

The History of Barnesville Baptist Church, Barnesville, Maryland
Founded 1871

**Mentions of Pastors, Preachers, Members, and Events in
Local Newspapers and Publications**

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List of Pastors

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Nov. 1873-1875	Rev. John W. Marsh
Sep. 1878-Sep. 1887	Rev. Hillary E. Hatcher
Sep. 1887-Jun. 1888	Rev. James H. Wright
Oct. 1889-Dec. 1892	Rev. L. R. Milbourne
Apr. 1893-Sep. 1900	Rev. S. R. White
Oct. 1900-Dec. 1900	Rev. Lewis Jones
May 1901-Feb. 1902	Rev. J. L. Lodge
Sep. 1902-1903	Rev. R. S. Owens
Jun. 1904-Dec. 1907	Rev. R. A. Smith
1909-Jun. 1913	Rev. F. B. Cowell
1914	Rev. Jones
1916	Rev. E. C. Burke
1917	Rev. P. Rowland Wagner
1920-1922	Rev. J. C. McFadden
1923	Rev. Dr. Flynn
1924-Sep. 1928	Rev. S. A. Shaver
1928	Rev. James M. Coleman
Feb. 1929-May 1931	Rev. H. H. Nicoll
Sep. 1931-Jun. 1933	Rev. H. M. Hall
Jul. 1933-Sep. 1936	Rev. H. Marvin Flinn
1937	Rev. Herbert Cooper of Rockville preached
Jul. 1939-Aug. 1939	Mr. Gordon Conklin, Washington, DC seminary student, preached
1942-1943-	Rev. James P. Daniel
Jul. 1946-Dec. 1946	Rev. William Herman Lewis
Jan. 1947-Jan. 1949	Rev. Thomas A. Fleming
1950-Aug. 1952	Rev. William F. Shoup
Aug. 1953-Oct. 1969	Rev. Horace DuBois
Nov. 1969-1994	Rev. Jeddie DeFries
1994-1995	Rev. James Painter, Interim Pastor
Jul. 1995-Jul. 2000	Rev. Dr. Blaine V. Welker
Jun. 2001-Sep. 2011	Rev. Joe N. Ivey
Sep. 2011-	Rev. Randy C. Gilliam

Rev. Joseph H. Jones

The Rev. Mr. Jones will preach in the Baptist Meeting House, on Sunday next at 3 o'clock, P.M.

The Frederick Town Herald, March 12, 1831, Page 3.

The Rev. Mr. Jones will preach in the Baptist meeting house of this place next Lord's day evening 3 o'clock.

The Frederick Town Herald, June 4, 1831, Page 3.

The Rev. Mr. Jones, of Rockville, will preach in the Baptist Meeting House of this city, on to-morrow, at 3 o'clock, P.M.

The Frederick Town Herald, July 30, 1831, Page 3.

The rev. Mr. Jones, will preach in the Baptist Meeting House, on to-morrow, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Dec. 17.

The Frederick Town Herald, December 17, 1831, Page 3.

The Rev. Mr. Jones will preach in the Baptist Meeting House of this city, on to-morrow, at 3 o'clock, P.M. Jan. 14.

The Frederick Town Herald, January 14, 1832, Page 3.

The Rev. Mr. Jones will preach in the Baptist Meeting House, to-morrow afternoon, at 3 o'clock P.M.

The Frederick Town Herald, July 28, 1832, Page 3.

The rev. Mr. Jones, will preach in the Baptist church to-morrow, at 3 o'clock.

The Frederick Town Herald, October 20, 1832, Page 2.

"1821. Rockville Baptist Church"

...As Rev. Joseph H. Jones was one of the constituent members of this Church and its first pastor, and continued in that relation for nearly a fourth of a century, and as he has but recently passed away from among us, it seems proper that the following notice of his life and character should be recorded here. Mr. Jones was of Irish parentage. His father, Charles Jones, was a captain in the Irish Rebellion, for whose arrest a reward of two hundred guineas was offered. He escaped and came to America. Here he married Prudence Hawkins, a widow, of Providence, R. I. He lived for some time in Fairfax County, Va., where the subject of this sketch was born, Dec. 3, 1798. The family afterward moved to Washington City. Joseph's father died when he was about twelve years of age. Soon after that he was apprenticed to a silver-plater in Baltimore. He served his time and returned to Washington. When but a boy, he became acquainted with Rev. O. B. Brown, pastor of the Baptist Church in that city. Mr. Brown took much notice of his boy friend and often pronounced a blessing upon him. Such attention naturally drew forth his youthful confidence. The mutual attachment thus formed never waned. The lad was converted at the age of eighteen, and was baptized by Mr. Brown and united with his Church.

He studied under Rev. Mr. Breckenridge, at Rockville Academy, about a year. This, with the little schooling he had in his father's life-time, constituted all the education he enjoyed.

About 1818, he began to exercise his gifts in preaching. Soon after, the Church licensed him to preach. In 1821, he was married to Miss Elizabeth Clagett, of Montgomery County. He settled in Rockville, worked at his trade and subsequently engaged in the sale of merchandise. But his heart was bent on the ministry. His appointments were chiefly at Rockville and Bethel, though he often went to Linganore and Upper Seneca. He was ordained in 1821. After a few years, finding the claims of the ministry pressing upon him, he gave up his secular business, except cultivating a small farm, and devoted his time to pastoral duties. He served four Churches, spending one Sunday in a month with each Church. His field was generally Rockville, where he resided, Upper Seneca, distant 14 miles, Linganore, 28 miles, and Pleasant Valley, 40 miles, making a monthly trip of 164 miles, besides frequently attending funerals and associations. These journeys were always performed on horseback, making an annual round of more than two thousand miles a year. After some years, he resigned the charge of Pleasant Valley and transferred his labors to Ebenezer Church, Loudon County Va., to which he had been invited. Some time afterward, Frederick City Church was added to his field. In 1845, he resigned his charge and removed to Frederick. While living there, he preached at Barnesville, and after the close of the late Civil War, -a Church was organized at that place, and was regularly supplied by him, and a meeting house was built under his auspices.

In 1864, his wife, who had been a help-mate in all his labors of love, for more than forty years, departed this life. This severe trial, with rather a delicate state of health, induced him to spend his winters with his son, Judge Jones, of King and Queen County, Va. Thence, he was called home to his Father's house above, Dec. 31, 1871.

The peculiarity of his disease induced much bodily suffering. This he bore with not only resignation, but cheerfulness. He was a man of strong faith. He believed what God said. Hence, whether it was declaration, prophecy, threatening or promise, that was under consideration, he dwelt upon it with the earnestness of one who felt that he was standing by the truth. He was a man of untiring energy. Wherever a sense of duty led, there he was bound to go, and do his best. He was never known to fail of meeting his appointments, unless something beyond his control prevented. He was possessed of a remarkably kind heart. On account of his great tenacity in adhering to what he conscientiously believed and with equal candor proclaimed, some have thought him cold and uncharitable. Nothing could be farther from his true character.

If a minister's usefulness is to be estimated by the number of converts brought into the Church, Mr. Jones cannot be said to have been eminently successful. His preaching and conversation seemed more bent on instructing and comforting Christians than the conversion of sinners. His preaching was much after the order and style of the venerable Jeremiah Moore, whom Semple describes as "well versed in Scripture, often giving lucid explanations of different passages." His general style of preaching was decidedly Calvinistic. Yet he was practical, as well as doctrinal. Christian experience was with him a favorite theme. As a man, a Christian and a preacher, his life was an ornament to religion, an honor to his country, the Church, the family and himself. His last sickness and death-scene were consistent with his life. He was remarkably cheerful even when suffering, and more than once remarked to those around him, that he would not turn his hand to decide the question of life or death. He was particularly joyful during his last illness. His last utterance was "Happy, happy, happy."

White, Rev. S.R. "Rockville Baptist Church", J.F. Weishampel, Jr. and George F. Adams, eds. *History of Baptist Churches in Maryland Connected with the Maryland Baptist Union Association*, J.F. Weishampel, Jr., Baltimore, 1885, Pp. 70-71.

Church Covenant (1871)

The Covenant and Church Record of the Baptist Church at Barnesville, in Montgomery County, Maryland.

Which was regularly Dedicated, organized, and set apart to the worship of God, as the Regular Baptist Church at Barnesville, on Lord's day September 24th A.D. 1871, and the following Covenant entered into, and agreed upon, as the Covenant of the said Church.

Agreed upon, entered into, and signed by the Baptist Church of Jesus Christ, constituted at Barnesville, in Montgomery County in the State of Maryland on the 24th day of September 1871 We the subscribers, inhabitants of the County and State aforesaid, being regularly baptized, according to the apostolic order, humbly desirous to be established unto a Regular Church, hoping it may be to the Glory of God, and our own edification,

Do hereby as in presence of God solemnly united as a religious Society, to worship Him, to celebrate His Ordinances, to maintain His Truths, and to endeavor, to promote His glory in the world, and to this we promise by Divine assistance to profess, stand by, and defend the following Doctrines, and observe the rules of Discipline, hereafter named, ~~and~~ always to our lives end.

In general, we humbly declare before God who knows our hearts, that we firmly believe that the sacred Scriptures of the Old and the New Testament are the Word of God, and our certain and infallible guide, both of Truth and Practice, containing every thing needful for us to know, to believe, as to do in the service of salvation, through faith which is in Christ Jesus, by which we expect to be judged in the last day, and to which our opinion and practices, ought at all times to be conformed, and therefore that all Christians who can read ought to search them diligently and daily, praying to God for the light of his Holy Spirit, without which none can understand them so as to comprehend the Will of God, therein contained.

2nd. We believe that there is but one living and true God, the Almighty Creator, Preserver, and Disposer of all things invisible and visible.

In whom we live, move, and have our being, and to whom alone all Divine worship and adoration is to be rendered and ascribed in time and eternity both by Angels and ~~and~~ men, as being most worthy thereof, and one that will not give his glory to another, nor his praise to graven images; having strictly forbidden us to worship or adore any but himself.

3rd. That there are three persons in the Godhead the Father the Son and Holy Spirit the Same in Essence power and eternity and therefore not to be divided although distinguished by several peculiar properties and personal relations;

4th That the son Jesus Christ the Second person in the adorable Trinity did in time take upon him a real human nature in which he fulfilled the Law and died to make an atonement for sin; is the only Savior of sinners; the Prophet, Priest, and King of his church; appointed Heir of all things and Judge of quick and dead in whom alone we have redemption and deliverance from Divine wrath and eternal misery.

5th. That such as were redeemed by Christ, will be finally saved by his merits; are divining this life, effectually called by his grace, sanctified personally by an actual application of his blood, being first really renewed by his Holy Spirit, and finally preserved by his power unto salvation; and such only shall be saved as thus wrought upon, converted, and changed in time as the Holy Scriptures plainly declare.

6th That Christ will return from Heaven, where he now reigns in glory, to judge the world; that by his power he will raise the Dead, both just and unjust; that all that are in their graves shall hear his voice and come forth; that he will receive the righteous and reject the wicked forever.

And we further promise and engage to observe the following Rules of Discipline as well as all others warranted by the Word of God.

1st. Not to forsake the assembling of ourselves together, but constantly to attend our appointed meetings as far as the Lord shall enable us; whether on the Lords day or another day appointed for that purpose; not neglecting them but upon necessary occasions and for good reason to be given to the Church at her next meeting.

2nd To bear each his or her proportional part according to our several abilities, of such expenses as necessarily arise from maintaining the worship of God amongst us in a becoming manner, according to his Sacred Word.

3rd. Not to divulge infirmities of one another or to tell them to such as are not of our Communion if it can be lawfully avoided.

4th Not to remove our abode to any distant part without advising with our brethren and taking regular discussion from their care, not to live in the neglect of any known duty to our God, our Brethren, our country, or our neighbor; but to endeavor to walk in all the laws and ordinances of the Lord, blameless to hear reproof, or to reprove others, in cases of visible faults, according to the command of Christ in the Gospel, in charity and in brotherly love.

In conclusion it is unanimously agreed upon by the Curch that if any member or members shall be found erroneous or disorderly in any of the particulars above stated; or in any other contrary to the word of God, he, she, or they shall be liable to the censure of the Church, and in case of obstinate continuance therein shall be entirely excommunicated from our communion; and it also is agreed that none shall hereafter be admitted to the Church, but what are willing to Sign this Covenant that disputes may as far as possible be avoided; and Love, Peace, and Harmony be preserved

In testimony whereof we have hereunto signed our names, the day, year and month
above written.

Joseph H. Jones

Richard T White

Wm O. Sellman

Samuel Darby

Joel H Wolfe

F. M. Griffith

Wm T Hilton

Wm W. Darby

Charlie R. Darby

Jemima A Griffith

Prudence Jones Griffith

Mary E. White

Mary J Darby

Ann P. Sellman

Elizabeth D. Griffith

Sarah Harris

Anna M. Wolfe

F Rebecca Hilton

Lizzie Jones

Racheal Oden

Laura Gott

Leah Griffith Chiswell

1870-1879

Dedication sermon preached by Elder S.R. White, then pastor at Rockville Md.

Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, Page 86.

In pursuance of notice given; A majority of all the members then belonging to the Barnesville Baptist Church, assembled in the said Church Saturday Oct 21st 1871, After being called to order by the Moderator, Revd. Joseph H. Jones, proceeded to the election of the following Officers, to wit: Revd. J.H. Jones called to the pastoral care of the Church for one year. Bro R.T. White was elected Deacon bro W.O. Sellman Assistant Deacon, bro Samuel Darby was elected Church Clerk.

Samuel Darby, Ch. Ck.

Darby, Samuel, Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, October 21, 1871.

“Notes of the Day.”

Rev. Jos. H. Jones, a Baptist minister, formerly stationed at Frederick, Md., died on the 30th ultimo, at the residence of his son, Judge J.H.C. Jones, in King and Queen county, Va., in the 74th year of his age.

The Baltimore Sun, January 11, 1872, Page 4.

Articles of Incorporation (1872)

Articles of Incorporation

At a regular meeting of the members, persons above twenty one years of age, belonging to the Barnesville Baptist Church, in Montgomery County, Maryland, a Christian Religious Church; known in said County and State, and protected in the full and free exercise of their Religion by the Constitution and laws of said State, held in their Meeting house, at Barnesville, in said County on the eighth day of June, eighteen hundred and seventy two, Wm. M. Davis, being pastor thereof. Richard T. White, William O. Sellman Samuel Darby, Joel H. Wolfe and William T. Hilton, five sober and discreet persons, male members of said Church, above the age of twenty one years, and citizens of the United States, and of the state of Maryland were duly elected according to the known custom and usage of said Church, to act as Trustees in the name and behalf of the said Church and to manage the estate, property, interest, and inheritance of the same. And at the said first election of Trustees, made as aforesaid, on the day and year aforesaid, said Church determined that said Trustees shall respectively retain said trust, so long as they severally live, and remain in full fellowship, as members of said Church, unless sooner removed.

And upon the death of said Trustees or any one of them, or the expulsion of said Trustees, or any one of them, from the membership of said Church, or removed from said Trusteeship, by said Church, the vacancy shall be filled by said Church, at some regular meeting thereof, to be held for that purpose, as soon thereafter as may be found convenient; and at said election all persons, members of said Church over the age of twenty one years, and of good standing in the said Church, shall be entitled to vote, and which vote shall be taken according to the known custom and usage of said Church, and the Trustee or Trustees to be elected shall be a member or members of said Church, in good standing, over the age of twenty one years. That said Church shall be known by the name of the Barnesville Baptist Church, and the name of the Corporation shall be "The Trustees of the Barnesville Baptist Church in Montgomery County Maryland", and may have and use a common seal.

By order of the Barnesville Baptist Church in Montgomery County Maryland on the eighth day of June eighteen hundred and seventy two.

Wm. M Davis, Pastor
Samuel Darby, Ch. Ck.

In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals the eight day of June eighteen hundred and seventy two.

		Wm. M. Davis
		Richard T. White
Witnesses	}	William O. Sellman
	}	Samuel Darby
	}	Joel H. Wolfe
	}	William T. Hilton

State of Maryland }
Montgomery County} to wit

I hereby certify that on this eighth day of June eighteen hundred and seventy two, before me the subscriber, a Justice of the Peace of the State of Maryland in and for the County of Montgomery, personally appeared Wm. M Davis Wm O Sellman, Samuel Darby, Joel H. Wolfe and William T.

Hilton Richard T. White, and did each acknowledge the foregoing instrument of writing to be their respective act. S.S. Hays. J.P.

1880-1889

The Baptist Church of Rockville has called the Rev. H.E. Hatcher to its pastorate, and he has accepted. He expects to enter upon his new charge January 9th.

The Herald and Torch Light, Hagerstown, MD, December 29, 1880, Page 2.

“Barnesville”

Baptist Church — Its edifice, a two-story frame building, was erected about 1869. Its pastor is Rev. [H].E. Hatcher.

Scharf, John Thomas, Helen Long. *History of Western Maryland, Volume 1, Philadelphia, 1882, Page 731.*

“Maryland Baptist Union. Annual Meeting in Baltimore-A Gift of \$20,000 to the Association”

The fiftieth annual meeting of the Maryland Baptist Union Association began yesterday in the Seventh Baptist Church, corner of Saratoga and Paca streets...The association represents all the territory in Maryland, which is divided into three districts--Middle, Eastern and Western Shore...

Rev. Mr. Walker reported in favor of admitting the Barnesville Church and Patterson Avenue Church into connection with the association, and they were admitted.

The Baltimore Sun, October 21, 1885, Supplement, Page 1.

“Baptist Associations.”

...The Western District Baptist Association will meet with Mount Zion Baptist Church, near Windham's, Metropolitan Branch of the B. and O. Railroad, this evening...The following churches comprise the association:...Mt. Zion, Rockville, Germantown, Poolesville and Barnesville Churches, of Montgomery county....

The Baltimore Sun, June 2, 1886, Page 4.

“Local Matters.”

Baptist Association--The Western District Baptist Association will meet with the Barnesville Baptist Church on the Metropolitan Branch of the B. and O. R. R. this evening. Rev. H.M. Wharton, pastor of the Brantly Church, will preach the annual sermon. J. Frank Brown, a deacon of the Franklin Square Baptist Church, is the moderator, and FM Griffith, of the Barnesville Church, is the clerk. The following Baptist churches compose the association:...Rockville, Mount Zion, Poolesville, Germantown and Barnesville, of Montgomery county...Rev. Dr. Franklin Wilson will deliver a historical address on the Baptists of Maryland for the past fifty years.

The Baltimore Sun, June 8, 1887, Page 4.

The resignation of the Rev. James H. Wright, of the Rockville and the Barnesville Baptist churches, has not been accepted.

The News, Frederick, MD, May 29, 1888, Page 4.

“Baptists’ Meeting at Rockville.”

The Western District Baptist Association, composed of delegates from the churches of Rockville, Barnesville, Germantown, Cumberland, Eckhart, Frostburg, Poolesville, Hagerstown, and the First church, Franklin Square and Fulton avenue churches of Baltimore, met at Rockville Wednesday night...On Thursday morning Rev. Jas. Wright made a report on foreign missions....

The News, Frederick, MD, June 9, 1888, Page 3.

“From Rockville. What is Going on in Montgomery County. Rockville, Dec. 2, 1888.”

Rev. R.R. West, of Washington, will hold services in the Baptist churches at Barnesville and Rockville on Sunday next. S.A.M.

The Evening Star, December 20, 1888, Page 7.

“A Prospective Call.”

Rev. [L].R. Milbourne, a native of Baltimore city, and pastor of the Baptist church at Luray, Va., is announced to preach for the Barnesville and Rockville Baptist churches, Montgomery county, with a view of a call to the pastorate of these churches.

The News, Frederick, MD, July 15, 1889, Page 3.

“Accepted the Call.”

Rev. L.R. Milb[o]urne who was lately called to the Baptist churches of Rockville and Barnesville, Montgomery county, has accepted and will [??chaage] about Oct. 1st.

The News, Frederick, MD, September 18, 1889, Page 3.

“Virginia Items.”

Rev. L. R. Milbourne, pastor of Luray Baptist church, has tendered his resignation as pastor of that church, to take effect on the 1st of October next, he having accepted a call to the Rockville and Barnesville Baptist churches in Maryland.

The Baltimore Sun, September 19, 1889, Page 6.

“Church and Clergy.”

