutive terms, sit out a term, and then serve as an officer once again if elected by the congregation.

REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH DEACONS

The Office Of Deacon Was A Permanent Position Until December, 1954

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DATE ELECTED</u>
Frank Poole Holleman	October 17, 1915
John Van McNair	October 17, 1915
James S. Dunn	June 21, 1916
S. Wilson Gray	July 20, 1919
Robert Lee Gibson	March 26, 1922
W. D. Nelson, Jr.	December 9, 1928
Hilary S. Peoples	December 9, 1928
Walter Lindsay	November 29, 1931
G. E. Woodruff	November 29, 1931
Wade H. Legette	November 29, 1931
W. S. Buchanan	November 29, 1931
Ernest L. Scofield	November 29, 1931
Ralph Brimley	October 27, 1938
David L. Hardee	October 27, 1938
C. B. Wilkerson	October 27, 1938
G. Conrad Windsor	October 27, 1938
E. B. Newkirk	October 27, 1938
John Prevost	October 27, 1938
E. Ford King, Jr.	July 12, 1942
R. Lester Frye	July 12, 1942
J. Calvin Griffin	July 12, 1942
R. Frank Alexander	July 12, 1942
Dr. Charles M. Norfleet, Jr.	July 12, 1942
John M. McElrath	July 12, 1942
N. Sherwood Holleman	June 27, 1943
Robert R. King, Jr.	June 27, 1943
Charles M. Sprinkle	June 27, 1943
J. G. Furches	May 28, 1944
Hubert R. Cline	May 28, 1944
John V. Hunter	May 28, 1944
E. L. Craver	March 17, 1946
H. B. Seagraves	March 17, 1946
R. E. Conwall	April 20, 1946
H. S. Code	April 20, 1946
James K. Paul	April 20, 1946
Ralph Long	April 20, 1946
A. H. Baldwin	May 1, 1948
Dr. W. P. Weeks	May 1, 1948

Elmer Roth	May 1, 1948
Dr. Londe Johnson	May 1, 1948
Allen Gwyn	June 26, 1949
Edwin Council	June 26, 1949
John P. Cooper	June 26, 1949
Ralph Garner	July 16, 1950
Lewis Harrison	July 16, 1950
Owen Talbert	July 16, 1950
James William Martin	March 30, 1952
J. Watson Powell	March 30, 1952
C. Gordon Brown	March 30, 1952
Ray Shaw	July 11, 1954
Frank Kimbrough	July 11, 1954
Russell Goodwin	July 11, 1954
Gilbert Ashburn	July 11, 1954

The following was the first group to serve under the new rotation system for electing church deacons as adopted by the congregation on December 20, 1953:

Alfred Drage	December 5, 1954
Bob Paxton	December 5, 1954
Carl Wilkinson, Jr.	December 5, 1954
Jack Saintsing	December 5, 1954
Gerald Long	December 5, 1954

Under the new rotation system there were to be fifteen active deacons who could be elected for two consecutive terms, sit out a term, and then serve as an officer once again if elected by the congregation.

CLERKS OF SESSION
REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LENGTH OF SERVICE</u>
Fred E. Evans	Oct. 24, 1915 - July 20, 1919
J. S. Kuykendall	July 20, 1919 - July 6, 1948
Charles M. Sprinkle	July 6, 1948 - December 18, 1956
J. Calvin Griffin	1957
Dr. W. P Weeks	1958
Robert Paxton	1959
Dr. W. P. Weeks	1960-1962
J. A. Giles, III	1963-1966
Roy C. Deal	1967
James L. Drummond	1968-1969
John H Geis, Jr.	1970
J. A. Giles, III	1971
Roy C. Deal	1972-1973
L. C. Smith	1974-1975
Robert W. Russell, Jr.	1976
Charles J. Miller	1977
Robert W. Russell, Jr.	1978-1979
Jack Trawick	1980
Lacy Bellomy	1981-1982
Fred Ward	1983-1985
Paul Davenport	1986
John W. Manley/F. Lee Tesh	1987
John W. Sherard	1988
John W. Sherard/Allen R. Sterner	1990
John W Sherard	1991-Present (1995)

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

AIM: To promote Christian fellowship among the women of the Church, to further the spiritual, social and financial welfare of the Church, and to create and increase intelligent interest in the world-wide missions of the Church.

Membership: All women of the Church and Congregation are members.

