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Mounts Runn Church



1837-1977

History
of
Mounts Runn
Regular Baptist Church

Organized
October 7, 1837



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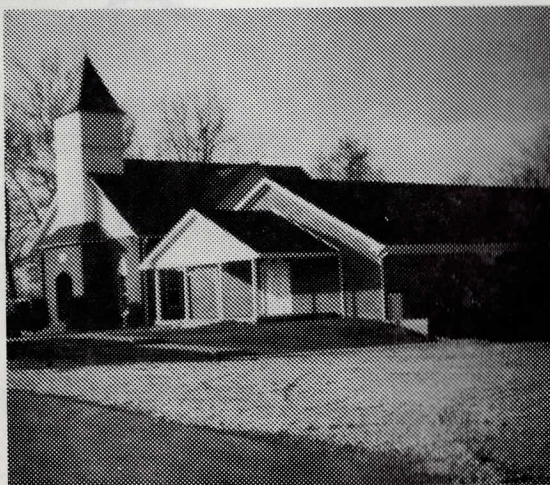
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THE HISTORY OF MTS. RUNN REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH

1837 - 1977

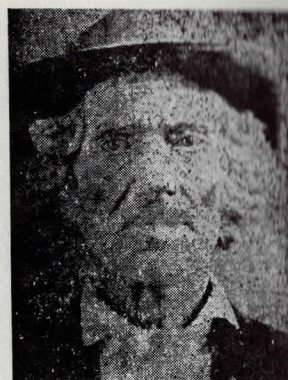
Mts. Runn Regular Baptist Church, R.R. 2, Zionsville, Indiana 46077, Union Township, Boone County, was organized on Saturday, October 7, 1937 Pursuant to a previous arrangement by request, the following brethren met, namely: Elder George Dodson, Deacons John King, Samuel Lane, and Ezekiel Shirley After worship and other necessary arrangements, they proceeded with the organization of a church. The following members ascribed to the constitution. John Allen, Sarah Ruble, Sally Johnson, John Spencer, John Lane, Samuel and Linney Dooley, James and Lucy Peters, and John B. and Jane Allen. The new church was constituted upon the Gospel premises agreeable to the Regular Baptist Order on the Articles of Faith held by the Danville Association.

Being organized near Mounts Runn Creek, it was decided that it should bear that name and Brother James Peters was ordained Deacon of the church by the presbytery The church appointed Bretheren Samuel Dooley, Robert Dooley, and John B. Allen as Trustees to receive a title to the land on which the meeting house was to be built, the land having been donated by Brother John Spencer and wife, Mary Spencer, early Boone County settlers. The church being duly organized transacted business as follows:

- 1st: The church being seated, in order invited members from sister churches to a seat in council.
- 2nd: Inquired after fellowship and union was found.
- 3rd: Opened the door for the reception of members and received by experience and baptism Brother Jesse Thompson, and by letter Brother Robert Dooley and Julie, his wife, and Brother Squire Dooley and Sister Jane Dooley into full fellowship.
- 4th. The church appointed Brother James Peters as Deacon and Brother Samuel Dooley as Clerk.
- 5th. It was agreed to hold meetings of business on the second Saturday of each month.
- 6th. The church agreed to adopt for their government the Rules of Decorum of the Eagle Creek Church.
- 7th: The church called Brother George Dodson to attend as the pastor and he consented to take on himself the pastoral care of the church.
- 8th: The church appointed Brother George Dodson as Moderator

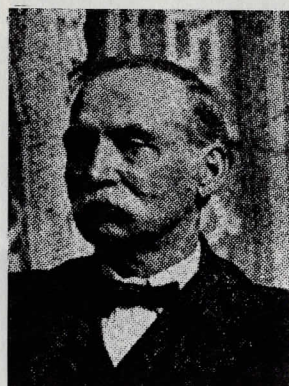


Sister Lucy Peters



Brother James Peters

Early
Church
Members



Brother John P. Stark

of
Mts. Runn
Church



Brother George W. Shoemaker, Sr. Sister Elizabeth Shoemaker

Twenty-seven Pastors have had the pastoral care of Mts. Runn Church during the 140 years of its existence. Seventeen of those served during the first one hundred years, with Elder E. A. Williams serving almost one-third of that time, having served thirty-two years.

<u>Pastors</u>	<u>Dates of Service</u>	<u>Pastors</u>	<u>Dates of Service</u>
Brother George Dodson	1837-1842	Brother John Huff	1894-1900
Brother Abraham Smock	1843-1845	Elder J. E. Lee	1900-1902
Brother Bery Harris	1845-1852	Elder A. D. Griggs	1902-1905
Brother John Kinder	1852-1860	Elder E. A. Williams	1905-1937
Elder John Hawkins	1860-1861	Elder W. E. Essex	1938-1945
Elder C. Green	1861-1862	Elder Donald Barnes	1945-1947
Brother H. I. Salla	1862-1867	Elder W. E. Essex	1948-1952
Brother John Hawkins	1867-1874	Elder Clarence Hopkins	1953-1954
Brother J. T. Oliphant	1874-1876	Elder Verlin Smith	1955-1955
Brother L. W. Brandon	1876-1880	Elder John D. Dulin	1956-1958
Elder Allen McDaniel	1881-1882	Elder John Waye	1959-1960
Elder John Kinder	1882-1884	Elder Oscar Boyd	1961-1961
Brother Wm. Hambrick	1884-1886	Elder W. E. Essex	1962-1962
Elder James W. Shirley	1886-1891	Elder Olin Smith	1963-1967
Elder W. M. Bensen	1891-1892	Rev. Dudley Morgan	1968-1970
Elder James W. Shirley	1892-1894	Rev. Roy Reeder	1971-1977

There have been ten ministers ordained from this church congregation, namely:

Bro. David Presley-June 1845	Bro. W. E. Essex-Sept. 1927
Bro. Wilson Thompson-Nov. 1862	Bro. Sherman Essex-June 1948
Bro. G. W. Parrish-Nov. 1863	Bro. John D. Dulin-Aug. 1949
Bro. L. W. Brandon-1864	Bro. Leon Bragg-May 1952
Bro. George Howson-May 1873	Bro. Roy Reeder-June 1971

Reverend Dudley Morgan was the first "full-time" pastor and occupied the first "parsonage," a house trailer, March 1968-July 1970. Reverend Roy Reeder began his Pastorate in 1971 and in May 1973 started full-time service. A three bedroom Parsonage was begun in 1972 and completed in 1973. Pastor Reeder and wife, Janice, have occupied it since June 8, 1973.

As Deacons of the Church the following Brethern have served:

Bro. James Peters	Bro. John D. Dulin
Bro. John B. Allen	Bro. Richard Neese
Bro. Jesse Thompson	Bro. George A. Essex
Bro. Squire Dooley	Bro. Edward Dulin
Bro. James W. Peters	Bro. David Eberwein
Bro. Monroe Dulin	Bro. Ed Jackson
Bro. Isaac Isenhour	Bro. Marion Abbitt
Bro. Alcetus Ottinger	Bro. Lowell West
Bro. William Kincaid	Bro. William O'Neal
Bro. William H. Moore	Bro. George Westerfield
Bro. R. L. Hine	Bro. Benny Wilson
Bro. W. W. Essex	Bro. Dora Shoemaker
Bro. Harry Romine	Bro. Joe Carr
Bro. Carl Cragun	

Those now serving are: Brethern Marion Abbitt, Richard Neese, Benny Wilson and Joe Carr.

Moderators and Assistant Moderators have been the following:

Moderators	Asst. Moderators
Bro. George Dodson	Bro. John Spencer
Bro. John Spencer	Bro. Levi P. Shoemaker
Bro. William Dooley	Bro. J. M. Dulin
Bro. Jesse Thompson	Bro. Isaac Isenhour
Bro. James Peters	Bro. R. L. Hine
Bro. John Hawkins	Bro. C. W. Shoemaker
Bro. L. W. Brandon	Bro. James B. Shoemaker
Bro. Levi P. Shoemaker	Bro. George Bush
Bro. J. M. Dulin	Bro. Harry Romine
Bro. James B. Shoemaker	Bro. Buren Shoemaker
Bro. George Bush	Bro. Carl Cragun
Bro. R. L. Hine	Bro. Ernest Jones
Bro. John D. Dulin	Bro. John D. Dulin
Bro. George A. Essex	Bro. Ed Jackson
Bro. John D. Dulin	Bro. George A. Essex
Bro. David Eberwein	Bro. John Shepherd
Bro. Richard Neese	Bro. Harry Romine
Bro. Marion Abbitt	Bro. Richard Neese
Bro. Ed Jackson	Bro. George Westerfield
Bro. Marion Abbitt	Bro. Edward Dulin
Bro. Roy Reeder	Bro. Roy Reeder

Brother R. L. Hine served the longest in this capacity, serving 20 years, Brother Dodson next longest, with 14 years and Brothers John D. Dulin and Marion Abbitt next with 11 years each.

Five Brethern served the Church as Clerks during the first 100 years. Almost half of the records were kept by Brother John P. Stark as the records were kept in three books and he finished the first one, kept all the second, and began the third, making 47 years altogether. Also, Brother George W. Shoemaker, Sr. kept the records 26 years, more than one-fourth of the time. The following served as follows the first 100 years: Brethern,

Samuel Dooley	1837-1853	16 years
George W. Shoemaker	1853-1878	26 years
John P. Stark	1879-1926	47 years
Harry Romine	1927-1937	10 years

Since 1937 the clerks have been as follows: Brethern,

	Harry Romine	1937-1946	9 years
	George E. Essex	1946-1948	3 years
	John Shepherd	1949-1956	8 years
Sisters:	Fern Shoemaker	1957-1960	4 years
	Wilma West Smith	1961	1 year
Brethern:	John Shepherd	1962-1966	5 years
	Charles Dulhanty	1967	1 year
Sister	Fern Shoemaker	1968-1977	10 years

Serving during the first 100 years as assistant clerks were as follows:

Brethern:	George Shoemaker	J. H. Bush
	Eramus Shoemaker	Sherman Essex
	J. M. Dulin	Carl Cragun
	W. H. Moore	Virgil Cragun
	and Sister Fern Shoemaker	

Since 1938 the following have served as assistant clerks,

Brethern:	W. E. Essex	Marion Abbitt
	E. A. Williams	Richard Neese
	John Shepherd	Ed Jackson
	Edward Dulin	

and the following Sisters:

Fern Shoemaker	Edith Neese
Doris Wilson	Alice Howell

The first Treasurer of the Church was Brother James R. Stark in 1886. No exact system of finance was used during the first 100 years of the church's existence. However, in 1841 the church agreed that each male member of the church should pay 25 cents each August for the upkeep of the church. At other times the "card and envelope" system was used. Later the Budget system, having a Finance committee and Treasurer was adopted. Others who served as treasurers during those years were:

Brethern:	John C. Shoemaker	William Moore
	John W. Abbitt	John Harshbarger
	Dora Dulin	George F. Yates
	C. A. Stephenson	Sherman Essex
	J. M. Dulin	Buren Shoemaker
	Alcetus Ottinger	

Since 1937 the following have served as Treasurers: Brethern,

Buren Shoemaker	Meredith Abbitt
Carl Cragun	Marion Abbitt
Ed Jackson	Benny Wilson
David Eberwein	Oscar Howell
Fern Shoemaker	Frank Gosser

Persons serving as assistant treasurer since 1937 have been the following: viz., Brethern

George A. Essex	Edward Dulin
Robert Shoemaker	Lowell West
David Eberwein	Jean Shoemaker
Dora Shoemaker	Bill Shoemaker
Carl Cragun	Oscar Howell
Marion Abbitt	Meredith Abbitt
Fern Shoemaker	Benny Wilson

At the January meeting 1861 the church decided to employ a house-keeper to take care of the house and to let to the lowest bidder. However, no bid was offered at each succeeding meeting until July of same year, when Brother Isaac M. Shoemaker made a bid to furnish fuel and candles and keep the church clean for the term of one year from date for the sum of \$8.50. The church awarded him the job and agreed to pay him one half of the sum at the end of six months and the other half at the close of the year.

Others who served in the first century of the church's existence were:

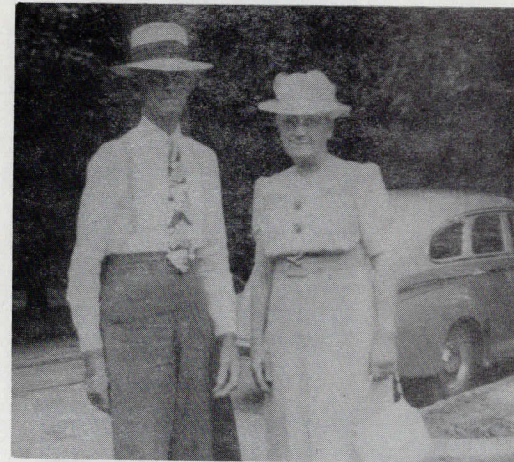
Brethern:	Isaac Darnall	Ernest Harshbarger
	J. M. Dulin	Alva McCloud
	John Thompson	Sherman Essex
	J. H. Bush	Chester Shoemaker
	George Essex	

Since 1937 the following have served as Housekeepers:

Bro. George A. Essex	Bro. Richard Becklehimmer
Sister Rosie Wood	Bro. Dennis and
Sister Dorothy O'Neal	Sister Tammy Ells
Sister Ula Ricci	Sister Mary Westerfield



Long time church workers
and officers attend ground-
breaking ceremonies for new
church building - Sept. 21, 1975.

