

**HISTORY
OF
THE**

ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**HIGHWAY 417
WOODRUFF, SOUTH CAROLINA**

SPARTANBURG COUNTY

CASHVILLE COMMUNITY

1843-1996

***Dedicated to the memory of the
Reverend Benjamin Palmer Reid
and Mary Anderson Leonard
who were instrumental in the
reorganization of
Antioch Presbyterian Church
on July 3, 1904.***



Reverend Benjamin Palmer Reid
1860-1913

Benjamin Palmer Reid received his education from the Reidville Male Academy, Davidson College and Princeton Seminary. Following graduation he became involved in missionary work for the Synod of South Carolina and was instrumental in the reorganization of churches which were closed during the War between the States; and to each church service in this ministry, his portable organ went with him. The Reverend Reid was a recognized power in all the work of the Presbyterian Church in the state of South Carolina, faithfully performing all duties laid upon him. He was married to Miss Leila Teasley from Iva, S. C. From this union were born three children: Robert Harden, Benjamin Palmer, and Julia Anderson. This able servant of the Lord was pastor of Antioch from 1904 until 1912, only two years prior to his death.



Mary Anderson Leonard
1866-1930

Mary Anderson Leonard received her education from the Reidville Female College, Mount Holyoke, the University of South Carolina and the University of Chicago. Following graduation she filled the Chair of History in colleges over the South. Some have recalled that she and Dr. Johnson organized Winthrop College with seventeen students. From 1899 to 1906 she was professor of History at Winthrop and in her later years received the Ph.D. degree from the University of South Carolina. As a charter member of Reidville Woman's Club, she was remembered in the minutes as "cherishing high ideals in herself and others. She was a woman of independence in thought and action and was recognized for the brilliancy of her mind."

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In order to fully grasp the existing conditions that brought about the organization of Antioch Presbyterian Church, it is fitting that we return to the late seventeen hundreds when settlers began to locate on the branches of the Tyger River. In 1761 eight or ten families of Scotch-Irish from Pennsylvania settled on branches of the Tyger River, then in Spartanburg District. About 1767, their numbers were increased by a colony which came directly from the north of Ireland through Charleston. This colony settled upon the highlands adjoining the Tyger River settlement. These two colonies covered a territory nearly twenty miles square. In his writings Dr. George Howe made the following statement: "These first settlers were full of reverence for God's word and for the institution of religion; and no sooner had they established their homes in the forests of the new world than they made the best arrangements in their power for the public worship of the God of their fathers."

A place of equal distance between what was known

then as the upper and lower settlements was chosen as the site for the sanctuary. The first house was built in 1765 from native logs and the church was organized in 1772 as the Nazareth Presbyterian Church. It has been said of these early settlers that, so great was the reverence of the congregation for the office of ruling elder they thought there was scarcely one among them fit to discharge its duties, and they had great difficulty in making a selection. The officiating minister, Joseph D. Alexander, D. D., who organized the church, was able to override those scruples. However, the candidates-elect had such exalted views of the character and qualifications requisite for the office of ruling elder that they refused for some time to be ordained.

Nazareth may well be called the mother of surrounding churches for, wherever her members migrated there was formed a church. Fairview Church in Laurens County was organized in 1786 from five Nazareth families. In addition to Antioch, other later offspring were Mt. Tabor at Greer, Mt. Calvary in the Walnut Grove Community, Center Point at Moore, Reidville and Wellford.

The first William Anderson born in 1706, Scotch-Irish, and his wife, Rebecca Denny Anderson, immigrated to Pennsylvania where they lived until they moved to what is now South Carolina and settled on the Tyger River in 1763.

He was a staunch Whig during the American Revolutionary War and was murdered by the Tories in 1783. Their youngest son, Denny Anderson, was born on December 23, 1763 when his mother was fifty-three years of age. When young Denny should have been attending school, he was fighting for the freedom of his country. It is said that, despite his youth, he was a noted soldier of the Revolution and afterward became a man of influence. Denny and his wife, Elizabeth Massey Anderson, settled in the lower part of Spartanburg County near the Enoree River. He was a justice of the peace and a ruling elder in Nazareth Church where he was a member for forty years. He and his family rode from his home on the Enoree River to Nazareth, some twelve to fourteen miles distant, to attend church. Often they rode horseback, the mother on one horse, the father on the other with the smaller children in front and the larger children behind. When weather permitted and the roads were passable, carriages, buggies, or wagons served as their means of conveyance. This applied not only to the Andersons, but also to other families in the surrounding area. The distance these people had to travel, along with their limited means of transportation, were the two deciding factors in building a place of worship more conveniently located.

The following is a copy of a Minute of Nazareth

**Presbyterian Church Session the 27th of August
1843:**

**Session met, Whereupon the following persons applied
for certification of dismissal from this Church for the
purpose of organizing themselves into a church, situated
in Spartanburg District S. C. near Cashville P.O. to wit:**

Samuel Pearson

Elizabeth Pearson

Robert Blakely

Catharine Blakely

Elizabeth Anderson

Elizabeth Leonard

Denny Anderson

Elizabeth Anderson

John Anderson

Mary Anderson

John Coan

Margaret Coan

James Anderson, Jr.

Margaret Anderson

William Leonard

Mary Leonard

Alexander Wakefield

Sarah Wakefield

Margaret Peden

Martha Westmoreland

Ashbel Peden

Mary Peden

Rebecca Bennett

**Ordered that all of the above named persons are
hereby dismissed in good standing from this church, and
that the Clerk be authorized to make out the necessary
papers of dismissal from the same.**

This is to certify that all the persons before named,

belonging to this church (Nazareth) are affectionately dismissed, by order of the Session, at Nazareth this 27th August 1843.

Signed: I N. Hadden
Clerk of Session

Antioch Presbyterian Church was organized on the 17th day of August 1843 in the District of Spartanburg near Cashville Post Office by the Reverend William Carlyle, as, In accordance with the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, with three Ruling Elders, viz: Robert Blakely, William Leonard and John Anderson. James Anderson, Jr. and Ashbel Peden were ordained Deacons in 1844. Within the next decade membership had increased from the original twenty-three to fifty-six.

Denny Anderson of the second generation gave ten acres of land, a mile east of the Massey-Anderson graveyard, for a church and burial ground with the condition that, when the donation ceased to be used for the purposes indicated it should revert to his heirs. On these ten acres of donated land a plain and simple white frame building was erected for worship by the newly formed church. It is believed that a school was already built on this property and was in use at this time.

In June of 1850 the Reverend Robert H. Reid became Supply Pastor, taking one fourth of his time from the Nazareth Church to do so until December of that year. During these early years the church was served by a succession of pastors who supplied for short periods of time. Many of them were serving churches in nearby areas. As the result of a sermon on Systematic Benevolence preached in this church in 1854 by the Reverend Robert H. Reid, the Session resolved that the first quarterly collection would be sent to foreign missions. This is the first record of the establishment of a system of quarterly collections to aid benevolent causes. The next quarterly collection was to be used in aid of Domestic Missions.

Celebrations of the Lord's Supper were observed regularly. One such record states that the third Sabbath in August 1854 was set apart for Communion Season in this church, preaching to convene on the Friday or Saturday before. The administration of the Sacraments was observed "with order and solemnity".

The first recorded meeting of the Session was October 9, 1844 with members Robert Blakely and William Leonard present. The Reverend John McKittrick served as moderator and clerk. On October 25, 1872 a motion was made and carried that Session have a regular quarterly

meeting on the Saturday before the first Sunday for the purpose of securing the temporal and spiritual good of the members of this church and that the deacons sit with them at these meetings. Prior to this date Session met when called by the pastor or when it was expedient that they dispose of necessary business. The called meetings usually occurred just before or immediately after Divine Worship.

During the years 1861 to 1865 the numbers attending church were depleted when men were called to serve the Confederacy in the War Between the States. These men served with honor, mostly on the battlefields of Virginia. Some few were captured by the Union Army and detained in Northern prison camps while others returned home to their families at the close of the war. No church record has been located concerning the events of this period. What is known has been passed down by word of mouth by the descendants of those who served.

From 1843 and into the first quarter of the twentieth century there were some instances where disciplinary measures were taken by the Session. Some few members were charged with offenses unacceptable in an individual who professes faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. After due consideration, the charges having been thoroughly investigated by the Session, the individual would either be acquitted, or he would be suspended from the communion

of the church without further trial upon admission of such offense. Upon exhibiting satisfactory evidence of reformation and repentance, he would be restored as a communing member of the church.

No mention is made of the existence of a Sunday School prior to March 21, 1875. On this date Session decreed that a Sunday School be organized the next regular preaching day. On April 18, 1875 the Reverend J. R. Jacobs was installed as superintendent of the newly organized Sunday School with G. B. Anderson as assistant. During these years services were twice each month in the afternoon with Sunday School first, followed by preaching.

The church seems to have prospered until after the War Between the States when, under changed conditions of living, several families in the community found it necessary to move to surrounding towns to survive, leaving a weak and struggling congregation behind, which was barely able to hold a pastor. Consequently, after forty years of serving in the Cashville Community, the organization, including most of its membership, was moved to the town of Reidville about four miles distant, most probably in 1883. There are no minutes between the first Sabbath of August 1882, the last recorded date of the old church, and January 2, 1884. From minutes of the Session of Enoree Presbytery at Lisbon, April 5, 1883, is the

following excerpt:

A report of the Nazareth Church to Presbytery was considered and a committee was appointed to visit Nazareth Church and to report to the next meeting of Presbytery as to the propriety of organizing three churches, one to be at Reidville, one at Center Point, and one at Wellford. The committee, appointed by Presbytery to look into this matter, respectfully reported that they held a conference with the Elders and Deacons of Antioch and also with the Pastor, Elders and Deacons of Nazareth Church on the 25th of May last. After a full discussion of the matter, the committee recommended the following action be taken by Presbytery: That the organization of Antioch Church, having been removed to Reidville, that the members of Nazareth living in the vicinity of Reidville connect themselves with that organization.

This report was adopted September 27, 1883. The records of Antioch Church at Reidville show no Sessional action touching the removal of the church nor congregational meeting to consider the same. However, an individual who did not identify himself, has stated that he remembered being present at a congregational meeting which voted to remove the organization to Reidville and presumed that the congregational meeting was called by the Commission of Presbytery which met at Nazareth. The

Presbyterial action noted above fixed the year of removal as 1883. The first recorded Session meeting of Antioch Church in Reidville was on January 2, 1884 when it met and unanimously resolved to call the Reverend Robert H. Reid for one half his time as Stated Supply. Of interest to the congregation is a tribute rendered the Reverend Reid by those who lived in his time among whom he labored: "A man widely known for his great breadth of view, tact and ability, and known among South Carolina Presbyterians as a "seeker out" of proper soil for Presbyterian Churches." On the third Sabbath in January of 1884 Session met in the chapel at the Reidville Female College. It was here that the congregation worshiped for several years.

On September 28, 1884 the Session of Antioch met in the Session House of Nazareth jointly with the Sessions of Nazareth and Center Point, moderated by the pastor, the Reverend Robert H. Reid. This meeting was concerning the members of Nazareth living in the vicinity of the town of Reidville as mentioned above in the minutes of Enoree Presbytery at Lisbon on April 5, 1883. On the same day, September 28, 1884, Antioch Session met in the evening in the school room at the college for the purpose of examining and receiving into the church the twenty-four members who had received letters of dismissal from the Nazareth Church.

On June 1, 1889 the members of Antioch Church met in the chapel of the Reidville Female College. The object of this meeting was that of taking the necessary steps toward the building of a church in Reidville. Elder W. A. Harrison then presented a paper which was read and acted upon and unanimously adopted. Following are excerpts from that paper:

It has been five years since the organization of Antioch Presbyterian Church was moved to Reidville. The time has arrived in our history when we should have a building of our own in which to worship. Mr. D. O. Leonard has donated by a deed of conveyance to the deacons of Antioch Church and their successors two acres of land within the corporate limits of the town of Reidville on which to build said church

That we accept from Mr. D. O. Leonard this token of affection, that we tender to him our gratitude for this offer

That the building committee be authorized and empowered to take down the old church building at Cashville and, in their judgment, use as much of material as needed in the new building, that if they find the frame sound they proceed as early as convenient after crops are laid by to the removal of the old building to Reidville and to erect the same at once.

The two acres mentioned above became the Reidville

Cemetery.

No mention was made in subsequent minutes of Session meetings concerning the content of the last paragraphs from the paper presented by W. A. Harrison. This old building stood for many more years and served a useful purpose.

A beautiful new white frame building was erected on a plot of ground adjacent to the Reidville Female College. Here the congregation held its first meeting in the early fall of 1889.

The Antioch Church in Reidville experienced considerable growth during these years. However, it seemed the flame of love and loyalty never ceased burning in the hearts of certain of the members for the organization as it was when it worshipped in the old church building in the community of Cashville. In 1896 and 1897, partly through the initiative of William Denny Leonard, a few necessary repairs, including a new roof, were made on the old building, which even in its best days was simple and unpretentious. It seems that funeral services continued to be conducted here and that the cemetery was available for the use of members.