Rev. L.R. Milbourn[e], of Luray, Va., has accepted a call to the Baptist churches at Rockville and Barnesville, Md.

The Washington Post, September 22, 1889, Page 4.

1890-1899

At a regular Church Meeting of the Barnesville Baptist Church held on Saturday before the 2nd Sunday in September 1890 the following business was transacted: To wit,

Committee on Finance: Samuel Darby, Washngto. W. White, R.E. Sellman, Wm C. Brown, C.R. Darby

Comit. on Foreign Missions: Miss Betty Bowman, R.E. Sellman

Home Missions: Mrs. C.R. Darby, W. Maurice Watkins

Executive Board: Mrs. Virginia Jones, Mrs. W.T. Hilton

Committee on Education: Mrs. Mary Hays, C.A. Luhn

By order of the Church Samuel Darby C.C.

Darby, Samuel, Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, September 13, 1890.

“Montgomery County: News From a Number of Places Across the Line.”

A business meeting of the Baptist church at Barnesville will be held Saturday, September 26th, at 3 p.m.

The News, Frederick, MD, September 26, 1891, Page 3.

“Barnesville--Sept. 21.”

--Rev. L.R. Milbourne will preach at the Baptist Church tonight.

The News, Frederick, MD, September 22, 1892, Page 3.

“Rev. Hilary E. Hatcher”

Was born in the county of Bedford, November 8th, 1832, and died August 20th, 1892, lacking about three months of being sixty years old.

Brother Hatcher was baptized into the fellowship of Mt. Hermon church by Rev. James L. Gwaltney. He entered Richmond College as a ministerial student and graduated with distinction in 1859. He attended the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, in Greenville, S.C., during the sessions of 1859-60 and 1860-61. He was a Chaplain in the Confederate Army for two years. He served in the 61st Virginia Infantry. His first pastorate was at Orange C. H., Va., where he located in 1865. On the 2nd of October, 1866, he was married to Miss Gillie F. Jones, daughter of Dr. James L. Jones, of Orange, Va. He was pastor of Pisgah, Blue Run, Orange, Zoah, Antioch, New Hope and Zion churches in the county of Orange, Va., at different periods in his ministry. He was also pastor of the Wilderness, Mt. Hermon and Elon church in Spotsylvania county, Va. For several years he preached in Maryland--serving the Barnesville, Germantown and Rockville churches.

Although he had been in feeble health for some time, his death was rather sudden. Its announcement sent a thrill of sad surprise throughout the whole community.

He left two children and a wife to mourn his departure. He also left two small grand-children, the orphans of his oldest son, who died in Atlanta, Ga., in 1891, July 23rd.

Brother Hatcher was a man of splendid person and grand intellect. His scholarship was broad and accurate. He delighted in scientific investigations as well as in theological discussions. In the pulpit he was commanding, instructive and attractive. His voice was strong and flexible. His preaching was profound, while not wanting in ornamentation. He was a great man in Isr[ae]l, but he is fallen, alas! too soon. We pause in our march to drop a tear over his grave, while we hold his memory as a precious legacy.

A.E.O.

Owen, A.E., Report of Committee on Obituaries, *Minutes of the Sixty-Ninth Annual Session of the Baptist General Association of Virginia*. Richmond, Va: Dispatch Steam Printing House, 1892, Pp. 41-42.

“Rev. James H. Wright”

Was born in Portsmouth, Va., December 7th, 1856. He was baptized at Pine Street church, by Rev. J.B. Hudson, September 19th, 1875. Soon afterwards he was licensed to preach, i.e., April 30th, 1876, and preached his first sermon at Bethlehem church, Henrico county, in May, 1877...He was ordained to the gospel ministry October 12th, 1879....Becoming a student at the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky., he...was married to Miss Mary S. Rittenhouse at Mt. Shiloh church, Nelson county, Va., by Rev. Joseph T. Massey, October 6, 1884; became pastor at...Rockville, Md., November 3d, 1886. Having served Rockville church twenty months, till June 30th, 1888, he resigned and assumed the pastorate of West End church, Petersburg, September 2d, 1888. This pastorate continued until his health failed....

As the bells rang out the hour of midnight, and the Lord's day, January 10th [1892], the spirit of our dear brother entered into the presence of the Lord....

J.M.P.

Report of Committee on Obituaries, *Minutes of the Sixty-Ninth Annual Session of the Baptist General Association of Virginia*. Richmond, Va: Dispatch Steam Printing House, 1892, Pp. 49-50.

“News of the Churches.”

The Maryland Baptists are now in session in Baltimore. The delegates from this county are Rev. J.L. Lodge, Mrs. N.[?] Waters, Miss Rachael A. Maynard, of Linganore Circuit, and Rev. Wm. Fields, of the colored Baptist church of this city.

The News, Frederick, MD, October 25, 1893, Page 1.

“Rockville.”

The members of the Barnesville Baptist Church during the holidays made their pastor, Rev. S.R. White, a handsome donation, consisting of turkeys, chickens, hams, canned and dried fruits, barrels of apples and a lot of flour and groceries.

The Evening Star, December 28, 1895, Page 24.

“Gaithersburg.”

--Special dedicatory services took place Sunday at the recently completed new Baptist mission at Edwards' Ferry, on the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal. A throng spent the day in the church grove and witnessed the dedication. Those officiating were: Dr. James L. Lodge, of this town, who gave the dedicatory sermon in the morning; Dr. Jas. L.R. Milbourne, pastor of Rockville Baptist Church, the evening sermon; revival services at night...The church is connected with the Poolesville circuit, Rev. Lewis Jones now minister in charge....

The News, Frederick, MD, August 22, 1896, Page 7.

“Baptist Ordination: Rev. Lewis Jones Receives Laying on of Hands at Poolesville.”
[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.]

Comus, Md., Nov. 2--Pursuant to a call of the Baptist Church at Poolesville, Montgomery county, Md., a council met in the meeting-house of the church on Sunday afternoon to take into consideration the propriety of ordaining Rev. Lewis Jones, the pastor of that church, to the work of the gospel minister. The council was organized with Rev. S.R. White, of Rockville, as moderator; F.S. Griffith, of Poolesville, as clerk, and the following delegates: Rev. Dr. Hana, Pottsville, Pa.; A.G. Harley and Charles A. Luhn, of Barnesville; J.W. Elgin, of Poolesville; Rev. Dr. J.L. Lodge, Mt. Zion, Montgomery county; Emory and Robert Suddath, of [Travilah]; Rev. L.R. Milbourn[e] and D.H. Bouic, of Rockville; Rev. J.D. Rayfield and Mr. Chapman, of Germantown. The council opened with prayer by J.L. Lodge, D.D. After a full and thorough examination of the candidate it was voted to proceed with the ordination at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

At that hour a large audience assembled in the meeting-house. The exercises were led in singing by J.L. Lodge, D.D., prayer by Dr. Hana, reading of the Forty-fifth Psalm by Rev. S.R. White. Dr. Hana preached a sermon for the first verse of this Psalm. The ordination prayer was offered by Rev. J.D. Rayfield and the laying-on of hands by the presbytery, composed of the six ministers present. The charge to the candidate was delivered by Dr. Lodge; the presentation of the Bible was made by A.G. Harley, of Comus; the charge to the church by Rev. L.R. Milbourn[e]; the right hand of fellowship by the presbytery and the benediction by the candidate. Rev. Lewis Jones lives in Poolesville, coming originally from near Philadelphia. He labored for some time at Easton, Md., and was called to the Poolesville church during the last year.

The Baltimore Sun, November 3, 1896, Page 6.

“Rockville.”

A council composed of Pastors White, Lodge, Rayfield, and Milbourne, of Montgomery County; Prof. A.G. Harley, Richard White and C. Luhn, of the Barnesville Baptist Church; B.F. Suddath and Robert Suddath, of the Travilah Church; Mr. Chapman, of the Germantown Church, and Rev. T.T. Hanna, D.D., of Pottsville, Pa., met on Sunday in the Poolesville Baptist Church to consider the propriety of ordaining Mr. Lewis Jones, who has been in charge of the Poolesville and Edward's Ferry churches since last March. Pastor S.R. White, of Rockville, was elected Moderator, and Mr. Frank Griffith, Secretary. The council examined into the Christian experience of the candidate for ordination and adjourned satisfied. In the evening the ordination services were conducted. Rev. T.T. Hanna preached the ordination sermon, and Pastor Rayfield led the ordination prayer. The charge to the candidate was delivered by Rev. Dr. Lodge, and the presentation of the Bible was made by Prof. A.G. Harley. Mr. Jones will continue to fill the pulpit of the Poolesville and Edward's Ferry Baptist churches.

The Washington Post, November 8, 1896, Page 10.

“Germantown.”

--Rev. Rayfield held an all day meeting at the Baptist Church on last Sunday. Rev. Jones, pastor of the Poolesville Baptist Church, preached at 11 o'clock an interesting sermon and had Young People's Meeting at 2 o'clock and preaching at 3 in the evening.

The News, Frederick, MD, June 5, 1897, Page 2.

“Rockville.”

An all-day meeting will be held at the Barnesville Baptist Church Sunday, Rev. S.R. White, pastor.

The Evening Star, October 2, 1897, Page 24.

White, Samuel R., Rockville, MD.--Born, Natural Bridge, Va.; Coln. C., B.A., 1859; M.A., '62; Lic. Mar., '54, Ord. '59, Hunting Creek Ch., Va.; P. Rockville, Md., 21 yrs., Maryland Ave. Ch., Washington, D.C., '89-93; Barnesville, Upper Seneca, Md.--.

Lasher, George William, ed. *The ministerial directory of the Baptist churches in the United States of America.* Press of the Oxford News Co., Oxford, Ohio, Copyrighted 1899, Page 783.

Rockville Baptist donated to Barnesville Baptist “...a handsome chandelier and pulpit lamps”.

Harley, A.G., Church Clerk, Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, November 13, 1898.

Barnesville Baptist “...resolved to donate the old chandelier and lamps to the Methodist Episcopal congregation”.

Harley, A.G., Church Clerk, Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, January 22, 1899.

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“In Montgomery County”

...Rev. Lewis Jones, pastor of the Baptist Church, at Barnesville, this county, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the church at Nanjemoy, Charles county, Md. Rev. Mr. Jones recently accepted the pastorate at Barnesville, he having succeeded Rev. S.R. White, who is now secretary-treasurer of the Montgomery county school board. Mr. Jones will preach at Seneca at 3 p.m. Mr. Jones has been much beloved since he has been in this county. Not only has this been the case among the members of his own church, but it has existed among the other churches of his neighborhood. Before he accepted at Barnesville Mr. Jones served at Travilah. He has also filled the Baptist pulpit at this place.

The Evening Times, Washington, DC, December 28, 1900, Page 3.

Rev. Lewis Jones, for several years pastor of the Baptist churches at Barnesville and Seneca, has resigned to accept a call to the pastorate of Nanjemoy Baptist Church, in Charles county.

The Baltimore Sun, December 29, 1900, Page 8.

“...this church will give twelve dollars to state missions for the year”.

Harley, A.G., Church Clerk, Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, December 30, 1900.

“The Barnesville Baptist church this morning appointed...a committee to confer with the Poolesville Baptist church in regard to securing a Pastor.”

Harley, A.G., Church Clerk, Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, January 13, 1901.

“County Correspondence: Buck Lodge”

--The Gospel meeting by the Y.M.C.A., of Poolesville, at this place Sunday afternoon was largely attended. Among the speakers were Rev. Lodge, of Rockville, Rev. Feilding, of Poolesville, and Mr. Wm. Griffith, of Beallsville.

The News, Frederick, MD, May 1, 1901, Page 4.

“Poolesville”.

--Rev. Lewis Jones preached his farewell sermon in the Baptist church at this place Sunday morning. Quite a large congregation was present to hear his last discourse.

The News, Frederick, MD, June 25, 1902, Page 4.

“Ordained Ministers in the United States: Maryland”

Owens, R.S., Poolesville

Walker, J.G., D.D., ed. *American Baptist Year-Book 1903*, Philadelphia, American Baptist Publication Society, Page 153.

“Two Pretty Church Weddings at Boyds”

Boyds, Md., June 12.--...At the [Barnesville] Baptist Church at 8 o'clock another pretty wedding was solemnized. The contracting parties were Richard A. Bennett, of Boyds, and Sophia Davis, of Germantown. There were at least two hundred persons present in the church, when the bride and groom entered.

The Rev. R.S. Owens, pastor of the church officiated....

The Washington Times, June 12, 1903, Page 3.

“Ordained Ministers in the United States: Maryland”

Owens, R.S., Poolesville

Walker, J.G., D.D., ed. *American Baptist Year-Book 1904, Philadelphia, American Baptist Publication Society, Page 156.*

“Gift to Veteran Educator: Prof. A.G. Harley, Secretary of the Association, is Honored.”

...Professor Harley was born in Virginia, May 26th, 1834. He was educated in the school of Virginia, Washington and Pennsylvania. His grandfather came from Dumbarton, in Scotland, and settled in Virginia. His father married Jane Kirkland, of Annapolis, and had three sons. In early life Professor Harley entered the Baptist ministry, and was married to Miss Josephine A. Ames, of Virginia, in 1857. He was pastor at Pocomoke City in 1858 and 1859, and later at points in Virginia. He was clerk of the Barnesville Church for 12 years, and also of the Western District Association....

Department of Public Education, State of Maryland. *Thirty-eighth Annual Report Showing Condition of the Public Schools of Maryland for the Year Ending July 31st, 1904. Press of Thomas & Evans Printing Co., Baltimore, 1904, Page 43.*

“Rockville and Vicinity.”

The Western District Baptist Association has arranged to hold its annual session with the Baptist Church at Barnesville, this county, beginning June 10 and continuing three days. Rev. Thomas H. Campbell, pastor of the Rockville Church, will deliver the annual sermon.

The Evening Star, May 31, 1904, Page 20.

“Western District Baptists.: Annual Meeting of the Association Begins at Barnesville.”
Special to The Washington Post.

Boyds, Md., June 10.--The Western District Baptist Association, comprising about twenty-five churches of that denomination in this State, eight of which are in Baltimore, held its usual annual business meeting and election of officers of the association at Barnesville, in the Baptist Church there, this afternoon....

The Washington Post, June 11, 1904, Page 4.

“Baptists at Barnesville: Meeting of the Western District Association.”

[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.]

Boys, Md., June 11.--This morning a number of ministers arrived to attend the Western District Baptist Association meeting at Barnesville, coming from Garrett county, Baltimore, Laurel, and other points. The meetings today were largely attended. Tonight at the young people's rally a large crowd was present. At the morning session "Temperance" was discussed...

At 2 o'clock the ladies meeting was held...

Tomorrow (Sunday) there will be three sermons, and a very large crowd is expected.

The Baltimore Sun, June 12, 1904, Page 11.

"Germantown."

--There will be preaching next Sunday evening by the pastor, Rev. Smith.

The News, Frederick, MD, September 10, 1904, Page 7.

"Baptists In Garrett: Pastors From Sunny South Have A Taste of Real Winter."
[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun]

Deer Park, Md., Feb. 21--...Last Sunday morning Rev. R.A. Smith, Baptist clergyman from Barnesville, Montgomery county, Md., delivered a sermon to a large [Deer Park Baptist] congregation. Mr. Smith is from Texas and has only been at Barnesville since last June. The bountiful snows of the winter are in marked contrast to the climate of Texas, and he does not know whether to like them or not. He is pleased, however, with the Maryland people and their religious fervor. Barnesville is the highest point on the Metropolitan Branch of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, being 400 feet, and Deer Park nearly the highest point on the top of the Alleghenies, being in the neighborhood of 3,000 feet. A snow drift nearly 15 feet high, near Hon. John T. McGraw's Deer Park residence, proved a veritable novelty for Mr. Smith.

Rev. Dr. Hatcher, Baptist minister, preaches in Deer Park next Sunday. He is from Baltimore.

The Baltimore Sun, February 22, 1905, Page 10.

"Baptists In Session: Delegates of Western District Association at Rockville."
Special to The Washington Post.

Rockville, Md., June 9.--The Western District Baptist Association met in the Baptist Church here this evening and will continue in session through Sunday. About 100 delegates, representing the following churches, were in attendance: Barnesville....

The Washington Post, June 10, 1905, Page 5.

Invitations have been issued for the marriage of Miss Estelle Hall, of Poolesville, Montgomery county, to Rev. Richard S. Owens, pastor of Calvary Baptist church, of Utica, N.Y., July 26.

The News, Frederick, MD, July 13, 1905, Page 3.

"New York Clergyman Gets Maryland Bride: The Rev. Richard Spurgeon Owens, of Utica, Weds Miss Anne Estelle Hall at Home of Bride's Mother in Poolesville."

A pretty lawn wedding took place last evening at the home of Mrs. Clara B. Hall, at Poolesville, Montgomery county, Md., when her youngest daughter, Miss Ann Estelle Hall, became the wife of the Rev. Richard Spurgeon Owens, of Utica, N.Y.

...The Rev. S.R. White, of Rockville, assisted by the Rev. R.A. Smith, of Poolesville, conducted the services...Immediately after the ceremony Rev. and Mrs. Owens left for a Southern tour of several weeks, after which they will reside in Utica, N.Y., where the groom is the pastor of Calvary Baptist Church.

The Washington Times, July 27, 1905, Page 6.

“Rockville”

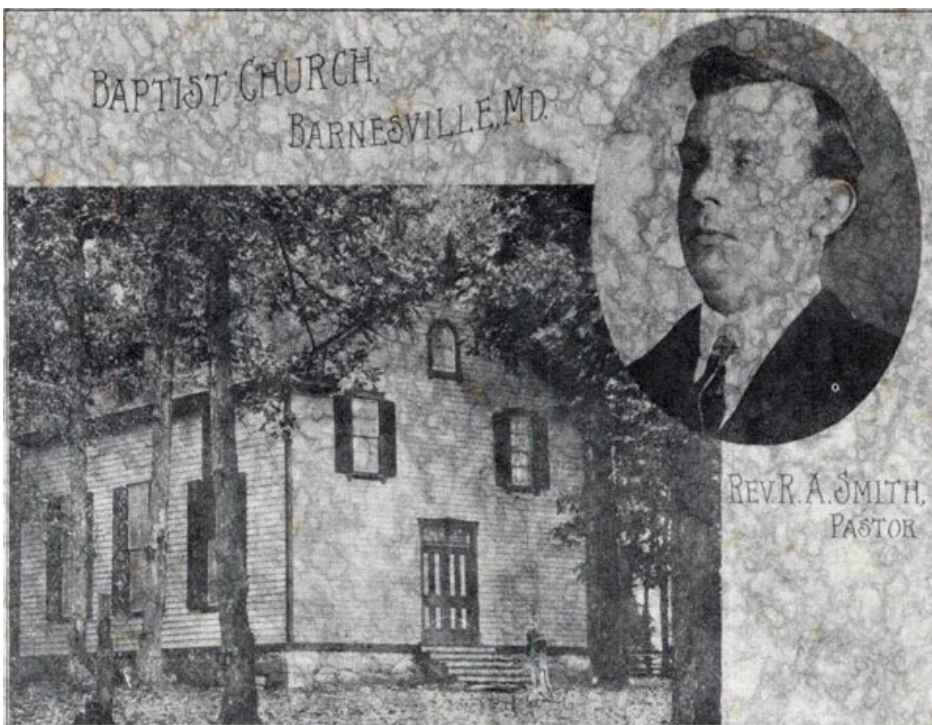
Last Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Clara B. Hall, in Poolesville, this county, her youngest daughter, Miss Ann Estelle Hall, became the wife of the Rev. Richard Spurgeon Owens, of Utica, N.Y. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. S.R. White, of Rockville, assisted by the Rev. R.A. Smith, pastor of the Baptist Church at Poolesville....

The Washington Times, July 30, 1905, Page 11.

“Ordained Ministers in the United States: Maryland”

Smith, R.A., Poolesville

Walker, J.G., D.D., ed. *American Baptist Year-Book 1906, Philadelphia, American Baptist Publication Society, Page 155.*



1906 BBC Calendar. Courtesy, Mrs. Mildred Shoup, wife of Rev. William Francis Shoup.

“Social and Personal Rockville, MD.”

Rev. R. A. Smith, pastor of the Baptist Church at Barnesville, this county, has gone to Cumby, Tex., where he will spend about a month visiting his parents.