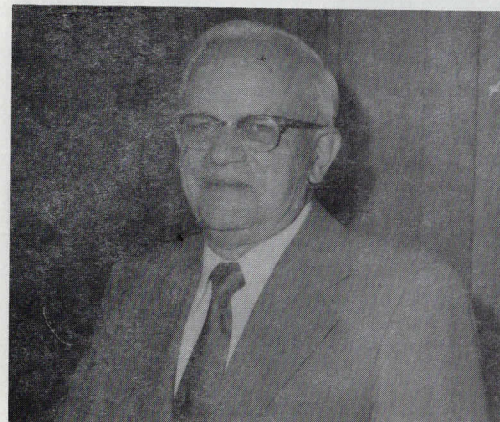


Pastors
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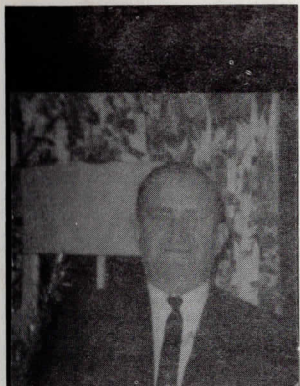
Elder E. A. Williams
1905 - 1937



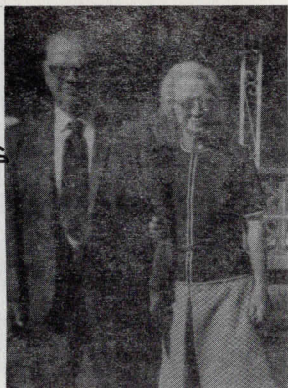
Elder W. E. Essex
1937 - 1945
1948 - 1952
1962 - 1963



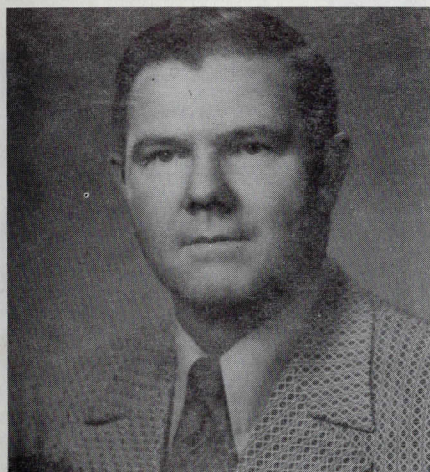
Elder Clarence Hopkins
1953 - 1954



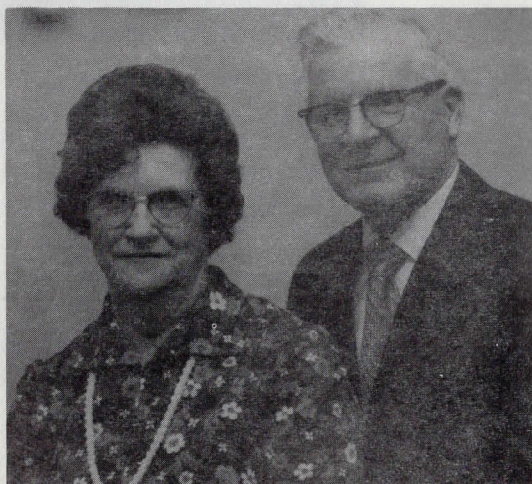
Elder
Donald Barnes
1945-1947



Elder Sherman Essex
1949



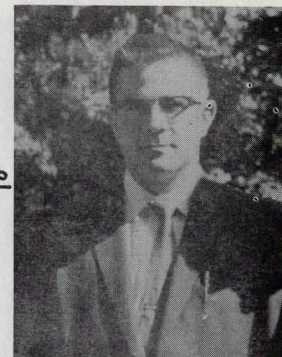
Elder Verlin Smith
1955



Elder John D. Dulin
1949
1956 - 1958



Elder John Wayne
1959-1960



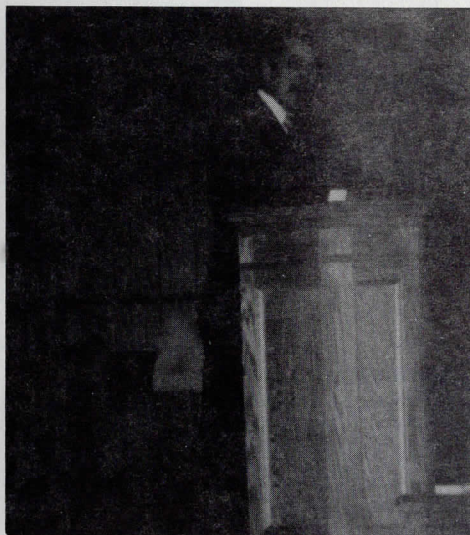
Elder Oscar Boyd
1961



Elder Olin Smith
1963-1967

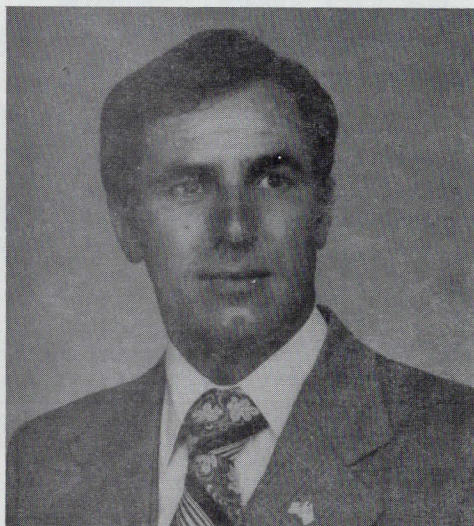


Reverend Dudley Morgan
1968 - 1970



Our
Current
Pastor

Reverend Roy Reeder 1971-1977



Buildings In The Life of The Church

The meetings of Worship for Mts. Runn have been held in four different buildings from 1837 to 1977, viz: A log house 1837 to 1846; a frame building from 1846 to 1878; a brick building from 1878 to 1976, and a new brick building from 1976 to 1977. Having met in the Log House since 1837, the church in April 1846 by motion and second agreed to meet the first Saturday in May 1846 to make plans for a more comfortable meeting house. No record has been found relative to the exact time of building such a frame church, but many have testified that they have attended church in such a building and many yet remember when it was torn down, piled into lots and auctioned to the highest bidder by Brother William Carey. Some of the material is yet on nearby farms.

In July 1878 the church by motion and second agreed to build a new meeting-house which is the 99-year-old Landmark now. In August of the same year they met and decided upon the size, materials and other necessary items. The size agreed upon was 36 ft. x 52 ft. x 16 ft. The building was to be of brick, with a slate roof. The building committee was composed of the following: Brethern, George W. Shoemaker, Sr., George Shelburn, Levi P. Shoemaker, Richard Walker, and John P. Stark. The committee to secure the capital with which to build said house included Brethern John W. Abbitt, Isaac M. Shoemaker, James R. Stark, C. O. Dulin and Ambrose Baughard. During the construction of this building the church met in School House District No. 4 for worship.

In May 1906 plans were made to remodel the third structure which was of brick. The building committee consisted of the following: Brethern, Isaac Isenhour, Alcetus Ottinger, John P. Stark, Charles Burgess and James B. Shoemaker. It was agreed by motion and second to remodel by doing the following: raise the building, make it have more pitch, make it a four gable roof instead of two, build a vestibule with a cupola, put in a metal ceiling instead of plaster; dig a basement, put in a furnace, and reseal it with new seats. During such remodeling no church services were held in September and October, but in November the church met in the home of Brother and Sister John P. Stark, and by December the church building was completed and meeting was held there. At the completion of such remodeling, appropriate dedication exercises were held. This building was redecorated in the summers of 1922 and 1936. Electric lights were installed in 1928.

In 1953 it was thought necessary to have more room, so a building consisting of 5 Sunday School rooms, a kitchen and a fellowship room were added. This Educational building was completed in 1954 and dedication services were held. The following Brethern served on the committee for the new building, viz., Buren Shoemaker, Lowell West, David Eberwein, John Shepherd and the church trustees. With this addition the building built in 1878 served adequately until 1971 when membership began to increase and also, there was a need for a full-time pastor and a need for a parsonage. At the March 27, 1971 business meeting it was voted to establish a parsonage fund and at the April business meeting of the same year Rev. Reeder informed

the church that he intended to stay the full year, asking for ordination which was set for June 20, 1971. It was also, at this meeting, voted that Pastor Reeder would assume full-time services in the near future. This full-time service meant preaching services on each Sunday morning and night, also the Wednesday night service. In addition he was to be available for consultation, visitation and to be called when needed. Brother Roy Reeder was ordained on Sunday June 20, 1971.

On November 27, 1971 it was voted to put \$5,000.00 from the church checking account into the Parsonage building fund and also, the \$1,800.00 received from the sale of the church trailer, the first parsonage, was to be added to the fund. At the same meeting a parsonage committee was named as follows: Brothers Tony Ricci, Chester Shoemaker, George A. Essex, Don Haney, Richard Neese and Joe Carr. On Thursday October 19, 1972 digging for the basement and foundation of the parsonage was begun on land adjacent to the new part of Mts. Runn Cemetery, secured from Mr. & Mrs. Russell E. Shoemaker. Most of the work on the parsonage was done by members of the church. On June 8, 1973 Pastor Reeder and wife Janice moved into the first real parsonage of the church's history. Pastor Reeder had begun full-time service in 1973.

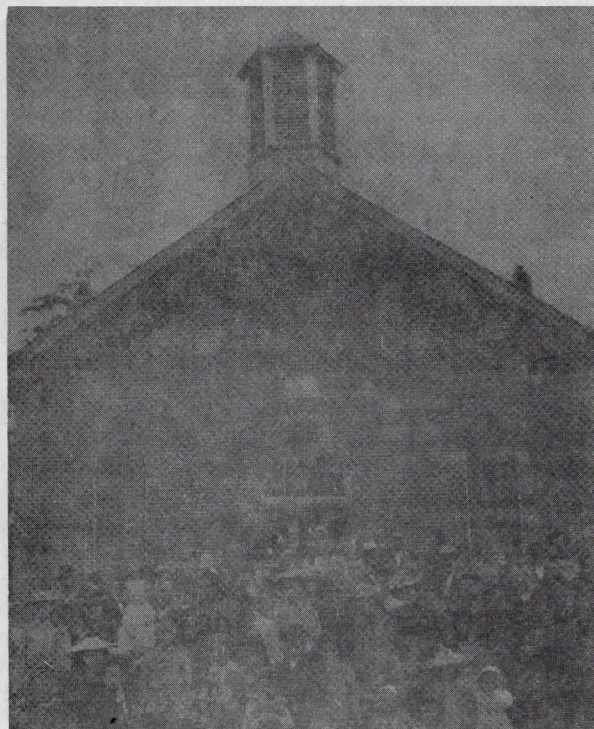
With Rev. Reeder now in full-time service, leading the members in visitation each week, the church membership grew as new ones were led to receive Christ in salvation. Soon there was felt to be a need for a larger church building. At the January 30, 1974 business meeting it was voted to have Pastor Reeder and the trustees, namely Joe Carr, Tony Ricci and Tom Lochovic investigate the availability of both land and materials for a new church building to be approximately 50 ft. x 150 ft. At the February 27, 1974 business meeting the church voted to purchase .98 of an acre of land, adjacent to the church ground, from Mr. Oliver Hammerle for \$1,500.00 and a new fence. While plans were being formulated and architectural designs planned, the men of the church provided more space by removing the walls forming the 2 small rooms at the entrance, and of the vestibule, which increased the seating capacity to from 50 to 100 seats. Also, the entire floor was carpeted from wall to wall, a Baptistry was installed and the first Baptistry service ever held in the building which was erected in 1878, was held on Sunday April 13, 1975. Rev. Reeder baptised Mrs. Pauline Bragg. Also, the choir loft was raised, carpeted, seats put in and choir robes for the members were ordered. In December of 1974 it was voted to paint the inside of the church building. At that time it was voted to buy a new microphone and 100 folding chairs. To take care of the growing number of Sunday School classes the fellowship hall of the Educational building was made into 4 more rooms for classes and to relieve the crowded condition for church services, Junior Church was instituted with Brother Marion Abbitt in charge. He was assisted by his wife Penny, and daughter, Jolan, son, Robert and Mrs. Marie Woodward. Often other women assisted. This proved to be a good service and the Marion Abbitt Family is to be commended for rendering a useful service.

On September 10, 1975 at the regular business meeting it was voted to allow Pastor Reeder and trustees to borrow the money necessary (Not to exceed \$60,000.00) to build the new church building. As everything went well it was decided on Wednesday night September 17, 1975 that the ground-breaking services for the new building would be on Sunday September 21, 1975. This took place with services at 2:00 p.m. in the church building. The Actual ground breaking followed with Pastor Reeder and the Deacons and the Trustees throwing out the first shovels full of dirt. Again, much of the work was done on erecting the building by the members and the Pastor. With great dedication and diligent work on the part of all who helped in the construction of the building, it was completed in June 1976. On Sunday June 13, 1976, the last services were held in the 98 year old church building and on Sunday June 20, 1976 the first services were held in the new and fourth building for the Mts. Runn Regular Baptist Church Congregation.

Approximately 400 people assembled in the new Mts. Runn Regular Baptist Church on Sunday June 27, 1976 for the dedication services and the 46th annual Homecoming. Two hundred forty-five were present for the Sunday School hour. A bountiful supply of food greeted the partakers at the noon hour in the new fellowship room. The new classrooms, fellowship hall, and the new Sanctuary seating approximately 500 were dedicated in services at 2:00 p.m. The Rev. Wilbur Hurt, Pastor of the Hope Baptist Church in Indianapolis, delivered the dedication sermon and the Life Way Singers from Wilmington, New Jersey Baptist Church, provided music during both the morning and afternoon services. Vocal and piano solos were presented by Evangelist Soloist, James Golden. The Rev. Fred Mortiz, Pastor of the Thompson Road Baptist Church, gave the dedication prayer. Many former members, neighboring Pastors and interested friends attended the services.