In the late summer of 1989 a document of some significance was found in the attic of a home once owned and occupied by Carrie Leonard Hughes. It was given to

the church by her daughter-in-law Margaret Hughes and in all probability refers to information in the preceding paragraph. Following is copy of a portion of this paper:

**The State of South Carolina County of Spartanburg A.
D. 1896**

We the undersigned subscribers do hereby promise to pay individually the sums or amounts written opposite our names, each to the amount of his or her subscription. Now, whereas, Denny Anderson, Sr. long deceased, did donate lands for the purpose of Antioch Presbyterian Church which is situated and being near Cashville, Spartanburg County, S. C. And, whereas, Mrs. Mattie Robison has donated forever a part of the said lands, including the cemetery and house, to its friends. Now, therefore we appoint and constitute the following named gentlemen to act as a permanent committee (or any three of them) to repair and keep in repair the house and cemetery aforesaid, and to apply our contributions to the repairing of the same; or their elective successors, viz.

Dr. David R. Anderson

Boyd D. Wood

John N. Anderson

Dr. W. Frank Leonard

Jas. S. Darby

Jns. A. Robison

Frank O. Dillard

A. Reid Wood

There followed a list of twenty-two subscribers. Some

promised to donate labor or hardware, others to donate cash. The original paper, so fragile, in order to be preserved, has been laminated and placed in a lock box at the Woodruff State Bank for safe keeping.

As time passed the Cashville community changed. Plantations were divided into farms and a number of new people moved in. Around 1899 a Union Sunday School was organized. During the summer this was conducted in the old church building, and during the winter in the schoolhouse nearer Cashville. This endeavor soon enlisted the interest and sympathy of the Reverend Benjamin Palmer Reid, son of the Reverend Robert Hardin Reid. Mr. Palmer, as he was affectionately addressed, was never too busy to assist a church needing his services. He gave a Sunday afternoon each month to the Sunday School for the next four or five years. In 1903 he conducted a several days meeting in the old church. Presbytery, upon hearing a statement of the work, authorized the Home Missions Committee to reorganize Antioch if the way in their judgment should be clear. On June 5, 1904 in the afternoon a sermon was preached by the Reverend B. Palmer Reid, who had been made chairman of a commission to look into the advisability of reorganization. Upon the call after the sermon, nine persons came forward, each desiring to form a church organization. The Commission,

having been assured that there was a fair prospect of growth, decided in favor of the nine petitioners. The nine petitioners became charter members of the reorganization. Their names are listed as follows:

Joseph Stanley Kilgore, Sr.	William Perry Fowler
Jessie Ellen Kilgore	W. Boyd Wood
Mary A. Leonard	Rosa Evelyn Kilgore
Carrie Leonard	Haskell Kilgore
Wells B. Kilgore	

On July 3, 1904 the Commission met after Divine Service at Old Antioch and received one additional member, Lillian Louise Kilgore, into the church and installed one elder, J. S. Kilgore, Sr. and one deacon, W. Boyd Wood. W. P. Fowler was ordained elder one month later. Numbers from other churches were received upon proper credentials and the church was declared reorganized as Old Antioch on July 3, 1904. (At a later date the Antioch at Reidville became known as the Reidville Presbyterian Church.) It is recorded that communicant members ten years later had grown to sixty-nine and the following year there were one hundred two resident communicants. It was said to have grown more rapidly than any other church in the Synod of South Carolina.

During the years in which there was no church

organization on the ten acres of land deeded to Antioch by Denny Anderson, the property had reverted to his heirs. In the possession of William Leonard, Elder, is the original deed to three acres of property deeded to Antioch Church in 1901. Following is a copy of that deed:

Know all men by these Presents that I, E. A. Wood of Greenville County in the State of South Carolina for the love and affection which I bear unto the descendants of John Anderson, Denny Anderson, William Leonard, Alexander Wakefield, James Anderson, John B. Edwards, all deceased of Spartanburg County, S. C., and Dr. Creighton of Greenville County, deceased. I do hereby give, grant, and release unto the descendants of the aforesaid individuals all my right, title and interest to all that certain piece, parcel and lot of land situate lying and being in Spartanburg County in the state of South Carolina in Reidville Township near Cashville, S. C. being same lands on which the old Antioch Presbyterian Church now stands and having the following courses, meets and bounds to wit (viz.) Beginning at a stone near an old road and from S. 83 W. 309 feet to stone thense S. 10 E. 408 feet to a stone thense N. 83 E. 309 feet to a stone thense N. 10 W. 408 feet to the beginning and contains three acres more or less.

To Have and to Hold the above described land unto

the descendants and their successive descendants of all the above named kindred by the descent of John Anderson, Denny Anderson, James Anderson, William Leonard, Alexander Wakefield and Dr. Creighton for their use and benefit forever as a church lot and cemetery.

It is hereby condition that the aforesaid lands or buildings located on same are never to be sold or alienated but to remain forever for the benefit of the descent friends of those buried there including all the deceased ancestors named above. The church building located on said lands may be occupied by the Old School Presbyterians and no other creed of faith but such occupancy must never infringe upon the rights and privileges of the friends of any funeral service. Given under my hand this 27th day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and one A. D. and the 124th year of the Independance of the United States of America.

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of

M. C. Wood D. F. Wood E. A. Wood

When the present Highway 417 was relocated, the old church building was left off the highway. In order to have a building site facing the new highway, Mr. D. L. Poole gave the church five-eighths of an acre of land. The new church now stands on both tracts of land. A plat, drawn up by Neil

R. Phillips, Registered Land Surveyor, on January 20, 1969 shows that the property is located on Highway 417, approximately three-tenths of a mile from Highway 101, near Cashville, South Carolina, County of Spartanburg. According to this Survey there are 4.08 acres church property.

Following the reorganization, Session sent a request to Enoree Presbytery for the services of the Reverend B. P Reid as Stated Supply at a salary of fifty dollars for two Sunday afternoon services each month. He served as Pastor of Antioch from the reorganization in 1904 until 1912, only two years prior to his death on December 4, 1914. He was eulogized in the Session Records and in the Christian Observer. The following is a quotation from the same: "A great man, a prince of Israel has fallen. His days were full of usefulness and crowned with honor. He was a recognized power in all the work of the Presbyterian Church in the state of South Carolina, faithfully performing all duties laid upon him, and his influence in the Master's Cause can know no end. Our association with our beloved Pastor and loyal friend during his ministry have strengthened us in the service of our Lord and Master and we deplore our personal loss. We record our love and esteem for his strong Christian character ever cherishing his memory in our hearts." Of interest is the observation

that he and his father, the Reverend Robert Harden Reid were influential in supporting and nourishing Antioch Church over a period of approximately sixty years from 1850 through 1912. His wife, Mrs. Leila Teasley Reid, joined Old Antioch in 1907 where she served faithfully in whatever capacity she was asked to fill, until her death on December 10, 1963. Sensing the need was greater here than at the other two churches of which he was pastor, she became a member of Antioch at her husband's request.

Antioch, Nazareth and Reidville Churches formed themselves into a group of three sharing the same pastor and the same manse, as well as the expenses incurred therein. Antioch bore a smaller percentage than the other two churches. For this reason she was not allotted a morning service but was given two afternoon services each month with Sunday School every Sunday. This close relationship remained until April 20, 1953 when Nazareth withdrew and became a self-supporting church.

A manse serving the group of three churches was built on property adjoining the Reidville Church in 1914. The Reverend A. H. Griffith and his family were the first occupants of the manse which served as a home for nine pastors. In 1970 another was constructed on property donated by Miss Kathleen Gaston. The Reverend Charles Echols and his family were the first to occupy the new

manse, owned by both Reidville and Antioch on a sixty-four percentage basis. For a time the old manse served as a Youth House. It is now a private residence in a new location.

There is no record of women's activities prior to 1919, though it is recognized that there was a Missionary Society organized by Miss Bell Craig of Laurens, S. C. at some time before 1909 with Mrs. Mary Gaston Anderson, affectionately known as "Miss Mayme", as president.

In 1913 Miss Jessie Kilgore, aided by members of the Women's Missionary Society, organized the children of the church in the Palmer Reid Endeavor Society with nineteen members. It continued for some years an active little band under the leadership of Mrs. Nettie Gresham Kilgore, assisted by Mrs. Mary G. Anderson. The Young People were organized into a group in 1922 under the care of the Women's Auxiliary, as it was now known. The Auxiliary in 1922 purchased the first Communion Service. From its reorganization in 1904 until 1922 and possibly from 1843, no one is certain, two silver goblets were used in the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. On July 27, 1965 these two silver goblets, along with the second and third Session Books, were taken to Montreat, N. C. to be placed in the Historical Archives Foundation of the Presbyterian and Reformed Churches. This action was

taken at the request of Session at a meeting on June 20, 1965. In 1985 these two books were returned to Antioch. On January 31, 1989 the two Communion Goblets were returned and placed in a lock box at the Woodruff State Bank until a place could be prepared at the church for safe keeping.

The first mention of the use of an organ was in 1915 with Miss Lillian Dillard as organist. Miss Att Anderson served as church organist for many years. For one so frail and small of stature, it was a marvel, especially for the children, that she could pump sufficient air into the instrument to accompany the congregation in the singing of hymns; but she did! When the congregation moved into the new building in 1929, the Second Presbyterian Church of Greenville, S. C. gave to Antioch their pump organ. This organ was in use until 1941 when Miss Jennie Fowler, former member, gave to the congregation its first piano, which was moved to Fellowship Hall when a new Hammond Organ was installed on October 6, 1963. On October 27, 1963 the Clerk of Session was instructed to write a letter of thanks to Mrs. Douglas Thomas of Atlanta, Ga. to express the Session's gratitude for her generous gift to the organ fund as a memorial to her aunt, Miss Clara Kilgore. Substantial gifts from church members and friends were received into the fund as well.

The first mention of a sexton was in 1918 when Mr. Caesar Hudson was elected caretaker of the building. During this same period the records portray an active Sunday School enrollment of one hundred five members. Included were a Mens' and a Ladies' Bible Class, a Young Men's and a Young Ladies' Class, an Intermediate Boys and an Intermediate Girls Class, a Junior Class, a Beginners Class and a Cradle Roll. This same year the pastor's salary amounted to two hundred dollars with a total contribution of five hundred seven dollars.

A magazine entitled The Gospel Herald was published during the 1920's. One copy of this magazine is known to have been preserved to the present day, the December issue of 1925. It was published "in the interest of Nazareth, Antioch and Reidville Churches for religious promotions in churches and community". The Reverend W. C. Copeland was named Editor and Mrs. Copeland, Assistant Editor. Included in the publication were a church calendar, local events, a letter from the pastor, a poem, a Christmas poem authored by an Antioch member, editorials, quotes from a variety of writers, a children's page, a list of new members from each church, a cartoon on stewardship, and advertisements. Also included were memorials to William P. Fowler, Antioch Elder from 1904 to his death in 1925; and Norton R. Gaston, Antioch Elder

from 1914 to his death in 1925.

There are present day members who were young children during the last few years the original white frame structure was in use. Some were able to recall facts which may be of interest to those who were not living at that time. A young ninety years of age and the eldest member, Mrs. Nettie G. Kilgore, contributed much to this picture.

The building was rectangular in shape with both a front and side entrance, steps being made of granite. Windows were large and of clear glass. As one entered from the front, he walked down an aisle with straight backed pews on either side. Men and older boys were seated to the left while women and children used the right side. The hand made pulpit rested on a raised platform to the center of the wall facing the congregation. Two pulpit chairs were behind. To the left of the pulpit was the side entry. To the right was the old pump organ. Behind the pulpit area were three classrooms where the Beginner, Primary and Junior Classes met. Other classes met in the sanctuary in curtained-off areas. It was recalled that these curtains were made of green burlap and attached to rings which moved on wire rods and which could be easily opened up for preaching service or opened up for Sunday School. Heat in the winter months came from a pot-bellied stove using coal as fuel. On the sides of the sanctuary

were four little lamp stands attached to the wall. During the times when services were held in the evening, families brought kerosene lamps from home to provide light.

People walked, came by buggy or wagon. Some recalled that during the summer months when the weather was warm, the girls who walked carried their shoes with them and wore them only during Worship Service. After church the families by custom lingered for a visit while children played in the woods. Boards nailed between two trees made a handy bench where two or more could sit and visit. An oak tree which was used as a hitching post still stands.

Antioch was unique in that, in addition to its own members, entire families who were members of nearby churches would attend morning services at their church, then attend services at Antioch in the afternoon. One example was that of the Eugene Lowe family, who were present each Sabbath morning at Sharon Methodist Church and present each afternoon at Antioch. Mr. Lowe always taught a Sunday School class of young people. In later years his daughter, Mrs. Catherine Lowe Fowler, is reported to have stated that she learned more from the Bible at Antioch than from any other source. It was recognized as a Bible and Catechism teaching Sunday School.