Presidents Of The Women Of The Church:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>LENGTH OF SERVICE</u>
Miss Henrietta Van den Berg	1916-1918
Mrs. F. S. Vernay	1919-1921
Mrs. T. W. Simpson	1921
Mrs. J.S. Kuykendall	1922
Mrs. D. J. Lybrook	1923-1925
Mrs. N. A. Holloman	1926-1927
Miss Delphine Carter	1928-1929
Mrs. D. J. Lybrook	1930-1931
Mrs. Walter S. Lindsay	1932-1933
Mrs. Percy T. Johnston	1934-1935
Mrs. J. S. Kuykendall	1936-1937
Mrs. J. P. Campbell	1938-1939
Mrs. Wade H. Legette	1940
Mrs. Charles B. Davis	1941
Mrs. Irvin S. Bull	1942-1943
Mrs. Wade H. Legette	1944-1945
Mrs. Percy T. Johnson	1946-1947
Mrs. Ralph Brimley	1948-1949
Mrs. Charles M. Sprinkle	1950-1951
Mrs. Lee Golson	1952-1953
Mrs. Gilbert Ashburn	1954-1955
Mrs. John P. Cooper	1956-1957
Mrs. George W. Sheek, Jr.	1958-1959
Mrs. James A. Wall	1960-1961
Mrs. William L. Opdyke	1962-1963
Mrs. Lewis W. Harrison	1964
Mrs. Charles M. Sprinkle	1965-1967
Mrs. Harry Tiller	1968-1971
Mrs. Kenneth Phillips	1972-1973

Mrs. James Sizemore	1974-1975
Mrs. Fred Ward	1976-1977
Mrs. Jane Porter	1978
Mrs. Jane Porter/Mrs. Eugene Cox	1979
Mrs. Eugene Cox	1980
Mrs. John Geis	1981-1983
Mrs. Ann Miller	1984-1985
Mrs. Audrey Ward	1986
Mrs. Helen Fitzgerald/ Mrs. Rachel Corbett	1987

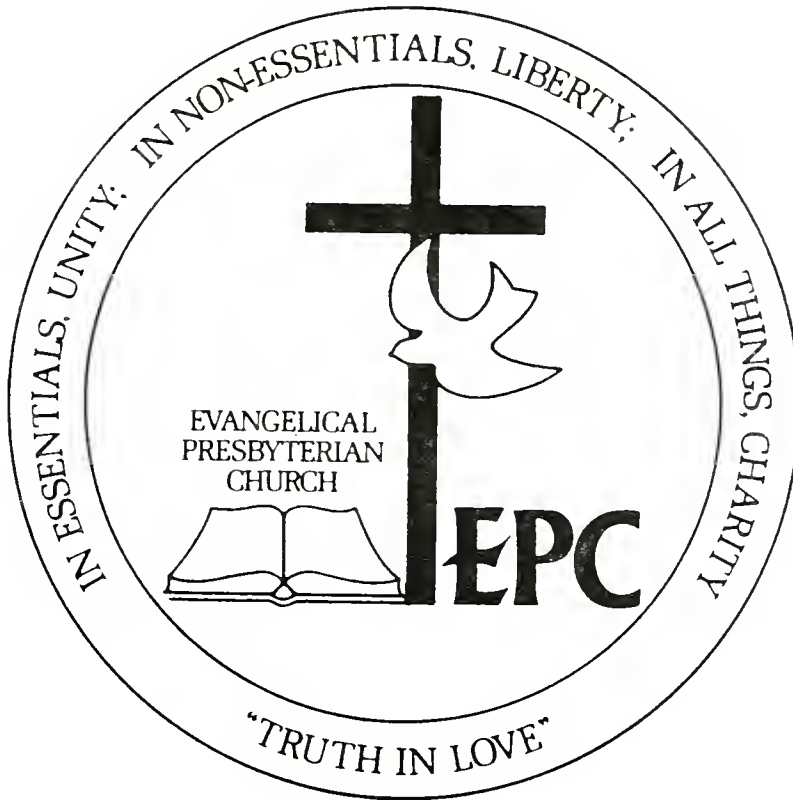
Note: In 1988 the Women-Of-The Church became a Sub-Committee of the Congregational Committee of the Session. They no longer had Presidents but Chairpersons.

Mrs. Ann Miller	1988
Mrs. Cynthia Ernest	1989
Mrs. Susan Small	1990 - 1991
Mrs. Cynthia Ernest	1992 - 1993
Mrs. Peggy Barrett	1994 - 1995

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EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



1995 DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION REYNOLDA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

MEMBERSHIP BY GENDER

Men	391
Women	<u>426</u>
	817

AVERAGE ATTENDANCE

Sunday Morning	630*
Sunday Night	185*
Wednesday Night	230
Sunday School	247

*Includes Children

LENGTH OF MEMBERSHIP

Less than 1 year	45
1 to 2 years	71
2 to 3 ycars	70
3 to 4 years	70
4 to 5 years	89
5 to 6 years	47
7 or more years	<u>425</u>
Total	817