Thus, the members of Mts. Runn Baptist Church entered the 140th year of its existence in a new church building and still maintains the 98 year old edifice as a Landmark of Boone County. This building is used as a Sunday School classroom by the senior adult class, taught by Brother Richard Neese, a descendant of one of the charter members, Samuel Dooley, Sr. It is a beautiful church building and holds many fond memories for many church members, who remember the exact time and spot where they met their Lord and Savior and found Salvation. The building is in good condition and well-kept and can be used for many meetings, however, it seems too small for the ever growing Congregation, which now numbers 434. During the first 100 years of this church many, many funerals have been held but only one wedding of Mildred June Essex, daughter of George and Neva Essex, and John Shepherd. The ceremony was performed by Elder W. E. Essex, uncle of the bride, in the building which has become a landmark. Mildred June's ancestors have been members of Mts. Runn Church since 1849, one hundred twenty-eight years, when her great, great grandfather, George W. Shoemaker, Sr. united with the church. Since 1937 many weddings, participants being descendants of the charter members of the church, have taken place in this building.

The new church building approximately 50 ft. x 150 ft. seats between 475 and 500, has a baptistry, a choir loft for 36 members, is carpeted wall to wall with beautiful golden brown carpet, walls painted a light tan with brown paneling approximately 4 feet high around the Sanctuary and entirely on the front. The pews, the communion table and the Pulpit are of light oak and the lighting is provided with beautiful clear chandeliers. A basement composed of a fellowship hall, many classrooms, rest rooms and a missionary apartment complete the building except for the porch which provides a good entrance. A beautiful new piano and a new organ add to the beauty of worship. A sound system adds to the enjoyment of the services. Also, new nylon American and Christian flags add to the beauty of the front of the church, as also, does the baptistry scene.



Mts. Runn Church in 1896

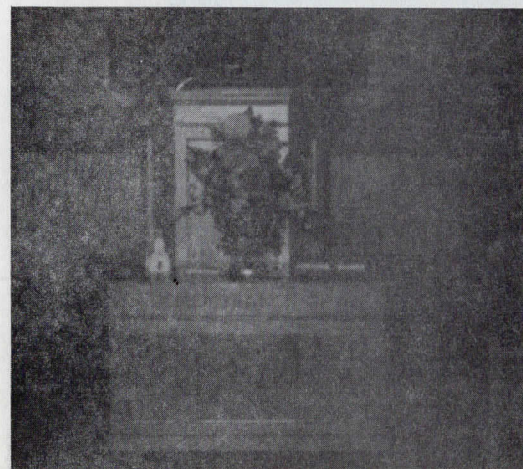


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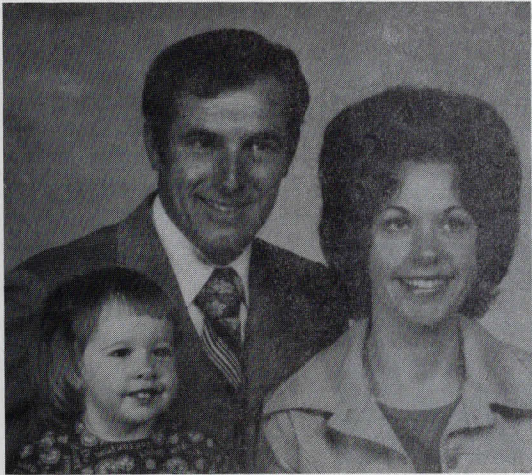
Ground-breaking
ceremonies. . .
September 21, 1975



New church
building. .
October 1976



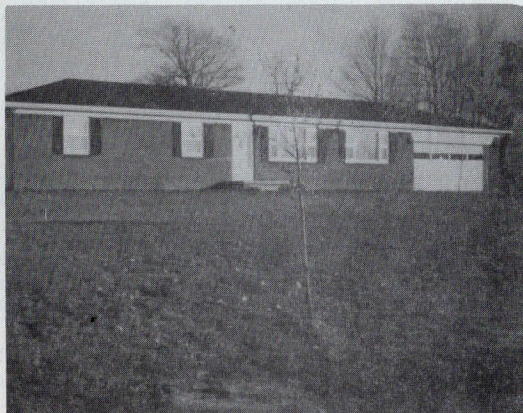
New church
Sanctuary. . .



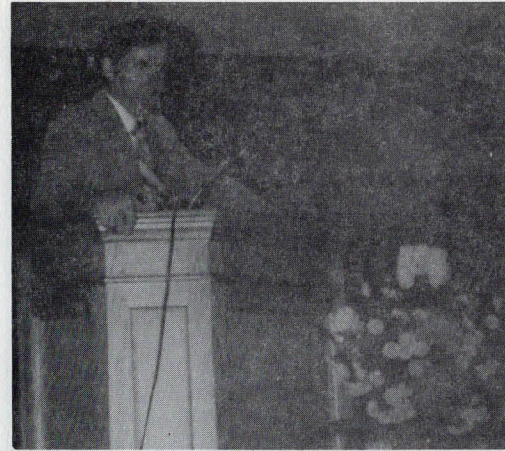
Our
Pastor
and
Family

Reverend Roy Reeder, his wife
Jan, and daughter Lesley...

...latest addition is
4 month old Emily



The Parsonage



Pastor
in action...

Deacons . . .

Brothers Joe Carr,
Marion Abbitt,
Reverend Reeder,
Richard Neese,
and Benny Wilson



Advisory Council . . .

Brothers Joe Carr,
Marion Abbitt, Rev.
Reeder, Richard Neese,
Benny Wilson, Harold
McPake, Dennis Ellis,
and Tony Ricci



MTS. RUNN REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH 1976-1977

OFFICERS

Pastor	Rev. Roy Reeder
Youth Pastor	Rev. Phil Stringer
Deacons	Marion Abbitt, Richard Neese, Benny Wilson, and Joe Carr
Trustees	Thomas Lochkovic, Frank Gosser, and Robert Woodward
Moderator	Rev. Roy Reeder
Church Clerk	Fern B. Shoemaker
Assistant Clerk	Doris Wilson
Church Treasurer	Frank Gosser
Assistant Treasurer	Benny Wilson

PASTOR'S COUNCIL

Marion Abbitt	Thomas Lochkovic
Richard Neese	Tony Ricci
Benny Wilson	Dennis Ells
Joe Carr	Harold McPeak

MUSICIANS

Pianist	Mrs. Dennis Ells
Organist	Mrs. Harold McPeak
Chorister	Dennis Ells

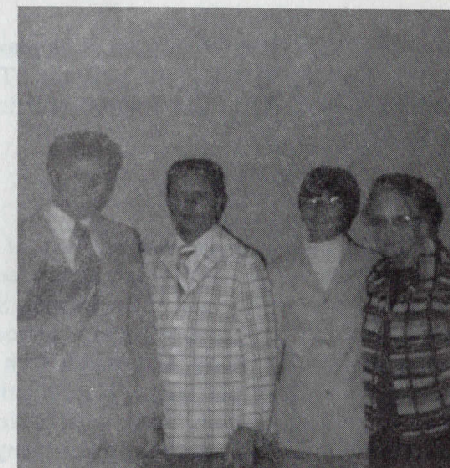


Trustees...

Brothers Frank Gosser, Tom Lochkovic, and Bob Woodward, with Rev. Reeder

Church Officers...

Rev. Reeder, Moderator
 Brother Benny Wilson,
 Asst. Treasurer
 Sister Doris Wilson,
 Asst. Clerk
 Sister Fern B. Shoemaker,
 Clerk



Bro. Frank Gosser
 is Treasurer.

Ushers...

greet members
 and guests at
 each service

SUNDAY SCHOOL at MTS. RUNN

Sunday School has long been an important arm of Mts. Runn Church. Each Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m. everyone gathers in their respective classroom for opening exercises, prayer and lesson study. After which each one goes to the sanctuary for worship services with Pastor Roy Reeder. We now have ample room for 12 classes. The Senior adults meet in the sanctuary of the older church building; the Nursery is in the rooms in the upstairs of the educational building which was added in 1954; all of the other classes use rooms in the basements of the educational building and the new church building.

Brother Robert Woodward is Sunday School Superintendent and Brother Sheldon Morris is the assistant. The secretaries of the church are Sisters Sue Gosser, and Johnnie Morris, assisted by Mary Louise Shoemaker.

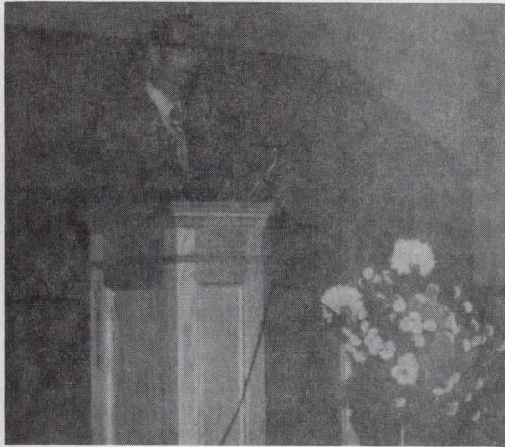
Going back into the early history of Mts. Runn Church we find that many years went by with preaching services only once a month, that being on Saturday afternoon and the following Sunday morning, and without Sunday School. Later when Sunday School was instituted, it was not held during January, February, and March each year due to bad weather, bad roads and poor transportation. How thankful we are now with our good roads and transportation. Also, what a blessing to have church buses and dedicated bus drivers! Without them many children would never have a chance to hear and learn of Jesus and the great plan of Salvation.

OFFICES and OFFICERS

Superintendent	Robert Woodward
Assistant Superintendent	Sheldon Morris
Secretaries	Sue Gosser and Johnnie Morris
Assistant Secretary	Mary Louise Shoemaker
Treasurer	Frank Gosser
Assistant Treasurer	Benny Wilson
Pianist	Mrs. Dennis Ells
Organist	Mrs. Harold McPeak

TEACHERS

Nursery	Sisters Wilma Davis, Jan Reeder
Beginners	Zenia Mathis and Sisters Barbara McPeak Tammy Ells
Kindergarten	Sisters Marie Woodward Pat Lochkovic
Primary	Sisters Penny Abbitt Betty Carr
Intermediate Girls	Sisters Ula Ricci Cindy Stringer
Intermediate Boys	Brothers Gary Sanders Doug Runyan
Jr. Hi. Girls	Sisters Mary Westerfield Debbie Price
Jr. Hi. Boys	Brothers Dennis Ells Joe Staton
Teen Age Class	Brothers Phil Stringer Tom Lochkovic
College Career	Brothers Joe Carr Harold McPeak
Come-Join—Us.	Brother Marion Abbitt
Senior Adult	Brothers Richard Neese William Crawford



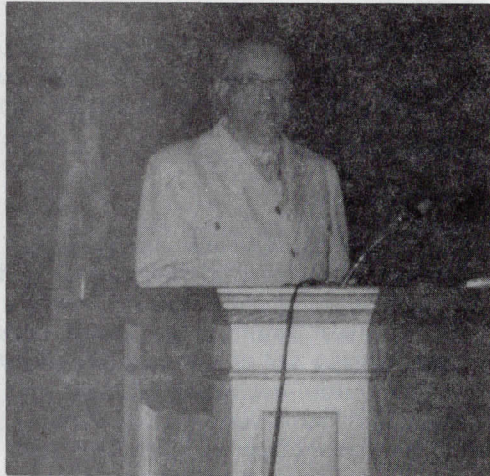
Sunday School
Superintendent..

Brother Bob Woodward

Assistant.....

Brother Jim Morris

Secretaries.....



Sisters Sue Gosser,
Mary Louise Shoemaker,
and Johnnie Morris



Nursery
Class.....

Babies up to 1 yr
with Sister Jan
Reeder



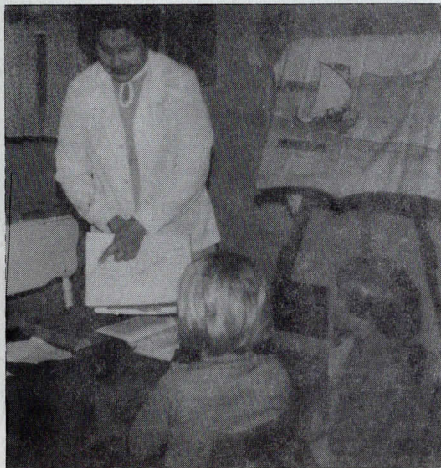
1 - 4 yrs. taught
by Sisters
Wilma Davis
and
Zenia Mathis



Beginners.....
4-5 yr. olds

Teachers.....

Sisters Barbara
McPeake and
Tammy Ellis



Kindergarten..
5-6 yr. olds

Teachers.....

Sisters Marie
Woodward and
Pat Lochkovic



Primary... ..
grades 2-3

Teachers.....

Sisters Penny
Abbitt and
Betty Carr



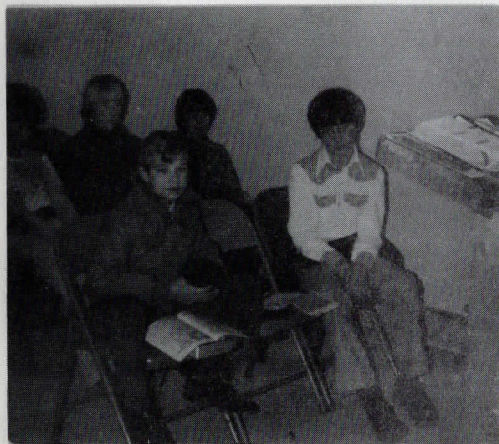
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Girls.....
grades 4-5

Teachers... ..