In the more prosperous days following the first World War, far sighted men and women envisioned a greater and larger Antioch Presbyterian Church, resulting in the creation of a fund looking forward to the erection of a suitable House of Worship. On March 28, 1923 the plan for raising funds by degrees for a new church building, while keeping the present building in proper repair, was mentioned in the annual report of 1923. The B. P. Reid Junior Christian Endeavor, which met the second Saturday afternoon of each month, made the first contribution of eight dollars toward the new building.

At a Congregational Meeting on November 16, 1924 Miss Jessie Kilgore was elected building fund treasurer. Elders and deacons were elected trustees. Session met and took action on May 9, 1926 to elect Mrs. Joe H. Kilgore treasurer of the New Church Fund to succeed Mrs. J. W. Marler (Jessie Kilgore), now deceased, and to authorize her to receive and hold in trust all monies relating to the New Church Fund.

Homecoming was observed on November 1, 1924 at which time \$264.55 in cash was contributed to the fund. Other funds were derived from a sale of clothing, conducted by the church women. Many farmers pledged a bale of cotton each. In the fall of 1928 some \$2,000 had accumulated and this, together with a generous offer from

Mr. Joe Wood to donate the needed rough lumber and many additional offers of labor and money, were looked upon as sufficient encouragement to begin building. A definite plan was drawn, submitted and adopted by the officers and congregation during Christmas week of 1928. In the next few days actual work was begun in the way of cutting timber and hauling rock and sand.

There seemed to be a good amount of saw timber on the church grounds available for use. This timber, along with that which was donated by Mr. Wood, was cut and sawed into rough lumber. It was then hauled to the mill where the lumber was run through a planing mill and sized. From there it was moved to the church grounds. Much of the credit for preparing the lumber for use in the new building belongs to Mr. Ernest Carlton, who gave liberally of his time and equipment.

Early in 1929 ground was broken and the structure framed, covered with storm sheeting and roofed, under the direction of Mr. J. T. McIntyre of Woodruff, S. C. Those assisting him were all farmers who needed to get their crops planted. Work ceased until the latter part of July when building again was resumed. By October 1, 1929 the new brick structure was completed, consisting of a sanctuary in the center with six classrooms, three on either side of the sanctuary. These classrooms were so

constructed that they could be opened facing the sanctuary. Lighting was furnished by pump oil lamps suspended from the ceiling. A pot-bellied stove using coal as fuel furnished heat until the first oil furnace was installed in 1946.

At a meeting on August 25, 1929 the Session agreed to sell the old church building at public auction on September 5, 1929 and the proceeds from the sale to be applied on the new Church Building Fund. At this same meeting it was also agreed to lay the cornerstone on the same date as the auction with an appropriate program to be arranged and presented by the Reverend R. W. Carson. The purchaser of the old building tore it down, moved it to a site across the highway and down the road a short distance, then rebuilt it as a dwelling sometime in the 1940's. The first occupants were Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson.

Records state that Mr. N. P. Anderson, Elder, served as chairman of the building committee and much of the credit is due him for raising the necessary funds and carrying the work through to completion. Total cost of this new building was \$10,000. No indebtedness was incurred.

The matter pertaining to the proper wording and placing of a cornerstone was considered by the Session at

its May 26, 1929 meeting. Each member of the Session was requested to submit what he considered a suitable Plate and using the ideas hereby gained, the Session would jointly settle on the most suitable. Lorraine Leonard, Elder, was appointed a committee of one to ascertain the cost of preparing this stone. He reported at a meeting of Session on July 7, 1929 the cost of the cornerstone. The following inscription was adopted:

Organized by Rev. W. M. Carlyle 1843

Reorganized by Rev. B. P. Reid 1903

New Building erected 1929

Supply Pastor Rev. R. W. Carson

On October 6, 1929 during the Worship Hour, the Reverend R. W. Carson, at the request of the Session, expressed publicly to all who had helped in any way with the new building, the gratitude of the congregation. In the Session meeting, held just before Worship Services, there was a feeling of sadness as well as gladness among the members of Session. In their words they reported "gladness because we were privileged to hold our first service in the beautiful, convenient and substantial new church building; and sadness because our beloved Supply for a little more than two years, the Reverend R. W. Carson, is leaving us. "On that Sabbath he chose as his sermon text Matthew 22:14 "For many are called, but few are chosen."

The Session set June 30, 1930 as the date for the dedication service. Dr. E. P. Davis of the Second Presbyterian Church of Greenville, The Reverend R. W. Carson of Woodruff, and the Reverend D. B. Green, pastor of Antioch each took part in the service. Dr. Davis preached the sermon, using as his text Psalm 122:1 " I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the House of the Lord."

The following poem was written for the service by Mr. Joe W. Wood and read by him before the congregation:

Dedication

With grateful hearts to Thee, oh Lord,
We gather here today,
And listen to Thy holy word
On this Dedication Day.

We ask Thy blessing on the work
Which we have finished here.
May this building on the earth
Be used year by year.

This house is Thine, not ours.
It's dedicated to Thee.

**Bless Thou the Service hours
That are devoted here to Thee.**

**May hungry souls here be fed
Thy spiritual, heavenly food.
May erring ones here be led
In ways that are for their good.**

**Many loved ones not far away
Are sleeping in sacred soil.
We gladly dedicate today
The house for which we've toiled.**

**Let no vandalism, Lord,
Mar this building or ground.
Bless Thou our efforts, Lord,
To those who gather around.**

**Lord, meet with those who gather here
With humble hearts to praise
Thy Holy Name year by year
And thank Thee all their days.**

**On April 20, 1930 Session met and agreed to issue an
invitation to Enoree Presbytery to meet at Antioch Church**

on October 1, 1930 at eleven o'clock in the morning. Enoree Presbytery accepted the invitation to hold its October meeting at the new church building. Following is a letter written by the Reverend J. T. Mattheson with the request that it be read from the pulpit at the next preaching service:

"This has been a notable meeting of Enoree Presbytery. The perfect God-sent sunshine; the inspiring example of this, our handsome house of God, Antioch Church, built by the members, without debt, the evident presence of the Holy Spirit in the sermons, addresses, and general conduct of the meeting.

Resolved, that as a Presbytery, we earnestly thank God for giving us this meeting in this church. As a Presbytery we offer our sincerest thanks also to the pastor, officers, members of Antioch Church, and all others of the community for the perfect hospitality shown to us, the visiting brethren, with special mention of the ladies for the bountiful meal served at the church."

It must be remembered that these resourceful women prepared and served this meal without the advantages of running water or electricity.

The Reverend D. B. Greene, who had been called to pastor the church in 1929, became ill in March of 1931 and was unable to fulfill his duties as pastor over a period of

several months. By action of Enoree Presbytery, pastoral relations between the Reverend Greene and the Reidville, Antioch, and Nazareth Presbyterian Churches were dissolved. In a letter Presbytery commended the brethren of these churches for their loving loyalty to their pastor and his family and for their expressed willingness to continue ministering to Mrs. Greene and the children as needed and extended most affectionate sympathy to the Reverend Greene and his family.

In April of 1932 the Reverend P. S. McChesney, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Woodruff, S. C. was called by Antioch as Supply, giving two Sabbath afternoons each month at a salary of ten dollars per month for a term of two years.

On April 1, 1934 Session met and elected two representatives, Elders A. W. Leonard and W. B. Kilgore, to participate in a joint meeting of a committee composed of Antioch, Reidville and Nazareth Churches for the purpose of considering the grouping of the three named churches under one pastor. This proposal was voted upon and accepted with the agreement that Reidville and Nazareth have morning services and Antioch two Sunday afternoon services each month. This plan remained in effect for several years, until Nazareth withdrew from the group in 1953 and became a self-supporting church.

Mr. N. Pierce Anderson, who contributed so much in time and talent in the building of the new church, was elected Clerk of Session in 1925 and served with distinction until February of 1936 when he became ill and was unable to serve the church and Session any longer. Elder Lorraine Leonard was elected to serve as temporary clerk until Mr. Anderson's death in 1944. Shortly thereafter he was elected Clerk of Session in which capacity he served until December 1971.

At a July 19, 1936 meeting the Session agreed to have a full time sexton. Mr. Edd Johnson, Deacon, was elected for this service at a remuneration of one dollar each month; sometime later this figure was increased to three dollars per month. This proved to be a family venture in every sense of the word, from the cleaning of the building to the lighting of the fire in the big pot-bellied stove. Early on Sunday morning Mr. Edd and his sons walked from his home in Cashville to the church to fill the stove with kindling and coal and then to light the fire. So great was the blaze when they left, the boys feared the church might catch on fire. By afternoon the church was nice and warm except for areas farthest from the stove.

The country was in the midst of a deep financial depression during the 1930's and churches suffered along with the business world and everyone else. In 1935 with a

resident membership of sixty, total contributions amounted to two hundred seventy-four dollars. At a meeting of Session on February 21, 1937 an option was presented to the congregation whereby they could either tithe, or plant, cultivate and harvest a Lord's acre that year. The Lord's Acre plan was presented by the pastor, the Reverend William H. Dendy, and urged upon them for serious consideration. As a result this plan was adopted by a number of members. The plan involved each farmer's dedication of one acre of tillable land to the work of the church. This plan, along with other programs allowed the church to meet expenses year by year. By the year 1939 the resident membership had climbed to seventy-eight and the offering to five hundred twenty-nine dollars. And the church survived!

During the 1930's it became the custom for Session to invite the Board of Deacons and the pastor to meet with them for the purpose of making out the annual church report for Presbytery, for the purpose of electing Sunday School officers and teachers, and for the purpose of attending to any unfinished business. These well attended meetings always occurred in the Spring of each year. Before too many meetings had passed, the delightful custom of serving supper, just before the business session, by the host family was initiated.

On June 2, 1940 the matter of wiring the church for electricity was brought before the Session and approved. An amount of money sufficient to paint all the exterior woodwork, refinish the hardwood floors, and paint the roof was raised. When this action was brought before the congregation, the response was totally favorable and for the first time there was adequate light for evening services.

During World War II Antioch, along with other churches, contributed what it could to alleviate some of the suffering among those who were called to serve their country. The Auxiliary reported that two of its members knitted forty garments each for soldiers through the Red Cross. Others also did Red Cross work and purchased U. S. War Bonds and Stamps. Several members entertained soldiers, stationed nearby, in their homes and prepared and served special home cooked meals for them. The Auxiliary filled boxes and mailed one to each Antioch son in the Service. Included in each box was a home baked fruit cake. A Service Flag was purchased and placed in the church by the Auxiliary and interested church members. Funds were donated to buy blood plasma.

Eleven sons were called from Antioch to serve their country, and one daughter, a cadet nurse. Though there were wounded among this number, all returned safely with

the exception of two. Cecil Kendrick lost his life in action in France in September of 1942. Thomas Anderson gave his life for his country when the ship U. S. S. Portes on which he served was sunk on October 29, 1942.

On a large mobile blackboard Sunday School attendance and offering were recorded each Sabbath. Lines and spaces were outlined in white paint. This board always faced the congregation and was kept in the area occupied at present by the piano. During the war it served a double purpose. On the back were recorded the name and address of each son in the Service. This side always faced the congregation during the war years and was a reminder to the people to remember these sons through prayer and through correspondence. This blackboard, though not in use for several years, remains in the church today.

Other works the church was engaged in during the decade of the 1940's and later were: support of the Chinese, Greek, and Korean Relief Funds, White Cross, Thornwell Orphanage, Goodland Indian Orphanage, and Stuart Robinson School. Christian literature was distributed to tenant families in the community where needed.

In either 1942 or 1943 the church set aside a fund for the purpose of purchasing new pulpit furniture. At a Congregational meeting on March 15, 1950 the members

voted to buy new solid oak pulpit furniture to replace the old. As time progressed a need was felt to replace the old pews in the Sanctuary with new pews to match the pulpit furniture. Action was taken in 1957 to initiate a pew fund. On June 22, 1958 Session discussed the business of making this purchase. At this meeting the decision was made that, when the fund was equal to the cost of the pews, they would be purchased. This was accomplished in 1959. Nineteen pews, all joined together save one, were purchased from Southern Desk Company, Hickory, North Carolina, and installed in the Sanctuary. The total cost was paid in full.

As the result of action taken by the congregation in July of 1951, a contractor was hired to reroof the church, paint both inside and outside, and sand and refinish the floors. In 1953 a fund was established for the purpose of constructing a recreation room to the rear of the Sanctuary. This work was done by Mr. Ernest Carlton, Deacon, and Mr. Belton Boiter. In 1954 the recreation room was ready for use. It was not until 1968 that the exterior of the room was covered with brick to match the remainder of the building.

The church had never been covered with fire insurance until April of 1944. At this time a \$3,000 policy was purchased to cover a period of three years. The

insurance agent divided his commission with the church bringing the final cost of the three year policy to \$24.60.

On October 14, 1945 Session voted unanimously to request of the Reverend P. S. McChesney, pastor, to approach the Reidville and Nazareth Churches with the request that Antioch be given all fifth Sunday morning Worship Services for the reason that she had never been allotted a morning service. When Nazareth left the group of three churches in 1953, the pastor, the Reverend C. R. Terrell, announced that he was planning to hold preaching services at Antioch each Sabbath morning. From that time forward there were no more afternoon services.