The Washington Post, January 14, 1906, Page 6.

“Rev. Milbourne Dead: Pastor of Charles Town Baptist Church Dies of Anaemia.”
[Special to The American.]

Charles Town, W. Va., February 7.--Rev. L.R. Milbourne, pastor of the Baptist church here, died today at his residence, aged 51 years. He was a native of Wicomico county, Md., and came to the pastorate at Charles Town seven years ago from Rockville, Md., having previously filled charges at Newport News and Luray, Va. At the time of his death he was moderator of the Baptist Association of this district (Shenandoah). He was noted for his strong aversion to the liquor traffic, and for several years fought in the interests of the anti-saloon league publicly and almost alone. His remains will be taken to Luray, Va. on Saturday for interment, services to be held previously in the Baptist church in this city. He is survived by a widow and five sons, all of this city.

The Baltimore American, Baltimore, MD, February 9, 1906, Page 5.

“Death of Rev. L.R. Milbourne.”
Special to The Washington Post.

Charlestown, W. Va. Feb. 8--Rev. L.R. Milbourne, pastor of the Baptist Church, this city, died to-day at his residence, aged fifty-one years. He was a native of Wicomico County, Md., and came to the pastorate at Charlestown seven years ago from Rockville, Md., having previously filled at Newport News and Luray, Va. At the time of his death he was moderator of the Baptist Association of this district, Shenandoah. He is survived by a widow and five sons.

The Washington Post, February 9, 1906, Page 11.

“Poolesville.”

--Rev. R.A. Smith, pastor of the Baptist church here, has accepted a call to Upper Seneca Baptist church.

The News, Frederick, MD, June 11, 1907, Page 5.

“Rev. James L. Lodge Dead.: Montgomery Baptist Minister Formerly Occupied Washington Pulpit.”
Special to The Washington Post.

Rockville, Md., Nov. 20.--Rev. James L. Lodge, D.D., one of the best-known Baptist ministers of Maryland and who was also widely known in Washington, Virginia, and other sections, died last night at his home at Gaithersburg. He had been in poor health for about a year, and yesterday he suffered a third stroke of paralysis, dying shortly afterward. Surviving him are his widow, who was Miss Alice Warfield, of this county, and three children.

Dr. Lodge was a native of this county. He entered the ministry in 1859, his first pastorate having been the church at Saters, Baltimore County. He served as pastor of churches in Pittsburg[h], Accomac, Va.; Washington, Jersey City, Newark, and Upper Seneca, this county.

The Washington Post, November 21, 1907, Page 5.

“Rev. R. A. Smith Resigns.”
[Special Dispatch to the Baltimore Sun.]

Rockville, Md., Dec. 27--Rev. R.A. Smith has resigned as pastor of the Baptist Churches at Barnesville, Germantown, Upper Seneca and Travilah, Montgomery county, and has accepted a call to the pastorate of a church in Georgia. He expects to leave for his new field of labor with in the next few days. Mr. Smith formerly was pastor of the Baptist Church at Poolesville, Montgomery county.

The Baltimore Sun, December 28, 1907, Page 5.

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“Barnesville.”

- Rev. F.B. Cowell gave an interesting lecture on China, Sunday night.
- The Woman’s Missionary Society meets at Mrs. Brown’s Friday evening at 2 o’clock.

The News, Frederick, MD, February 11, 1910, Page 3.

“Rockville Society.”

Rev. Frank Bourne Cowell, pastor of the Baptist churches at Germantown, Barnesville, and Cedar Grove, and Miss Alona Marian Burns, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Harry N. Burns, of Germantown, will be married next Tuesday evening in Trinity Methodist Church at Germantown. The ceremony will be performed by the pastor, the Rev. J.I. Winger, assisted by the Rev. Oscar W. Henderson, pastor of the Rockville Baptist Church.

The Washington Post, July 3, 1910, Page 5.

“Accepts New Charge.”

Rev. Frank B. Cowell, for five years pastor of the Baptist churches at Barnesville, Germantown, Cedar Grove, and Travilah, Montgomery county, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Shawomet Baptist Church, at Providence, R.I., and will leave for his new field of labor June 1.

The News, Frederick, MD, April 14, 1913, Page 8.

- The Rev. [F].B. Cowell will leave for his new home in Rhode Island. His friends and the members of his church regret seeing him leave.
- Rev. [F].B. Cowell preached his last sermon on Sunday evening.

The News, Frederick, MD, May 22, 1913, Page 7.

“James Henry Wright”

James H. Wright was born in Portsmouth, Virginia, December 7, 1856, being descended from Presbyterian ancestors. He served his apprenticeship as a printer in Richmond, Virginia and in 1872 was converted in Pine Street Baptist Church of that city. In deference to the wishes of his parents he joined their church, declaring, however, that he was going to the Baptist Church as soon as he was of age. In a few years he obtained their consent and was baptized by Dr. J.B. Hutson into the fellowship of the Pine Street Baptist Church; in a short while he welcomed his brother, sister, mother, and stepfather into his church. He was licensed to preach and, having attended Richmond College, was ordained October 12, 1879...He was at Rockville, Md., for nearly two years and went from there to the West End Baptist Church of Petersburg, Virginia, where he labored zealously and successfully until incapacitated by illness....

Brother Wright was frail of body, but courageous of spirit. Dr. J.B. Hutson said of him: “He was a man of unspotted character, of clear and strong convictions, and ready if need be to lay down his life for the truth as he understood it. He was an uncommonly good singer, and delighted to lead the

congregation in lofty praise to God.” He was a preacher of power, with evangelistic gifts, and many were brought into the kingdom under his earnest appeals.

On October 9, 1884, he had married Miss Mollie S. Rittenhouse, and of this union one son survives. Consumption caused his death Sunday, January 10, 1892. The funeral took place at West End Church, Petersburg, and the burial at the home of Rev. D.C. Rittenhouse, Albemarle County.

L. Peyton Little.

Taylor, George Braxton. *Virginia Baptist Ministers, Fourth Series. Lynchburg, Va.: J.P. Bell Company, Inc., 1913, Pp. 137-38.*

“Barnesville.”

--The ladies of the Barnesville Baptist church will hold a festival and supper in the grove adjoining the church on Saturday, September 12.

--Rev. Jones, pastor of the Baptist church, is taking his vacation during the month of September.

The Daily News, Frederick, MD, September 5, 1914, Page 7.

“Lodowic Ralph Milbourne: 1855-1906”

By Dr. F.R. Boston, Warrenton, Va.

...Lodowic Ralph Milbourne...was born January 18, 1855...In 1889 he became pastor at Rockville and Barnesville, Md., and later of Upper Seneca Church. He finally became pastor of Rockville alone. But he was always a State missionary, and very soon some of his labors resulted in the formation of Travilah Baptist Church, 1894...His death...took place February 8, 1906.

Taylor, George Braxton. *Virginia Baptist ministers, Fifth Series, 1902-1914, J.P. Bell Company, Inc., Lynchburg, Va., 1915, Pp. 149-153.*

“Barnesville”

--The ladies of the Baptist church will hold a chicken supper and festival in the church grove Saturday, September 4, beginning at 5 p.m.

The News, Frederick, MD, August 26, 1915, Page 6.

“Barnesville”

--The ladies of the Barnesville Baptist church will hold a Valentine oyster supper in Town Hall, February 11.

--There will be preaching services at Baptist church, next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Frederick Post, February 5, 1916, Page 3.

“Barnesville.”

--There will be preaching at the Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. P.R. Wagner.

The News, Frederick, MD, March 17, 1916, Page 8.

“Barnesville.”

--The Baptist church of Barnesville will unite with an all day meeting at Poolesville Baptist church May 28.

--A new bell has been purchased for the Baptist church.

The Frederick Post, May 20, 1916, Page 3; The News, Frederick, MD, May 19, 1916, Page 6.

“Barnesville.”

--Children’s day services at the Barnesville Baptist church have always been a success but everyone declared that the last one was the “Bestever-”. The day promised to be rainy and it threatened all day, but towards night the clouds cleared away and eight o’clock found the little church packed. A fine program was given. The songs and the drills by the girls were especially fine. The girls all looked very pretty, some of them wearing crowns of roses. The church was decorated for the occasion with roses and evergreens. Mr. Dixon was in charge and in the absence of a pastor, the Sunday school superintendent, Mr. Hilton, made a short address. The success of the entertainment was mainly due to the efforts of Mrs. O.O. Baker and Miss Carrie Roberson. A large and attentive crowd rewarded the efforts of both children and teachers.

The Frederick Post, June 29, 1916, Page 3.

“Barnesville.”

--The ladies of the Barnesville Baptist church will hold a festival on the church lawn Tuesday evening, July 11, beginning at 5 o’clock.

--There will be preaching at Barnesville Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 a.m. by Rev. Burke, of Baltimore.

The News, Frederick, MD, July 7, 1916, Page 9; The Frederick Post, July 8, 1916, Page 4.

“Barnesville.”

--The ladies of the Civic League will hold an ice cream and strawberry festival in the Baptist church grove, Thursday evening, June 15.

The Frederick Post, June 12, 1916, Page 6.

“Barnesville.”

--There will be revival services at the Baptist church beginning Sunday September 10, and last during the entire week at 8 p.m. Rev. Burke of Baltimore, pastor.

The News, Frederick, MD, September 8, 1916, Page 8.

“Barnesville.”

--Rev. Ernest Burke, of Baltimore, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. O.O. Baker.

The Frederick Post, January 13, 1917, Page 3.

--The Barnesville grammar school will hold a festival in the Baptist church grove on Saturday afternoon, June 2.

The Frederick Post, June 2, 1917, Page 4.

“Rev. Dr. S.R. White Dead.”

The Rev. Samuel Richardson White, formerly pastor of the Maryland Avenue Baptist Church, died yesterday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Thomas R. Hall, Poolesville, Md. He was 83 years old.

Born in Virginia, Dr. White moved to Maryland when a young man and was pastor of churches in that State for nearly 60 years. He served at Germantown, Poolesville, Upper Seneca, and Barnesville. He was twice superintendent of public schools in Montgomery county.

Dr. White is survived by his wife, Mrs. Ele[a]nor White, and four children--Mrs. Claudia Shad, of California; William W. White, of this city, Thomas S. White, of New York, and Mrs. Hall, of Poolesville.

Funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning in the Rockville Baptist Church. Interment will be in the Rockville Union Cemetery.

The Washington Post, March 7, 1918, Page 7.

“Death of the Rev. Frank B. Cowell.”
Special to The Washington Post.

Rockville, Md., Oct. 16--The Rev Frank B Cowell, aged 37, for five years pastor of the Baptist churches at Germantown and Cedar Grove, this county, died of pneumonia in Providence, R.I., where he held a pastorate. He is survived by his wife and three children. The funeral was held yesterday, burial being in Monocacy Cemetery, at Beallsville, this county. The services at the grave were conducted by Gaithersburg Lodge of Masons.

The Washington Post, October 17, 1918, Page 3.

“Baptist Quotas Out: Apportionment For \$75,000,000 Announced.”

The advisory committee of the Baptist \$75,000,000 campaign yesterday gave out the official list of the amounts that have been apportioned the Baptist churches in the city and State as their share of the \$750,000, which is Maryland's quota of the national fund to be raised by that denomination the first week in December, for educational and general benevolent institutions of the church.

...Amounts apportioned to churches in the counties are:...Barnesville, \$1,000....

The Baltimore Sun, September 22, 1919, Page 7.

“Montgomery Baptists Share \$10,750.”
Special to The Washington Post.

Rockville, Md., Sept. 25--Montgomery county's share of the State's quota of \$750,000 of the \$75,000,000 to be raised by the Baptists of the country, has been fixed at \$10,750, the allotments of the various Baptist churches of the county being as follows:...Barnesville, \$1,000....

The Washington Post, September 27, 1919, Page 2.

“Barnesville.”

--A very pretty wedding took place in Baltimore on September 24, when Rev. Ernest Clifford Burke was married to Mary Elsie Warfield, both of Barnesville. Mr. and Mrs. Burke will make their home in Baltimore.

The News, Frederick, MD, October 26, 1919, Page 10.

“Montgomery Baptists Go Over Top.”
Special to The Washington Post.

Rockville, Md., Dec. 7.--Montgomery county oversubscribed its quota in the Baptist \$75,000,000 campaign. According to the report of the Rev. P. Rowland Wagner, of Rockville, in charge of the drive, the total amount raised in the county was \$12,648, the amount raised by each of the Baptist churches being as follows:....Barnesville, \$1,049....

The Washington Post, December 8, 1919, Page 5.

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“News of Alexandria”

“Rev. J.C. McFadden Ordained.”

The Rev. J.C. McFadden pastor of the Baptist Church at Barnesville, Md., was ordained at the First Baptist Church, this city, last night.

The Washington Post, June 24, 1920, Page 2.

“Rev. McFadden, Ordained.”

Rev. J.C. McFadden, formerly of Alexandria, Va., but now of Barnesville, Montgomery county, was ordained a Baptist minister at the First Baptist church in the former city, on Wednesday night.

The Frederick Post, June 26, 1920, Page 1.

“Dickerson”

--Children’s Day service was largely attended at the Baptist Church in Barnesville on Sunday night, July 4.

The Frederick Post, July 12, 1920, Page 5.

“Recall 100 Years’ History of Church: Rockville Baptist Congregation to Observe Centenary”

...Through the instrumentality of the Rockville church, Baptist churches have been established in the county at Cedar Grove, Germantown, Travilah, Poolesville, Barnesville, Lower Seneca, Mount Zion, and Derwood...To the left of the pulpit is a slab in memory of the Rev. Joseph H. Jones, first pastor of the church, and to the following first members:... Prudence Jones, Joseph H. Jones...The pastors who have served this church are Joseph H. Jones...Samuel R. White, H.E. Hatcher...James H. Wright, L.R. Milbourne...and the Rev. [P. Rowland] Wagner....

The Washington Post, October 17, 1921, Page 5.

“Suburban Rockville.”

A group meeting of the women’s missionary societies of the Baptist churches of Montgomery county was held Friday in the Baptist church at Barnesville. It was conducted by Miss Isabel Kingdon, of Rockville, and was attended by delegates and others representing societies of churches at Rockville, Barnesville, Kensington, Mt. Zion, Upper Seneca, Travilah, Poolesville and Germantown.

The opening exercises were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Flynn, of the Barnesville church, assisted by the Rev. W.C. Royal, of Frederick, and the Rev. Henry C. Nicol[l]....

The Washington Post, July 29, 1923, Page 21.

“Rockville.”

The spring meeting of the Montgomery county section of the Western District Baptist association was held in the Baptist church at Germantown Tuesday with a large attendance of representatives of various missionary societies of churches at...Barnesville....

The Washington Post, May 1, 1924, Page 15.

“Missionary Meeting: Spring Session in Montgomery County Held at Germantown.”

The spring meeting of the Montgomery County section of the Women’s Missionary Union of the Western District Baptist Association was held in the Baptist Church at Germantown Wednesday with a large attendance of representatives of the various missionary societies of the churches of...Barnesville....

The News, Frederick, MD, May 2, 1924, Page 1.

“Mrs. Mary White Hays presented her piano to the Barnesville Baptist Church.”

Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, July 5, 1924.

“Rockville.”

Baptism was administered in the Baptist church, Rockville, yesterday afternoon to the ten persons who professed conversion during the revival services conducted last week in the Baptist church at Barnesville, Montgomery county, by the Rev. P. Rowland Wagner, pastor of the Rockville church. Dr. Wagner officiated, and the sermon was by the Rev. Mr. Shaver, pastor of the Barnesville church.

The Washington Post, November 24, 1924, Page 3.

“Baptist Women Meet. All Day Session of Missionary Societies at Rockville.”

With all of the various women’s missionary societies of the Baptist churches at...Barnesville...well represented, the mid-winter meeting of the Women’s Baptist Missionary Union of Montgomery county, was held in the Baptist church at Rockville....

The News, Frederick, Md., February 2, 1925, Page 1.

“Mission Societies Meet: 100 Delegates In Session At Rockville.”

With 100 delegates and others in attendance, the spring meeting of the Womens’ Missionary Societies of the Baptist churches in Rockville, Kensington, Mount Zion, Cedar Grove, Germantown, Travilah and Barnesville was held in the church at Mount Zion, Montgomery county.

At the morning session, conducted by Miss Isabel Kingdon, president of the group, reports were submitted by the secretary, Miss Rose Griffith....

Mrs. John D. Pyles, vice-president, had charge of the afternoon session...A discussion as to the advisability of closing the church at Upper Seneca and possibly one other because of dwindling membership was participated in by Rev. P. Rowland Wagner, pastor of the Rockville church, Rev. Henry Nicol[l], pastor of the Cedar Grove church, and Rev. W.C. Royal, pastor of the First Baptist church, Frederick....

The Frederick Post, April 29, 1925, Page 5.

“The Sick.”

Mr. S.A. Shaver, Rosemont, who has been ill for the past few days, is much improved.

The Frederick Post, May 6, 1925, Page 5.

“Barnesville”

Barnesville, Aug. 28

--The Woman’s Missionary Union of the Baptist church held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. J.R. Lillard. About twenty-five members and visitors were present. A very interesting talk was given by Miss White of Baltimore; also reading by Mrs. E.C. Burk, Trenton, N.J. and Mrs. Edward Phillips, Barnesville. Refreshments were served.

The Frederick Post, September 1, 1925, Page 9.

[Four] “...were baptized in Frederick”.

Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, September 13, 1925.

“At a church meeting...[a committee was]...appointed to present the financial needs for the completion of the parsonage, (which is under construction) to the State Board”.

Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, September 27, 1925.

[Ten] “baptized in Rockville by Rev. P. Rowland Wagner as the result of a meeting held by him assisting Brother S.A. Shaver...”.

Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, November 23, 1925.

“Church of The Brethren.”

Rev. J. Kurtz, minister.

...Rev. S.A. Shaver will fill the pulpit at the morning service, and the pastor will preach at Barnesville.

The Frederick Post, November 14, 1925, Page 7.

“Rockville Minister Would Stop Any Wedding To Go To A Fire, For He’s Volunteer”

By George Britt, NEA Service Writer.

Rockville, Md., Feb. 20.--The little Baptist church here, which has been a Mecca for elopers, for seven years, is looking for a new pastor, and the town fire department is shy own valued member, the Rev. Philip Rowland Wagner has resigned.

During his seven-year pastorate here, Mr. Wagner performed nearly 290 marriage ceremonies. He was dubbed the “marrying Parson” and couples came from Washington, Baltimore and Virginia to be united in his study....

The Frederick Post, February 20, 1926, Page 5.

The ordination of Brother S.A. Shaver was requested of Rev. W.H. Baylor, who referred the matter to Rev. W.C. Royal, pastor of Frederick Church of which Bro. Shaver is a member.

Miss Rose V. Griffith was elected Church Clerk and continued as Treasurer in which capacity she has been acting since Aug. 12-1923.

A leather bound Bible was presented to the church by Mr. Richard White, and was formally accepted by Rev. S.A. Shaver, pastor.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, May 9, 1926.

“Attend Convention.”

The Western District Association which convened in the second Baptist church, Cumberland, Wednesday, continuing today, is being attended by Rev. W.C. Royal, pastor of the First Baptist church, and by Samuel A. Shaver, also of Frederick. The doctrinal sermon was preached at 7:30 o'clock Wednesday evening by Rev. Mr. Royal and devotionals will be led Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock by Mr. Shaver.

***The Frederick Post*, June 3, 1926, Page 1.**

Rev. P. Rowland Wagner preached a fine sermon to a full house on Sunday morning, having lectured in the Town Hall on Saturday evening, donating all proceeds to the parsonage fund.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, August 29, 1926.

...Brother Shaver presented 24 chairs to the S.S. Room and also gave \$25.00/xx toward painting and repairing of church building.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, October 10, 1926.

“Montgomery Baptist Meet.”

With about a hundred or more representatives of the various women's missionary societies of the Barnesville, Cedar Grove, Germantown, Mount Zion, Kensington, Travilah and Rockville Baptist churches in attendance, the Spring meeting of the Montgomery county group of the Women's Missionary Union of Maryland was held in the Mount Zion church, Rockville, conducted by Miss Isabel Kingdon of Rockville, group leader for the county....

***The News*, Frederick, MD, May 3, 1927, Page 1; “Missionary Societies Meet”, *The Frederick Post*, May 4, 1927, Page 8.**

“Suburban Rockville.”