Sisters Ula Ricci
and Cindy Stringer



Intermediate
Boys
grades 4-5



Teachers

Brothers Gary
Sanders and
Doug Runyan

Junior High Girls
grades 7-8



Teachers . . .

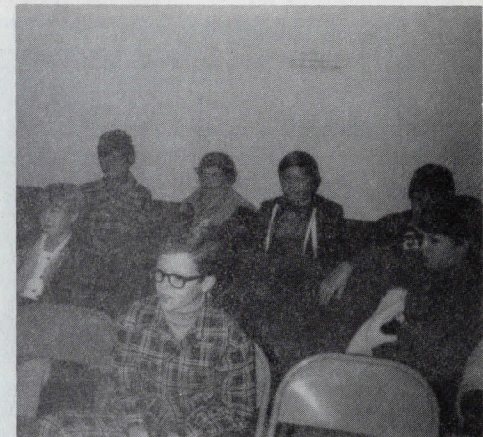
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Junior High Boys . .
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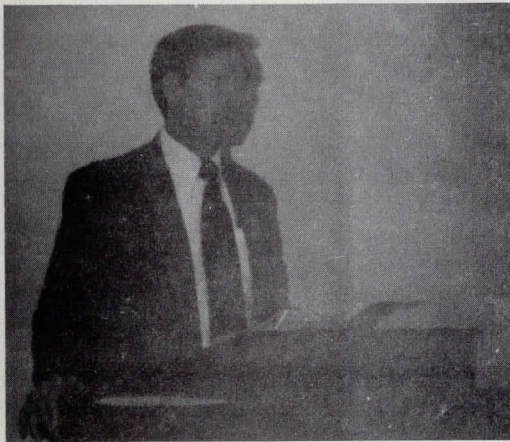
Brothers Dennis
Ells and
Joe Staton



Teens
grades 9-12

Teachers

Brothers Phil
Stringer and
Tom Lockkovic

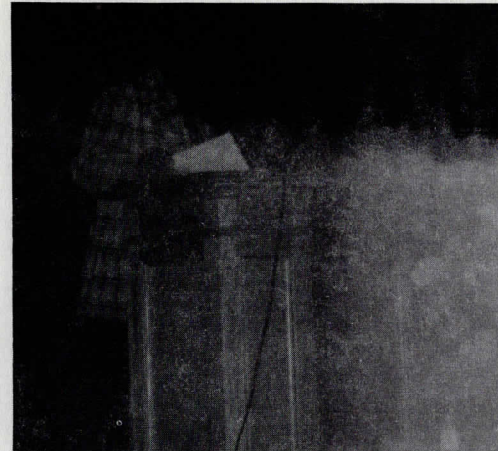


College
Career
Class.....

Teachers.....

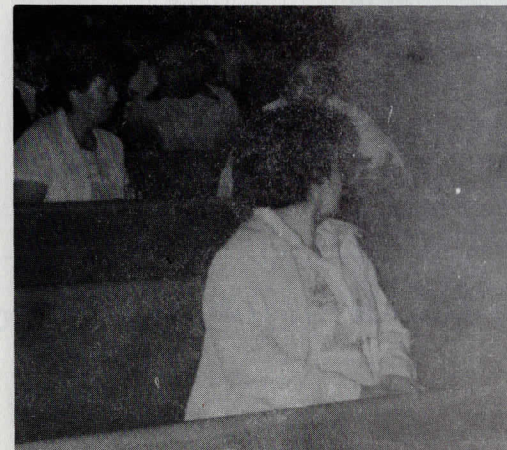


Brothers Joe
Carr and
Harold McPeake



Come-
Join-
Us

Adult
Class...



Teacher.....

Brother
Marion
Abbitt

Senior Adult Class



Teachers...

Brothers
Richard Neese
and
William Crawford



VISITATION

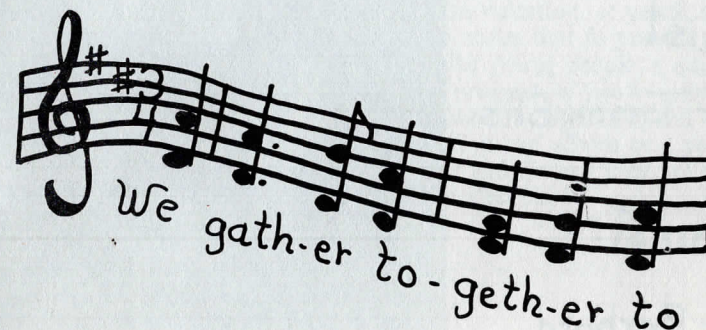
Each Thursday night at 7 p.m. is visitation night. The men members, sometimes women and sometimes the youth meet at the church, have prayer, decide on the names of those to be visited for encouragement, salvation, and/or better health. The same is done on Thursday morning by the women and on Saturday by the women and the youth. Several individuals visit for the Bus Ministry. Visitation has been a great factor in increasing the number who have been saved, brought to church, and hence has increased the membership and the growth of the church.

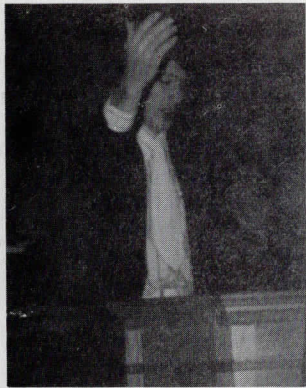
THE CHURCH CHOIR

Approximately twenty-five to thirty members fill the new church choir loft each Sunday morning. As the loft will seat thirty-six members, we still have room for growth in the new building. The group assembles after prayer meeting and Bible Study each Wednesday night for practice, led by Brother Dennis Ells. They prepare a special song for each Sunday morning Worship Service and usually a cantata for Christmas and Easter. Last summer, they prepared and presented a Bi-Centennial cantata. Their choir robes are dark green with white and/or gold collars.

Members of the present choir are: Kathryn Barnes, Betty Carr, Orba May Good, Sue Gosser, Danny Jeffers, Kathy Lochkovic, Pat Lochkovic, Tom Lochkovic, Zenia Mathis, Harold McPeak, Lisa Phillips, Glenna Runyan, Janice Reeder, Ula Ricci, Cindy Stringer, Joe Staton, Tom Sanders, Fay Tucker, Wayne Tucker, Heather Vaughn, Keith Vaughn, James Welsh, Betty Weaver, Martha Whitlow, Patsy Whitlow, and Nancy Westerfield.

The choir is accompanied by Sister Tammy Ells at the piano and Sister Barbara McPeake at the organ. Assistants are Sisters Jolan Abbitt and Nancy Westerfield.





Congregational Music

and the Choir are both
directed by
Brother Dennis Ellis



Musicians
♫

Pianist - - -
Sister Tammy Ellis

Organist - - -
Sister Barbara
McPeake



THE YOUTH MINISTRY

The youth work of Mts. Runn Church was greatly enhanced on June 20, 1976 when Brother and Sister Danny Atkinson arrived from West Virginia to become the leaders of the Youth Group. Brother Danny planned his work in 3 divisions, viz; Bible Education; 2. Social activities; and 3. a Sports program. To carry out his plans the Bible education was developed in the Sunday School class and the Sunday evening Training Union. The second phase included trips, picnics, games and various "get togethers". In the third part was basketball, softball, volleyball and football games with the youth of other Independent Baptist Churches. Brother Danny resigned in January 1977 to accept a similar position at Pipe Stem, West Virginia. On February 19th, 1977 Brother Phil and Sister Cindy Stringer accepted the call to come to Mts. Runn Church to work with the Youth Group. Brother Phil, who was saved at age 9 and baptised at 10, was active in his youth group in high school, working during summers at Camp Berean, graduated from Indiana Baptist College in 1975 and was ordained by the Lifegate Baptist Church. From 1971 to 1977 he was a counselor, assistant director, and director at Camp Berean; a minister to college students with Christian Challenge; and, was a teacher at Broadway Christian School. Sister Cindy, also, saved in her early youth, had an active part in the Lifegate Baptist Church, where she had the privilege of growing up under the influence and ministry of Dr Ford Porter. She, too, has studied at Indiana Baptist College, and at Bob Jones University. She is presently about two semesters of work away from a degree in Elementary Education. She has spent much time in children's work and as a children's Bible teacher at Camp Berean. Brother Phil and Sister Cindy believe youth work is a special need of the church today. that to counter Satan's attack and to advance for the Lord Jesus, the church must undertake a serious and full program of Youth Evangelism. Brother Phil reports his gratitude in having seen teenagers saved in our worship services, on visitation, at youth activities and at camp in the past few months. He also states that to provide training for Christians, we need strong Bible teaching for young people, a quality Christian Camping program; and, a successful program of youth activities; also, that concerned counseling and guidance must be available, and that young people need to be challenged to separation and service in a positive way. This is the kind of program Brother Phil and Sister Cindy are striving to provide for the youth of Mts. Runn Baptist Church.

TRAINING UNIONS

Training unions are held each Sunday night at 6:30 - 7:25 p.m. with classes for all ages from Nursery to and including the adults. These classes are taught by competent teachers, who teach the Word of God to enlighten, encourage and to impart knowledge. Often the programs of one group are shared with the church congregation.

BIBLE STUDY, PRAYER MEETING and BUSINESS MEETING

Each Wednesday night at 7:30 p.m. the members of Mts. Runn Baptist Church meet for Bible study and prayer meeting. A book of the Bible is selected for study using a chapter or portion thereof for each week. Prayer bulletins are issued each week and used, listing the names of those needing prayer as: shut-ins, those in hospitals, those in nursing homes, friends and relatives needing salvation, missionaries, both foreign and at home, and college students.

On the second Wednesday night of each month after Bible study and prayer meeting, the church is organized to transact the business of the church. Pastor Roy Reeder serves as moderator and Sister Fern Shoemaker as church clerk.

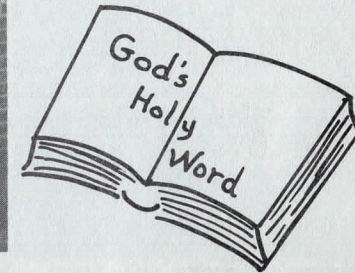


Youth Ministry



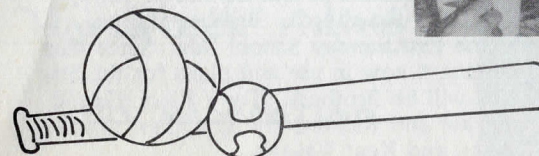
Brother Danny and
Sister Barbara
Atkinson

1976



Brother Phil and
Sister Cindy
Stringer

1977



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is a regular event at Mts. Runn Regular Baptist Church having been held each year since about 1945.

In the summer of 1977 Vacation Bible School was held the week of June 6-10 with Sister Cindy Stringer as director. An average of 100 children per day, with 3 bus routes and 15-20 teachers, helpers and bus drivers made the school a success. The theme of the school was "Living for God". Our own Child Evangelism Missionary, Sister Dobbie Price was in charge of the missionary story each day also, giving the invitation. Several children were saved during the week. There were 5 departments and each gave a program Friday night, after which the parents were invited to the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and to meet the children's teacher and view the work of their children.

CAMPERS

June, July, and August are the months for campers from the Mts. Runn Church at Christian Outreach, Inc., Versailles, Indiana. Dr. Clarence Doyle is the founder and leader of the camp. In 1977 some 87 Juniors, Junior High and Senior High students from Mts. Runn took advantage of the many opportunities to be had there. Also, many families from the church attended during the week set aside and known as Family Week.

Swimming, games, hikes, horseback riding and other physical activities provided much fun and recreation. Interesting, spirit-filled leaders and ministers bring messages on the plan of Salvation and many are saved and started on a good Christian life.

ASSOCIATIONS

Mts. Runn Church is a member of the Mt. Tabor Association and participates yearly by attendance, and financial help and by being the host church in rotation. Mts. Runn also corresponds and exchanges messengers with other associations, namely: The Ketocion Association of Alexandria, Virginia; The Indian Creek Association of Ronceverte, West Virginia; and Mr. Pleasant-Richland Association of Cale, Indiana.

REVIVAL and MISSION CONFERENCES

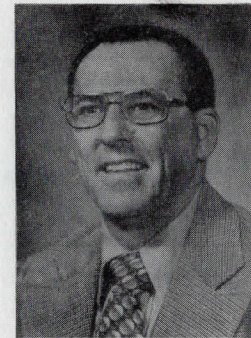
Many special meetings are held each year at Mts. Runn Church. Usually 2 revival services and 2 missionary conferences are held each year with well known Evangelists and Missionaries leading the services or conferences. E. Wayne Thompson of Alexandria, Virginia has long been a favorite Evangelist at revival meetings. Others have been Dr. Leon Mauer, Rev. Wilbur Hurt, Evangelist Don Noble, Brother Billy Goolesby and A. C. Durham. Special services in 1976-1977 were as follows: Dr. E. Wayne Thompson in September 1976; Dr. Mel Rutter in December 1976; Missionary Dr. Perry Ray in February 1977; Dr. Clarence Doyle in April 1977; and Rev. Wilbur Hurt in June 1977.