On February 3, 1952 Peden Gaston, Elder of the Reidville Presbyterian Church, met with the Antioch Session for the purpose of requesting that Antioch give them their part of the timber standing on the seven acre plot on which the Manse stood and owned jointly by the three churches, Antioch's share being fifteen percent. The timber was to be used in the construction of a recreational building for the Reidville Church. Session granted the request.

In 1953 a well was dug to supply the church with much needed water. A well pump was purchased and a water system was installed in 1956.

At a meeting on May 26, 1952 the Session minutes

record the first mention of fiscal aid from the Home Missions Board for the purpose of paying the pastor's salary. This action became necessary after Nazareth withdrew from the group. On April 3, 1953 Session agreed to replace ten percent of aid being received from the Home Missions Board on the pastor's salary for the coming year. On January 13, 1954 Session approved a letter written by the pastor to the Home Missions Committee, stating the activities of the church for the past year and applying for further aid for them for the year 1954. On October 2, 1955 a decision was made to reduce aid from the Home Missions Committee by one-third each year with the hope of becoming self-supporting. Aid received in this manner was applied to the pastor's salary as before. On December 5, 1955 Session met for the purpose of establishing a budget system. This action was brought before the congregation for approval, and to become effective in January of 1956. Session decreed that the church would operate on a self-supporting basis in 1957. There was no further mention of a request for aid.

In 1960 total enrollment was 63, contributions \$4,258.00.

Mrs. B. P. Reid gave a picture of her late husband, the Reverend Benjamin Palmer Reid, to the church. It was he who was instrumental in the reorganization of the church

in 1904. From this picture an enlarged portrait was made and framed. At the unveiling ceremony, which took place in the Church Sanctuary on November 27, 1955, a brief history of Antioch Presbyterian Church was read by his son, Robert H. Reid. Remarks concerning the life of the Reverend Mr. Reid were made by R. W. Gaston, better known as Mr. Bob, Elder of the Reidville Presbyterian Church. Unveiling of the portrait was done by Joe H. Kilgore, Sr., Elder of Antioch. Favorite hymns of this faithful servant of God were sung by the congregation. The service was closed with prayer by the pastor, the Reverend Marshall B. Dendy. The portrait was hung in the center classroom to the left of the Sanctuary, presently used by the Young Adult Class.

In 1957 the family of W. P. Fowler, Elder, presented to the church a bronze plaque in memory of the nine charter members of the reorganization of the church in 1904. This plaque hangs adjacent to the door leading into the Ladies' Classroom. On August 28, 1957 the Session appointed a committee of three to make plans for a dedication service and unveiling of this memorial to the charter members. No record is made of when this service occurred.

In each Session Book are pages ascribed to the memory of Elders and Pastors who have served in the

Antioch Presbyterian Church. According to the records, however, only one woman, Miss Leonora Leonard was so recognized. On September 21, 1959 a resolution drawn up by a committee of three, Mrs. B. P. Reid, Mrs. A. W. Leonard, and Mrs. F. E. Hughes, was adopted by the Women of Antioch Presbyterian Church and submitted to the Session. She is remembered by those who knew her as one who loved and faithfully served God and His Church in humbleness of heart.

For many years Family Nights were observed once each month in Fellowship Hall. Following the covered dish supper was a period of meditation and the singing of hymns. Some programs featured a guest speaker or a film recommended by Enoree Presbytery. Others involved the Youth of the Church.

In 1965 a Men of the Church group was organized which met each month at the same hour as Women of the Church, for convenience in traveling. This was a time when the men could gather together informally to discuss questions arising in the church and to formulate plans for the future well being of the same.

At this time it seems there were members who were active in the organization called Concerned Presbyterians. The Session appointed two elders to attend a meeting in Greenville, S. C. on October 15, 1964. Their November

1965 meeting was at Antioch. The speaker used the topic "Theological Threats to Christianity and the Answer." It was reported that the attendance was exceptionally good. Concerned members from several churches in Enoree Presbytery were present. The women were delighted that the interior of the Fellowship Hall was completed and that they could use their facilities for this meeting. In 1968 the concrete block walls were covered with brick, making Fellowship Hall a nice and useful addition to the church.

At a meeting on July 12, 1964 Session protested any of Antioch's contributions going to the National Council of Churches and requested the Clerk of Session to write a letter to Mr. Gordon Beam, Greenville, S. C. to learn if there was any way Antioch's contributions could avoid going to the National Council of Churches. On December 5, 1965 a report was read to Session that the benevolence obligations were accepted in part on the Session's condition that none go to the National Council of Churches either directly or indirectly. A letter to that effect was to be written by the Clerk of Session and mailed to Mr. Gordon A. Beam, Treasurer of Benevolence, and a copy of this letter was to be sent to the Reverend Denny M. Hill, Greer, S. C. of Enoree Presbytery.

On May 1, 1966 the Sessions of Antioch and Reidville met to discuss, study and make decisions on their beliefs



**Following Worship Service - probably in the late 1930's or
early 1940's**



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Visiting. 1955



Reverend P. S. McChesney and Mrs. McChesney

April, 1952



Rev. Marshall B. Dendy 1955-1969

WOMENS AUXILIARY

1940-1941

President.....Mrs. A. W. Leonard
Vice President.....Mrs. B. P. Reid
Secretary-Treasurer.....Miss Att Anderson
Historian.....Mrs. Annie K. Smith

CAUSE SECRETARIES

Foreign Missions.....	Mrs. William Melton
Assemblies Home Missions.....	Miss Leonora Leonard
Christian Education and	
Ministerial Relief.....	Mrs. W. B. Kilgore
Religious Education.....	Mrs. Lorraine Leonard
Synodical and Presbytery	
Home Missions.....	Mrs. Joe Kilgore, Sr.
Spiritual Life.....	Mrs. N. P. Anderson
Literature.....	Miss Mary Hughes
Social Service.....	Mrs. Andrew Kilgore

and convictions concerning the "New Wine Skins" subject. A motion was made and seconded that the two churches reject the proposal on New Wine Skins as being not Christian and not Biblical. They went on record as believing that the church standards should not be lowered to meet present day standards or conditions, but that men needed to raise themselves to the standards of the church as they have existed for generations past.

On July 7, 1966 at a Congregational Meeting the members of Antioch voted to purchase seventy copies of the hymnal Inspiring Hymns. A leatherbound copy was given for the pastor's use by Don Johnson in memory of his grandfather, Mr. Edd Johnson, Elder. A notebook copy was given for the piano by Miss Mary Hughes in memory of her mother, Mrs. Carrie L. Hughes. The same type notebook was purchased for the organist.

On December 31, 1969 the Reverend Marshall B. Dendy was, at his request, honorably retired, having come to Antioch in 1955 from Covington, Georgia. He is reported to have been an excellent scholar, a beloved pastor, and an asset to the community. The church manifested pleasure that he and his family chose to make Reidville their permanent home. By the action of the Sessions of Antioch and Reidville he was elected Pastor Emeritus at a special service in January of 1973.

In December of 1970 the family of Mr. and Mrs. Lorraine Leonard sought permission from the Session to present the church with two brass urns in memory of their children, Leonora Leonard and Margaret L. Park. Permission was granted.

Two pulpit chairs from the old building were moved to the present structure where they were used until 1950. When no longer needed in the pulpit the bottoms were repaired and they were placed in the Ladies' Classroom where they were used until taken in 1981 when the church was burglarized. It has been said that these two old and treasured pulpit chairs were purchased from two ladies from Texas. No one knows for certain.

For the two years 1971-1972 Antioch was without a called pastor. The Reverend John K. Johnston, retired, filled the pulpit the greater part of the time. Due to his age and a health problem he requested of the Sessions of Antioch and Reidville that both congregations meet the first and third Sundays at the other church for morning worship at eleven o'clock. Sunday School was not combined, each church conducting its own. This plan, which was initiated by the Reverend Charles Echols in 1970, continued in effect until 1981. Antioch bore forty percent of the pastor's salary and forty percent of the cost of building the new manse and pastor's study at Reidville

and the upkeep of each. The Reidville Church bore sixty percent of the above expenses.

A Youth Fellowship, composed of young people from each church, was organized in 1970 and met each Sunday evening at six o'clock. In August of 1975 the Youth of Antioch purchased a Volkswagon bus with monies given by the Mary Barratt Foundation for the specific purpose of using it in their work. It served to transport children to Vacation Bible School and other activities, and to see that all who needed transportation to church services were enabled to attend. By action of the Deacons on October 12, 1983 the bus was to be sold and money to be put in a Youth Vehicle Fund.

In 1972 there were sixty-four communicant members and a total contribution of \$8,900.00.

There have been many well attended home comings at Antioch. One of these was in 1973 at which time many interested friends, relatives and former members joined with the present membership in the celebration of her 130th anniversary. The history was written and read by Mr. Joe H. Kilgore, Sr. following the sermon by Mr. Robert Reid. At the close of the service many stayed for a picnic lunch on the grounds and a time of visitation.

On September 23, 1973 the Congregation of Antioch Presbyterian Church voted to withdraw from Enoree

Presbytery and the Presbyterian Church United States. This relationship of Antioch was dissolved by an act of the trustees of Enoree Presbytery on October 30, 1973. On October 17, 1973 the congregation of Antioch was officially received into the membership of Calvary Presbytery of the newly organized National Presbyterian Church, later known as the Presbyterian Church in America.

At a December 9, 1973 Congregational Meeting the following were elected as trustees for the purpose of the signing of legal papers for the congregation: William H. Johnson, Andrew L. McBee and Mack Carlton. On January 13, 1974 Session instructed the trustees to proceed with the business of securing the deeds to church property being held at present by Enoree Presbytery.

In the period 1977-1978 the choir loft was moved from its original position on one side of the pulpit to the rear of the pulpit. Funds given in memory of Harold D. Leonard, Elder, along with other gifts, were used in the purchase of a new piano, an Everett Studio Model. Pew cushions were a gift from a friend of the church, Mrs. Isabell L. Gaston. New carpeting was laid down the aisles and on the pulpit. A sound system and chimes for the organ were given by Mr. and Mrs. William A. Leonard in memory of the Reverend Marshall B. Dendy. Three heating

systems have been installed since the church was wired for electricity, the first in 1946, the second in 1964, and the third in 1976.

In 1974 the total number of communicant members was 68 and total contributions were \$10,241.19.

Over a period of many years, a number of missionaries have been called upon to speak to the congregation. Among that number were: Miss Caroline Kilgore, Brazil; Dr. Thomas High, Nigeria; the Reverend and Mrs. Hugh Powlison, Guatemala; Miss Martha Jones, Taiwan; Mr. James Akevenko, Indonesia; the Reverend and Mrs. James Kobb, Korea; the Reverend and Mrs. Hugh Linton, Korea; Mr. and Mrs. Phil McBride, New Guinea; and Miss Jan Dearman who left for Eastern Europe in January of 1990.

For most of this century the Antioch and Reidville Churches shared the same pastor and manse. For the decade of the 1970's there was an even closer affiliation between the two churches, each joining with the other in all aspects of Worship, with the exception of Sunday School. This close relationship between the two churches was terminated in August of 1981 by a vote of the congregation of Antioch. This action resulted in the need for a manse.

At a congregational meeting on September 13, 1981 the members voted to accept a compromise offered the

Reidville Church for the disposition of the jointly owned manse, located in Reidville, whereby Antioch would receive forty percent of the value of the building, which was estimated to be seventy-five thousand dollars. This amount, along with other available funds, was deemed sufficient to begin making plans for the erection of a manse. A building committee of five was voted upon by the congregation and approved.

During the month of November 1981 the men of the church took the first step toward the building of the new manse, which was to be located in a wooded area on church property and on almost the same site as the original church stood. They began by clearing the area of all trees and undergrowth. Some of the trees were dressed as lumber and used in the building. Early in 1982 ground was broken and construction began under the direction of the building committee and the contractor, Bernard Zimmerman. Each Saturday was set aside as a workday for those who could afford the time, thus enabling the project to proceed more quickly and efficiently. Into the construction went two stone steps from the old church. One was embedded in the fireplace hearth in the family room and the other was added to the steps on the side porch. The congregation is grateful for this nice brick manse, complete with study and double carport. By

September of the same year it was ready for occupancy by the pastor, the Reverend Joe Beale, and his family. The final cost of the manse was \$54,018.85. No debt was incurred. A dedication was observed on manse grounds on October 10, 1982.

During this same period, under the auspices of the Board of Deacons, many needed improvements were made. A paving fund, initiated by Mrs. Clarice W. League and contributed to by others, was used to complete the paved circular drive in front of the church. Also a nice parking area and an entrance to the cemetery were added. The church was insulated overhead, electrical connections were repaired and deadbolt locks were placed on all outside doors. Four long folding tables for classroom use were donated by Mr. Reid Hudson. Due to a hearing problem he also was instrumental in the purchase of a sound system for the church. A fund was initiated by Mrs. Frances L. Rabenau for the purpose of purchasing a Christian flag and a flag of the United States of America.