The quarterly meeting of the Montgomery County Baptist Missionary Group, comprising the missionary societies of the Baptist churches at Rockville, Kensington, Beane, Travila[h], Germantown, Cedar Grove and Barnesville, was held in the Rockville Baptist Church under the direction of Mrs. John D. Pyles, of Barnesville...It was decided to hold the spring meeting at Barnesville in April.

***The Washington Post*, December 10, 1927, Page 2.**

“Samuel A. Shaver.”

Samuel Aldine Shaver died at his home, 13 Rosemont Ave., Saturday 2.45 o'clock a.m. of complications, aged 59 years, eleven months and 28 days. He was a member of the First Baptist church and Mountain City Lodge, No. 29, Knights of Pythias. He took an active part in mission work....

The Frederick Post, September 24, 1928, Page 5.

A meeting was held and Barnesville Church decided to unite with Cedar Grove Church and Rev. H.H. Nichol was invited to preach at Barnesville March 3, he also preached March 17.

The church has been without a pastor since the death of Bro. S.A. Shaver, the pulpit being supplied by students of a seminary in Washington, some of which were not Baptists.

A Louisville Seminary student, Milburne Reed preached for 10 weeks in the Summer of 1928. Rev. Jas. M. Coleman of Washington preached frequently in the year 1928, but was too feeble to continue his services for us.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, February 17, 1929

“Mid-Summer Meeting: Montgomery County Baptist Societies Assemble at Rockville.”

The mid-summer meeting of the Montgomery County Group of Baptist Missionary Societies, comprising the organizations of...Barnesville...was held in the Mount Zion church, Rockville, with large representations from the various constituent societies.

It was constructed by the president, Mrs. Thomas A. Falvey¹, of Rockville.

The Frederick Post, July 31, 1929, Page 10.

¹ Granddaughter of Pastor Joseph H. Jones (1871).

1930-1939

A meeting of six nights continuously was held by Rev. H.H. Nicoll assisted by Rev. Brannock from Apr. 20-26. Electric light used first time in Church house. There were no additions to the membership, but the services were helpful to the membership.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, April 1930.

“Barnesville”

--Mrs. Homer Orme was hostess to the Missionary Society of the Baptist church on Thursday.

The Frederick Post, June 18, 1930, Page 4.

“Damascus”

Damascus, July 20.--The quarterly group meeting of the Baptist Missionary Societies of Montgomery county was held at the Upper Seneca Baptist church, at Cedar Grove, on Friday, with a good attendance. Delegates were present from...Barnesville....

The Frederick Post, July 21, 1930, Page 2.

“Barnesville.”

--Mrs. Charles Orme delightfully entertained the missionary society of the Baptist church on Thursday. After the business meeting which was conducted by the president Miss Rose Griffith the usual social hour and delicious refreshments were enjoyed.

The Frederick Post, August 26, 1930, Page 6.

“Damascus”

Damascus Oct 22--The quarterly group meeting of the Montgomery County Baptist Missionary Societies including Barnesville Rockville Mount Zion Germantown Cedar Grove and Kensington, will be held at Kensington Baptist Church on Wednesday, October 29. This meeting will be held under the leadership of Mrs Thomas R Falvey, group leader of Rockville, who will preside at both morning and afternoon sessions. Talks on Baptist missionary work will be given.

The Frederick Post, October 23, 1930, Page 2.

“Montgomery Baptists Meet.”

A group meeting of the missionary societies of the Baptist church of Montgomery county was held Wednesday in the Rockville church...The devotional exercises of the afternoon were in charge of Mrs. John B. Pyles of Barnesville. Composing the group are the societies of the Rockville, Kensington, Mount Zion, Upper Seneca, Germantown, Barnesville and Travilah churches.

The Frederick Post, January 12, 1931, Page 5.

...Through June, July, and August there were trial sermons by different ministers.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, May 1931.

“Barnesville”

Barnesville, July 19.

--Mrs. Milton W. Phillips entertained the Missionary Society of the Baptist Church on Thursday afternoon. The business meeting was in charge of the president, Miss Rose Griffith, after which the social hour and refreshments were enjoyed.

The Frederick Post, July 20, 1931, Page 7.

“Barnesville”

Barnesville, Nov. 16.--The Missionary Society of the Baptist church was delightfully entertained by Mrs. John O Pyles at her home on Thursday afternoon.

The Frederick Post, November 17, 1931, Page 5.

“Barnesville”

Barnesville, April 20.--The Missionary Society of the Baptist church was delightfully entertained on Thursday afternoon by Mrs. Jessie V. Price.

The Frederick Post, April 21, 1932, Page 4.

“Barnesville”

--The Baptist Sunday school enjoyed a days outing on Thursday at Glen Echo. The annual ice cream and cake treat for the Sunday school will be held in the grove adjoining the church on Saturday, August 6 at 2 p.m.

The Frederick Post, August 12, 1932, Page 9.

“Barnesville”

--Mrs. Algie Morningstar delightfully entertained the Missionary Society of the Baptist church on Thursday afternoon.

The Frederick Post, August 22, 1932, Page 8.

Following a meeting held by Rev. Frank Rines, an evangelist and artist the following were Baptized in Frederick Church by Rev. H.M. Hall: [13 people]

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, November 27, 1932.

“Barnesville”

Barnesville, Aug. 30--...The annual ice cream treat for the Sunday School children of the Baptist church was held in the woods adjoining the church.

The Frederick Post, August 31, 1933, Page 5.

“W. Md. Baptists to Meet at Bethesda: Rev. W.C. Royal, Frederick, Will Speak at Closing Session on Friday Evening.”

Washington, May 28.--Delegates from Baptist churches in...Barnesville...will gather Thursday in the Mt. Zion Baptist church in Bethesda for the annual meeting of the Western Maryland District Baptist Association....

The Frederick Post, May 29, 1934, Page 1.

Mr. H. Mortimer Hilton died, aged 80 years, funeral from Baptist Church conducted by Rev. H.M. Flinn.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, September 18, 1934.

Memorial service was held at church, with communion. Favorite hymns of Bro. Hilton were sung. Rev. Flinn's subject being "Faith". A large attendance of church members and friends were present.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, October 7, 1934.

The church voted unanimously for the division of the Western District, one section to be composed of Washington, Frederick and Montgomery Counties. The other section to be the other more western counties of the state. The action to be reported to the Association to be held at Frederick Church, June 6 and 7.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, June 2, 1935.

“Baptists Form Into Two Groups: Smaller Organizations Made to Provide Better Work. Frederick to Organize.”

The Western District Baptist Association, composed of Frederick, Montgomery, Washington, Allegany and Garrett counties, this morning decided to divide into two organizations: the Washington, Frederick and Montgomery withdrawing from the former organization...The Washington, Frederick and Montgomery counties group will meet for organization this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock to name new officers adopt a name for the organization and future plans...

Name Committees

The following committees were appointed:...

Obituary...H.M. Flinn, Barnesville.

The News, Frederick, MD, June 7, 1935, Pp. 1, 7.

“Deaths: Road Engineer Dies: Rev. Henry H. Nicoll of Montgomery County, Dies of Indigestion.”

Rev. Henry Hardey Nicoll, resident engineer for the Maryland State Roads Commission in Montgomery county, died suddenly Friday following an attack of acute indigestion at his Kensington home.

He was a former pastor of the Kensington Baptist church, which he established ten years ago. During the time he was pastor he was also in charge of the Baptist churches at Cedar Grove, Barnesville and Travilah.

Born at Baltimore, Rev. Mr. Nicoll had been a Montgomery county resident for 13 years....

The Frederick Post, September 16, 1935, Page 5.

“Plan Training School: Sunday School Workers Will Be Taught At Baptist Church”

Seneca Association will hold a training school for Sunday School workers on October 26 to 30 in the First Baptist church, Frederick. Rev. W.C. Royal, pastor of the local church, is dean of the school and chairman of teacher training.

The churches in Seneca association included the Baptist churches of Hagerstown, Brunswick, Weverton, Upper Seneca, Barnesville, Kensington, Mount Zion, Rockville, Germantown, Travilah and Frederick....

The Frederick Post, October 22, 1936, Page 9.

“Barnesville Church.”

The missionary labors of Joseph H. Jones, whose field extended from Occoquan Va. to Brownsville, Washington County, Maryland, resulted in the formation of Barnesville Church in Montgomery County, the last year of his life. He called it his “Monument”. Several of the early members were his relatives who withdrew from Upper Seneca, where he was revered for his faithful services of many years in that church....

The church was organized September 24, 1871, with twenty-two members....

Brother H. Mortimer Hilton began the Sunday School with a class of three boys and lived to see a flourishing school of seventy-five scholars before he passed to his reward. The success of the Sunday School is greatly due to the faithfulness of Bro. E.T. Dixon its Superintendent.

The Women’s Missionary Society has worked earnestly, having sent supplies to the frontier Indian pastors as well as to China and other foreign fields in its earlier efforts and now contributes regularly to the Cooperative Program.

H. Marvin Flinn, Pastor.

Rose V. Griffith, Church Clerk.

From the Barnesville Baptist Church archives, circa 1935-1936.

Rev. Herbert Cooper, pastor of Rockville Church, conducted afternoon services and will preach the first and third Sundays of each month. His wife conducted the music with great ability.

Griffith, Rose V., Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, 1937.

At a business meeting held at the Church, Sunday Aug. 15, 1937, Miss Rose V. Griffith resigned as Church Clerk and Church Treasurer because she was leaving the neighborhood after more than ten years service.

Mrs. John O. Pyles was elected to fill the offices left vacant by Miss Griffith's resignation.

Pyles, Anna, Church Clerk. Barnesville Baptist Church Minutes, August 15, 1937.

"Barnesville"

--The Mission Study Class of the Women's Missionary Society of the Baptist church met at the home of Mrs. John O Pyles recently. The following members were present: Mrs. Herbert Cooper, Mrs. Halton Brown, Mrs. W.C. Brown, Mrs. S.W. Wood, Mrs. Algie Phillips, Mrs. John Stawers, Mrs. Robert Lillard and Mrs. Pyles, Sr.

***The Frederick Post*, November 9, 1938, Page 7.**

"Missionary Society In Regular Meeting: Mrs. Algie Phillips, Barnesville, To Host Members of Club Recently."

Barnesville--The Women's Missionary Society of the Baptist church met at the home of Mrs. Algie Phillips recently.

***The Frederick Post*, December 21, 1938, Page 6.**

"Barnesville"

The Missionary Society of the Baptist church met at the home of Mrs. William C. Brown on Thursday afternoon.

***The Frederick Post*, March 22, 1939, Page 6.**

--Mrs. Herbert Cooper, of Rockville, was hostess to Rockville, and Barnesville Mission Study Class of the Baptist church on Friday. Those attending from Barnesville were Mrs. Robert Lillard, Mrs. W.C. Brown, Mrs. H.D. Brown, Mrs. Algie Morningstar, Mrs. S.W. Wood, Mrs. John P. Pyles and Mrs. Allie Stowers.

***The Frederick Post*, April 4, 1939, Page 10.**

"Barnesville"

Barnesville.--The Women's Missionary Society of the Baptist church met with Mrs. Robert Lillard recently.

***The Frederick Post*, May 5, 1939, Page 7.**

"Singers to Meet"

The Montgomery County Singing Convention will sing at the Home For The Aged in Gaithersburg Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. If the weather is inclement, the singing will take place in a church near the home. The Montgomery County Singing Convention is entering its tenth year since the first was held by Rev. Hall, organizer, at the Cedar Grove Baptist church. They average an attendance of about 250 as they are held, generally on Sunday afternoon, at the invitation of various churches in the county.

The Frederick Post, June 12, 1939, Page 7.

“Baptist Conference Opens at Kensington: Seneca Association Units Will Meet Today and Tomorrow in Fourth Annual Session.”

The fourth annual session of the Seneca Baptist Association is being held at the Kensington Baptist church today and Friday. The churches of the association are...Barnesville....

The Frederick Post, June 16, 1939, Page 1.

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"Barnesville"

--The Women's Missionary Society of the Baptist church met with Mrs. Algie Phillips on January 11, with ten members and one guest present. Mrs. Herbert O. Cooper had charge.

The Frederick Post, January 20, 1940, Page 9.

"Barnesville"

--The Women's Missionary Society of the Baptist church, met with Mrs. Worth Wood on Thursday afternoon.

The Frederick Post, September 10, 1940, Page 2.

"Barnesville"

--The Women's Missionary Society of the Baptist church met with Mrs. W.C. Brown recently. The annual election of officers was held.

The Frederick Post, February 18, 1942, Page 9.

"Mrs. Hannah Derr"

The funeral of Mrs Hannah Derr, aged 84 years, was conducted by Rev. James P. Daniel, pastor of the Barnesville Baptist church on Saturday, December 26 at 2 p.m., at Hilton's funeral home. The deceased was a member of the Barnesville Baptist church for many years.

The Frederick Post, December 28, 1942, Page 5.

"First Baptist Church"

Rev. Wm. C. Royal, pastor....

Worship, 7:30 p.m.; baptism will be performed. The Barnesville church will worship at the evening service. Rev. J.P. Daniel will preach....

The News, Frederick, MD, November 20, 1943, Page 2; The Frederick Post, November 20, 1943, Page 2.

"Boyd's"

--The C.E. Society of Boyd's church visited the Young People's group of the Barnesville Baptist church on Sunday night and conducted a C.E. meeting. Special musical numbers were a solo by Miss Geraldine, two selections on the auto-harp by Mrs. Kerr, and a chorus by the group. Rev. Mr. Lewis, who has recently re-opened the church in Barnesville, has promised a return visit soon.

The Frederick Post, May 31, 1946, Page 3.

"Boyd's"

Boys.--The young people of the Barnesville Baptist church paid a return visit to the C.E. Society of the Boyds church, June 30, and gave the entire program which consisted of a Bible quiz, several talks and musical numbers, led by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Lewis and assisted by Mrs. Wilson Poole.

The Frederick Post, July 9, 1946, Page 5

“Barnesville Girl Is Victorious In Contest”

Miss Helen Jeffers, 18-year-old daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Mark P. Jeffers of Barnesville won first place in the Baptist Better Speakers Contest held on June 29 at Braddock Heights. The contest was part of the Maryland State Baptists' Association meeting and there were representatives at the meeting from all over the state.

Miss Jeffers' topic was “Christ Above All In Prayer” and there were three other contestants in competition with her. She left on Wednesday for Ridgecrest N.C. where she will compete in the southwide Baptist speakers contest. Every state in the southern Baptist convention will be represented at the Ridgecrest meeting.

The Braddock contest was the second won by Miss Jeffers. About a month and a half ago she won the speaker's contest at the First Baptist Church in Hagerstown. She is a member of the Barnesville Baptist Church congregation and Rev. William H. Lewis, who is originally from North Carolina, is pastor of the church.

The Frederick Post, July 13, 1946, Page 2.

“Bible School”

The Barnesville Baptist church will begin its two weeks of Bible School on Saturday morning at nine o'clock. There after the classes will be held each morning, Monday through Friday, until August 16. Rev. William H. Lewis, pastor of the church, will be in charge of the school and the faculty will include

Miss Helen Jeffers and Mrs. Albert Easter, of Barnesville, Miss Virginia Dazenhart and Miss Betsy Proctor, Knoxville, and Miss June Cole, Boyds.

The Frederick Post, August 1, 1946, Page 4.

Barnesville Baptist Church

Rev. Wm. H. Lewis, pastor.

Sunday school, 10 a.m.; Baptist Training Union, 7 p.m.; worship, 8 p.m.

Weverton--Sunday school, 10 a.m.; preaching, 11 a.m.

The Frederick Post, October 5, 1946, Page 2.

“Barnesville Minister To Continue His Studies”

Rev. William H. Lewis, former paratrooper, has resigned his pastorate at the Barnesville and Weverton Baptist churches, effective December 29, and will resume his studies as junior at Wake Forest

College in North Carolina, where he will continue his training for the ministry.



Rev. Mr. Lewis, who was the first paratrooper from Wake Forest and from his home county of Columbus in North Carolina and one of the first from that state back in the days when paratrooping was a new type of warfare for the United States Army, enlisted in 1942. Discharged last spring after service with the 11th Airborne Division in the Philippines and Japan, he came here in March to take temporary charge of the two churches, which were without a pastor. He is the youngest Baptist minister in this section. Having liked the work in his first pastorate he has decided to enter the ministry permanently.

Both of the churches have grown considerably under Rev. Mr. Lewis' leadership and the Barnesville church lacks but three of having doubled its membership. Rev. Mr. Lewis is hoping to secure those three more members before he leaves.

The Frederick Post, December 24, 1946, Page 12.

Barnesville Baptist Church

Rev. T.A. Fleming, supply pastor.

Sunday school, 10 a.m.; preaching, 11 a.m.; Baptist Training Union, 7:30 p.m.

The Frederick Post, January 18, 1947, Page 2.

"Rev. James P. Daniel"

The funeral of Rev. James Perry Daniel, 906 Motter avenue, who died at the Frederick Memorial Hospital early Thursday morning, took place from the First Baptist church Saturday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. William C. Royal, pastor of the church, officiated. There were many floral emblems. Pall bearers were G.H. McGregor, H.L. Kiracofe, W.C. Humm, E.W. Shry, W.C. Jones and E.L. Stockman. Interment was in Harrisburg, Pa. M.R. Etchison and Son, funeral directors.

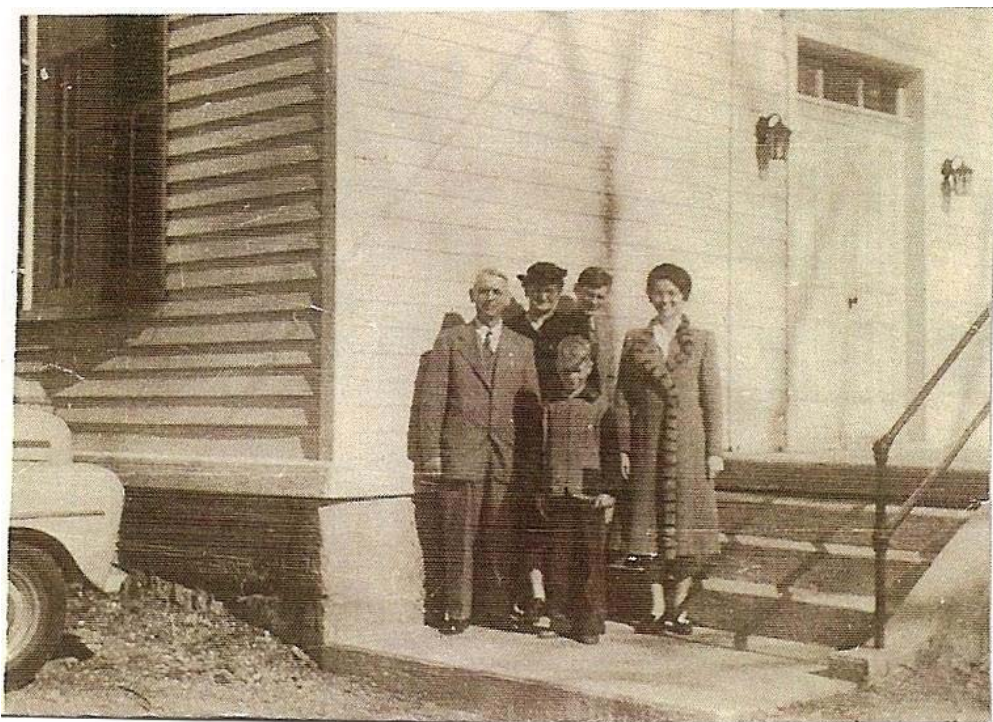
The Frederick Post, October 13, 1947, Page 5.

"Pastor's Wife Dies"

Charles Town, W. Va., Oct. 14 (AP)--Mrs. Virginia Milbourne, 80-year-old widow of the Rev. L.R. Milbourne, died here today in a hospital where she was taken several days ago, when she fell and broke a hip.