BUS MINISTRY

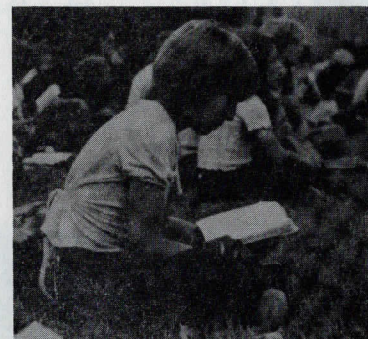
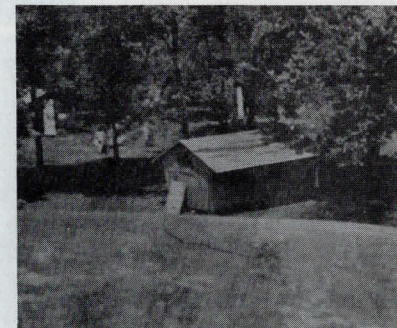
Mts. Runn Church first became interested in Bus Service in 1969, when Rev. Dudley Morgan was pastoring the church. Brother Marion Abbott was the first bus driver of the first Sunday School Bus. Since then 3 more buses have been added making 4 now in use and plans for the 5th one is being made. Drivers are and will be Brothers: Tony Ricci, Harold McPeak, Marvin Brown, Wayne Tucker and Richard Pryor. Others assisting are Brothers Joe Staton, Don Kryter, and Kent Vaughn.

Camping at Christian Outreach

Dr. Clarence Doyle is
founder and leader
of the camp.



Rustic cabins nestled
in a wooded valley.



Daily Bible Study



Horseback riding
and recreation.

Bus Ministry



At the present
four buses pick
up many
children and
adults...

...with
preparations
for a fifth
bus soon...



Bus Drivers

Brother Tony
Ricci

Brother Harold
McPeake



Brothers Wayne
Tucker, Joe Staton,
Marvin Brown and
Don Kryter.

Not pictured are
Brothers Richard
Pryer and Kent
Vaughn.

MISSIONAIRIES

Supporting missionaries was not listed in the early history of the church, however, during the fifties and sixties missionaries were supported through the Regular Baptist Missionary Fund, Inc. Some of those supported at that time were the following Brethern: Carl Harrington, Ray Reutz, Gerald Smith and Harvey Adkinson.

Since 1971 Mts. Runn Church has been sending direct support to several missionaries. At present direct support is being sent to the following Foreign Missionaries:

1. Bill James Japan
2. Tom McElroy Japan
3. Bruce Wring Guam
4. Royce Vick. Mexico
5. Arvil Smith. Jamaica
6. Wayne Murrow. Hawaii
7. Tom Eckman Argentina
8. Dr. John Visser. Communist Lands
9. Wallace Akers Alberta, Canada
10. Terry Spears Philippines
11. Lewis McLellar Australia
12. Clifford New Brazil, S. A.
13. Raymond Lewis Brazil, S. A.
14. Dennis Oatley Peru, S. A.
15. Raymond St. John Liberia, West Africa
16. Atif Himodah Jerusalem, Israel
17. Bill and Pat Haag. Guatemala

Direct support is being sent to the following Home Missionaries:

1. Ellis Fields Beattyville, KY.
2. Don Dillman Prisoners for Christ
3. Dudley Morgan Cornville Baptist Church, AZ.
4. Joleine Hall Campus Bible Fellowship
5. Billy Russell Christian Outreach
6. T. D. Haley Chactauw Indiana
7. Joe Caplinger to establish New Testament Churches
8. Indiana Baptist College
9. Radio Bible Class
10. Christian Outreach, Inc.

When the new church was built one of the rooms in the basement was designated as the Missionary Room. Missionaries seeking support from other churches may live in this room during the time they need. Also, visiting missionaries and evangelists may use this room during the time of their stay Brother E. Wayne Thompson and wife, Mary, used this room during the week he conducted Revival Services here in September 1976. The Caplingers used this room, as did Dr. Billy Renstrom and wife, Ruby, when they were here for services.

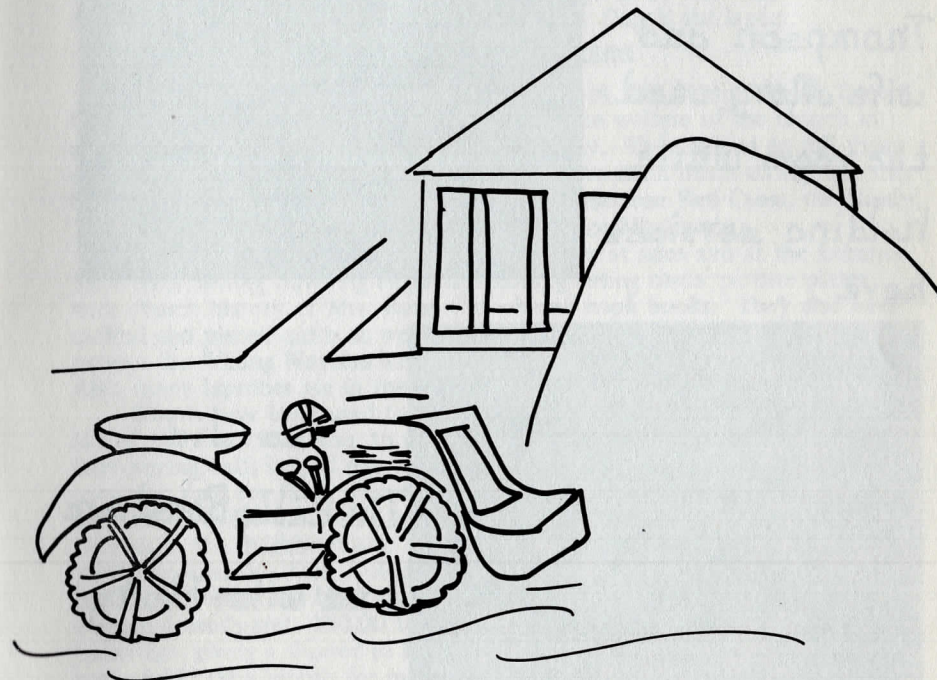
SECRETARIES

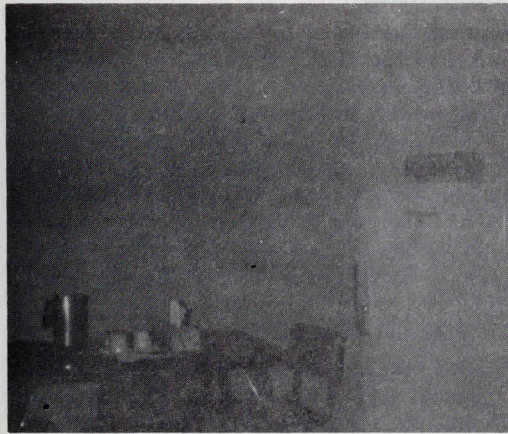
At the May 1975 regular business meeting of the church it was voted to hire a part-time secretary as there had been felt a need for one. At the June 1975 meeting it was announced that Sister Tammy Ells would accept the part-time secretary job. She fulfilled this position until June 1976. Working on Tuesday and Thursday mornings she added greatly to the efficiency of the daily business of the church. Upon the resignation of Sister Tammy, the wife of the Youth Pastor, Sister Barbara Atkinson, accepted the position and assumed these duties immediately. Serving in that capacity until January 1977, she resigned when Brother Danny and she resigned to go to West Virginia. Sister Cindy Stringer became the new secretary in February 1977 and as such is doing a real good job.

CHURCH GROUNDS and BUILDINGS

The church yard has been graded, levelled, grass seed sown and crushed stone added in the parking area. Cement walks have been put in connecting those already there and leading around the church buildings and to the road.

The two church buildings are connected both in the basement and above, making a continuous use of both buildings; classrooms in the old sanctuary and in the educational building, which also contains rest rooms, the Pastor and Youth Pastor Offices, the secretary's office, the nursery and kitchen, then leading into the Fellowship Hall, more rest rooms and classrooms in the new building and then upstairs into the new sanctuary





Missionary
Apartment

... used by visiting
missionary families
and evangelists



Evangelist Wayne
Thompson and
wife Mary used
the room while
holding services
here



... as did
Dr. Billy Renstrom
and wife Ruby.

BULLETINS

Bulletins have been issued and used since 1972, containing the agenda for Sunday and the following week. Also, necessary announcements concerning activities of the church. These are handed out at the Sunday morning service.

On Wednesday nights Prayer Bulletins are given out with lists of names for whom prayer is requested. These are then to be taken home after prayer meeting and used in intercessory prayer during the following week.

PASTOR'S TRIP

In the fall of 1976, the members of Mts. Runn Church surprised their Pastor, Rev. Roy Reeder, with a gift - "A trip to the Bible Lands" The trip was from November 2nd to November 12th. Pastor Reeder was happy to travel with Dr. Leon Mauer. He enjoyed the trip, took many pictures, and on Sunday night November 28th 1976, he shared the pictures with the church congregation. He, also shared the pictures in July of 1977.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP HOUR

The Men's fellowship hour at Mts. Runn Regular Baptist Church is in session each Saturday morning at 7:00 a.m. This provides a special time of prayer and Bible study. Then if any work or repair on the church building is needed at that time, some men do that work, while others go on visitation. All of the men are encouraged and strengthened.

LADIES PRAYER GROUP

The ladies prayer group meets on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. each week during the fall and winter months. Sister Betty Carr is the leader.

THE WILLING WORKERS

Sixty years ago, in June 1917, the ladies of Mts. Runn Regular Baptist Church organized as a body to help promote the welfare of the church in any way possible both financially and spiritually. They agreed to call themselves The Willing Workers and as such they have done much to support the Church, The Regular Baptist Messenger, The American Red Cross, the Needy, The Cancer Society, and both Foreign and Home Missionaries.

Money has been earned by serving lunches at sales and at the Lebanon Sales Barn, selling flavoring extracts, spices, greeting cards, picture plates with church history of Mts. Runn Church and cook books. They also have quilted and pieced quilts as well as pieced and tacked comfort tops. At present the Willing Workers have a waiting list of 21 quilts to be quilted. Also, many laprobes are in the making.

Funds have been used to pay for coal for the church during the period of 1917 to 1936; also, to pay the janitor, at first paying all his salary, later paying half; helped pay the Pastor's salary, helped with Sunday School expenses; paid for floral pieces when there was a death in the membership; provided gifts for the Pastor at Christmas time; and, helped the needy families in the neighborhood. In 1967, the Willing Workers reached a milestone, marking their Golden Anniversary, and in more recent years their benevolence has been far-spreading. Among the many contributions and good deeds are: \$50.00 toward the purchase of a house trailer for a parsonage; giving a shower to furnish trailer parsonage; obligation for support of \$15.00 a month for missionary, Roy Fields in Beattyville, KY, paid for materials for new ceiling in basement of educational building; paid for carpets for Beginners and Primary Sunday School Classrooms; paid for materials and labor for new cabinets and counter tops in kitchen

and other work in basement and kitchen; \$100.00 for flood victims through the Red Cross; purchased dehumidifier for use in basement; bought a second refrigerator for kitchen use; provided refreshments for Vacation Bible School many, many years; contributed \$125.00 on cost of carpet for older church building and \$100.00 on the new church building; provided special gifts at Christmas time for missionaries; and, for an indefinite number of years they have provided plates, napkins, tableclothes, coffee, sugar and food for all church gatherings such as: Homecomings, Gospel Sings, Fellowship Suppers and Mt. Tabor Associational Meetings. The latest contribution has been the presentation of new nylon American and Christian flags for the new church at its dedication.

But all their services are not just monetary During World Wars I and II the women met to sew and knit for the soldiers through the Red Cross; and, today they make bandages for the Boone County Cancer Society, working together in fellowship and harmony to help their fellowman. Also, now at Christmas time, cheer baskets are made, filled and delivered to shut-ins, and those on sick lists, and in nursing homes. An average of 30 of these baskets are delivered each Christmas.

The first officers of this group were:

President — Mrs. Thyra Yates

Vice President Mrs. Alvina Dulin

Secretary-Treasurer — Mrs. Trudie Peters

Asst. Secretary-Treasurer — Mrs. Neva Essex

Charter members living are: Miss Abbie Yates, Mrs. Pearl Cox, Mrs. Neva Essex, and Mrs. Fern Shoemaker. Present officers are as follows:

President — Mrs. Fern Shoemaker

Vice President — Mrs. Louise Abbitt

Secretary-Treasurer — Mrs. Mary Louise Shoemaker

Corresponding Secretary — Miss Orba May Good

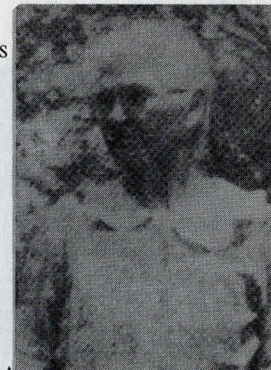
On June 14, 1977 the Willing Workers celebrated their 60th anniversary at the home of member, Mrs. Marion Abbitt. A delicious dinner including a "Happy Birthday" Cake 1917-1977 made by Mrs. Abbitt was enjoyed at the noon hour. In the afternoon, Mrs. Katha Dulhanty read a history of the organization and Mrs. Alana Davis read "Bits of Fun an Humor" gleaned from the 60 years' record. Three of the four past presidents namely, Mrs. June Essex Shepherd, Mrs. Katha Dulhanty and Mrs. Mary Louise Shoemaker gave talks of the days when they were president.

This organization is open to all women of the church and are urged to attend and participate. The meeting dates are the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The meeting on the second Tuesday is the devotional, business and work days with a cooperative dinner. On the fourth Tuesdays each member brings a sack lunch and the day is spent in work such as quilting, sew laprobe blocks, quilt blocks and cancer pads or bandages for the Cancer Society. A Bible Study session is held at each meeting.