On April 22, 1985 Session agreed to present a plaque to Mrs. Lonie Hudson in recognition of her husband, Elder James M. Hudson, for his past services as an officer in the church. He is also remembered for the articles he handcrafted in wood in his home shop and presented to the church. Among these treasured pieces are a lectern, a

trivet for the communion table, and a coaster for the pulpit. Two bulletin racks on either side of the sanctuary were presented to the church and installed by Elder James E. Brown.

Recognizing a need for a secure place to keep the church records, the Session authorized the purchase of a safe on October 24, 1982. Secured in this safe, located at present in the Men's Sunday School Classroom, are the first six Session Books covering the period from 1843 to 1981. The remaining seven books are in a filing cabinet in Fellowship Hall. All Session Records have been preserved.

On September 7, 1986 William A. Leonard was authorized by the Session to take the first Session Book to the Archives Building in Columbia, S. C. to be microfilmed. On January 1, 1987 this microfilm copy was turned over to the Women in the Church for safe keeping. It is now in a safe deposit box at the Woodruff State Bank, along with the two silver goblets once used in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, for safe keeping until such time as a better place in the church could be provided. This microfilm copy of the first Session Book has been made available to Reidville Church.

On June 5, 1988 Session approved a motion that a search be made for the Session Book of Antioch Presbyterian Church which covered the period April 3,

1948 to January 4, 1970, and which had been missing for several years. Contact was to be made by members of the Session with those most likely to know of its whereabouts, including present as well as former members. A notice of the missing record was to be placed in the church bulletin. No response was received. However, there was a happy ending. In January of 1989 the missing book was found in good condition on the shelf of a bookcase in the home of Lorraine Leonard, Clerk of Session during that period of time. It was immediately returned to the Session and placed in a vault along with the other Session Books.

From among the members of Antioch have come men whose living came from the soil. Others have moved into the business world. Some have become involved in a profession. According to church records only one of Antioch's sons felt the call to enter the ministry. Steven C. Leonard, son of Elder and Mrs. Harold D. Leonard was graduated from Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, Mississippi in May of 1986. Following graduation, he was ordained as pastor of Bethesda Presbyterian Church near Jackson, where he served for one year after having pastored this church for two of his seminary years. Since then he has pastored churches in South Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia.

Many men have been called to serve on the Antioch

Board of Deacons or on the Session. As far as the records show only one such officer has been elected as Moderator of either Enoree or Calvary Presbytery. Ruling Elder Dan Kilgore was presented as the Moderator Nominee of Calvary Presbytery at a meeting in July of 1985. He was elected by acclamation as Moderator and then led Presbytery in prayer. He served the usual six month term. At the winter stated meeting in January of 1986 at Filbert Presbyterian Church in York, S. C. he delivered the moderator's sermon. He was commended on his work as moderator and on the sermon he delivered.

At their regular meeting on September 6, 1987 the Session agreed to present a King James Version of the Bible to any youngster on his or her eighth birthday, or the first birthday after regular attendance is established by the Sunday School teacher. The name of each recipient was to be engraved in gold on the front cover. In the next two years three Bibles had been awarded.

At a Session meeting on March 13, 1988 a motion was made by John Hassell that Women in the Church be approached and asked to appoint a committee to obtain prices on the King James Version of pew Bibles to be placed along with hymnals on the back of each pew. The church name was to be engraved on the front cover. This action was taken as the result of a request by the children

of Elder and Mrs. Agnew Leonard, now deceased. This gift from the family to the church was in memory of their father on the anniversary of his one hundredth birthday. At a later meeting Session authorized his descendants to make the purchase and to include one extra copy for the organist. On January 22, 1989 a service was held for the dedication of the pew Bibles during morning Worship Services.

At a meeting on July 10, 1988 Session discussed and approved a motion that the pastor instruct members of this church who are associated with Boy Scouts of America, in their religious award program. Following a period of instruction, the Boy Scout Religious Award was presented by the pastor to Austin and Joey Brown, sons of Elder and Mrs. James E. Brown, on November 13, 1988 during the Sunday evening Worship Service.

From the last will and testament of Mrs. Vida H. Kilgore, widow of Elder Wells B. Kilgore, came the following item of interest to the church:

Item II. "I do hereby will and bequeath unto Antioch Presbyterian Church in Spartanburg County, South Carolina, a sum of money equal to ten percent of the net value of my estate." (Recorded December 9, 1975 in Will Book NIV pages 50-52 in the Greenville County Courthouse.)

At a Congregational Meeting on August 16, 1987 the congregation elected two trustees to represent the church in the settlement of the Vida Kilgore estate. On October 11th of the same year, Session agreed to retain W. B. Long to represent the church as attorney in this matter. In the summer of 1988 the church attorney, the two trustees, one church member and heirs of the Kilgore estate met at the Greenville County Courthouse for a hearing. At this time the presiding judge awarded to the church the sum of ten thousand dollars, an amount agreeable to all parties concerned. In July of 1989 the church received a portion of this legacy. Session agreed that this portion is to be placed in a savings account, pending final settlement of the estate.

In the late spring of 1989 two Negro churches in Reidville, S. C. were vandalized. The Walker's Chapel Presbyterian Church and the Allen View Methodist Church suffered considerable damage. At a meeting on July 11, 1989 this deplorable act was taken up by the Session. The motion was made and passed that Antioch present to each of the churches the sum of one hundred dollars to be used in repairing damage done to their property. This action was taken to assure the black community of Antioch's support and that the church does not condone such actions. A letter of acknowledgment and appreciation was

received from the Clerk of Session of the Walker's Chapel Presbyterian Church. In her letter she made mention of the close relationship that had always existed between the two churches. Following is an except from their history which, by request, they have shared with Antioch:

"Walkers Chapel United Presbyterian Church was begun in a brush arbor two years after slavery 1867-1868, with a nucleus of elders from Antioch Presbyterian Church - a white Presbyterian Church near Cashville, S. C. Among the Elders coming from Antioch were Essie Jones, Peter Walker, Thomas Dean and Emlee Nesbit.

From this illustrious alumna the church was formally organized and named in honor of Elder Peter Walker.

Land on which to build a church was donated by the Calvert family of Reidville. On this land a crude two story building was erected, which served a dual purpose. Church and religious services were conducted in the upstairs portion, while the lower portion served as a parochial school. This building was demolished during a storm several years ago.

Among some of the prominent officers and members who labored in the vineyard for Christ and witnessed the erection of the second building in 1873, of which constituted the foundation of our present church facility were Elders John H. Walker, Sr., William Drummond,

Deacons Simpson (Simp) Miller and Gus Dean; and among the more prominent of the distaff were Mrs. Francis Drummond, Henrietta Walker, Christine Jones, and Fannie Miller."

The history states that the present pastor is the Rev. Joseph Henry Adair from whom the above was obtained. It also notes that during his ministry the church membership has increased and that many improvements have been made on the church building. It is remembered by the older members of Antioch that this church made a practice of sharing her literature with Walker's Chapel, especially during the lean years prior to the middle of this century.

In 1981 the members of the Women's Sunday School Class envisioned a more comfortable and attractive classroom. Work was begun and completed in 1982. Improvements consisted in a storm door for the outside entrance and insulation under the floor, both funded by Miss Mary Hughes. All work was done by church members. Curtains for the windows and door were made by Mary Leonard Hassell and hung on wooden rods and brackets crafted by her husband, Elder John Hassell, who also cleaned and waxed the hardwood floor over which the women laid a handmade woolen rug. Two sofas were donated, one by Miss Mary Hughes and one by Mrs. Maude Bolter. Both were reupholstered and covered in new fabric

and the wood on each was refinished. A bookcase in this room was made by Egbert Bradley of Fountain Inn, S. C., husband of Eva Kilgore Bradley, at the request of the church women. It is believed to have been made sometime in the early 1920's and continues to serve the purpose for which it was made. It is reported that in years past the women purchased one book each year, passed it around for each member to read, and reviewed it together at the close of the year. On the shelves remain a few of these books with the inscription in the front "Ladies Missionary Library of Antioch Church." Included also in the modest collection are works by J. R. Dummelow, Martin Lloyd Jones, Matthew Henry and James Strong. The Concordance by James Strong was a gift to the Women's Sunday School Class by the Men's Class, Christmas 1988.

Women in the Church continues to be a viable force within the framework of the church. The number of active members, though small, is dedicated. A Bible Study is completed each year with all members participating. Each year a budget is drawn up and approved by the Session. Not only have the recommended causes been met, but for many years the women have sensed other needs which they have undergirded with their prayers and offerings. These include missionaries, seminary students, retired ministers, Covenant Seminary and College, and Greenville

Presbyterian Theological Seminary.

The different age groups from time to time have felt the need to reach out beyond themselves to others. One such example occurred in the fall of 1988. The Young Adult Class received information on the need of the Children's Home in Dehra Dunn, India, a home which cares for and educates children whose parents are lepers. Class members worked together gathering articles of children's clothing, literature, and toys, packaging and mailing them. Some months later a letter of appreciation was received from Gordon B. Taylor, under whose leadership the home serves the families stricken by this dreaded disease.

At a meeting of Session on September 10, 1989 a motion was made and carried that the church accept as a gift from Elder John Hassell a book entitled The Church Register for the purpose of recording births, deaths, marriages, elders, deacons, members and transfers, all according to the Book of Church Order. Session also authorized the purchase of a new Session Record Book in which the Clerk of Session is to record all minutes of Session meetings in his own handwriting each month, beginning with the first week in January of 1990. The minutes of all Congregational Meetings were to be recorded in like manner in the same book. At this same meeting the

Clerk of Session was given the responsibility for the safe keeping of these two books and was authorized to rent a safe deposit box for them.

A copy of Trinity Hymnal was passed around to members of the congregation for study and approval. In the fall of 1989 the Session ordered seventy-five of these hymnals for pew use. In addition two large print hymnals were ordered, one for the organist and one for the pianist.

For some time the question of expanding the church facilities had been considered by the congregation, though not to the point of taking action. However, it was brought to the attention of the Session that the five hundred acres, more or less, surrounding the church property had been purchased by the Morris Construction Company of Greenville, S. C. for the purpose of developing it for home sites and a golf course. With this in mind and with the possibility of new members, the services of the firm of Architects Thomas, Campbell, and Pridgeon of Spartanburg, S. C. was employed in the summer of 1989. After a study of the present building, blueprints of two possibilities were submitted to the congregation for study. One drawing featured the addition of a vestibule to the front of the church building. A second drawing featured the expansion of the Fellowship Hall to include a separate kitchen, a

dining area which could also double as two classrooms, an office for the church secretary, a cleaning closet - part of which could be equipped for the security of records and items of value to the church, and two rest rooms.

In January of 1990 during a meeting of Session, it was agreed that the church trustee spend up to \$38,000 for the purchase of real estate joining the church property and further authorized him to negotiate and option for additional property. In January of 1991, as a result of the action taken on the above agreement, the following deed was recorded in the Spartanburg County Courthouse: "Know all men by these presents, that Peach Farm Partners, a General Partnership, in consideration of Thirty-six Thousand Dollars - \$36,000.00, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, have granted, bargained, sold and released unto John S. Hassell as Trustee of Antioch Presbyterian Church, his successors and assigns forever, the following described real property:

"All that certain piece, parcel or lot of land, situate, lying, and being in the County of Spartanburg, State of South Carolina, near Cashville on the northern side of Highway 417, containing six acres, more or less, as shown on a plat of survey for A. P. C. by Neil R. Phillips, Professional Land Surveyor, July 5, 1990."

This acreage was part of a peach orchard of

considerable size. In a March 1991 meeting of Session a motion was made to accept a low bid of \$600.00 for removal of the trees which were pushed into piles and burned as the Reidville Fire Department stood by if needed. The land has been turned and each year is sown in grain and is harvested by a neighboring farmer. In this way the land is kept in good condition and serves as a buffer on each side of the original church property.

After the present structure had been standing for several decades, it was agreed that some repairs should be made. When first built in 1929 the church roof was covered with aluminum shingles. During a rain and wind storm two leaks appeared, one in Fellowship Hall and one in a classroom. These were taken care of and the entire roof was painted with aluminum paint. All exposed outside woodwork was covered with white vinyl for protection from the weather.

It became obvious that Fellowship Hall was in need of some attention. As the result of a meeting of Session in late 1992 Elder Mack Carlton obtained the services of a cabinet maker. Several feet of beautiful cabinets were built and installed. Working areas were covered with butcher block. For the first time the women really have sufficient storage space and receptacles for electrical appliances. The original floor covering which had served

well all these many years was replaced with another. A new range was given to the manse and the old manse range was installed in the church. The ceiling was damaged by the leak mentioned above. Repairs were made and the entire ceiling was painted. These additions have brought about a much more attractive and enjoyable room.

There is no record of any dissension arising within the church body for the major part of its existence. Sadly two schisms have arisen in recent years which have left the church in a weakened condition. However, the members who remained did not give up. All church activities, without exception, continued.

Since 1994 Antioch has been strengthened both spiritually and numerically under the guidance of the pastor, the Reverend Charles E. Champion. Sunday School opens at ten o'clock. At present there are three classes: one for adults, one for 'teens, and one for young children. There is hope that in the future all six classrooms will be filled as they have been in past years.