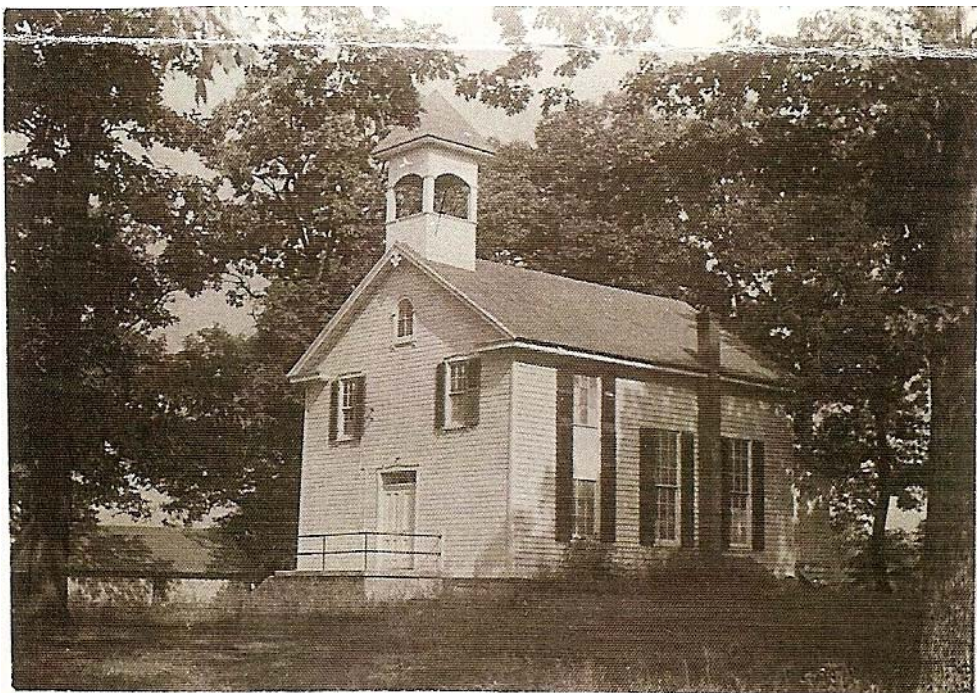
Mrs. Milbourne was a retired school teacher.

The Morning Herald, Hagerstown, MD, October 15, 1947, Page 16.



The Rawn Family, 1948

Courtesy, Mrs. Mary Louise Fleming, wife of Rev. Thomas A. Fleming, Jr.



Barnesville Baptist Church, ca. 1947-1949

Courtesy, Mrs. Mary Louise Fleming, wife of Rev. Thomas A. Fleming, Jr.



Mrs. Fleming's Sunday School Class Party at the Ward's House

"Weekly Church Services"

Barnesville Baptist Church

Rev. T. A. Fleming, Jr., pastor

10 a.m.--Sunday School, 11 a.m., worship

The News, Frederick, MD, December 31, 1948, Page 2.

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“NEWS IN BRIEF: A Founder Dies”

Sig Eps everywhere will be saddened by the news that a Founder has died. Dr. Richard Spurgeon Owens, Virginia Alpha-Founder, retired Baptist minister, died at his home at Roanoke, Va., on July 6. He was 69.

One of the twelve Founders of Sigma Phi Epsilon, Brother Owens was born on a Virginia farm (in King George County), in 1880, attended medical college in Baltimore one year before entering Richmond College, from which he transferred to Colgate Theological Seminary, where he was graduated in 1907.

His first pastorate was in Washington, D.C., but in 1911 he came to Waynesboro, Va. He preached here until 1911 when he became professor of English and headmaster at Fishburne Military School from 1916 until 1921. That year he came to Calvary Baptist Church at Roanoke, serving until his retirement in 1946.

Considered one of the best speakers of the Southern Baptist Convention, Brother Owens was a trustee of the University of Richmond, Bluefield College, and the Virginia Baptist Orphanage.

His funeral [was] held at Roanoke on July 8....

Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, *Sigma Phi Epsilon Journal*, Vol. 48, No. 1, August 1950, Page 94.

“Richard Spurgeon Owens”

Richard Spurgeon Owens was a minister's son, and was born October 28, 1880, in Hempstead, King George County, Virginia. When he graduated from Richmond in 1904, he spent four years at Colgate Theological Seminary, to become a minister, graduating in 1907. His career in the ministry called him to Baptist churches in Washington, D.C., Roanoke, Virginia, and for four years, 1917-1921, as an instructor in Fishburn Military Academy in Waynesboro, Virginia. Before his death on July 6, 1950, he was trustee of the University of Richmond, Bluefield College, and also of the Baptist Orphanage in Salem, Virginia.

Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, <http://www.sigep.org/about/profiles/richard-spurgeon-owens.html>

“Barnesville to Have Vacation Bible School”

Vacation Bible School will be held at Barnesville starting with a Preparation Day parade on Friday, June 22, at one o'clock. The parade will leave from the church, go through town and back again where the children will register and rehearse the opening exercises. All those children between the ages of four and sixteen of all denominations are being invited. Classes will start on Monday, June 25, through June 29, 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

On Friday following the parade at three o'clock, the Ladies of the Baptist church will hold a rummage and food sale at the Lions Hall. A special feature will be movies for the children. The sale will last till 9 p.m.

Barnesville is in the northern part of Montgomery county, a ten minute drive from Sugar Loaf Mountain.

The News, Frederick, MD, June 15, 1951, Page 5.



Barnesville Baptist Church, 1952.

“Flying Pastor Dies After Sunday Service”

The Rev. William Francis Shoup, 62, pastor of the Barnesville (Md.) Baptist Church, who gained fame as the flying pastor of Wheaton, Md., died unexpectedly Sunday at his home.

Mr. Shoup, a licensed pilot, commuted by plane to his Barnesville church when he lived in Wheaton a few years ago. He and his son, Forrest Shoup, a Capital Airlines pilot, owned the plane. He died after conducting the 11 a.m. service Sunday.

Born in Tidioute, Pa., he graduated from Greenville College in Illinois. He held pastorates at Aldenville, Pa., Adams, N.Y., and Liberty, N.Y. before coming to the Washington area.

He had been off the flying circuit for several years although he still was chaplain of the Frederick unit of the Civil Air Patrol. He was a veteran of World War II.

Besides his son, Forrest, of Wheaton, he is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mildred King Shoup; two other sons, Robert, of the home address, and William, of Wheaton; two daughters, Mrs. Edith Marsden and Mrs. Lorraine Smith, both of Mexico, N.Y.; his father, the Rev. Forrest F. Shoup, of Silver Spring, retired Free Methodist Minister, and 10 grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Barnesville Baptist Church. The place of burial has not yet been decided.

The Washington Post, August 26, 1952, Page 16.

“Chaplain of CAP Stricken”

The flying chaplain of Frederick’s Civil Air Patrol unit, Rev. William Francis Shoup, was stricken fatally with a heart attack Sunday afternoon, after preaching to his Barnesville Baptist church congregation for the morning service.

Death came to the 62-year-old minister at his home about 5 p.m. The fatal attack had seized him four hours previously and a physician had prescribed for the ailment.

A son of Rev. Forrest F. Shoup, retired, of Wheaton, he had resided for the past two years at his parsonage in Barnesville but for two years previously he had flown his plane to preach on a circuit before taking the full-time pastorate at Barnesville.

Rev. Mr. Shoup held a pilots license and shared use of a private plane with his son. The plane is hangered at Frederick Municipal Airport. The "flying parson" was recently elected chaplain of the CPA unit here.

He was ordained to the Baptist ministry in 1921, following graduation from Greenville (Ill.) College and served pastorates at Adams and Liberty, N.Y. before coming to Barnesville. He was a native of Tidi[o]ute, Pa.

Surviving besides his father is his wife, Mrs. Mildred A. Shoup, Barnesville, and these children, William and Forest Shoup, both of Wheaton; Mrs. Edith L Marsden and Mrs. Lorraine Smith, both of Mexico, N.Y.; Robert Shoup, at home; also two brothers, Curtis Shoup, Brooklyn, N.Y., and Paul Shoup, state of Washington.

Remains rest at the funeral home in Barnesville until Thursday morning when they will removed to the Barnesville Baptist church, for final services at 11 a.m. Interment will be in the Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, Va. William B. Hilton is funeral director.

The Frederick Semi-Weekly News, August 26, 1952, Page 3.

"Funerals: Rev. William F. Shoup"

Impressive civilian and military burial services for Rev. William F. Shoup, pastor of Barnesville Baptist Church and chaplain of the Frederick Unit Civil Air Patrol, were conducted Thursday at his church in Barnesville, 11 a.m. and graveside ceremonies in Arlington National Cemetery where he was interred.

Largely attended, the religious rites drew an overflow crowd of members of his congregation and fellow-ministers at the church where parishioners were active pallbearers. Pastors were honorary pallbearers.

A long cortege of civilian, CAP and military mourners proceeded to Arlington where the burial honors accorded a soldier were taken over by the National Cemetery's honor guard, firing squad and "Taps" were sounded by a requiem bugler. William B. Hilton was funeral director.

The Frederick Post, August 29, 1952, Page 5.

"Eberly T. Dixon"

Eberly Thomas Dixon, Barnesville, retired rural mail carrier and former Frederick County schoolteacher, died at Frederick Memorial Hospital Wednesday, aged 82 years. He was a son of the late Thomas and Elvira Dixon of Thurston and taught in the public schools of the county for seven years. From 1906 until his retirement in 1936, he was a rural mail carrier in Montgomery County.

Mr. Dixon was senior deacon of the Barnesville Baptist church, superintendent of the Sunday School, a teacher in the Sunday School and member of the church choir. Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Zora Peters Dixon, Barnesville; three children; Mrs. Stonestreet Luhn, Cedar Grove; Mrs. Hubert Matthews, Dickerson; Herbert T. Dixon, at home. One sister, Mrs. Vallie Broadhurst, Bethesda, and three grandchildren also survive.

The body rests at the funeral home in Barnesville and will be removed at 10:30 o'clock Saturday to Barnesville Baptist church for services at 11 a.m. Interment in the Monocacy cemetery. In lieu of flowers contributions are requested for the building fund of Barnesville Baptist church. W.B. Hilton, funeral director.

The Frederick Semi-Weekly News, October 16, 1953, Page 3.

"Weddings: Cooley-Ward"

On Friday evening, November 6, in the Barnesville Baptist church, Nancy Jo Ward, daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Carson W. Ward, of Barnesville, was married to Ralph E. Cooley, of Comus. The pastor of the church, the Rev. Horace C. DuBois, officiated at the double ring ceremony....

The Frederick Post, November 18, 1953, Page 4.

“Barnesville Services”

Barnesville Baptist church is presenting on Sunday evening at 7:30 p.m. “The Coming of Christ” in living pictures. This is a Christmas pageant in tableaux form.

The cast will be supported by the three choirs of the church, the Junior, Youth, and Senior. Included will also be some vocal solos. Every one is invited.

On December 23rd, at 7:30 p.m. Beginner, Primary and Junior departments will have their Christmas party. Santa will be present to bring a treat.

On Thursday evening, December 24, the combined choirs will go carol singing. They will begin in the community around the Christmas tree and then sing for the sick and the shut-ins.

At eleven o'clock on Christmas Eve, there will be a service. All three choirs will be present and Rev. H.C. DuBois will speak.

The Frederick Post, December 17, 1953, Page 4.

“Baptist Group Meets”

The Barnesville Baptist church Mildred Crabtree Girls Auxiliary met at the parsonage on February 23 at seven o'clock in the evening with every member present. The Allegiance, Watchword and Star Ideals were repeated and the hymn “We've A Story to Tell To the Nations” was sung. The program was based on Stewardship. Plans were discussed for the study course to be held at the parsonage Sunday, February 28. The course will last from two o'clock through five o'clock with dinner for the groups at 5:30 p.m. The Girls Auxiliary and the Royal Ambassadors will be included in the course group. At seven o'clock Miss Olive Raun, a missionary to Africa, will speak in the church. The speaker is the daughter of a former Sunday School superintendent of the Barnesville church. She will discuss her work as a missionary among the natives.

The Frederick Post, March 1, 1954, Page 9.

Barnesville Baptist Church

Rev. H.C. DuBois, pastor

10 a.m.--Sunday school.

11 a.m.--Worship, “I Believe in Everlasting Life.”

7:30 p.m.--Baptismal service.

7:30 p.m. Wed.--Prayer meeting.

The Frederick Post, March 13, 1954, Page 3.

“Minister Dies in 64th Year”

The Rev. Ernest C. Burke, 63, pastor of Hamilton Square Baptist Church for 33 years, died yesterday in McKinley Hospital. He entered the hospital last Sunday for observation.

A native of Baltimore, the Rev. Mr. Burke came to the Hamilton Square Baptist Church as a student pastor from Barnesville, Md., Baptist Church. He was educated at Baltimore City College, Johns Hopkins University, Richmond College, University of Pennsylvania and Crozer Theological Seminary....

The Trenton Sunday Times-Advertiser, Trenton, NJ, November 28, 1954, Page 1.

“Rev. Ernest C. Burke”

Rev. Ernest C. Burke, 63, a former resident of the Frederick area, died Sunday in McKinley Hospital, Trenton, N.J. where he had been a patient for a week for a check-up. He had been pastor of Hamilton Square Baptist Church, near Trenton, for 33 years.

A native of Baltimore, Rev. Mr. Burke went to the New Jersey church after serving at Barnesville as a student pastor. His wife who survives him was Miss Elsie Warfel, of Frederick...

Funeral services will be held at Hamilton Square Baptist church Tuesday at 8 p.m. Interment will be in Mt. Oliver cemetery, Frederick, Wednesday at 1 p.m....

The News, Frederick, MD, November 29, 1954, Page 5; The Frederick Post, November 29, 1954, Page 5.

“Barnesville Events”

Rev. H.C. DuBois, of the Barnesville Baptist church has released a series of programs for the coming Christmas season.

“The Wondrous Light” a cantata by R.M. Stults will be given Sunday evening December 26. The junior choir of the church will sing during the intermission. The following soloists will take part:

Miss Ada Dudley, Soprano; Mrs Ralph Cooley, Jr., Soprano; Mrs. Horace Burriss, Alto; Miss June Cole, Alto; Mrs Robert Griffith, Soprano; Jack Shawver, Tenor; Ed. Talley, Tenor; Elbert Knill Baritone; Teddy Lee Burriss, Bass.

The choir will be under the direction of Mrs. H.C. DuBois with Miss June Cole at the piano.

The Christmas party for the children of the Sunday school will be held on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. In addition to a movie, a visit will be made by Santa Claus.

On Christmas eve at 11 o'clock worship service to commemorate the birth of Christ will be held. The choirs of the church will go carol singing before the program.

A watch night service will be held on New Years eve at 11 p.m. Preceding will be a service of fellowship.

The News, Frederick, MD, December 18, 1954, Page 3.

“To Sing ‘Crucifixion’”

On Easter Sunday evening at 8 p.m., Stainer’s “Crucifixion” will be sung in the Barnesville Baptist church by the adult choir and youth choir assisted by the junior choir. Barnesville Baptist church is located on Route 109.

Soloist will be Edward Talley, tenor; Elbert Knill, baritone, and Miss Ada Dudley, soprano. Others who will have a part are Robert Griffith, Jack Shawver, Horace C. Burriss, and Teddy Lee Burriss. The choirs will be under the direction of Mrs. H.C. DuBois, assisted by Miss June Cole at the piano.

On Good Friday evening at 8 p.m. there will be a service of meditation. The three church choirs will present special selections.

The Frederick Post, April 5, 1955, Page 4.

“Easter Service at Sugar Loaf: Seventh Annual Program Will be Presented Sunday Morning”

The seventh annual Sugar Loaf Mountain Easter Sunrise service will be held Sunday morning at six o'clock on the East View of the Mountain, with arrangements being made by the committee of ministers in charge to accommodate 2,500 persons....

Participants in the program will represent over 20 churches in both Frederick and Montgomery counties with Rev. William C. Harpold of the Urbana Methodist circuit acting as general chairman. The program follows:...Rev. Ho[ra]ce C. DuBois, Barnesville Baptist church....

The Frederick Post, April 9, 1955, Page 2.

“Choir To Sing”

Easter Sunday evening, at 8, the combined choirs of the Barnesville Baptist church will sing the cantata “Olivet to Calvary”, by J. Maunder. The adult and youth choirs will be assisted by the junior choir.

Soloists will be soprano, Mrs. Annie Cooley; tenor, Edward Talley; baritone, Elbert Knill, and bass, Teddy Lee Burriss.

The choirs will be under the direction of Mrs. H.C. DuBois and the accompanist will be Miss June Cole.

Good Friday at 8 p.m. there will be selections by all the choirs and also a selection by the male chorus.

Sunday morning Sunday School will be held at 9:45. The morning worship service will be at 11 a.m. with Rev. H.C. DuBois preaching. The adult and youth choirs will sing Stainer’s “God So Loved the World”. The cherub and junior choirs will also sing.

The Frederick Post, March 29, 1956, Page 4.

“Urbana Methodist”

Urbana---...8 p.m., Sacred concert by the Choir of Barnesville Baptist Church.

The Frederick Post, April 28, 1956, Page 2.

“Choir at Urbana”

The choir of the Barnesville Baptist church, under the direction of Mrs. Horace DuBois, will present a concert in the Methodist church in Urbana at 8 p.m., Sunday. There are thirty-two voices in the adult choir and fifteen in the junior choir. The two choirs join in several of the members.

Barnesville choir is appearing as the guest of the Urbana Methodist circuit choir...The Urbana choir will sing in the Baptist church in Barnesville on May 20. Offerings will be received at each concert, the Baptists; to be used for their building fund....

The News, Frederick, MD, April 28, 1956, Page 3.

“Barnesville Church To Give Christmas Cantata”

The combined choirs of the Barnesville Baptist Church will sing the cantata "The Wondrous Light" by Stulz on Sunday evening, in the church auditorium. The soloists are as follows: Soprano, Mrs. Annie Cooley, Mrs. Naomi Griffith; contralto, Miss Connie Ward; alto, Mrs. Eva Burriss; tenor, Edward Talley; baritone, Elbert Knill; base, Teddy Burriss. The church choir and the youth choir will be assisted by the junior choir and the church choir [sic]. The choirs will be directed by Mrs. H.C. DuBois with Miss June Cole as accompanist.

A violin duet will be played by Mrs. Melvin Atkinson and Lawrence Cooley. Jackie Cooley will play a trumpet solo, "O Holy Night."

Tableau pictures portraying the nativity scenes will be seen as the choir sings the cantata. The part of Mary and Joseph will be taken by Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Allnutt while Douglas Allnutt will portray the infant Jesus. The shepherds will be Robert Hash, Tom Cole and Lark Yates. Earl Shreve will be Herod while the wise[]men will be portrayed by Charles Pierce, Kenneth Cooper and Myrell Miller. The angel will be portrayed by Mrs. Elbert Knill and the tiny angels will be Miss Susan Allnutt, [and] Miss Agnes Beach. Mrs. Ida Tall[e]y will direct the nativity scenes.

The program will begin at 8 p.m., and the community is invited to attend. The church is located at the intersection of the Barnesville and Comus roads.

On Sunday morning at the worship hour the church choir and the youth choir will sing, "Arise, Shine" by maker and the junior choir will sing "There's a Song in the Air."

This evening, the children's program of the church will be held at 8 p.m. This program will consist of musical and dramatic contributions by the children of the church.

The Frederick Post, December 21, 1956, Page 4.

"Sugar Loaf Sunrise Choir"

The choir for the Sugar Loaf Mountain Easter Sunrise Service had the last rehearsal in the Methodist Church in Urbana, under the direction of Rev. Wm. C. Harpold, on Thursday.

The program is as follows:...Benediction, Rev. Horace [C]. DuBois, Barnesville Baptist Church...

The Frederick Post, April 13, 1957, Page 3.

"Crucifixion" To Be Sung"

On Easter Sunday, at 8 p.m., the combined youth and adult choirs of the Barnesville Baptist Church will sing the cantata the "Crucifixion" by Sir John Stainer. They will be assisted by the junior choir of the church. The program will be given in the church and the public is welcome to attend.

The choirs will be under the direction of Mrs. H.C. DuBois with Miss June Cole as the accompanist. Mrs. Melvin Atkinson and Lawrence Cooley will play a violin duet.

The tenor soloist will be Edward Talley. Elbert Knill will be the baritone soloist. Additional solo work will be sung by Teddy Burriss, bass and Earl Shreve, bass, Robert Griffith, tenor and Miss Constance Ward, contralto. The pastor, Rev. H.C. DuBois will also sing a solo.

The church is located on Barnesville road near the Comus road.

The Frederick Post, April 17, 1957, Page 13.