The following is a typical agenda for the regular devotional, business and work day meeting on the second Tuesday:

Cooperative Dinner	Grace, given by a member
"Happy Birthday"	Sung to members having birthdays
Call to Worship	By the President
Opening Song	Selected and led by Vice Pres.
Opening Prayer	By a member
Devotional	Bible Lesson

Roll Call Verse containing word from lesson
 Secretary Report By secretary
 Treasurer Report By treasurer
 Corresponding Secretary Report . . By corresponding secretary
 Old Business:
 New Business:
 Plans for next meetings
 1. Dates
 2. Places
 3. Type Lunches
 4. Bible Study
 5. Roll Call
 Closing Song
 Closing Prayer



First Pres.
Mrs. Thyra Yates

Pres. for 16 yrs. Mrs. Zulia Dulin



Miss Abbie Yates

Mrs. Neva Essex

Living
Charter
Members



Mrs. Pearl Cox

Mrs. Fern Shoemaker
current Pres.
and Charter
Member

Willing Workers 1917-1977

Officers

Orba May Good, Cor. Sec.

Fern Shoemaker, Pres.

Louise Abbitt, Vice Pres.

Marv Louise Shoemaker,
Sec. - Tres.



Quilting is one
of many activities
of this group.

COMMUNION SERVICES

Communion services are held quarterly on the fourth Sunday of the first month of the quarter namely: January, April, July and September. The Pastor and Deacons serve the congregation in this ordinance.

HOMEcomings

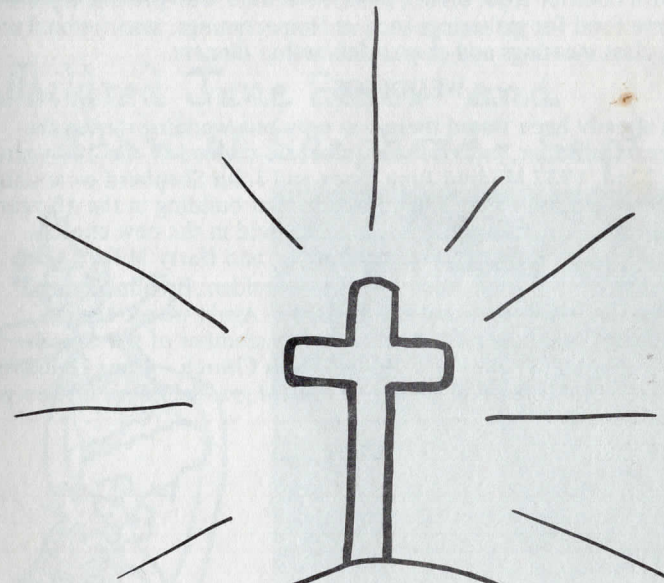
Homecoming Sunday is usually the fourth Sunday in May unless by necessity it is changed to a more convenient time. The first Homecoming was held on the regular meeting in June 1917. Homecoming Days have been held annually since 1931.

NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICES

New Year's Eve Services have been held many years and more recently have been held annually. With good preaching, special music and an intermission for refreshments then more preaching and music the Old Year fades pleasantly into the Happy New Year.

SUNRISE SERVICES

Sunrise Services have been held annually on Easter Sunday at 6:00 a.m. since 1950.



... I go and
prepare a place for you,
I will come again, and receive you
unto myself; that where I am, there
ye may be also. John 14:3

MTS. RUN or MTS. RUNN

Mts. Run Church was named after the creek upon which it was founded in 1937. However the 99 year old building bears the inscription "Mts. Runn Church". Many think this is more decorative and hence the two spellings are used inter-changeably. Boone County history used the spelling "Run" throughout.

USHERS

Ushers are in attendance each Sunday morning to greet and hand out bulletins containing the agenda for Sunday and the following week. They also direct visitors and late-comers to comfortable seats. Also, on Wednesday nights they pass out the prayer bulletins. They, too, are responsible for passing the collection plates for the offerings at worship services.

OFFICES

Pastor Roy Reeder, Youth Pastor, Phil Stringer and Secretary, Cindy Stringer have offices in the educational building. These offices are an asset to the work of each.

KITCHEN

A good-sized kitchen equipped with a refrigerator, an electric stove, sink and cabinets with counter tops, dishes, pans, silverware, etc. provide a place to prepare and serve food for gatherings such as Homecomings, associational meetings, banquets, class meetings and church fellowship dinners.

WEDDINGS

As it has already been stated there was only one wedding during the first hundred years and that, just one month before the end of the 100 years. On September 22nd, 1937 Mildred June Essex and John Shepherd were united in marriage. Many weddings were solemnized in that building in the 40 years following and already several weddings have been held in the new church. Some of whom are the following: Deanna Runyan and Harry Miller; Alana Dulhanty and Curt Davis; Karen Allen and Rick Maulden; Brenda Skyles and Donald Allen, Karen Hoover and Bill Denning. Again we see the descendants of George Shoemaker, Sr. who became a member of the church in 1849, still worshipping as members of Mts. Runn Church. Alana Dulhanty Davis and Donald Ray Allen being great, great, great grandchildren of George W. Shoemaker, Sr.



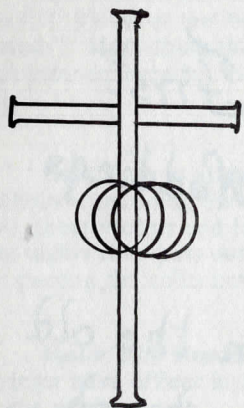
*First
Weddings...*

*in the old
church...*

*Mildred June Essex and
John W. Shepherd - Sept. 22, 1937*



*and the new... Deanna Runyan and
Harry Miller - July 17, 1976*



Alana Dulhanty and
Curt Davis - Aug. 20, 1976



Decendents
of early
members
still attend
Mts. Runn...

Brenda Skyles and
Don Allen - Apr. 2, 1977

INTERESTING NOTES FROM THE RECORDS

Janitors furnished fuel and oil until 1900. The church furnished the fuel and the janitor furnished the oil for the lamps. Electric lights were installed in 1928.

December 1975 - John C. Shoemaker presented the church with 9 hymn books.

The church in turn appointed him librarian for the church

July 1845 - Brother Samuel Dooley was appointed Singing Clerk of the church and Brother James Peters, assistant.

December 1850 - Brother A. J. McLeod was appointed Singing Clerk and Brother Robert Dooley, the assistant.

January 1858 - Brother L. W. Bandom was appointed Singing Clerk.

January 1850 - There was no meeting because of the raging of smallpox.

From January 1838 to 1860 many were the allegations brought by certain members against themselves and sometimes against others. Usually acknowledgements were made and the church forgave them.

July 1932 - The church adopted the June meeting of each year as "Homecoming Day" A Homecoming meeting was held on Saturday of the June meeting 1917. "Homecoming Days" have been held annually since 1931

Messengers to the Association usually were appointed by the moderator or the moderator appointed the first one and that one appointed the next, then that one appointed one and so on until the required number was selected.

1903 Messengers to the Associations volunteered. They were Brothers Isaac Isenhour, R. L. Hine, F. M. Hutton, G. P. Stark, J. M. Dulin, James M. Lane, and James B. Shoemaker

1837 - 1909 the messengers to the annual Association were always men, however, in 1909, Sister Dorothy Kincaid served as a messenger and in 1910 Sisters Dorothy Kincaid and Theresa Moore served in that capacity From that time on we find the women serving almost as frequently as the men.

August 1977 the messengers volunteered and were both men and women. They were: Pastor Roy Reeder, Rev. Phil Stringer, Mrs. Phil Stringer, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Neese, Mr. & Mrs. Rudy Whitlow, Mrs. Marshall Good, Mrs. Chester Mathis, Mrs. Russell Shoemaker and Miss Orba May Good.

The first record we find of women being given an active part in the work of the church was in 1899. A committee of five Sisters was appointed by the moderator to solicit funds to repair the church house. Those making up the committee were: Sisters Maria Stark, Mollie Day, Elvira Hine, Kate Hoover, and Dortha Kincaid.

June 1872 Messengers Neese and Hall were granted a request to operate a restaurant on or near where the Association was to be held, near Mts. Runn in September 1872 "on condition that good order be kept."

August 1872 - Peters and Lucas and the Dutch Baker of Lebanon were granted permission to sell candies at the Association, in September 1872, provided they "kept good order."

Fourth Saturday, July 1850. The church met in business meeting of a special nature, to accept a lot of ground for an addition to burying ground from Brother John Spencer to be deeded to Brothers John B. Allen, Robert Dooley and Samuel Dooley as trustees of the church. The church agreed by

motion and second to enclose the whole graveyard with plank fence within one year from said time.

August 1866 - The church by motion and second agreed for the clerk, Brother George W. Shoemaker, Sr. to purchase ½ acre of land adjoining the burying ground, on the best terms it could be had and to call two of the Brethern to help him. The two were Brothers John W. Abbitt and John H. Peters.

Collections were received at the business mettings and a record of them were kept from 1900 1905. These collections ranged from \$.25 - to \$19.45. January 1852 - Regular business meeting, the 5th item of business - by motion and second, the church agreed to cite Brethern Robert Abbitt and Josiah Kerns to attend next church meeting and answer for their failure to fill their seats at our church meeting.

The decision to hold church services the first Saturday and Sunday was made in 1905 and used continually until 1937. Previous to 1905 and since 1937 the date has been changed frequently.

The first Association held at Mts. Runn was in 1872. The church, in 1854 called for the Association in 1855, but no mention is made in the records of it being held here at that time.

A letter and messengers have been sent to the Association, every year since 1838, except 1842 and 1882.

The association has been held at Mts. Runn in the following years: 1872, 1899, 1902, 1911, 1919, 1925, 1930, 1938, 1944, 1948, 1954, 1961, 1965, 1971, 1975, and 1978 will be the next time

July 1899 - Business meeting 4th item. Reference - moved and seconded that the church allow a "stand" on the Association grounds in August 1899 Lost.

A former member, Mrs. Iva Sutphin, had preserved a reprint of a program given in Mts. Runn Church on April 19, 1861 by the students of the Old Thompson School in Union Township which was located on the west side of Mts. Runn Creek. The church being on the East side of the creek, most of the audience found it necessary to tie their horses in the woods west of the creek, "coon" a log across the creek and walk a half mile to see the preformance.

The program has a number of features which make it interesting today. It was given on the evening of April 19, 1861, the day when the United States government established a blockade of Southern parts and the great Civil War was begun. Four days before this day President Lincoln has called for 75,000 volunteers. The original copy of the program had been preserved by William N. Lane, one of the performers. A daughter of Mrs. Sutphin, Mrs. Mary E. Artman found the copy of the program and shared it with myself for which we are thankful. The program reads as follows:

PROGRAMME

Introductory	Cassius Dulin
Declamation	
Nobility of Labor.	James M. Lane
A Cure for Hard Times.	Linneas Erwin

Essay

Labor Conquers All Things . .	John Kincaid
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Declamation

National Union	John H. Pauley
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Oration

Be a Man	John Ed Hillock
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Dialogue

The English Traveler . .	T. Frank Lane W. Barton Pauley
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Declamation

Perry's Victory	Anthony Kincaid
Aspirations of Youth . . .	Miss Amanda P Carr
Our Union	Evan Evans
Dialogue	Man is Best as He Is

Declamation

Coquetry Punished . . .	William Lane
America	Nannie Woodward

Oration

Time to Reach	Smiley M. Pauley
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Declamation

True Education	Samuel H. Lane
Dialogue	The Turtle

Essay

Education Better Than Riches . . .	Elizabeth C. Thompson
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Declamation

Adams and Jefferson	John Kincaid
The Cottage Girl	Sue Lane
Dialogue	Vanity Punished

Declamation

Speech Before a Jury	John A. Dulin
Common Schools	Jacob S. Cobb

Oration

Do Right	John Woodard
Dialogue	On Fashion

Declamation

Brothers	Levi Kincaid
How to Act at Fires	M. Harpool

Essay

Never Too Old to Learn	Evan Evans
Dialogue	Bonaface and Aimwell

Declamation

The Reason Why W. Barton Pauley
 The Artic Dove Mollie A. Carr
 The Effect of Intemperance C. Mark Lane

Oration

An Aspirant C. Mark Lane

Declamation

Visiting A Scene of Childhood
 Elizabeth C. Thompson
 Dialogue A Scene from the Poor
 Gentleman

Declamation

Duties of Americans Milton O Thompson
 The Modern Belle T Frank Lane
 Night Miss C. E. Dulin
 Debate Was Washington or
 Lafayette the Greater Man?

Declamation

Against Disunion Zarue Marsh

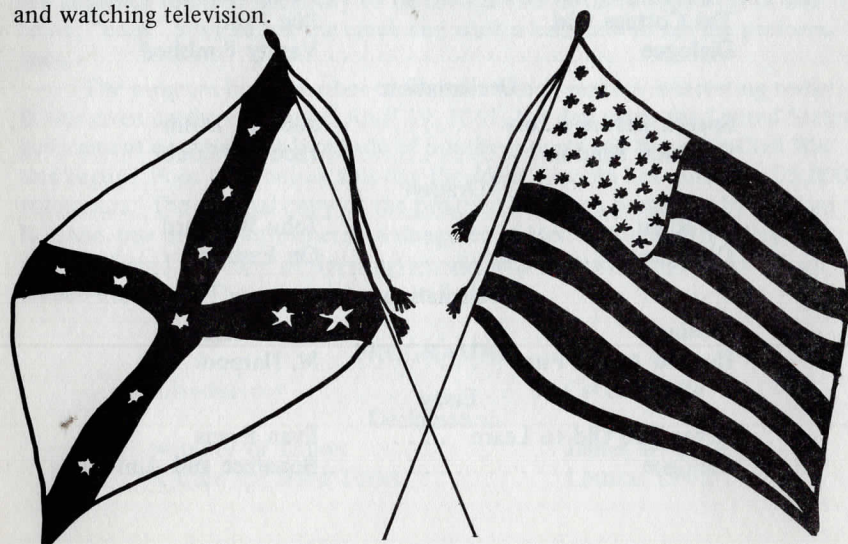
Essay

Music Jacob S. Cobb

Declamation

My Country Frances Hillock
 Valedictory Samuel H. Lane

Some other students of the school but not performing were: W. A. Kincaid and Martha Jane Kincaid Staton. This indicates a type of program that is seldom given now. Its length would scare the average modern into staying at home and watching television.