Morning Worship Service begins in the church sanctuary at eleven o'clock each Lord's Day. Each sermon is taped. There is a tape ministry for those members who are unable to attend services or for anyone who desires to take advantage of the opportunity to hear the sermons a second time. Each fourth Sunday morning following the

Worship Service the church family gathers in Fellowship Hall for a delicious meal which has been prepared by the women. Good food and fellowship make this an enjoyable time to look forward to each month for both members and visitors.

Each Wednesday morning at ten o'clock a group gathers at the church for Bible Study with the pastor as teacher. This study is informal and those attending feel free to ask questions and contribute to the discussions. These studies have contributed noticeably to the spiritual growth and well being of those attending. Following the study, names are submitted for prayer for any who are experiencing physical, emotional, or any other problems. These needs are addressed in the closing season of prayer and are published in the Church Bulletin for the following Sunday. Reports have been made of wonderful improvement and in some cases healing. We rejoice that there are members from other churches in the community who have joined with us in this hour of study and prayer.

At present there are forty-seven members on roll. This includes a family of five associate members.

As the reader has observed there have been seasons when Antioch was strong and growing both spiritually and numerically; and there have also been times of little or no growth. During those times its light has flickered and it

has been in danger of extinction. Following each period of weakness, the congregation has been strengthened and encouraged to continue the work begun by those who felt the need for a House of Worship more conveniently located. History portrays this church body as small in number, but rich in those who have been willing to serve, however great or small the service may be.

The challenge is not to yesterday. The challenge is to today and tomorrow, as one generation passes into eternity, it is expedient that succeeding generations be thoroughly equipped to prayerfully continue the work first begun.

Let each reader conclude that the history of the Antioch Presbyterian Church was not written by any single individual, but by the many godly men and women who have entered its portals and have worshipped and have worked here.

**PASTORS
ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1843-1996**

Rev. William Carlyle	Pastor	1843-1844
Rev. John McKittrick	Stated Supply	1844-1853
Rev. J. Watt Montgomery	Supply	1853-1854
Rev. Robert H. Reid	Supply	1854-1855
Rev. E. T. Buist	Stated Supply	1855-1857
Rev. T. E. Davis	Supply	1858-1860
Rev. E. T. Hyde	Supply	1861-1863
Rev. T. E. Smith	Supply	1864-1865
Rev. E. F. Hyde	Supply	1867-1870
Rev. T. W. White	Stated Supply	1871-1874
Licentiate J. Riply Jacobs	Stated Supply	1875-1876
Licentiate D. E. Frierson	Supply	1878-1881
Licentiate S. E. Bishop	Supply	1882-1883
Rev. Robert H. Reid	Stated Supply	1884-1887
Rev. Luther Link	Stated Supply	1887-1888
Rev. W. L. Boggs	Pastor	1890-1897
Rev. A. H. Atkins	Supply	1898-1901
Rev. C. A. B. Jennings	Pastor	1902-1903
Rev. B. Palmer Reid	Pastor	1903-1912
Rev. A. H. Griffith	Pastor	1913-1916
Rev. Frank Ligon	Pastor	1916-1918
Rev. C. O'N. Martindale	Pastor	1919-1924
Rev. W. C. Copeland	Pastor	1924-1927
Rev. R. W. Carson	Supply	1927-1929
Rev. D. B. Greene	Pastor	1929-1931
Rev. P. S. McChesney	Supply	1932-1934
Rev. William H. Dendy	Pastor	1934-1943
Rev. P. S. McChesney	Pastor	1943-1952
Rev. C. R. Terrell	Pastor	1952-1954
Rev. Marshall B. Dendy	Pastor	1955-1969
Rev. Charles W. Echols	Pastor	1970-1971
Rev. John K. Johnston	Supply	1971-1972
Rev. Joseph D. Beale	Pastor	1972-1985
Jerry W. Crick	Student Supply	1987-1991
Rev. Jerry W. Crick	Pastor	1991-1993
Rev. Charles E. Champion	Pastor	1994-

ELDERS
ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1843-1996

Robert Blakely	August 17, 1843	December 17, 1860
William Leonard	August 17, 1843	August 31, 1855
John Anderson	August 17, 1843	March 5, 1878
A. C. Jackson	June 16, 1850	1856
James Templeton	August 19, 1855	January 28, 1857
James Anderson	August 15, 1857	May 12, 1883
Andrew Coan	May 5, 1864	March 6, 1890
Amzi W. Gaston	August 25, 1872	June 26, 1904
George B. Anderson	August 25, 1872	November 16, 1884
Dr. A. J. Creighton	September 17, 1876	June 14, 1890
Dr. W. A. Harrison	March 16, 1884	November 15, 1890
Frank L. Anderson	March 16, 1884	June 26, 1904
Morton L. Venable	October 17, 1886	October 16, 1887
S. R. Gresham	March 15, 1890	June 26, 1904
James W. Darby	August 20, 1893	June 26, 1904
D. B. Simpson	October 18, 1896	September 25, 1900
J. W. Wilson	September 16, 1900	June 26, 1904
William P. Fowler	September 4, 1904	
Joseph Stanley Kilgore, Sr.	July 3, 1904	March 2, 1921
John T. Dillard	July 2, 1905	
N. Pierce Anderson	June 20, 1909	November 28, 1944
Norton R. Gaston	December 7, 1914	August 16, 1925
Lorraine Leonard	February 17, 1918	August 25, 1981
Wells B. Kilgore	May 5, 1923	July 5, 1950
J. T. Hayes	November 8, 1925	May 9, 1926
Joe H. Kilgore	November 8, 1925	February 10, 1974
Agnew W. Leonard	December 10, 1933	May 8, 1973
Edd J. Johnson	May 5, 1946	February 6, 1965
William H. Johnson	April 29, 1951	November 3, 1981
William H. Johnson	Elder Emeritus	January 7, 1982
Grady Kemp	April 29, 1951	March 6, 1955
J. Daniel Kilgore	April 29, 1951	February 14, 1986
James Hudson	April 9, 1967	January 28, 1984
Joe H. Kilgore, Jr.	March 10, 1974	July 28, 1985
Harold D. Leonard	March 10, 1974	October 2, 1976
T. Mack Carlton	January 28, 1977	
V. Reid Hudson	April 4, 1982	Emeritus, 1985
James Brown	April 4, 1982	
Philip Malphrus	April 4, 1982	July 10, 1985
John S. Hassell	May 11, 1986	
William A. Leonard	May 11, 1986	
A. William Leonard	January 24, 1993	

**CLERKS OF SESSION
ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1843-1996**

John Anderson	May 9, 1846	April 20, 1851
A. C. Jackson	April 20, 1851	October 27, 1855
John Anderson	March 16, 1856	August 25, 1872
George B. Anderson	August 25, 1872	November 16, 1884
Dr. W. A. Harrison	November 16, 1884	November 15, 1890
Frank L. Anderson	November 15, 1890	May 20, 1894
S. R. Gresham	May 20, 1894	June 26, 1904
Josiah S. Kilgore	July 3, 1904	March 2, 1921
William P. Fowler	March 6, 1921	September 30, 1925
N. Pierce Anderson	October 4, 1925	February 2, 1936
Lorraine Leonard	February 2, 1936	December 19, 1971
William H. Johnson	January 1, 1972	November 3, 1981
J. Daniel Kilgore	January 10, 1981	December 26, 1984
Philip Malphrus	December 26, 1984	July 10, 1985
T. Mack Carlton	July 11, 1985	

**DEACONS
ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
1843-1996**

James Anderson, Jr.	1844	August 8, 1857
Ashbel Peden	1844	1854
Rufus Peden	1856	March, 1860
Jefferson Smith	September 17, 1876	August 5, 1888
J. D. Hovis	March 16, 1884	November 16, 1884
Joseph W. Wood	March 16, 1884	April 14, 1945
J. W. Gaston	November 15, 1890	June 26, 1904
F. O. Dillard	November 15, 1890	October 19, 1902
B. M. Anderson	September 16, 1900	June 26, 1904
D. P. Berry	December 16, 1900	June 26, 1904
W. Boyd Wood	July 3, 1904	
W. H. Bagwell	July 2, 1905	February 21, 1909
Frank Ellis	June 20, 1909	February 16, 1930
T. P. Perry	June 20, 1909	January 6, 1918
Frank O. Dillard	June 20, 1909	November 4, 1917
Agnew W. Leonard	January 5, 1914	November 26, 1933
M. Thurmon Fowler	January 5, 1914	May 25, 1923
Wells B. Kilgore	December 7, 1914	May 5, 1923
Grover Fowler	February 17, 1918	March 18, 1923
Joe H. Kilgore, Sr.	March 20, 1921	November 8, 1925
Wells Fowler	March 5, 1922	January 7, 1923
J. T. Hayes	May 5, 1923	November 8, 1925
S. P. Parks	November 8, 1925	
Andrew M. Kilgore	November 8, 1925	June 30, 1959
T. C. Gaston	April 6, 1930	November 18, 1934
Edd J. Johnson	April 6, 1930	May 5, 1946
S. E. Carlton	August 28, 1932	May 19, 1955
R. C. Kendrick	July 7, 1935	July 22, 1970
D. B. Nesbitt	July 7, 1935	June 17, 1945
William H. Johnson	May 18, 1941	April 15, 1951
Grady Kemp	May 18, 1941	April 15, 1951
J. Daniel Kilgore	March 2, 1947	April 15, 1951
Harold D. Leonard	March 2, 1947	March 10, 1974
James Hudson	April 29, 1951	April 9, 1967
T. Mack Carlton	July 24, 1955	November 28, 1976
William A. Leonard	July 24, 1955	May 11, 1986
Joe H. Kilgore, Jr.	March 24, 1957	March 10, 1974
O'Neal Johnson	March 24, 1957	July 3, 1960
Frank E. Hughes	April 9, 1967	September 1, 1985, Emeritus
Andrew W. McBee	August 30, 1970	December 4, 1982
Randall C. Pegram	December 8, 1974	September 13, 1981

Philip C. Malphrus
Steven C. Leonard
James E. Brown
V. Reid Hudson
John S. Hassell
Floyd Teasley
John Starnes

January 28, 1977
January 28, 1977
April 12, 1981
April 12, 1981
April 12, 1981
April 18, 1982
April 18, 1982

April 4, 1982
August 26, 1980
April 4, 1982
April 4, 1982
January 13, 1985
October 30, 1983
October 18, 1985

HISTORY OF ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CEMETERY

For most of the seventeen hundreds and to the mid eighteen hundreds, many cemeteries were private or family. Among them were the Anderson and Massey graveyards, located about one mile from the present Antioch Church and near the Enoree River.

On August 12, 1843 the Clerk of Session, Nazareth Church, was advised to make certificates for, and affectionately dismiss to Antioch Church some twelve miles distant, twenty-three of its members who desired a place of worship more conveniently located. These charter members bore the names Pearson, Blakely, Anderson, Leonard, Wakefield, Peden, Westmoreland, Coan, and Bennett.

Denny Anderson, youngest son of William and Rebecca Denny Anderson, donated for a church and burial ground ten acres of land, some say seventeen, with the stipulation that when it ceased to be used for the purpose indicated, it should revert to his heirs. When the church was moved to Reidville in 1884 the land was returned to the Denny Anderson family. During the summer of 1904 Old Antioch was reorganized and the Denny Anderson family gave back to the church three

acres of the original tract for the church and cemetery.

This charter member, Denny Anderson, (1763-1832), is the only Revolutionary War soldier buried in the cemetery. In 1957 the D A R chapters of Joyce Scott, Greer, S. C., and of the Alamo of San Antonio, Texas, removed the original markers of Denny and Elizabeth Massey Anderson from the Anderson Family Graveyard, embedded them in cement, and placed them near the gate at the front entrance of the cemetery at Antioch.

There are a few who remember that the cemetery was originally enclosed with a heavy iron fence and made secure with an equally heavy iron gate. During the Depression Years of the 1930's, the Work Progress Administration built a wall of native stones extending from the church wall to the end of the property. This work was supervised by Belton Boiter. At a much later date a chain link fence, purchased from Sears, Roebuck and Co., was erected around the cemetery. Vehicles entered by a large iron gate to the side. In 1964 a small iron gate was installed at the front entrance to the cemetery.

The Session agreed to place all cemetery plot transactions in the hands of the Cemetery Committee. In 1960 the members, by common consent, voted to charge one dollar per church member for a plot and twenty-five dollars for each non member, the funds thus received to be put in a cemetery maintenance fund. In 1969 the fee was increased,

and yet again in 1975 Session honored a motion to elevate the fee to five dollars per grave plot for members and one hundred dollars per grave plot for non members.

At a Congregational Meeting on November 27, 1960 a motion was made to have all undesirable undergrowth in the pine trees cut, to clean up the area behind the church building all the way to the cemetery fence and the lower property line, and to level the ground and sow it in grass. This action was taken to increase the size of the cemetery.

The first Antioch Session Book, dated 1843-1904, recorded the reception of a number of colored members into the church. Following is a list of those members:

Page 44 September 3, 1848

Lewis, examined and received, belonging to Joseph Garrett.