"Children's Day Program"

On Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Children's Day Program will be presented at the Barnesville Baptist Church in Barnesville.

On the program will be a greeting by the Nursery Department, word of welcome from some of tiny beginner children, and demonstration by the Primary Department. The Junior Department of the Sunday School will give three playlets, two by the junior girl's classes and one by the junior boys.

Nathan Miller, an intermediate will preside and the intermediate boys will usher. The intermediate girls will decorate the church auditorium. The program has been planned by a committee with Mrs. Ruth Cooper as chairman.

Both the junior choir and the cherub choir of the Church will each sing two selections. A violin solo will be played by Lawrence Cooley, of the intermediates.

The Frederick Post, June 15, 1957, Page 3.

"Married Recently"

The Barnesville Baptist church was the setting recently for the wedding of Miss Margery Juanita Swiger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cree G. Swiger, Wallace, W. Va., and James Robert Lillard Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Robert Sr., Barnesville.

Rev. Horace C. DuBois officiated at the double ring ceremony....

The News, Frederick, MD, September 9, 1958, Page 4.

"Flinn, Reverend Henry Marvin"

Suddenly on Wednesday, April 8, 1959 at his late residence 10308 Kensington Parkway, Kensington Md. Henry Marvin Flinn, beloved husband of Nannie E. Flinn, father of Mrs. Alda Edwards and Mrs. Carl Showalter. Friends are invited to call at the Bethesda Chevy Chase Funeral Home of Robert A. Pumphrey, Bethesda, Md. where services will be held Friday, April 10 at 1 p.m. Interment Lorraine Cemetery Baltimore, Md.

The Washington Post, April 11, 1959, Page B2.

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“Beallsville”

Mrs. G. Best Linthicum

...A traditional custom was carried out in Barnesville on the night of December 23. For more than 15 years a large, decorated Christmas tree has graced the town's center at the crossroads at holiday time.

Santa greeted all who came to join in the caroling and passed out oranges and candy to the children. The young people have not worried about Santa's mode of transportation since the night he arrived several years ago driving an antique fire engine.

The children's choir from the Barnesville Baptist Church gave several selections before going on to the nearby church for a party...

The Barnesville Baptist Church Women's Group made some of the tray favor for patients in Frederick Memorial Hospital on Christmas Day....

The Frederick Post, January 18, 1960, Page A8.

--Despite poor weather conditions, the community turned out in Barnesville on Christmas Eve for caroling around a lighted tree in the center of town, after which Santa appeared with treats for the children. This yearly program is sponsored by the Commissioners of Barnesville. A choral group from the Baptist Church sang carols through the area.

The Frederick Post, January 20, 1960, Page 2.

“Church Choirs to Sing”

The Barnesville Baptist Church will give a Musical Program Easter Sunday evening at 7:45 p.m. at the Barnesville Baptist Church, Barnesville. The Junior, Youth and Adult Choirs will sing, under the direction of Mrs. H. C. DuBois.

The News, Frederick, MD, April 13, 1960, Page 4; The Frederick Post, April 14, 1960, Page 2.

“Christmas Program”

On Christmas Day, at 7:45 p.m., a special program will be given in the Barnesville Baptist Church by the Choirs of the Church. The program will consist of the Nativity scenes and supporting music by the Choirs. The following will take part in the play, “A Saviour is Born”:

Mary, Mary Ann Hinton; Joseph, Randy Gilliam; The Angel, Nona Brown; The Inn Keeper, James Hinton; The Shepherd, Dan Yates; Shepherd Lads, Bob Hazen, Donald Thomas, Frank Magaha; Wise Men, Marshall Allnutt, Jackie Cooley, Joe Yates; Narrator, Mrs. Kenneth Cooper; Costumes, Mrs. Archie Magaha, Joann Magaha.

The musical numbers will be as follows:

“How Great Thou Art,” Youth Choir: Ronnie Burriss, soloist; “The Love of God,” Soprano Solo, Barbara Ann Cooley, “Love Came Down at Christmas,” Adult Choir; “Have Thine Own Way, Lord,” Solo, Kitty Ward; “There is Room In My Heart,” Solo, Mrs. Annie Cooley; “Softly the Night is Sleeping,” Youth Choir; “Come Watch Ye With the Shepherds,” Duet, Fred and Lelita Myers; “As Lately We Watched,” Youth Choir, Carol King, Soloist; “My Sheep Were Grazing,” Adult Choir; “There Was a Star,” Carol Choir; “Go, Tell it on the Mountains,” Youth Choir; “Timothy's Carol,” Carol Choir;

“Rocking, Rocking,” Youth Choir; “Star of the East,” “March of the Three Kings,” “The First Noel,” by the Carol Choir.

The Choirs will be under the direction of Mrs. H.C. DuBois and the accompanist will be Mrs. Fred Kramer.

The Frederick Post, December 23, 1960, Page 18.

“Beallsville”

Mrs. G. Best Linthicum

--The week of March 19-24 marks the Week of Missions at the Barnesville Baptist Church. Each night will be highlighted with an address from a missionary. The guest speakers at the services, which will begin at 7:30 p.m., have been scheduled as follows: Tuesday, Rev. J.E. Saunders; Wednesday; Rev. J.E. Potter, missionary to the deaf; Thursday, Mrs. J. Tumblin Sr., Brazil; Friday, Rev. W.I. Barkley Sr. Books on missionary work will also be read in the classes.

The News, Frederick, MD, March 21, 1961, Page 9.

“Surprise Shower”

A surprise shower was held on April 22 in honor of Rev. and Mrs. DuBois’ 23rd wedding anniversary, in the social room of the Barnesville Baptist church.

The room was decorated for the occasion to carry out the wedding theme. A large table filled with gifts was the center of attraction. Songs were sung and good wishes to Rev. and Mrs. DuBois for continued happiness, after which the gifts were opened.

Refreshments had been prepared for the guests on a beautifully decorated table with a three-tier wedding cake, nuts, mints, and punch. Mrs. Myrtle Ward and Mrs. Annie Cooley presided at the two punch bowls. Rev. DuBois cut the first piece of cake after which Mrs. Rufus Gilliam served it to the forty-two guests.

Out-of-town guests were their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Griffith and two children, Robin and Diana, of Glen Burnie, and Rev. and Mrs. Robert Ross and two children, Robbie and Lynn of Chambersburg, Pa.

Others attending were: Mr. and Mrs. Clay Deering, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Eaton and two children, Nelson and Paul, Mrs. Myrtle Ward, Mrs. George William, Mrs. Rebecca Starkey, Mrs. Archie Magaha and three children, Joan, Connie, and Susie, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Griffith, Mrs. Rufus Gilliam, Mrs. Smith Hoyle, Mrs. Annie Cooley, Mrs. Edith Coburn and Mrs. Jessie Wood, Ronnie Burriss, Misses Sandra and Diana Luhn, Marshall Allnutt and two children, Susan and Douglas, Mrs. Fred Myers and three children, Vivian, Marieta and Fred Jr., Miss Mary Bare and Mr. and Mrs. Earl J. Shreve and daughter Mrs. Earl T. Shreve and daughter.

The News, Frederick, MD, May 2, 1961, Page 13.

“Dickerson”

Mrs. Margaret E. Stull

--The Barnesville Baptist Church combined choirs presented their Christmas Cantata, “There Were Shepherds” on December 31.

The News, Frederick, MD, January 5, 1962, Page 4.

“Easter Service”

The Junior, Youth and Adult Choirs of the Barnesville Baptist Church will present a program of music entitled “A Symphony of Love” on Easter Sunday at 7:45 p.m. Assisting the choirs will be a voice choir composed of the Young People’s Sunday School class. Mrs. Edith W. DuBois will serve as director, and Fred Kramer will be the pianist. Rev. Horace C. DuBois is pastor of the church.

The Frederick Post, April 18, 1962, Page 3.

“Dickerson”

Mrs. Margaret E. Stull

Dickerson--The Hymn Sing was held on Sunday evening at the Barnesville Baptist Church with a good response. Rev. H.C. DuBois is the pastor. The ten top tunes were used for the singing as follows: How Great Thou Art, The Old Rugged Cross, In the Garden, Jesus Loves Me, What a Friend We Have In Jesus, In the Temple, Never Alone, Gathering Home, Sweet Hour of Prayer, Take Time to be Holy. These were selected by the majority of the people present.

The Frederick Post, June 15, 1962, Page 12.

“Program at Barnesville”

The choirs of the Barnesville Baptist Church will present a program of music on Sunday at 8 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Church. The title of the presentation will be “What Child Is This?”. The narrators will be Miss Margaret Jones and Miss Margaret Baldwin. The nativity scene will feature Miss Maryanne Hinton as Mary, Daniel Yates as Joseph and Master Scot Swank as the Babe. The wise men will be Marshall Allnut, James Hinton and William Knill. The choirs will be under the direction of Mrs. Edith DuBois and the accompanist will be Mrs. Robert Carlin.

The musical numbers will be as follows: Hymn, “Watchman, Tell Us of the Night”, Carol Choir; anthem, “O, Holy Night”, Adult Choir; carol, “We Hail Thee with Rejoicing”, Adult Choir; solo--“Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”, Ronnie Burriss; Slovakian carol, “Rocking”, Youth Choir; carol “What Child is This”, Carol Choir; French carol, “Come with Torches”, Women’s Ensemble; Polish carol, “In a Manger”, Youth Choir; German carol, “O Come Little Children”, soloists, Miss Nina Brown, Miss Nancy Boswell: Carol Choir; solo, “Beautiful Name”, Miss Shirley Shreve; hymn, “Come to My Heart”, Adult Choir; Soloist Mrs. Naomi Griffith; carol, “March of the Three Kings”, Adult Choir; solo, “The Birthday of a King”, Mrs. Douglas Swank; carol, “Angels We Have Heard On High”, Adult Choir; hymn, “Fairest Lord Jesus”, combined choirs.

At the close of the program will be a candlelight service. The costuming will be in charge of Miss Nona Brown.

The Frederick Post, December 19, 1962, Page 4.

The Montgomery County Singing Convention was held at the Barnesville Baptist Church on Sunday afternoon. The Rev. Horace C. DuBois is pastor of the church. On Tuesday the Women’s Missionary Society met at the home of Mrs. Leslie Todd Luhn in Barnesville.

The News, Frederick, MD, November 13, 1963, Page 3.



“Greensboro”
Mrs. Merrel Spence, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Jump, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Ober and family and Miss Betty Lou Thomas, from Greensboro, attended the reception given the Rev. and Mrs. Horace DuBois by the friends and members of Barnesville Baptist Church, in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary Saturday, April 20. Rev. DuBois was pastor of the Greensboro Baptist Church 10 years ago.

The Denton Journal, Denton, MD, April 26, 1963, Page 2.

--Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Yates, Potomac, announced the birth of a daughter Tina Marie on December 2 at Suburban Hospital in Bethesda. Mrs. Yates is the former Mary Ward, Barnesville.

--The annual Yuletide musical program of the Barnesville Baptist Church entitled “Message of Christmas” will be presented on December 22 at 7:45 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. There will be selections for the Junior Youth and Adult choir singing carols and songs from many other countries. The church will hold a Watchnight service on December 31.

The Women’s Missionary Union of the Church held the Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions last week. The benefit offering was in furtherance of the work begun many years ago by Lottie Moon who was one for the first persons to start work in the foreign mission field. The women met for three days at the home of Mrs. Mildred K. Shoup, one day at the parsonage of Rev. and Mrs. Horace C. DuBois and concluded with a meeting at the church on Friday. The Christmas party was held at the church on Friday night.

The Frederick Post, December 19, 1963, Page 2.

“Barnesville Program”

The combined choirs of the Barnesville Baptist Church will present their Christmas program of Carols in the church sanctuary on Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The choirs will be under the direction of Mrs. Edith W. DuBois. Pianists will be Miss Shirley Shreve and Mrs. Nancy Cooley.

The following program will be presented: “The Message of Christmas,” narrators, Miss Nina Brown and Miss Kremelda Hilton; “Winds Through the Olive Trees,” youth ensemble; “O Come, O Come Emmanuel,” French carol, adult choir; “There Was a Star,” junior choir; “The Birthday of a King,” baritone solo, Ronnie Burriss; “Gentle Mary Laid Her Child,” junior choir; “Four Little Lambs,” youth choir; “Lo-How a Rose e'er blooming,” adult choir.

“In Bethlehem the Lowly,” Dutch carol, junior choir; “In a Manger,” Polish carol, trio, Shirley Shreve, Patty Yates and Charles Poole; “Ring Christmas Bells,” Ukrainian carol, adult choir; “A Saviour Has been Given,” junior choir, soloists, Misses Donna Sue Magaha, Nina Brown and Patty Boswell; “My Sheep Were Grazing,” German carol, adult choir; “Anthem-We Have Seen His Star,” Simper, youth choir; “Cantique de Noel,” soprano solo, Barbara Ann Swank.

The Prelude will be played by Miss Becky Fox and the Offertory by Miss Nina Brown.

The Frederick Post, December 20, 1963, Page 7.

“Barnesville Baptist Church Revival Event”

The Barnesville Baptist Church, Barnesville, Maryland, will hold its Baptist Jubilee Revival, from Sunday, March 29 to Friday, April 3. The time of service is 7:45 P.M.

Dr. Greene W. Strother, a former missionary to China, Thailand, and Malaya, is the evangelist. The pastor, H.C. DuBois, invites all of the area to attend.

The News, Frederick, MD, March 28, 1964, Page 3.

--Rev. and Mrs. Horace C. DuBois, Barnesville Baptist Church, observed their wedding anniversary on April 23.

The News, Frederick, MD, April 30, 1964, Page 3.

“Beallsville”

Mrs. G. Best Linthicum

--Rev. and Mrs. Herman Lewis and children, Susan, Cheryl and Jimmy, of Whiteville, N.C. are spending their vacation with Mrs. Mark Jeffers, mother of Mrs. Lewis, at Barnesville. Rev. Lewis was invited to preach at the [Barnesville] Baptist Church on Sunday.

The News, Frederick, MD, August 7, 1964, Page 8.

“Music Highlights Baptist Service”

The combined choirs of the Barnesville Baptist Church will present a Christmas program of thoughts and music this Sunday at 7:45 p.m.

The pageant entitled “A Christmas Fantasy” will be presented in the sanctuary of the church. It will be open to the public.

The story of the first Christmas will be told by Bob Hazen, Kramelda Hilton and Dan Yates.

Musical numbers will be presented by the junior and adult choirs with special features by Edward Talley Sr., Mrs. Barbara Swank, Tod Luhn, Bob Griffith, Shirley Shreve, Sandra Luhn, and Joan Fox.

The choirs will be under the direction of Mrs. H.[C]. DuBois. Guest pianist will be Mrs. Edwin Wood.

The Sunday school Christmas program will be held Monday evening in the lower auditorium of the church.

The News, Frederick, MD, December 18, 1964, Page 9.

“Church Groups Meet”

--The Women Missionary Society of the Barnesville Baptist Church held their annual week of prayer and special offering for Foreign Missions recently.

--The Women’s Missionary Society of the Barnesville Baptist Church enjoyed a Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Edith Coburn of Germantown. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments served by members of the Night Circle.

The Frederick Post, December 21, 1964, Page 3.

“10-Year-Old Dickerson Boy Has Second Heart Surgery”

A Dickerson boy, 10-year-old James Keeney Jr., son of Mrs. and Mrs James Keeney, is recovering at his home from his second major heart surgery....While he was a hospital patient, the Barnesville Baptist Church congregation and other friends showered him with gifts, including a model car he especially likes.

The Frederick Post, February 27, 1965, Pp. 1, 5.

“Barnesville Baptists To Give Cantata”

A cantata, “The Wondrous Light,” will be presented Sunday at 7:45 p.m. in the sanctuary of the Barnesville Baptist Church.

The program, featuring the four choirs of the parish, is open to the public.

It is also announced that the annual Christmas program for children will be conducted Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in the church auditorium.

Choirs joining the presentation of the cantata under the direction of Mrs. H.C. DuBois will include the Primary Choir, Junior Choir, Youth Choir and Adult Choir. Guest organist will be Wells Pebworth of Kensington.

Soloists will include Mrs. Barbara Swank, soprano; Ronnie Burriss, baritone; Onan Hill, bass; Edward Talley and Tod Luhn, tenors; and Mrs. Connie Wrede, contralto.

A quartette composed of Mrs. Shirley Yates, Mrs Sue Miller, Talley and Burriss will also present a number.

Together with the cantata, scenes of the Nativity will be presented. Bob Hazen will play the part of Joseph and Miss Pat Yates that of Mary. Miss Mary Jane Cave will be the Angel and Little Angels will be Tina Yates and Dorothy Fox.

Dan Yates, Joe Yates and Jack Hough will be the Wise Men. Taking the part of Shepherds will be Ronnie Westerman, Mike Hough, Ronnie Ahalt, Norman Ahalt, Douglass Allnut[t]and Douglas Ward.

Douglas Cooley will play the part of Jesus and Doug Swank will be Herod. The Nativity scenes will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Edward Talley.

The Frederick Post, December 17, 1966, Page 3.

“Couple Marks 30th Anniversary”

The Rev. Horace C. DuBois pastor of the Barnesville Baptist Church, and Mrs. DuBois were honored on their 30th wedding anniversary recently with a surprise reception in the church social room.

Rev. DuBois has been pastor for the past 15 years. The couple has three children the Rev. Robert Ross of New York, Mrs. Thomas Griffith, of Glen Burnie and Miss Grace DuBois of Barnesville.

Among the 100 guests present were relative[s] of Mrs. DuBois from Minneapolis, Minn. San Francisco, Calif., and New Jersey.

The couple was presented with a gift of money from members of the church friends by Marshall Allnut of Rockville, superintendent of the Sunday School.

The News, Frederick, MD, May 24, 1968, Page B4.

“Barnesville Baptist”

The Barnesville Baptist Church Choirs will present their Christmas program on Sunday evening, at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend. The Christmas Program for the children will be held on Monday evening, at 7:30 p.m., at which time Santa will make his appearance. Rev. Jeddie DeFries is pastor of the Barnesville Baptist Church.

The Frederick Post, December 20, 1969; Page 3; The News, Frederick, MD, December 20, 1969, Page 3.

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“Barnesville Baptist Pastor J.G. DeFries”

Jeddie G. DeFries has accepted the call as pastor of Barnesville Baptist Church in Montgomery Association after serving the First Baptist Church of Weverton for four and a half years. He assumed duties on Nov. 30, 1969.

A Virginia native, DeFries is a graduate of Tennessee Temple Schools of Chattanooga, Tennessee with B.A., Th.G. and B.D. degrees. Before coming to Maryland he was pastor of Bridgewater Baptist Church in Virginia for six years and eight months.

While in Weverton DeFries was moderator of Blue Ridge Association and chairman of the evangelism committee.

Married to the former Lorrain[e] Furman of Coudersport, Pa., the DeFries have a son, Steven.

The Frederick Post, January 17, 1970, Page A3.

Revival Services
Barnesville Baptist Church
April 26-May 1
Sunday 11:00 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.
Week Nights--7:30 p.m.
Special Speaker: Rev. Kenneth Schmidt
Pastor: Purcellsville Baptist Church
Purcellsville, Va.
Special Music Nightly
Nursery Provided

The News, Frederick, MD, April 25, 1970, Page A3; The News, Frederick, MD, April 27, 1970, Page A11.

“Dickerson”
Mrs. Margaret E. Stull

The Barn[e]sville Baptist Church will hold their Thanksgiving Service on Wednesday November 25 at 7:30 p.m. with the pastor, Rev. Jed[d]ie DeFries officiating.

On Sunday, November 29, a covered dish dinner will be held immediately following the 11:00 a.m. morning worship.

The occasion will mark one year of service for Rev. and Mrs. DeFries and their son “Steve” in the church. Mrs. DeFries is very active, especially in music and the choir.

The DeFries came here one year ago from Weverton, Md. Following the dinner, a service of music will be held. The Ten Top Hymns will be used from the recent survey by the church, along with special numbers, duets, and quartets. Everyone is invited to bring a covered dish and join the fellowship.

The News, Frederick, MD, November 23, 1970, Page D4; The Frederick Post, November 23, 1970, Page B10.

“Revival Services At Barnesville Baptist Church”

Revival services will be held at the Barnesville Baptist Church April 25-30 beginning with the Morning Worship at 11 a.m. April 25 and continuing each night at 7:30 p.m.