FORMER MEMBERS of MTS. RUNN CHURCH

1837 1977

CHARTER MEMBERS:

Sarah Ruble
 Sally Johnson
 James Peters
 John Spencer
 John Lane
 Lucy Peters
 John B. Allen
 Jane Allen
 Samuel Dooley
 Linney Dooley
 Robert Dooley
 Julyann Dooley
 Squire Dooley
 Jane Dooley
 Jesse Thompson
 Elizabeth Thompson
 Samuel Dooley, Sr.
 John Dulin
 William Schooley
 Mary Schooley
 John A. Dooley
 John Pittman
 John Johns
 Pollyann Johns
 Joseph Peters
 Frances Peters
 Martha Jane Johnson
 Alexander Johnson, Sr
 Elizabeth Johns
 Sarah Johns
 John B. Spencer
 Nancy Spencer
 Stanford Peters
 Mary Jane Dooley
 Sally Dooley
 Jesse Coleman
 Polly Dooley
 Mary Jane Dooley
 Hardin W Johns
 Charlotte Johns
 Rebecca Johnson
 Martha Peters
 Eliza S. Davis
 Martha Shoemaker
 David Presley
 Betsy Cox
 Mary Presley
 Harriet Ann Stephens
 Olive Dickerson

Betsy Dooley
 William Dooley
 Elizabeth Dooley
 John Vest
 Sarah Vest
 Sarah Ellen Vest
 Anges McLeod
 John W Abbitt
 America Abbitt
 Robert Abbitt
 Rebecca Abbitt
 George W Shoemaker, Sr
 Washington Johns
 Lewis Pratt
 David Schooley
 Josiah Kerns
 Jane Kerns
 Richard H. Walker
 Jacob Hackleman
 Riller Hackleman
 J A. Martin
 Eliza Peters
 Mary Martin
 Louisa McKenney
 Alvah Dooley
 Margaret Hancock
 Hancock
 Nancy Hancock
 Hancock
 Martha Abbitt
 James Graves
 Angelina Graves
 Jones Harris
 Harris
 America Dooley
 Julia Jane Peters
 Mary Elizabeth Allen
 Lucy Jane Allen
 Lucinda Pratt
 Harriet Abbitt
 Electa Strong
 Mary F. Berry
 Susan Servel
 William Strong
 Polly Hunter
 Mary Schooley
 Louisa Thompson
 Nancy Jane Thompson
 Robert Erwin
 Dianer Erwin

Betsy Jane Richard
 Sarah Elizabeth Dooley
 Martha Akemon
 Ira Cannon
 Sarah Cannon
 Nancy Stark
 Indiana Abbitt
 Sarah E. Dulin
 Clrinda E. Dulin
 Mary M. Shoemaker
 Jancy J. Dooley
 Malinda J. Peters
 Henretta Koons
 Levi P. Shoemaker
 Mary A. Shoemaker
 James W. Peters
 Margaret Peters
 Henderson Bush
 Eliza Emerine Bush
 Nancy A. Thompson
 David Hand
 Nancy A. Hand
 Lucinda Shelburn
 Thomas Shelburn
 Jane Shelburn
 Luisa Shelburn
 Wilson Thompson
 James
 Barba James
 Luisa Evans
 Samuel Shy
 John P. Stark
 Thomas Hand
 Henretta Peters
 James C. Stark
 Jonathan Slater
 Susan Beeman
 Nancy Shelburn
 George Shelburn
 L. W. Brandom
 Luisa Brandom
 G. W. Tabor
 Delphia J. Hughbanks
 Phebe Abbitt
 Susan Hand
 Charles W. Shelburn
 Milo Strong
 John C. Shoemaker
 Sarah A. Carey
 Jane Carey
 James R. Stark
 Margaret Stark
 James B. Shoemaker
 Isaa M. Shoemaker

Martha Harrison
 Thomas Burk
 George Houser
 John Dooley
 Sarah Dougherty
 Abigail Dougherty
 Polly Sullivan
 Jane Gill
 Mary A. Dooley
 Elen James
 Elizabeth Dulin
 Nancy F. Dulin
 Hancock
 John Hawkins
 Elizabeth Hawkins
 Prisciller Jane Holmes
 George B. Dulin
 Elizabeth Shoemaker
 Jane Sedwick
 Dolly Ann Peters
 Nancy Riley
 Mary Goodwin
 Benjamin Pauley
 Virginia Pauley
 George W. Parrish
 Nancy C. Parrish
 A. B. Dunkin
 Delila Dunkin
 William Woodruff
 Celeste Woodruff
 Laura B. Shoemaker
 Martha E. Shoemaker
 Hannah S. Steward
 Susan Steward
 Delcie Isenhour
 S. H. Dunlap
 James Red
 Esther Thompson Walker
 Donnis Voorhis
 Lillie M. Cox
 Ivan Shoemaker
 Dannie Ottinger
 George W. Shoemaker, Jr.
 Orpha Hine Enlow
 Doris Bohannon Allen
 Glen Neese
 William Artman
 Dorthy Smith
 Florence Jones
 Jazel Jones
 Cora Hedrick
 John Lanham
 Flay Lanham
 Hazel Stephenson

Othal Hull
 Hiram Steel
 John H. Peters
 Mary Casey
 Elizabeth Peters
 Sarah E. Burk
 Solomon Wolf
 William Wolf
 Melvina Abbitt
 Dudley Northcutt
 Nancy M. Smith
 Erasmus Shoemaker
 Letitia Shoemaker
 Eldora Shoemaker
 Adda Smith
 Elizabeth Shoemaker, Sr.
 Isaac Isenhour
 Harvey Bush
 Monroe Dulin
 Alvin Dulin
 Ida Dulin
 Mary Smiley
 Samantha Smiley
 James Northcutt
 Ida Northcutt
 Almeda Casey
 Mollie A. Dulin
 Ambrose Baughard
 Eliza A. Baughard
 James E. Stark
 Phebe Stark
 Cassius Dulin
 Mary A. Dulin
 Jane Wysong
 Fanny Peters
 Perlina Dulin
 Richard Pack
 Elizabeth Pack
 Nancy Sedwick
 Martha Baughard
 Elizabeth Shoemaker, Jr.
 Josephine Abbitt
 Elizabeth Flemines
 Polly E. Johns
 Bertha Baughard
 Louella Fishback
 Bell Berkley
 Lidda Wolf
 Nancy Wolf
 John Wolf
 Nelson Casey
 Anna Casey
 Elvira Hine
 Isaac Darnall

Kenyon Stephenson
 Ralph Yates
 Jessie Wills
 Edwin Carey
 Perlina Goodwin
 Harden Steward
 John Echinson
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 Mrs. Robert Steel
 Martha Stark
 Cora Bohannon
 Lizzy Casey
 Ethelbert Berry
 Mohala Berry
 Emma Bush
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 Alcetus Ottinger
 Nora Ottinger
 Ira Peters, Jr.
 Luella Highbanks
 James Hughbanks
 Mary Sanders
 James Bohannon
 Willie Baker
 Rossi Wolf
 Anazetti Allen
 Charles Day
 Mollie Day
 Alonza Harshbarger
 Dollie Artman
 Stephen Ross
 Mrs. Stephen Ross
 William Lane
 Thyra Yates
 Riley Yates
 Osa Shoemaker Dulin
 Mollie Artman
 Alice Carey
 Rosa Good
 Lydia Echinson
 Jas. Essex
 Mary Peters
 John Harshbarger
 Minnie G. Harshbarger
 Frank Kolb

Lilla Scott
 Charles Scott
 Izora Shoemaker Leap
 James Abbitt
 Bethsheba Abbitt
 Cora Bush
 Estella Baughard Peters
 Issa Copenhaver
 John Copenhaver
 Richard Copenhaver
 Frank Copenhaver
 Laura Shelburn
 Sylvia Dunlap
 Vera Dulin Smith
 Della Highbanks Dulin
Dora E. Stark
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 Walter Bess
 Perry Lane
 James Jarvis
 Walter Huchstep
 Tommy Steward
 George Scott
 Homer Bell
 Zephia Abbitt Bohannon
 Sebert Hine
 Willard Shoemaker
 Pearl Smiley
 Frank Hutton
 Mrs. Ferguson
 Catherine Hoover
 Emma Ditzenbarger
 John Thompson
 Vinnie Kincaid Davis
 Lillie Abbitt Bonwell
 John Huff
 Monroe Summers
 Maggie Summers
 Kittie Baughard
 Charles Burgess
 Ellen Burgess
 Robert Hine
W. H. Stark
 Ona Bell
 Mary West
 Maude Thompson Swafford
 Ethel Ditzenbarger Hodge
 Maude Shoemaker Reed
 Elmer Burgess
 Etta Burgess
 Isa Hine
 Lula West Hine
 Sophromia Stewart
 Asa Stewart

George Ottinger
 Wilda Bohannon Zenor
 A. B. Huckstep
 Nancy Huckstep
 Zulie Hine
 Celestia Hine
 Estella Bell
 Hannah New
 Llewlin Ditzenbarger
Maria F. Stark
 Dora Yates
 Benjamin W. Ross
 Opal Abbitt Pittman
 Daryl Abbitt
 Ernest Harshbarger
 Samantha Shoemaker
 Jacob G. Shoemaker
 Effie Miller Livengood
 Eva Miller
 Orville Harshbarger
 John E. Dye
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 Carvallas Shoemaker
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 Allie Casey
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 Dora Dulin
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 George Abbitt
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 Vanora New
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 Jane Scott
Valeria Kincaid Stark
 Albert Hine
 Roy C. Dulin
Corilla Stark
 Lizzie Thompson

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 Ola Miller
 Trudie Yates Peters
 Ola Ullery
 Homer Ottinger
 W. A. Kincaid
 Ollie M. Lane
 Ella Lane
 Gracie Lane Monroe
 Bessie Lane Neese
 Ruth Ottinger Spaugh
 Sarah E. Isenhour
 James N. Lane
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 Melvina Kolb
 Bertha Hine
 Theresa Moore
 William H. Moore
 Ruby Shoemaker Phillips
 Georgia Dulin Artman
 Cornelia Essex
 Sarah A. Harshbarger
 William Andra West
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 Pearl Mustin
 Mary Dulin Wurtzler
 Aura Wood
 William A. Wood
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 Virgie Dulin
 Earl Dye
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 Emma Red
 Buren Shoemaker
 Deleda Dulin Cragun
 Mazephia Dulin Scott
 Opal Dulin Layne
 George A. Essex
 Homer Dulin
 Harry Johnson
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 Pearl Essex Engledow
Ellen Dulin Sanders
 Amanda Hine
 Rhoda Dulin Thompson
 Minnie Cragun
 Ivy Sutphin
 Celeste Wood Essex
 Charles Essex
 Martha Beaty Adams
 Pauline Beaty Richardson

Alva Abbitt
 Lottie Scott Warren
 Verna Shoemaker
 Harold Thompson
 Nora Essex Baker
 Sylvia Kolb Faulkner
 Ora Dulin Pipes
 Oran Dulin
 Laatta New
 William Ernest Essex
 Flora Dye
 Ova Dulin Romine
 Media Scott Brock
 Oma Dulin Shoemaker
 Osa Essex Kouns

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 Ruth Hine Lamar
 Agnes Cragun
 Martha Cragun Hoggins
 Earl Jackson
 Catherine Jackson
 Edward E. Jackson
 Lou David Jackson
 Marie Hancock Essex
 Fern Hine Mundell
 Leona Pipes Ottinger
 Cecil Delong
 Ruth Shoemaker Gross
 Buren Sutphin
 Buren K. Johnson
 Thelma Engledow
 Doris Cleaver Hughbanks
 James Hughbanks
 Ruthie Shoemaker Cline
 Stella Page Dulin
 Eunice Williams Hillock
 Cleo Hillock
 Loraine Mount Cragun
 Evelyn Shoemaker White
 Mildred Essex Shepherd
 John Shepherd
 Pauline Essex Heckman
 Robert Heckman
 Vassie Shoemaker Artman
 Alma Smith Jones
 Lester Essex
 Russell Essex
 Lloyd Cragun
 Dorthy Jackson
 Eddie Dulin
 Ivan Harman
 Gladys Westerfield

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 Lillian Harshbarger
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 Robert Delong

George Westerfield
 Lowell West
 Wilma West Smith
 Clay Eberwein
 Norma Jones Dulin
 Donna Westerfield Akers
 James Neese
 Maude Glendenning
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 Lora West
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 Anna Ruth Essex Clemens
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Ocie Wilson
 Mary Staton Mount
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 Edith Parks Jordan
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 Juanita Wilson Wright
 Wayne Cragun
 Chester Abbitt
 John Marvin Dulin
 Leona Shoemaker Kelsey
 Sally Dulin Smith
 Ruby Fuller
 Gerald Eberwein
 Audrey Dunn
 Alecia Shepherd Sparks
 Sue Ann Poole

Lewis Gray
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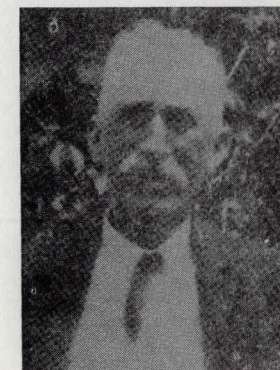
Sister Adda Bush Essex
 member 72 yrs.
 1880 - 1952



Sister Elizabeth Bohannon
 member over 50 yrs.