Page 44 August 18, 1849

Matilda, belonging to Alfred Dean, received on examination.

Page 46 November, 1849

Clarissa, belonging to Samuel Gaston, received by examination.

Page 19 April 15, 1860

Jeff Anderson, colored member.

Page 71 September 1, 1860

Patsy, servant of John Anderson, received by

examination.

Page 71 **September 18, 1865**

Cate, servant of John Anderson, received by examination.

Page 79 **October 19, 1871**

Received one colored woman.

Page 19 **October 21, 1871**

Received one colored woman, Avaline Pearson, by examination. Died 1872.

In a 1924 history of the church, written by Mrs. Mag Boyd, she stated that she remembered Patsy Anderson, Susan Bennett, and Matilda Dean and that they came to the Communion Table just after the white members and were served in the same manner.

All the above lie buried in the church cemetery. No one can be certain how many others are there because the markers, now gone, were field stones with no names on them. Some have been told by members, now deceased, that there were Indian graves also in this section of the cemetery.

Over the years soil taken from graves had been dumped by undertakers at the edge of the woods. An unsightly mound of soil steadily grew. At the same time sunken places over the graves in the Negro and Indian section of the cemetery had appeared. While the manse was under construction, brothers Belton and William Johnson used some of this soil

to restore the sunken graves. The remainder was spread over the area below the cemetery.

In recent years interest was aroused among members of the Cemetery Committee as well as among other members of the church to remember the Negroes and Indians buried here with an appropriate monument in that part of the cemetery which belongs to them. In 1959 Joe H. Kilgore, Sr., discussed with Mrs. Helen Kilgore the need for such a monument and in 1960 both he and Mack Carlton talked with Mrs. Goldie Kilgore. As a result of the two contacts the first contributions toward making this a reality came from Mrs. Helen Kilgore on May 31, 1959 and from Mrs. Goldie Kilgore on January 10, 1960. At a later date other contributions began coming in from members of the church and from friends who were also interested.

Beginning in the fall of 1985 and into 1986, the officers of the church were busy with the work of purchasing, of design, and of proper wording to be used on the monument. A three ton obelisk of Georgia granite was erected. At the base of the stone the word NEGRO is engraved on two opposing sides and the word INDIAN on the other two opposing sides. Centered above this is the following inscription engraved on all four sides:

**This stone is dedicated in memory of
The Unknown buried here who served
the Lord alongside our forefathers.**

Plans were made by the Session to invite visitors along with members to a light lunch in the Fellowship Hall following morning Worship Services, the monument dedication to begin at two o'clock in the cemetery on August 17, 1986. Written invitations were mailed to Nazareth, Reidville, Center Point, Walker's Chapel, Allen Methodist, Community Grove, and Old Pilgrim Churches. A good number of friends, including the members of Negro churches, joined the congregation. Following special music a sermon was preached by the Reverend Samuel W. Farr, Sr., pastor of the New Bethel Church, Woodruff, S. C. The dedication service was conducted by the Reverend John D. Love, pastor of Center Point Presbyterian Church, Moore, S.C. Following a prayer of dedication, the congregation and visitors joined in singing the hymn "Blest Be the Tie That Binds".

Following is a quote from the will of church member Mary Anderson Leonard, deceased August 29, 1930, concerning the cemetery at Antioch:

"In memory of my parents, William Denny and Martha Stoddard Leonard, I will the Elders and Deacons of Antioch Presbyterian Church near Cashville, as Trustees, One Thousand Dollars for safe investment. One third the annual

income from this fund shall be used to help keep in decent condition the Antioch Cemetery, including that for Negroes. The balance shall be expended annually for the support and maintenance of said church." Item VIII.

When the estate was settled Agnew W. Leonard, executor, turned the bequest over to the church officers who invested it in U. S. War Bonds sometime in the early 1940's. During the 1950's, at the suggestion of the pastor, the Reverend Marshall B. Dendy, the funds were reinvested in AT&T stock. In the early 1980's AT&T received stock in other operating companies and at the same time retained ownership of AT&T. The church investment remains with this company and the dividends continue to be used as designated in her will.

At a meeting on March 5, 1989 Session agreed to elect William A. Leonard to manage the Mary A. Leonard Trust fund. Session also agreed that he be elected as the person to have access to the safe deposit box, located at the United Carolina Bank in Duncan, S. C., which contains the shares of telephone stock; that the alternate to have access to this box be James E. Brown; and that other names formerly listed be deleted.

In September of 1989 the above committee of two, upon the advice of knowledgeable brokers, sold all telephone stocks except Bell South and Bell Atlantic. The current sale

price of these two stocks is \$11,290.21. The officers have placed all the above transactions in the church deposit box in United Carolina Bank in Duncan, S. C. Since that time the value of this stock has increased substantially.

ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CEMETERY

COMMITTEEMEN

S. ERNEST CARLTON	1933-1956
JOE H. KILGORE, SR.	1933-1965
AGNEW W. LEONARD	1933-1966
V. REID HUDSON	1956-1960
U. Z. LEOPARD	1960-1962
WILLIAM H. JOHNSON	1962-
HAROLD D. LEONARD	1965-1974
FRANK E. HUGHES	1966-1986
GARY PEARSON	1985-1985
JOHN STARNES	1985-1985
T. MACK CARLTON	1985-
BRIAN S. LEONARD	1985-1995
THOMAS BENNETT	1989-1993
A. WILLIAM LEONARD, II	1989-

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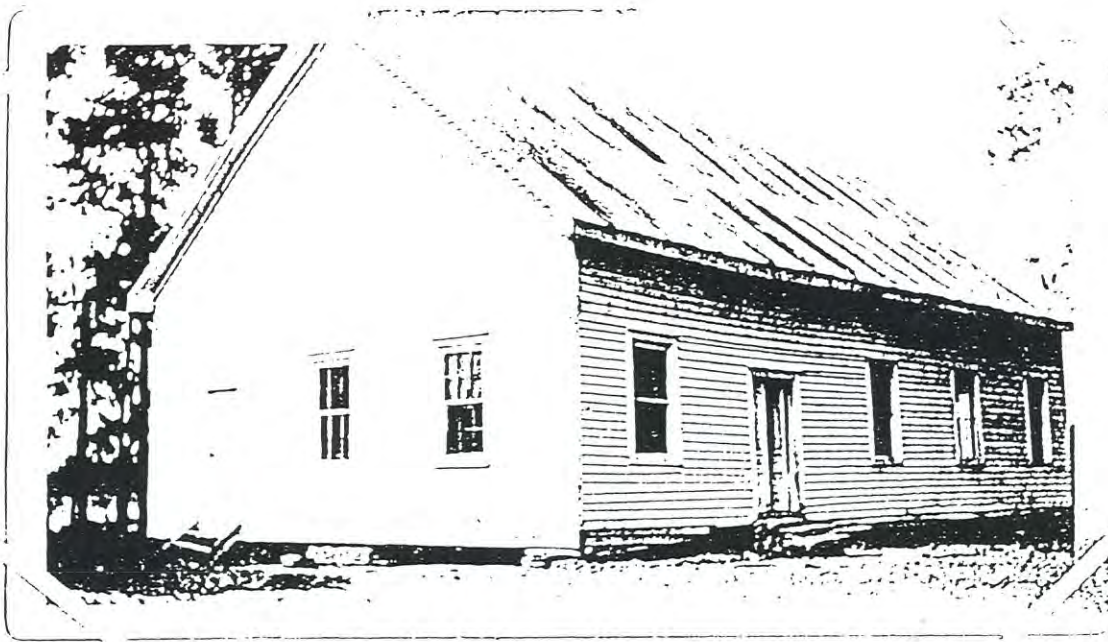
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When she was a young girl this picture of the first House of Worship was given to Mary C. Leonard (Mrs. John Hassell) by Mr. and Mrs. N. Pierce Anderson in 1929. Words to the right were found written on the back of the picture.

Keep this when
the old Antioch
is moved then
in after years
you will appreciate
this -
Aunt Mafame
Uncle Pierce

Jan 29

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

1949

Rev. P. S. McChesney, Pastor

ELDERS

Lorraine Leonard, Clerk

W. B. Kilgore

A. W. Leonard

Edd Johnson

Joe H. Kilgore

DEACONS

Andrew Kilgore

William Johnson

Harold Leonard

Grady Kemp

Dan Kilgore

R. C. Kendrick

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Superintendent.....

Assistant Superintendent.....

Secretary-Treasurer.....

Pianist.....

Assistant Pianist.....

William Johnson

Dan Kilgore

A. M. Kilgore

Leonora Leonard

Mrs. A. W. Leonard



Unveiling of Bronze Markers
DENNY ANDERSON
and
ELIZABETH MASSEY ANDERSON

ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 5, 1957 -:- 3:30 O'clock

Under the Auspices of
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Joyce Scott Chapter, Greer, S. C.
Alamo Chapter, San Antonio, Texas

Joyce Scott Chapter Regent Mrs. R. D. Dobson
Alamo Chapter Regent Mrs. M. W. McCurdy
South Carolina State Regent Mrs. M. W. Patrick
South Carolina State Historian Mrs. Guy Vaughan

AMERICA No. 274
Miss Iris Leonard, Pianist; Mrs. Walter C. Anderson, Jr., Organist

Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag

Invocation The Reverend Marshall B. Dendy

Welcome Address William A. Leonard

FAITH OF OUR FATHERS No. 200

Greetings from the Alamo Chapter Regent Mrs. R. D. Dobson

Introduction of State and Chapter D.A.R. Officers

Address Mrs. M. W. Patrick

Historical Sketch of
Denny and Elizabeth Anderson Denny A. Snow

Recognition of Descendants Mrs. Dobson

Vocal Solo John C. Anderson

Movement to the Site of the Unveiling

Color Guard S. C. National Guard
Hq. & Hq. Battery, 178th F.A.,
51st Inf. Div., Greer, S. C.

Unveiling of Markers:

John B. Brockman, III, Victoria Dillard, Robert F. Hodges, Jr.,
Bennie Sue Anderson

Dedication Joyce Scott Chapter Regent

Placing of Wreaths David White Anderson and John
Anderson Robison, Sr.

Benediction The Reverend John Wood Robison

Taps David Frederick Anderson

Antioch Presbyterian Church

Order of Morning Worship

November 12, 1989

"Ye that love the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked. Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart. Rejoice in the LORD, ye righteous; and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness."

Psalm 97:10-12

Selections are taken from the Green Hymnal

Prelude

*Hymn 6 "O Worship the King All Glorious Above"

*Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

*The Apostles' Creed and Gloria Patri

Hymn 212 "How Firm a Foundation"

Responsive Reading Selection 370, pp. 314, 315

Silent Prayer and Meditation

Pastoral Prayer

Welcome and Announcements

Worship God with Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology and Prayer

Scripture Reading: I Timothy ch. 3

Sermon "Qualifications for the Office of Elder" - I Tim. 3:1-7

*Hymn 203 "Thou Hidden Source of Calm Repose"

*Benediction and Congregational Response

Postlude

*The Congregation Will Please Stand

TO BE REMEMBERED IN PRAYER:

Mrs. Clarice League, Mrs. Graham Bennett, Mrs. Maggie Easler,
Mrs. Nettie Kilgore, Mrs. Vera Waddell, Mr. Sampson Burgess,
Miss Becky Leonard, Mrs. Frances Kilgore, The Rabenau Family,
Mrs. Grace Johnson

SHORTER CATECHISM CLASS - 5:30 p.m.

SABBATH EVENING WORSHIP - 7:00 p.m.

"Israel and Joseph Reunited" - Genesis ch. 46

Hymns 37, 63, 208 - Green Hymnal

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY - 7:00 p. m.

I Timothy ch. 6

Hymns 94, 329, 78 - Red Hymnal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Women in the Church (WIC) will meet tomorrow morning at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Mrs. Ruby Johnson. Miss Jan Dearman, missionary to Eastern Europe, has been invited to lead the Bible Study.

The annual PCA "Joy Gift" offering for Christmas will be collected next Sabbath morning during the regular worshipping with tithes and offerings.

A "work day" has been scheduled by the Session for next Saturday, Nov. 18, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Coffee will be available at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please help to make this a concentrated effort.

"Scouting for Food" bags for the annual Boy Scouts food drive are available at the church today. If you are interested in contributing, please see Elder Jim Brown. The bags will be collected on Nov. 18.

By the decree of God, for the manifestation of His glory, some men and angels are predestinated unto everlasting life; and others foreordained to everlasting death. These angels and men, thus predestinated, and foreordained, are particularly and unchangeably designed, and their number so certain and definite, that it cannot be either increased or diminished.

The Westminster Confession of Faith

If men wish the knowledge of that event (the resurrection) to die out, let them neglect to keep holy the first day of the week; if they desire that even to be everywhere known and remembered, let them consecrate that day to the worship of the risen Saviour.

Charles Hodge

Antioch Presbyterian Church
Rev. Charles E. Champion, Pastor

The Lord's Day

April 28, 1996

Morning Worship Service

11:00 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

The Call to WorshipPsalm 51:10-13

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Thy presence, and do not take Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation, and sustain me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors Thy ways, and sinners will be converted to Thee.