The Rev. Curtis T. Porter, pastor of the Amherst Baptist Church, Tonawanda, New York, will be the guest speaker. Rev. Porter is a graduate of Baylor University and the South Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas.

He has been active in denominational work having served six years on the Stewardship Commission of the Southern Baptist of the Ohio and New York State Conventions, and as Recording Secretary for the Baptist Convention of New York during the past five years.

The Frederick Post, April 24, 1971, Page A3.

“Notes from Frederick Memorial Hospital”

...The Women’s Auxiliary Board of Frederick Memorial Hospital...Goodwill Chairman, Mrs. Fred Kressig, reported Easter activities in the hospital for patients...Tray favors for patients were made by...the WMU of the Barnesville Church...

The Frederick Post, May 4, 1971, Page 3.

“Barnesville Baptist”

“The New Life,” a musical group from Damascus will present “Tell It Like It Is,” a folk musical about God, on July 11 at 8 p.m.

The Frederick Post, July 3, 1971, Page A3.

“A Christmas Calendar of Events: December 19”

The choirs of Barnesville Baptist Church will present a program of Christmas music, including John W. Peterson’s cantata “A Song Unending,” at 7:30 p.m.

The Frederick Post, December 18, 1971, Page A3.

“Church News, Gene Hahn, Editor; January 23”

In observance of Baptist Men’s Day, Dr. Robert T. Lofberg, Chief of Analytical Chemistry at Walter Reed Army Institute of Research recently spent three weeks in Romania as a guest of the government, will speak at the 11 a.m. worship service at Barnesville Baptist Church. Dr. Lofberg, who because he speaks Romanian and German visited areas of the country that most people are not allowed to visit, will show slides.

The Frederick Post, January 15, 1972, Page A3.

“Barnesville Baptist”

The combined choirs of the Barnesville Baptist Church will present “The Steps of the Saviour”, a program of slides, narration and music Wednesday, March 29 at 7:30 p.m.

The Rev. Jeddie DeFries invites the public to this presentation.

The Frederick Post, March 25, 1972, Page 3.

“Barnesville Baptist Plans Revival”

Revival services will be held at the Barnesville Baptist Church April 30 through May 5 at 7:30 p.m. with the Rev. Daniel R. Taylor as guest speaker.

[R]ev. Taylor is a graduate of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. A native Texan, he has pastored churches in Texas, Washington, D.C. and is presently pastor of the First Baptist Church, Hagerstown.

The News, Frederick, MD, April 29, 1972, Page A8.

“Barnesville Baptist Revival”

The Rev. Neil Wilson is the guest speaker for the Barnesville Baptist Church revival meeting May 6-11. Rev. Wilson is a graduate of the Southern Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky. He is presently pastor of the Severn Baptist Church.

The Frederick Post, May 5, 1972, Page A10.

“Barnesville Baptist”

The Barnesville Baptist Church will be participating in the Montgomery Baptist Association World Missions Conference Nov. 3 through 6. Services will commence with the 11 a.m. worship, Nov. 3, and continue each evening at 7:30 p.m.

Speakers will be Mrs. Bender, Nigeria; Minor Davidson, Language Missions, Home Mission Board; John Davidson, Layman from Kerryville, Texas; James Hamblen, New Towns Consultant, Home Mission Board; and Mrs. Workman, Malawi.

The News, Frederick, MD, November 2, 1974, Page A6.

“Barnesville Baptist”

The film, “The Gospel Road,” will be presented at the Barnesville Baptist Church, Sunday evening, Nov. 23, at 7:30 p.m.

Johnny Cash plays the lead part in the story of the life and crucifixion of Christ.

The News, Frederick, MD, November 23, 1974, Page A7.

Spring Meeting
April 20-25

Place: Barnesville Baptist Church

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Preacher: Rev. Bill Andrews

The Frederick Post, April 21, 1975, Page B8.

“Olney, Barnesville planning Independence Day celebration”

OLNEY-BARNESVILLE — Two local communities are planning Independence Day celebrations with parades, picnics, games, church services and prizes....

In Barnesville, the theme of the day Sunday, July 4, will be "Keeping This Nation Under God." Festivities will begin with 11 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's Catholic Church, and 11 a.m. services at the Barnesville Baptist Church. At 2 p.m., the churches will ring their bells and a parade will start at the Conoy Show Grounds, proceeding up Barnesville Road and end at the pavilion....

The News, Frederick, MD, June 11, 1976, Page B5.

REVIVAL MEETING

Barnesville Baptist Church

Route 109 & Barnesville Road

May 7-12

7:30 p.m.

Speaker: Rev. Burnis Barrett Pastor,
First Baptist Church, Frederick.

The News, Frederick, MD, May 8, 1978, Page C7.

MAY MEETING

AT THE

BARNESVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

DATE: May 6-11

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

SPEAKER: Dr. Neil Wilson Director of Skycroft

EVERYONE WELCOME

The The Frederick News-Post, May 5, 1979, Page B1.

1980-1989

SPRING MEETING

At The

Barnesville Baptist Church

DATE: May 4—9th

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

Speaker: Rev. Cecil Anderson

Pastor Paramount Baptist Church

Hagerstown, Maryland

Song Leader: Lt. John Queen

Nursery Provided

The The Frederick News-Post, May 3, 1980, Page D5.

SPECIAL MEETING

May 3-6

Sunday 11:00 a.m. Evenings 7:30 p.m.

at the

BARNESVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Speaker: Dr. Ray Jones, Pastor

Alexander Baptist Church

Portsmouth, Virginia

Song Leader: John Queen

The The Frederick News-Post, May 2, 1981, Page D7.

“B’ville Baptists Plan Bond Issue”

In an effort to raise about \$100,000 for much-needed renovation and reconstruction of their 111-year-old Sanctuary and an addition, members of the Barnesville Baptist Church have agreed to issue 10-year bonds that will carry interest payments of between 10 and 13 percent, Church officials said last week.

The bonds will be made available for public purchase about May 1, according to William L. Burns of Barnesville, who heads the Church building committee.

Bonds will be backed by the Baptist Extension Society of Maryland.

Burns said that current plans are to issue the bonds in denominations of \$250, \$500 and \$1,000, maturing at varying periods up to 10 years. Shorter-term bonds will carry interest rates varying from 10 1/2 to 11 percent, with bonds maturing at the end of the 10-year period carrying the full 13 percent interest. Interest may be either simple or compounded. More details on the bond issue will be forthcoming well before actual sales start, Burns said.

Principal purpose for raising the money is to rehabilitate the wood-frame Sanctuary, built in 1871, the work to include replacing siding, repairing or replacing the roof, and some interior structural changes; and to rehabilitate a concrete-block addition at the rear of the older structure, added in 1954-55. Extensive interior refurbishing is also planned.

The building committee, Burns said, has already approved the selection of an architect (based in Frederick), to direct the planned work, and insure that the changes make the entire structure compatible in both appearance and function.

The Western Montgomery Bulletin, Poolesville, MD, February 27, 1982, Page 1.

“Barnesville Baptist to hold revival”

Barnesville Baptist Church will hold revival services at 7:30 p.m. May 1-4.

The Rev. Lafon Campbell, former pastor of the Georgia Avenue and Poolesville Baptist churches, will be the guest speaker. He resides in Columbia, S.C.

The The Frederick News-Post, April 30, 1983, Page D8.

BARNESVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

SPRING MEETING

April 8 thru 11

11 a.m.-April 8 and 7:30 p.m.-Nightly

EVANGELIST: Dr. R. Stuart Grizzard

SPECIAL MUSIC NURSERY PROVIDED

The Frederick News-Post, April 7, 1984, Page D7.

BARNESVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday, May 3, 10 a.m.

“THE GOSPEL ROAD”

A Billy Graham film

Revival May 3-6

Sunday-Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

Evangelist J. Moore

Special Music

Nursery Provided

The News, Frederick, MD, May 2, 1987, Page B7.

Mort[imer Hilton] was a Baptist Sunday School teacher. Jack Hersberger still remembers a valuable lesson taught by Mort: “When we stop making mistakes we are not for this world”.

Brown, Ida Lu, A Backward Glance, Barnesville, Maryland 1888-1988. Mt. Airy, MD: G & H Printing, 1988, Page 2.

1920 was also a year of no meetings, except to swear in the commissioners, and repair the roads and sidewalks. The gutters passing W.C. Brown’s garden still presented a problem, and Rev. J.C. McFadden’s stable yard entrance was ordered to be piped. Mr. Hilton was authorized to see County Commissioner Chiswell in regard to securing pipe.

Brown, Ida Lu, A Backward Glance, Barnesville, Maryland 1888-1988. Mt. Airy, MD: G & H Printing, 1988, Page 16.

Garrett and Nellie [Cooley] began housekeeping in Barnesville in the “parsonage”, now the Perlmeter’s home...He and Nell then built the little bungalow behind the Baptist Church where Rev. Jeddie DeFries, Baptist minister now lives.

Brown, Ida Lu, *A Backward Glance, Barnesville, Maryland 1888-1988*. Mt. Airy, MD: G & H Printing, 1988, Page 23.

Mrs. Mildred Shoup appears on the tax rolls in 1954. She bought the Community Hall from the Lions Club and converted it into her home after her husband, the Reverend William Shoup died. The property is still in the family.

Brown, Ida Lu, *A Backward Glance, Barnesville, Maryland 1888-1988*. Mt. Airy, MD: G & H Printing, 1988, Page 24.

On the death of Mr. Shirley Hays, a highly respected and life long citizen, the town made a contribution to the Baptist Church in his name.

Brown, Ida Lu, *A Backward Glance, Barnesville, Maryland 1888-1988*. Mt. Airy, MD: G & H Printing, 1988, Page 34.

The Baptist church was built in 1869. An excellent example of 19th century rural architecture, overlooking the town and the valley to the east, it has a steep gabled roof. The white clapboard exterior remains unchanged. In order to eliminate posts to support the balcony, the front end of the balcony is suspended by a thin iron rail to a large hand hewn truss.

The Reverend [H].E. Hatcher held Sunday services to a congregation of 26, a hundred and twenty years ago [sic, Rev. Joseph H. Jones was pastor to 22 original members, including himself]. Today membership is over 100, and Reverend Jeddie DeFries is pastor.

The original parsonage was where the Perlmeter family now lives; then the members built a new parsonage on Peach Tree Road, with the plan to build a new church on the corner of Peach Tree and Barnesville Roads. This plan is abandoned now, and Reverend DeFries resides in the Charles Garrett Cooley home, which adjoins the church property.

Brown, Ida Lu, *A Backward Glance, Barnesville, Maryland 1888-1988*. Mt. Airy, MD: G & H Printing, 1988, Page 39.

Going into the 1980's, we see the town treasury sending the Baptist Church \$15 for the use of the church basement to hold the Christmas Tree party. The weather must have prohibited the usual festivities under the tree on the corner.

Brown, Ida Lu, *A Backward Glance, Barnesville, Maryland 1888-1988*. Mt. Airy, MD: G & H Printing, 1988, Page 41.

1990-1999

“The Reverend Horace C. DuBois”

Rev. Horace C. DuBois was born, May 10, 1901, in Philadelphia, PA to Nellie and Clifford DuBois. He was educated in the public school system of Philadelphia, graduated from the Philadelphia College of the Bible in 1931 and the Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in 1933. As a young man he dedicated his life to the Lord but, not able at that time to pursue full time Christian service, he became active in the Christian Endeavor movement in the Delaware Branch and served as president of that organization.

He began his ministry at the Heary Memorial Chapel in Philadelphia (1929-1934) and in 1932 he also became the pastor of the South Broad Street Baptist Church. April 23, 1938 he married Edith Wiest Ross and took on the responsibility of a ready made family; Robert R. Ross and Muriel Irene Ross. September 24, 1943 a daughter was born to Horace and Edith and together they accepted the challenge the Lord had given them; to raise a very special child, Grace Myra.

In the same month he accepted a call to begin a full time ministry with the Gunpowder Baptist Church, Freeland, MD and the Turnpike Baptist Church, Hungerford, PA.; serving until 1947. From January 1948 through July 1953 he served the Greensboro Baptist Church, Greensboro, MD. In August '53 he was called to the Barnesville Baptist Church and served until the completion of his active ministry, October 1969.

Rev. DuBois, Edith and Grace moved to Glen Burnie, and became active in the Glen Burnie Baptist Church and the Association of Retarded People. They rejoiced in Grace's progress at the Provident Center and enjoyed visiting former members of their congregations and taking part in the family celebrations of Bob's and Muriel's families.

In March, 1986, after Grace Myra moved to her own home under Alternative Living, Inc., they moved to the Charlestown Retirement Community, Baltimore, MD and became members of the Shelbourne Baptist Church.

Rev. DuBois was called home by his Lord and Master, Jesus Christ, January 16, 1992. Many will remember his hearty laugh, his gentleman ways, his ability to quote scripture, and his beautiful manner of “walking with the Lord”.

Memorial Service for The Reverend Horace C. DuBois, ca. 1992.

“Barnesville Baptist Calls New Pastor”

The congregation of Barnesville Baptist Church in Barnesville has called the Rev. Blaine V. Welker as its new pastor. Rev. Welker began his ministerial duties at the church in July.



His most recent service was that of pastor at Horizons Community Church, a Southern Baptist Church mission, in Orlando, Florida.

In undertaking his new pastorate, he indicated his pleasure, having grown up in Maryland, to be returning to his roots in the unique community of Barnesville. Said his wife Kimberly, “It feels like home.”

A native of Maryland (Randallstown), Rev. Welker earned his Bachelor of Science degree at the University of Maryland and his Doctor of Ministry at New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, Louisiana. He was ordained at Colonial Baptist Church in Baltimore.

He has performed a number of pastoral and administrative duties in Alabama, Pennsylvania and Maryland. Rev. Welker indicates a special interest has been and continues to be involvement in youth ministry functions.

The Western Montgomery Bulletin, Poolesville, MD, August 25, 1996, Page 1.

“Barnesville church celebrates its 125th”

As trombonist Gary Cooley warmed the pew-packed congregation through the mournful gospel tune “Precious Memories”, Barnesville Baptist Church members started down memory lane through pictures of the past and a vision for the future.

“I guess we’re still making history today,” pronounced member Bob Lillard.

Whether it was the little candy boxes Barbara Umstead and Mary Shaw Williams remembered receiving as children at Christmas or the church bells Jim Cole said rang out “go to church”, everyone had stories to tell and friends to hug.

Long-time member Barbara Umstead remembered a time when the room wasn’t so warm and the faithful were few. She pointed to where a pot-belly stove sat at the church’s altar keeping two or three people warm.

“How does a church last 125 years?” she asked. “It’s had its ups and downs.”

Gathering at the church for one of its ‘up’ times, were a churchfull of present and past members celebrating its 125th anniversary.

Rev. Jeddie DeFries pastored the church for 25 years and remembered “the faithful, dependent and giving” members that helped the rural church to grow.

Jim Cole held up a 50-year get well card he received from thirteen members of his Sunday School class to explain what the church meant to him. “What a wonderful life!” he exclaimed.

Returning for the celebration with her childhood friends, Barnesville Mayor Elizabeth Tolbert told what the neighborhood church meant to her. “Every child in Barnesville came to church here for Sunday school...I don’t care what religion you were.”

The Poolesville Community News, Poolesville, MD, September 27, 1996, Pp. 1-2.

Maggie Davis Cole is the oldest member attending Barnesville Baptist today. She began attending at the age of 3 or 4. She lived with her family on the farm that Fred Hazen lives today. Her family would walk to Barnesville for Sunday School and Worship.

The Church Building had long steps across the front, two doors divided inside; men sat on one side and women on the other side. Two iron stoves were used to heat the building.

There was a school next door to the church building. I would play in the churchyard during recess in a cemetery, behind the church building.

Mr. Mort Hilton taught the class for the older children in the balcony. Some children came from Boyds and Buck Lodge by horse and buggy, but most walked.

The Sunday School Picnic was the favorite time of the year. The mothers would bake cakes and the church would furnish three flavors of ice cream, and you could have all that you wanted to eat.

There was a Young People's meeting on Sunday evening. I remember the following people attending: Mr. Oden, Mr. Phillips, Beulah and Gladys Morningstar, Nettie Orme, Agnes Dixon, Elmer Orme, Bertha Oden, Virginia Savage, my brother and myself.

I can remember the following pastors: Rev. Burke, Rev. McFadden, Rev. Lewis, Rev. Fleming, Rev. Shoup, Rev. DuBois, Rev. DeFries, and our present pastor Rev. Welker.

A group of us were baptized at Rockville Baptist on 11/23/25. Elizabeth Brown Allnutt and myself were among them.

When the second railroad track was laid going thru Sellman, there was a gentleman who supervised the job. He held revival meetings for us for two weeks in the evenings. My mother would walk us children to Barnesville every night with a lantern for services.

Maggie was our Church Treasurer for many years. After she moved to Frederick, Rev. DeFries would take the offering to her and she would make the deposit.

Many times she would invite him to stay for lunch. She has attended services regularly here and brought her children with her.

Interview with Maggie Cole, ca. 1995-2000.

“Frederick County’s volunteer spirit runs strong”

By Ike Wilson

News-Post Staff

...the Rev. [James] Painter, a former associate pastor at Barnesville Baptist Church....

The Frederick Post, April 28, 1997, Page 1.

“Dickerson news”

Mrs. [Emily] Thorne is the music director of Barnesville Baptist Church. She makes her keyboard come alive with the sounds of trains, horses and many other things.

The News, Frederick, MD, October 24, 1998, Page B9.

“Area Religion News”

RUSHING WIND, a southern gospel quartet from Glen St. Mary, Fla., will perform in concert at 7 p.m. June 12 and at 11 a.m., June 13 at Barnesville Baptist Church. The group sings with live accompaniment. The church is at the intersection of Rt. 109 and Barnesville Road.

The Frederick News-Post, June 5, 1999, Page B8.

The Baptist church was also built in 1869 with 26 [sic, 22] founding members.

Cutler, Dona Lou and Ida Lu Brown, *The History of Barnesville and Sellman*. Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, Inc., 1999, Page 9.

In 1920...at the Baptist parsonage Rev. J.C. McFadden’s stable yard entrance was ordered to be piped.

Cutler, Dona Lou and Ida Lu Brown, *The History of Barnesville and Sellman*. Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, Inc., 1999, Pp. 14-15.

Frontage Measurements in 1888 Main Street North Side
...Baptist Church....

Cutler, Dona Lou and Ida Lu Brown, *The History of Barnesville and Sellman*. Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, Inc., 1999, Page 21.

The Barnesville Flag was designed to commemorate Maryland’s 350th Anniversary by Julia Jeffers, William D. Hilton, Robert Lillard, Dalis Miller and J. Robert Stonestreet. Dedicated at the Barnesville Baptist Church, it features the town well with Sugarloaf Mountain in the background.

Cutler, Dona Lou and Ida Lu Brown, *The History of Barnesville and Sellman*. Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, Inc., 1999, Page 24.

41. Francis Knott House

Parceled from lot #7, Francis and Mary Jane Knott lived here after the Civil War...Garrett Cooley lived here and then this house served as the parsonage for the Baptist Church from approximately 1940-1970. A list of pastors who lived here is on page 87 [sic].

Cutler, Dona Lou and Ida Lu Brown, *The History of Barnesville and Sellman*. Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, Inc., 1999, Page 71.

51. Baptist Church

The cornerstone was laid in 1869 and the original building was of log construction. Later clapboard siding was added to the rectangular building, with gable front facade, bell tower, white weatherboard

exterior. Example of mid-nineteenth century rural church architecture...[History of establishment and founding members from BBC records]...

In 1954 sufficient money was in the building fund to add the Sunday School rooms and to enlarge the sanctuary. In 1971 a new parsonage was built on Peach Tree Road, which was sold in 1972. The current parsonage was purchased that year. In 1982 the entire church was refurbished, to include new carpet and pews and exterior siding.

...[List of BBC Pastors, 1930s history from BBC records]...In the 1950's and 60's Edith DuBois served as organist and directed the choir. She was followed by Lorraine DeFries.

Cutler, Dona Lou and Ida Lu Brown, *The History of Barnesville and Sellman*. Bowie, MD: Heritage Books, Inc., 1999, Pp. 82-84.