Brother Ira J. Peters,
 grandson of Charter
 members James and
 Lucy Peters, was a
 member over 50 yrs.



PRESENT MEMBERS of MTS. RUNN CHURCH

1977

Abbie Yates
Orpha Kolb
Ruth Neal
Fern Shoemaker
Naomi Sims
Pearl Cox
Neva Essex
Zella Kanis
Fannie Wurtzler
Orba Good
Hazel Kouns
Gertrude Bishop
Chloe Slater
Arthur Brown
Lora Clinger
Bessie Shelburne
Dale Romine
Chester Shoemaker
Mary Louise Shoemaker
Carl Cragun
Vonda Kouns
Dorothy Jones
Charles Hine
Lois Thompson
Virgil Cragun
Fred Cragun
Albert Parks
Danny Parks
Ernest Essex
Yvonne Essex
Dovie Endres
Bill Shoemaker
Mildred Davis
Irma Brown
Fredia Stewart
Eleanor Cragun
Mary Abbitt
Meredith Abbitt
Marion Abbitt
Mary Miller
Richard Neese
Edith Neese
Joan Neese Gwnaltney
Hazel Harman
Katha Shoemaker Dulhanty
Tom Shoemaker
Richard West
John A. Shoemaker
George Wright
Leonard Wright
Josephine Wright

Helen Cox Fix
Louise Abbitt
Janel Neese Shoemaker
Charles A. Dulhanty
Delores Abbitt
Charles West
Catherine Stevens Jackson
Eddie Tom West
William O'Neal
Dorothy O'Neal
Beverly Rose
Terry Maulden
Margaret Maulden
Anna Coyle
Donald O'Neal
Marilyn Capps Bartlett
Sandra Capps
Susan Wood
Mike Jones
Debbie Jones
Harold Jean Shoemaker
Barbara Shoemaker
Mark Wood
Carol O'Neal
Leola Good
Elizabeth Sedwick
Carmen Dulhanty
Alana Dulhanty Davis
Kathy Shoemaker
Debbie Shoemaker
Steven Sullivan
Mary Ann Sanders
Benny Wilson
Albert Belcher
Imogene Belcher
Dale Belcher
Clarence Howard
Harold Howard
Peggy Howard
Charles Howard
Mark Sullivan
Julia Adams
Mike Adams
Frances Barrett
Joe Barrett, Sr
Johnny Barrett
Joe Barrett, Jr
Cynthia Barrett
Terri Barrett
Bryan Sullivan
Donald Haney

William Reed
Catherine Cox Jarrett
Doris Cox Wilson
Kristy Fix
Deanna Hunter
Rita Shoemaker
Chris Thompson
Jimmy Wilson
Ruth Ruggles Vice
Rebe Capps
Dan Fix
Jimmy Ruggles
Angie Bower
Gilbert Padgett
Russell Padgett, Jr.
Sue Padgett Kern
Jane Padgett
Cheri Byrne
Rhonda Bower
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Stacey Fix
Becky Fix
Carolyn Padgett
Joe Carr
Betty Carr
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Tom Carr
Jim Carr
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Russell Padgett, Sr
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Pat Lochkovic

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Johnnie Morris
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Kathy Delello
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Cheryl Dellelo
Cindy Delello
Randy Clark
Jan Knotts
Dwayne Waters
Bobbie Reed
Shirley Falls
John Falls
Sherry Falls
Jim Cross
Dennis Ells
Shawn Beck
Dean Lochkovic
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Barbara McPeak
Debbie McPeak Jeffers
Tammy McPeak Ells
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Ilean Barnes
Kathryn Barnes
Tim Howell
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Scott Lynch
Gary Sanders
Blanch Ricci
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Brenda Skyles Allen
Joe Runyan
Betty Runyan
Douglas Runyan

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 Tim Rife
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 Marvin Brown
 Marilyn Brown
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 Phil Staton
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 Bill Trout
 Dodi Winters
 Jay Winters
 David Staples
 J. D. Ruggles
 Robert Woodward
 Marie Woodward
 Betty Jo Woodward
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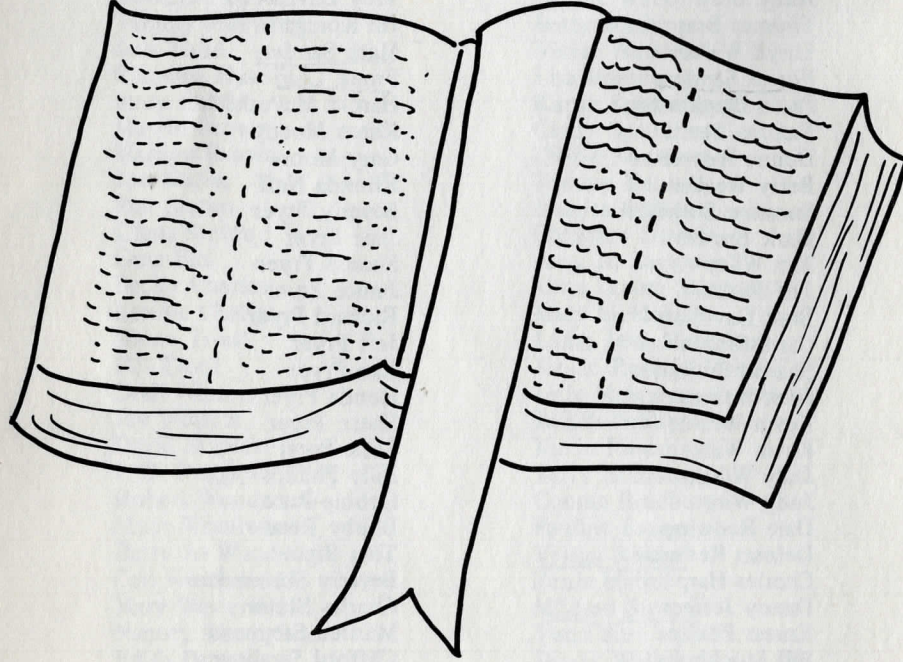
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 Karen Pierce
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 Connie Bradbury
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 Velma Roberts
 Zenia Mathis
 Mildred Stevens
 Tim Cain
 Sherry Walker
 Cindy Berger
 Dixie Berger
 Joey Phillips
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 Nevon Lowe
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 Sheila Lowe
 Tommy Taylor
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 Larry Sears
 Yvonne Neff
 David Kryter
 Elizabeth Kryter
 Robin Bray
 Lana Neff
 Mary Hawkins
 Melissa Carr
 Doris Fitch
 Leroy Bray
 Ruby Bray
 Thomas Bray
 Lloyd Walker
 Forest Sanders
 Paula Blankinship
 Tamma Burns
 Donna Weaver
 Betty Weaver
 Suzanne Sutherlin
 Mark Brown
 Tim Wiley
 Jeff Rich
 Brad Davidson
 Carol Staton
 Sharon Sutherlin
 Rick Weaver
 Kevin Weaver
 Kevin Walker
 Judy Wilson
 Judy Wire
 Dale Redwine
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 Danny Jeffers
 Ernest Phillips
 Bill Stockholm
 Peggy Stockholm
 Jim Pierce
 Ann Spears
 Clarence Grahm
 Mrs. Clarence Grahm
 Phil Stringer
 Cindy Stringer
 Clyde Askren
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Tammy Watkins
 Margaret Carpenter
 Mabel Spear
 Peggy Sanders
 Tina Rich
 Tom Sanders
 Brad Clark
 Brenda Clark
 Diana Strough
 Mark Matthews
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 Robert Garwood
 Dennis Trout
 Sonny Blinkinsop
 Zelphia Philpott
 Max Spears
 Gordon Acord
 Bryan Allen
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 Troy Davis
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 Mildred Stephens
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 Bobby Weaver
 Patsy Whitlow
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 Robert Whitlow
 Kevin Van Wye
 Louise Whitlow
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Robert Caffey
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Tilara Coffey
Marie Crotts
Curtis Cunningham
Mary Espy
Mark Graham
Janet Harp
Herb Holter
Joseph Kimer
Emily Kryter



In the beginning was the Word
and the Word was with God
and the Word was God. John:1

ARTICLES OF FAITH FOR MOUNTS RUN CHURCH

ARTICLE 1. We believe in One only True and Living God and that there are three that bear Record in heaven, The Father, Son and Holy Ghost and that these three are one.

ARTICLE 2. We believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be of Divine authority and the only infallible Rule of Faith and practice.

ARTICLE 3. We believe in the fall of man, and that Adam's Posterity are Sinners by nature, and that they have neither will, nor power to save themselves, from their condemned and Sinful State by the ability which they possess by nature.

ARTICLE 4. We believe in Election by Grace according as He has chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestinated us, to the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will.

ARTICLE 5. We believe that sinners are justified by the Righteousness of God, which is in Jesus imputed to them by a Divine and Supernatural operation of the Spirit of God, and that they are kept by the power of God through faith unto Salvation.

ARTICLE 6. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ appointed in his Churches and none but true believers are fit subjects for either and that the proper mode for Baptism is Immersion.

ARTICLE 7. We believe no Minister has a right to administer those ordinances only such as have been regularly baptised, called and come under the

Imposition of hands of a presbytery by the authority of the Church of Jesus Christ.

ARTICLE 8. We believe in the Resurrection of the Bodies, both of the just and unjust but every one in his own order, they that have done good to the Resurrection of life and they that have done evil to the Resurrection of Damnation, and that God has appointed a day in which he will judge the world in Righteousness by Jesus Christ and that the joys of the Righteous will be eternal and the punishment of the wicked everlasting.

ARTICLE 9. We believe the Scriptures teach that such as are truly regenerate, being born of the Spirit, will not utterly fall away and finally perish, but will endure unto the end, that their persevering attachment to Christ is the grand mark which distinguishes them from superficial professors; that a special Providence watches over their welfare; and they are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation.

RULES OF DECORUM FOR MOUNTS RUN CHURCH

ARTICLE 1. The business of the Church to be done the 4th Saturday of every month beginning at 11 o'clock. Any male member absenting himself three meetings, in succession shall be accountable to the Church for such neglect.

ARTICLE 2. A moderator to be chosen by a majority of voices and until another is chosen, he is to preside in the Church. While at Business he is to keep order but always under the control of a majority of the Church. He is to hold his own opinion until all other members who wish to speak

for three months they shall lose their right to vote until they resume regular attendance.

5. All members of the church, fourteen (14) years of age or older, in full fellowship with the church shall constitute the voting body of the church.

6. Upon breaking ties with the church any member who holds an office in the church will forfeit their position. If by means the person should return to the church he shall not claim that office unless being reinstated by the church.

**NEW COVENANT OF THE MEMBERS OF
MOUNTS RUN REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCH**

There has always been, and surely be now, specific distinguishing characteristics belonging to the followers of Jesus Christ. These traits are the Christian-like features common to and possessed by all; so much so that there must be like desires, kindred aspirations and perfect harmony in their striving for things pertaining to Christ's Kingdom. A divided house will soon be no house. A divided opposition to Satan inevitably means a victory for Satan.

God has made us, His children, the custodians of His truth, the instruments of the fulfilment of His purposes and the stewards of His goods.

This brings to us personal duties and obligations, many times needs for sacrifice and a denial of fleshly prompting. To deny these facts or neglect these personal obligations means to stand in our own light, deprive ourselves and our children of God's promised blessings, and bring upon Zion the most disastrous and ruinous results.

of subscribing hereunto to two months after it has been presented to them.

continue the directions given in the 18th Chapter of Matthew by the Saviour is to be attended to, in all common cases as far as practicable in teaching with our Brethren. And in all uncommon cases the Church to be the Judge and in all public transactions acknowledgements are to be made to the Church.

ARTICLE 11. AMENDMENT TO DECORUM OF
MOUNTS RUN CHURCH—MEMBERSHIP

1. Members will be received into the church (1) by conversion and baptism by immersion. (2) by Christian experience, and (3) by letters of transfer from churches of like faith and practice.

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2. Candidates for membership must: (a) Openly

their sins have been forgiven, and that they have met with a change of heart; (b) that they will give themselves regularly to prayer and Bible study; (c) that they will carefully abide by the doctrines of the church as taught by the Word of God; (d) that they will cheerfully assume the obligations imposed by the church covenant; (e) that they shall willingly bear their share of the obligations and responsibilities of this church.

s of this church.

3. Members may be severed by death, by letter, by exclusion and be erasure. Regular letters of dismissal can be granted only to members in good standing.

4. Members who absent themselves for six months from the services of this church without reasonable cause, and who fail to aid in the support of the church, unless unable to do so, shall be placed on an inactive membership roll. After being absent

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PEACE WITH GOD

From out of the wilderness our forefathers came,
Braving great dangers; suffering much pain,
Building their houses; tilling the land,
Raising large families; lending a hand.
Yet never forgetting their faith to renew,
Built a humble log house
For the gathering few .

And there they found peace with God.

But peace did not hold, troubled times lay ahead,
Blue-gray raged in war; many were dead,
Settlers moved onward and forests grew sparse,
Soon modern inventions replaced the horse.
Still never forgetting folks' faith to renew,
They built a brick meeting house
For the gathering few

And there . they found peace with God.

Though more plaguing trials were thrust out in time,
As wars and Depression shrunk dollars to dimes,
Families lost loved ones; dreams broke in two,
The lives nearly shattered sought God's peace so true.
And now to a shaded ravine come the few . .
Who gather together their strength to renew

And here . . we find peace with God.

by Mrs. Katha Dulhanty
(dedicated to the loving memory of
my father, Russell E. Shoemaker)