Hymn *Exalt the Lord*12

Invocation & The Lord's PrayerXII

The Apostles' CreedXII

Gloria Patri

Scripture---Romans 1:14-25

Silent Prayer & Meditation

The Pastoral Prayer

Hymn.....*Jesus Paid It All*690

The Worship of God with Tithes & Offerings

The majority of warnings in Christ's messages were to the wealthy, not the poor. Just having an abundance is not a sign of God's blessing. A disciplined lifestyle with an abundance is greater witness than the abundance could ever be. "Your abundance being a supply for their want, that their abundance also may become a supply for your want, that there may be equality." (II Cor. 8:14)

Doxology & Prayer

The Sermon

"The Great I Am's of C. R."

Hymn.....*Jesus, And Shall It Ever Be*425

Benediction

Congregational Response

God be with you till we meet again, by His counsels guide, uphold you, with His sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again. Amen.

Postlude

Announcements

Welcome to Worship at Antioch! Today, as you examine your life in the light of God's Word, be encouraged to stand strong in your faith and follow the path of Christ each day.

Session Meeting following the Morning Worship Service.

Prayer and Bible Study Wednesday, 10:00 a.m.

4th Sunday Dinner---Following the Morning Worship Service we will have our monthly family dinner. We hope that all of you will stay for this good time of fellowship and friendship.

Prayer Concerns---Much praise for answered prayers, Sue Rogers to have a cat scan, praise for visitors, Debbie's request for Jackie Weng (cancer of the spine), Chris Clayton, Suzanne Nutting, Davey (infant with pneumonia), William and Ruby Johnson, Belton Johnson, and spiritual, numerical and financial blessings upon Antioch.

1992 Financial Statement
Antioch Presbyterian Women in the Church

General Fund	\$ 65.00
Blessing Box Scholarship Fund	75.00
Christian Education & Publications Love Gift	75.00
Mission to North America	75.00
Mission to the World	675.00
PCA Love Offering	75.00
Church Resource Ministries Jan Dearman	600.00
Gift to Jan from Antioch	60.00
PCA Historical Archives	20.00
Ridge Haven	25.00
Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary	200.00
Christmas Projects	10.97
Mrs. Wiesmann	75.00
WIC Bible Study Books	65.93
Guideposts	50.68
Food for Bereaved	25.73
Gifts	20.00
Hurricane Help	25.00
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	\$2,217.31

ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - 1995 BUDGET

	ITEM	BUDGETED
100	CALVARY PRESBYTERY TREASURER	\$625.00
BENEVOLENCES	PCA GENERAL ASSEMBLY TREASURER *	\$2,000.00
	TOTAL BENEVOLENCES	\$2,625.00
200	EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS	\$300.00
CHRISTIAN	YOUTH PROGRAM	\$100.00
EDUCATION	CAMP FUND	\$250.00
	CONFERENCE FUND	\$750.00
	BIBLE SCHOOL	\$150.00
	FILM RENTAL	\$50.00
	TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	\$1,600.00
300	MINISTER'S COMPENSATION	
WORSHIP	BASE SALARY	\$24,000.00
SERVICE	HOUSING ALLOWANCE	
	UTILITIES ALLOWANCE - PHONE	\$0.00
	-ELECTRICAL	\$200.00
	TAX WITHHOLDING -SOC. SEC.	\$0.00
	-FEDERAL	\$0.00
	-STATE	\$0.00
	CAR ALLOWANCE	\$0.00
	BOOK ALLOWANCE	\$0.00
	HEALTH, SUP. LIFE & DIS. INS.	\$0.00
	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS	
	TOTAL MINISTER'S COMPENSATION	\$24,000.00
	SOCIAL SECURITY - EMPLOYER	\$0.00
	MUSIC PROGRAM	\$150.00
	PULPIT SUPPLY	\$300.00
	REVIVAL MEETINGS	
	TOTAL WORSHIP SERVICE	\$24,650.00
400	INSURANCE (CHURCH, MANSE, LIABILITY)	\$1,500.00
INSURANCE	TOTAL INSURANCE	\$1,500.00
500	CUSTODIAL SERVICES	\$1,000.00
OPERATING	OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT	\$800.00
EXPENSE	UTILITY SERVICE (CHURCH) - PHONE	\$300.00
	-ELECT.	\$2,500.00
	REPAIRS TO CHURCH BUILDING	\$3,000.00
	REPAIRS TO CHURCH INSTALLED EQUIP.	\$300.00
	REPAIRS TO MANSE	\$500.00
	REPAIRS TO MANSE INSTALLED EQUIP.	\$750.00
	MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS & PAVING, ALL	\$1,000.00
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT	
	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$10,150.00
600	FLORAL FUND	\$250.00
GENERAL	EMERGENCY FUND	\$500.00
EXPENSE	SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES	\$50.00
	SOCIAL FUNCTIONS	\$350.00
	OTHER	\$50.00
	TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSE	\$1,200.00
	OVERALL TOTAL	\$41,725.00

* INCLUDES ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE, CHURCH EDUCATION AND PUBLICATION, MISSION TO NORTH AMERICA, MISSION TO THE WORLD, COVENANT COLLEGE, COVENANT SEMINARY

	ITEM	88 EXPEND	89 BUDGET	90 PROPOSED
100	PRESBYTERY TREASURER	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00	\$500.00
BENEVOLENCES	VOLUNTARY BENEVOLENCES	\$3,515.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
	DIRECT BENEVOLENCES			
	W.I.C. BENEVOLENCES			
	TOTAL BENEVOLENCES	\$6,015.00	\$3,500.00	\$1,500.00
200	EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS	\$423.72	\$500.00	\$1,000.00
CHRISTIAN	YOUTH PROGRAM		\$100.00	\$100.00
EDUCATION	CAMP FUND	\$277.50	\$400.00	\$400.00
	CONFERENCE FUND	\$415.00	\$1,100.00	\$500.00
	BIBLE SCHOOL		\$150.00	\$150.00
	FILM RENTAL		\$100.00	\$100.00
	TOTAL CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	\$1,116.22	\$2,350.00	\$2,250.00
300	MINISTER'S COMPENSATION	(\$18,054.79)	(\$15,830.00)	(\$20,162.39)
WORSHIP	BASE SALARY	\$8,533.23	\$10,550.00	\$9,346.34
SERVICE	HOUSING ALLOWANCE			
	UTILITIES ALLOWANCE - PHONE	\$625.36	(\$300.00)	\$750.00
	- ELECTRICAL	\$1,575.16	(\$2,000.00)	\$1,650.00
	TAX WITHHOLDING - SOC. SEC.	\$2,925.24	\$770.00	\$1,041.49
	- FEDERAL			\$1,901.00
	- STATE			\$373.56
	CAR ALLOWANCE	\$600.00	\$660.00	\$700.00
	BOOK ALLOWANCE	\$500.00	\$550.00	\$600.00
	HEALTH, SUP. LIFE & DIS. INS.	\$3,295.80	\$3,300.00	\$3,800.00
	RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTIONS			
	TOTAL MINISTER'S COMPENSATION	(\$18,054.79)	(\$15,830.00)	(\$20,162.39)
	SOCIAL SECURITY - EMPLOYER		\$700.00	\$1,041.49
	MUSIC PROGRAM		\$150.00	\$150.00
	PULPIT SUPPLY	\$518.00	\$500.00	\$500.00
	REVIVAL MEETINGS		\$500.00	\$250.00
	TOTAL WORSHIP SERVICE	\$18,572.79	\$17,750.00	\$22,103.88
400	PRESBYTERY ASKINGS		\$150.00	\$150.00
TAXES &	INSURANCE (CHURCH, MANSE, LIABILITY)	\$1,796.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,900.00
INSURANCE	TOTAL TAXES AND INSURANCE	\$1,796.00	\$2,150.00	\$2,050.00
500	CUSTODIAL SERVICES	\$201.53	\$800.00	\$500.00
OPERATING	OFFICE SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT	\$59.94	\$500.00	\$350.00
EXPENSE	UTILITY SERVICE (CHURCH) - PHONE	\$589.93	\$750.00	\$600.00
	- ELECT.	\$2,176.14	\$2,000.00	\$2,200.00
	REPAIRS TO CHURCH BUILDING	\$2,559.24	\$800.00	\$1,000.00
	REPAIRS TO CHURCH INSTALLED EQUIP.	\$76.45	\$500.00	\$500.00
	REPAIRS TO MANSE	\$453.42	\$200.00	\$200.00
	REPAIRS TO MANSE INSTALLED EQUIP.		\$500.00	\$250.00
	MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS & PAVING, ALL	\$41.25	\$1,500.00	\$800.00
	OFFICE EQUIPMENT		\$500.00	\$250.00
	TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE	\$6,157.90	\$8,050.00	\$6,650.00
600	FLORAL FUND	\$59.84	\$300.00	\$200.00
GENERAL	EMERGENCY FUND		\$200.00	\$200.00
EXPENSE	SAFE DEPOSIT BOXES	\$20.00	\$100.00	\$100.00
	HOMECOMING		\$50.00	\$50.00
	OTHER	\$425.00	\$50.00	\$50.00
	TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSE	\$504.84	\$700.00	\$600.00
	BALANCES FORWARDED	\$34,162.75	\$34,500.00	\$35,153.88
	1988 INCOME	\$32,066.35		
	1989 INCOME (ESTIMATED)		\$34,000.00	
	1990 INCOME (ESTIMATED)			\$35,000.00

Church Directory

Rev. Marshall B. Dendy Minister
Mrs. William A. Leonard Pianist
Mrs. Joe H. Kilgore, Jr. Assistant Pianist

THE SESSION

Marshall B. Dendy, *Moderator* J. Dan Kilgore
Lorraine Leonard, *Clerk* William H. Johnson
Joe H. Kilgore Edd J. Johnson
A. W. Leonard

BOARD OF DEACONS

William A. Leonard, *Chairman* Harold D. Leonard
T. Mack Carlton, *Treasurer* James M. Hudson
R. C. Kendrick Joe H. Kilgore, Jr.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DIRECTORY

Joe H. Kilgore, Jr. Superintendent
J. Dan Kilgore Asst. Superintendent
Frank Hughes Secretary
Mack Carlton Assistant Secretary
Mrs. Joe H. Kilgore, Jr. Pianist
Miss Iris Leonard Assistant Pianist

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

Mrs. Joe Kilgore President
Mrs. W. H. Johnson Vice-President
Mrs. Frank Hughes Secretary-Treasurer

AN INVITATION

You, your family, and friends are
most cordially invited
to attend the
Home Coming Services

of

ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Route 1, Woodruff, S. C.
Sunday, August 8, 1965

Starting at Ten o'clock in the morning.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 10:00 A. M. - Sunday School
- 11:00 A. M. - Church Services - opposite page
- 1:00 P. M. - Picnic Dinner

FOR YOU TO BRING:

Picnic Lunch

*Antioch will furnish drinks, cups, ice,
napkins, forks, and plates.*

2:30 P. M. - Afternoon Session

Old Fashion Hymn Singing

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ANTIOCH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Woodruff, R. F. D., South Carolina

Marshall B. Dendy, Minister

August 8th, 1965

ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE "Largo" Lorenz
Mrs. William A. Leonard, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP

THE DOXOLOGY

INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE APOSTLES' CREED

THE GLORIA PATRI

HYMN NO. 114. . . . "All Hail The Power of Jesus Name"

SCRIPTURE READING John 18:28-37

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN NO. 228 "The Church's One Foundation"

OFFERING Prayer of Dedication

THE CHOIR. The Glory Song. Landon

WELCOME Lorraine Leonard

SERMON BY THE PASTOR Making Jesus Christ King

HYMN NO. 267 "Jesus Shall Reign"

BENEDICTION. Response by the Choir

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN MEMORIAM - Mrs. Shirley Yeargin Brockman -
November 5, 1972. "Blessed are the dead that die
in the Lord," Revelation 14:13

The Sacrament of Baptism will be administered today
to ALLISON MARIE KILGORE, infant daughter of
Deacon and Mrs. Joe H. Kilgore, Jr. She was born
August 28, 1972.

The WORSHIP COMMITTEE of Reidville - Antioch
Presbyterian Churches:

Co-Chairmen Mr. Forrest Leonard
Mr. Joe H. Kilgore, Sr.
Mrs. Margaret McBee
Mrs. Mattie Cora Gaston
Mrs. Betty Alverson
Mr. Harold Leonard
Mr. John Birchstead
Miss Ginger Johnson

A special meeting of this committee is called for
five minutes immediately following this service in
the session room. The first Stated meeting of this
committee is Nov. 26 in the pastor's study at 5 P.M.

The STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE of Reidville - Antioch
Presbyterian Churches:

Co-Chairmen Mr. Dan Kilgore
Mr. Edward Hendrix
Mrs. Isabelle Gaston
Mrs. Clarice League
Mr. Mack Carlton
Mr. Bill Leonard
Mr. John Anderson

The first Stated meeting of this committee is Nov.
26 in the pastor's study at 3 P.M.