2000-2009

“Vacation Bible School”

The Barnesville Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School: “In the Race with Jesus” for children pre-kindergarten to 7th grade and adults 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. July 19 to 23, at the church 17917 Barnesville Road. Registration and a dinner will be held 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. July 19. Call 301-407-0500.

Sedam, Sean, *The Poolesville Gazette*, May 31, 2000.

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***The Poolesville Gazette*, June 7, 2000; June 14, 2000.**

“Area Religion News”

THE ROYAL HARMONIZERS will present gospel music at 6:30 p.m., March 18 at Barnesville Baptist Church, 17917 Barnesville Rd., Barnesville.

***The Frederick News-Post*, March 17, 2001, Page B9.**

“Beallsville [sic] church holds concert”

Ken Reid and Country Praise will play their country-bluegrass-gospel mix Nov. 11 from 6-8 p.m. at Barnesville Baptist Church, 17917 Barnesville Road, Barnesville. Admission is free, and an offering will be held.

***The Poolesville Gazette*, Oct. 31, 2001.**

“Christmas in April”

The Helping Hands of Upper Montgomery have organized a Poolesville area team to repair three homes owned by elderly, low-income residents all within four miles of Poolesville for this year’s Christmas in April event April 27.

This annual event involves hundreds of groups across the country that wield paint brushes, hammers, saws and shovels to help homeowners in need maintain their independence.

The Poolesville area team financial supporters, who helped contribute to the \$1,500 required to repair each home, this year include the Barnesville Baptist Church....

***The Poolesville Gazette*, April 17, 2002.**

“Christmas begins on Saturday”

Volunteers from various churches and civic organizations in the Poolesville area will unite their energies and skills for repairs on two local houses on Saturday and April 26 under the auspices of Christmas in April.

Houses selected for the program must be owner-occupied and owners must meet low-income eligibility. Repairs being performed this year include replacement of exterior siding, interior and exterior painting, roofing, installation of doors and windows and electrical and plumbing improvements. The basic goal is to enable the homeowners to maintain their independence by making their homes safe, secure and comfortable.

Local organizations contributing funds include: Barnesville Baptist Church....

The Poolesville Gazette, April 16, 2003.

“Fleming, Rev. Thomas A. Jr.”

Walworth: Passed away on December 24, 2003 at age 79. Tom is survived by his wife Mary Louise...Rev. Fleming was a World War II Marine Corps veteran, having participated in the assault and capture of Guam, the Marianas Islands and Iwo Jima. After the war, Tom attended Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Philadelphia and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina...Tom served as pastor at the Barnesville Baptist Church in Barnesville, MD (47-49)...Funeral services for Tom will be Sunday, 3:00 p.m. from the Walworth Second Baptist Church. Spring interment will be at Walworth cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions should be directed to the Walworth Second Baptist Church, PO Box 68, Walworth, NY 14568.

Times of Wayne County, Macedon, NY, ca. December 2003.

“What’s 700 pounds and homeless? A steepleless church bell”

by Kristen Milton
Staff Writer



David S. Spence/The Gazette

Sandy Gilliam, wife of the associate pastor, photographs the steeple of Barnesville Baptist Church as it is removed Thursday.

A 700-pound cast iron bell now sits on the grounds of Barnesville Baptist Church -- homeless after its steeple was removed earlier this week.

The rope used to ring the huge bell was one of the first things the Rev. Randy Gilliam, the associate pastor, was shown upon arriving at the 130-year-old church more than three years ago. The pastor,

the Rev. Joe Ivey, began working at the church only a few months before Gilliam's arrival and had never heard the bell toll; so the two decided to ring it.

"In just a few minutes several people showed up wondering what was wrong," Gilliam remembered Thursday. "They'd heard it as a distress signal."

The bell tolled each Sunday for years, signaling the start of Bible study and church services, Gilliam said. But about 18 months ago the structure of the tower, built of chestnut supports and oak boards in the early 1900s, began to show its age. It was listing to one side and rusted nails were beginning to release strips of siding. Bird nests and insects had also caused problems.

"We saw there was some weather damage and we knew the bell was very heavy so we stopped using the bell on a regular basis because of that," Gilliam said. Since then the bell has been rung only for weddings or other special events, he said, and has been sorely missed by the children who sometimes were granted the privilege of ringing the signal.

The approximately 100-member church is mostly made up of older residents from the northernmost reaches of the county, Gilliam said, although there are a handful of members from Damascus and Germantown.

"You get accustomed. It gets time for church and you think you should be hearing the bell," said building committee chairman Ralph Cooley, who has lived next door to the church since 1959. "It's more a psychological thing."

Cooley said he spoke to several local contractors about repairing the steeple before finding Vall Boring of Steeples Plus in Middletown who undertook the job.

Boring removed the old steeple Thursday with a crane, and in coming weeks will build a new spire of the same dimensions to be installed in its place. There will also be work done to repair the rusted aluminum roof in the area of the bell tower.

Boring said it would be about two months before he will be able to reinstall the approximately 50-foot steeple. He will use treated materials and structural steel in the construction, he said, but from the outside the steeple will look as it always has.

"Most people will look up and if they'd been gone a little while they would only notice that it was well-maintained," Boring said.

In addition the roof in the area of the steeple will be replaced with tin and the rear part of the building, a later addition, will have its roof painted green to match.

"We thought it would really dress the building up," Cooley said.

Money is being raised by the congregation to cover the \$10,500 cost of the project. The fund stood at \$6,484 at the end of April, but about half the amount needed came from an unexpected bequest from the late Harold Hargett of Boyds, Gilliam said.

Hargett, who died in April 2003, left money to the church in his will for reasons unknown, Gilliam said. Hargett was not a member of the congregation.

Cooley knew Hargett. “Tremendous individual - he was a friend to everyone...so it was appropriate that he would give us this tremendous gift,” he said.

Meanwhile the church awaits its new pinnacle. The congregation’s Web site has photos of the old steeple being removed. Cooley needs only to look next door, however, to be reminded of the changes of the past week.

“It really makes [the church] look quite different,” he said. But Cooley said it was “a good feeling” to know that the steeple would return ready for coming generations of Barnesville residents to enjoy.

The Damascus Gazette, May 11, 2005.

“James Richard McFadden”

...He was the son of the late Rev. James Clayton McFadden and Mary Alena Entwistle McFadden. His father was a Baptist minister who served in Barnesville, Hereford and Rehobeth, Md.

The Alexandria Gazette Packet, Alexandria, VA,

<http://www.connectionnewspapers.com/articleprint.asp?article=229870&paper=59&cat=104>, May 26, 2005.

“There’s refreshing rejuvenation in Barnesville, Maryland”

By Sharon Mager
Staff Writer

BARNESVILLE, Md.—Barnesville Church, founded in 1871, sits atop a hill in rural western Montgomery County. The church is 135 years old, but there’s new life and enthusiasm breathing in the aged building. In the past seven months at least 16 people have become members, half of which are new believers; that’s more growth than Barnesville has seen in over three years. Some families who left have returned. There are children running and playing in the church again and a there’s a group of teens. New ministries are growing and blossoming.

A church that was hurting is healing.

“We’ve had movement all along, but nothing like this,” Joe Ivey, senior pastor of Barnesville Church said. The growth spurt began about a year ago. Ivey said people began to respond to visitation and outreach. Several couples with families came to know the Lord. That snowballed. Barnesville started a children’s church and now they’re looking for a part-time youth pastor.

“Everything is falling into place and functioning well. The church is doing really well,” Ivey said. “God has really blessed us.”

Ivey came to the church five years ago. He was retired and intended to help the congregation through a painful time. A former pastor and several families had left the church. The members felt vulnerable and attendance lagged.

“I had not intended to take another church, but as I got more involved, I felt a real concern for them. I felt that I could help them mend. Maybe God could use me to pull them back together,” Ivey said. He prayed and felt God leading him to take the position as pastor.

Ivey began to prayerfully preach about forgiveness, love and unity and started encouraging more fellowships such as dinners and hymn sings to bring people together. There were many rededications, including deacons and teachers. Ivey knew that before new growth could begin, members needed to seek God’s forgiveness and healing.

“Everybody at one time or another renewed their commitment to the Lord,” Ivey said.

The church was faithful with visitation, missions and with prayer. They began new outreach ministries such as visiting nursing homes and starting a jail ministry. Barnesville began working more with the community, opening their facilities for 4-H programs, alcohol anonymous groups and for local town meetings. The church also began a Baptist Men's group; they dedicated a new church library and began fifth Sunday discipleship training.

They also changed their music, slowly, to add praise and worship songs to hymns. An organist, pianist, guitarist and drummer now play each Sunday.

Ivey said the church's facilities still provides space to grow and can adequately hold another 75 people, but due to water pressure problems, the county will not let them expand. There are now plans to possibly plant another church.

Current attendance is about 80 each Sunday. Ivey said that's not a whole lot, but compared to 20 they had a few years ago, they're thankful.

The church has an associate pastor, Randy Gilliam. The church called Gilliam and Ivey around the same time. Ivey explained that the church really liked Gilliam, a retired educator who recently graduated from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary.

Gilliam was a candidate for the pastorate, but lacked the experience the church needed at that time. Ivey was having serious eye problems and needed help. The church hired them both. Gilliam helped Ivey, driving him where he needed to go and they worked together visiting and ministering until Ivey was well. Now they're both able to do the work individually, doubling their efforts.

Both men are over 60. Their wives are active in the church and they work well together as a foursome. Ivey and Gilliam even share a paycheck, splitting the funds the church has for a full-time pastor. Gilliam, and his wife, Sandy, live in the parsonage. Ivey and his wife June live on a small farm.

The Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware, *BaptistLife*, August 2006, Page 10.

"Things to Do"

January 17, 18, and 19

Barnesville Baptist Church

Men's Rally: "Where are the Men?"

Free and open to all

January 17 and 18 – 7:00 p.m.

January 18 – 10:45 a.m.

***The Monocacy Monocle*, www.monocacymonocle.com, January 9, 2009, Page 14.**

"AssociationLIFE (February 2009)"

Montgomery Association

Members of Barnesville Church members sent 110 mattress pads to Baghdad for U.S. troops last year. To show their appreciation, the soldiers sent Barnesville an American flag that flew over Forward Operating Base Loyalty, Baghdad, Iraq, on Oct. 27 along with a certificate of authenticity and a picture of the unit that received the pads with personal thank you notes.

Barnesville celebrated their annual "Baptist Men's Day" with a three-day rally, Jan. 16-18. The theme was "Where are the men?" Speakers for Friday and Saturday evening services were Danny Moore, pastor of Towne Church and Ellis Moore, pastor of Georgia Avenue Church. The men cooked breakfast on Jan. 18 before worship. One of the highlights of the Sunday service was a special by the

“The Men of Barnesville.” Ian Godwin, a well-known businessman and sportsman was the guest speaker.

The Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware, *BaptistLife*, February 2009, <http://www.baptistlifeonline.org/2009/02/associationlife-february-2009/>, February 2, 2009.

“Things to Do”

Youth and Family Summer Rally

Barnesville Baptist Church

There will be live music, food, fun, and games. The activities include a moon bounce, bungee run, dunk tank, face painting, and jousting. Music will feature a Christian Rock Band. Plus a dynamic speaker from Taneytown who has traveled to Mexico and to Africa on missions will share stories of missionary work.

Noon to 5:00 p.m.

***The Monocacy Monocle*, www.monocacymonocle.com, June 5, 2009, Page 11.**

“AssociationLIFE (September 2009)”

Montgomery Association

Barnesville Church had a youth rally with games, music and other special events on the church grounds. Justin Hanneken, Taneytown Church’s youth pastor, presented the gospel. Christian rock band LifeBlood played afterwards.

The Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware, *BaptistLife*, September 2009, <http://www.baptistlifeonline.org/2009/09/associationlife-september-2009/>, September 1, 2009.

“Center Stage”

“Written in the Walls”

By Dominique Agnew

Her writing’s on the wall—and on posters, cards, menus, ceramics, illustrations, you name it—and that’s just the calligraphy. Kitty McNaughton creates so much more besides beautiful script, but she is quick to remind that ever since she learned calligraphy from a well[]known calligrapher in 1978, it has been a staple of many of her works—even her murals and trompe l’oeils...Although she still does a few parties a year, Kitty is now decidedly a muralist/trompe l’oeil artist. “I’m always on the lookout for mural work,” adds Kitty. She’ll paint on walls, ceilings, floors—“I really enjoy doing murals.” She has painted for children’s rooms and for adults, in local restaurants and in churches (locally, the baptistery in the Barnesville Baptist Church)....

***The Monocacy Monocle*, www.monocacymonocle.com, November 20, 2009, Page 3.**

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“Things to Do”

March 31

Messiah in the Passover

Barnesville Baptist Church

A vivid and exciting demonstration showing how Jesus fulfilled the ancient feast of Passover. This program gives the Christian community insight into Jewish traditions so that the Jewish roots of Christianity can be better understood. This program also helps the Jewish and Christian communities understand their common heritage.

7:00 pm.

***The Monocacy Monocle*, www.monocacymonocle.com, March 19, 2010, Page 11.**

“Mystery History”

“The Friendly Thrift Shop: A Place of Rich History and Heartfelt Good Will”

By Rande Davis

With so many great organizations helping others in the area, we sometimes forget about one of the most long-lasting and dedicated civic organizations in town: The Friendly Thrift Shop. Supported by eleven area churches, its vital mission began in 1972 to provide those in need with good, clean, used clothes; today, it also provides small household items. Goods and funds from sales result in donations to WUMCO, the Frederick Rescue Mission, Hands of Love, and other charities. The organization also provides two \$1,000 college scholarships to deserving graduates of Poolesville High School...The member churches are Barnesville Baptist....

***The Monocacy Monocle*, www.monocacymonocle.com, May 14, 2010, Pp. 3, 8.**

“Things to Do”

July 26 to July 30

Barnesville Baptist Church VBS

Theme: Saddle Ridge Ranch

Pre-school to adult

Free

6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

***The Monocacy Monocle*, www.monocacymonocle.com, July 16, 2010, Page 19.**

“Barnesville Church women’s rallies ‘weave the fabric of the church together”

By Shannon Baker, BCM/D National Correspondent



Mother and Daughter Singers for Barnesville Baptist Church Women’s Rally Front Row (L-R) Christina Cole, Kaitlyn Cole, Ashlinn Cole, Michaela Driver, Amber Ennis and Heather Cross; Second Row Dawn Shreve, Ashley Babyak, Jackie Cole, Michelle Ennis; Third Row Joyce Dunn, Vicki Keriakos, Lynn Ep[lee]; Hidden from view are Madison Shreve, Marva Cole, Brenda Cross and Cris Driver. Absent is Holly Cross.

BARNESVILLE, Md.—Barnesville Church Pastor Joey Iv[e]y had a vision of his church being filled with people. In fulfillment of that vision, the upper Montgomery County church began holding rallies for men, women and youth. And true to the vision—the church was filled.

But it’s the women’s rallies that have really taken off, shared volunteer organizer Karen Joyce Dunn. What has made them so special?

“It’s really simple,” she shared. “We just prayed to discern God’s will, and we did it.”

Likening the effort to a growing grass roots movement, which by nature is natural, spontaneous, and volunteer-driven, Dunn credits a “full page of people” for making the event successful.

“There’s this bonding in this unified event with a variety of people making it happen,” she said. “It was what I call one of those fellowship threads that weaves the fabric of the church together.”

She added, “I’m a firm believer in being a God-led person. That means you don’t have a road map, and the Lord gets all the credit for how it is all arranged.”

So, how was it all arranged?

At its very foundation is prayer. “Prayer is the rock. If it is not there, it’s not going to work,” Dunn said.

Also instrumental are personal invitations, note cards made on a computer, which ladies hand out to the women in their lives.

Each rally is hosted on Friday and Saturday nights and concludes on Sunday mornings. Since the rallies are for women, each weekend focuses on a woman in the Bible.

For the past three years, Gayla Parker, executive director of Women's Missionary Union of Maryland/Delaware, has been the special speaker. This year, on Mar. 25-27, Parker taught about Naomi and Ruth, especially focusing on mother/daughter relationships.

"Gayla is so incredible, and the women in our fellowship really respond to what she says," Dunn shared, noting that 75 women came to their latest event. "They bring their friends to church. Even a Muslim woman came!"

Cris Driver, who has a "beautiful voice," led the weekend's worship, at times with her daughter, Michaela and mother, Mary Yates. A choir of mothers and daughters also led special music.

Holly Cross, a young elementary-aged girl, led "the Rally Cheer," which was inspired by a December 2010 BaptistLIFE article (<http://www.baptistlifeonline.org/2010/12/thoughts-on-faith-and-adversity/>), in which Cindy Barr shared a call and response that had touched her during times of adversity: "God is good, all the time. All the time, God is good."

"Holly had the sweetest, most precious little girl voice leading us," Dunn said.

And then a group reenacted a scene inspired by the Gospel music song, "Somebody Like Me," about a drunk walking into a church as the call to worship, "Amazing Grace," was sung. Though the "elder" Ed Williams initially gives a disgusted reaction, he repents of his sinful attitude and welcomes the drunk, cleaning him up as the choir sings, "Somebody Like Me."

In a special children's story, a mother/daughter team Vicki Ker[ja]kos and Ashley Babyak shared a testimony about their recent family mission trip to New York City to work with the homeless.

All in all, it was an amazing weekend that bonded generations together and introduced non-Christians to Jesus.

"I couldn't sleep. So many women had walked in the door who didn't know the Lord. The church was full. Mothers and daughters were singing together," she said, adding excitedly that plans are already underway for Rally #4.

"How the Lord pays you! He gives you these absolutely amazing rewards that no amount of money could ever buy!"

The Baptist Convention of Maryland/Delaware, *BaptistLife*, May 2011, <http://www.baptistlifeonline.org/2011/05/barnesville-church-womens-rallies/>, May 9, 2011.

"Things to Do"

September 17
Annual Pig Pickin' Dinner
Barnesville Baptist Church
Including Entertainment by Gold Heart Bluegrass Band

All welcome, no charge
 Dinner: 4:30 p.m.
 Music: 6:30 p.m.

***The Monocacy Monocle*, www.monocacymonocle.com, September 9, 2011, Page 5.**

“Rev. James William Painter II”

The Rev. James William Painter II, 65, of Frederick went home to be with the Lord on Nov. 29, 2011 after many years of illness. Born Dec. 2, 1946, he was the son of the late James E. and Ruth Painter...

***The Frederick News-Post*,**

**http://www.fredericknewspost.com/sections/local/obit_detail2.htm?obitid=32031,
 December 1, 2011.**

“Rev. Jeddie G. DeFries”

Rev. Jeddie DeFries, 80, of Ijamsville, went home to be with the Lord at Shady Grove Hospital on January 28, 2013 after a brief illness.

Born in Portsmouth, VA he was the son of the late Jeddie Gilbert DeFries, Sr. and Agnes Guy DeFries. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Lorraine; his two sons Steven DeFries, of Ijamsville and Shaun DeFries, of Gaithersburg; and two grandchildren Taylor DeFries of Frederick and Ethan DeFries of Mechansville. Also surviving are two sisters, Shirley Shimel of Williamsburg, VA and Rose Marie Wiseman of Chesapeake, VA and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

He was a graduate of Tennessee Temple School (Now Tennessee Temple University) where he received a B.A., B.D and ThG. degrees. He retired from full-time pastoral ministry in 1994 after serving as Pastor in churches in Bridgewater, VA, Weverton, MD, and Barnesville, MD where he served for 25 years. During his retirement, he served as interim pastor, supply speaker and was very active in the Montgomery County Baptist Association. He was an active member of Greenridge Baptist Church in Boyds, MD.

Visitation will be held at Stauffer Funeral Home, 1621 Opposumtown Pike, Frederick, MD on Friday, February 1st from 2-4 and 6-8pm.

A Celebration of Life will be held in the Funeral Home Chapel on Saturday, February 2nd at 10:00AM. Rev. Tim Simpson will officiate, assisted by Dr. Ron Blankenship and Rev. Randy Gilliam. Burial will be held at Monocacy Cemetery, Beallsville, MD.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Greenridge Baptist Church, Boyds, MD or to a charity of choice.

<http://www.staufferfuneralhome.com/obits/obituary.php?id=253773>, January 30, 2013; *The Frederick News-Post*,

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/fredericknewspost/obituary.aspx?n=jeddiedefries&pid=162755282>, January 31, 2013.