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MINISTERS

Ketrow	1871-72	J. D. Shook	1926
F.M. Green	1873-75	H. E. Marshall	1927
J. W. Anderson	1876-77	A. W. Truitt	1928
W. R. Enyeart	1878	E. A. Israel	1928-31
Sam Carothers	1879-80	Harold Northup	1932-33
W. M. Brown	1881-82	L. L. Gaither	1934-35
A. H. Collins	1883-84	Albert W. Blood	1936
M. V. Briggs	1885-86	G. V. Bitteker	1937-38
W. H. Truner	1887-88	B. A. Wagenknecht	1939-41
J. S. Wilson	1889	J. W. Rudloff	1942-43
Peter St. Clair	1890-91	Martin Cross	1944-45
A. M. Molesworth	1892-95	Arthur Huff	1946
J. B. Kibble	1896	J. E. Corey	1947
R. Carlyon	1897-1900	W. J. Cox	1947
R. C. Taylor	1901-02	Martin Cross	1948-49
B. R. Vandyke	1903	Allen Vancil	1950-53
C. H. Brott	1904-05	Samual Sellars	1954-55
B. F. Youngman	1906-07	Richard Horton	1956
R. S. Bostick	1908-09	Carl Brandt	1957
G. A. Lewis	1910-11	Robert Heckman	1958-59
A. J. Bruner	1912	Louis Hubbard	1960
C. C. Johnson	1913-14	Raymond Lindsey	1961-62
E. O. Bayse	1915-17	Robert Hester	1963-64
C. B. Elliott	1918-19	Charles Baker	1965-67
R. Anson	1920	Joseph Thompson	1968-72
J. H. Lane	1921-25	Beryl D. Cragg	1972-



Dr. Greg Poole, Dist. Sup. through December 31, 1976.

PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council goes back to the times of Raymond Lindsey.

Its purpose is to plan a program for the Charge. The desire is to bring the churches together in united efforts, and support activities of similar nature as separate ventures in each of the churches.

The last few years has found the Parish Council sponsoring a Lord's Acre Sale, and most recently a Spiritual Retreat. Both activities have fulfilled the intended purpose with a good measure of success.

A number of people have been members of the Parish Council, with two representatives elected from each church.

This organization is one of the most important of the effectual operation of the Charge. Planning is essential for an on-going program of the Charge. Yet assisting the pastor in taking programs and information to their own Church is another important factor.

Present Officers:

Fern Mitten, Chairman

Bud Black, Vice Chairman

Naomi Green, Secretary-Treasurer



Methodist Men

BRASHEAR HISTORY

A history of the Brashear United Methodist Church leads one to the history of Brashear. The history of Brashear and the Church involves the life of Cuma Conkle. Her mother, Martha (Brashear) Conkle, was a twin of the late Dr. John Brashear. His home was in Hutchinson, Kansas, and it is said grand-father Brashear was the first white man in Adair County, the exact date is not known but probably in the early 1830's. The Chalkta and Chikasau Indians were their neighbors. M. G. and Rosa (Wood) Brashear came from South Carolina, their home was a government grant, now the Kenneth Cooper farm, two miles north of Brashear. They endured the hardships of pioneer life, lived in a log house, had a fireplace for warmth, raised twelve children, one died in infancy. Richard (Dick) Madison the one Brashear was named for, born January 13, 1846 and died February 23rd, 1933 at his home in Kirksville.

Paultown was a thriving little town. When talk of moving near the railroad was suggested, some were opposed to it. Soon buildings were being moved, one the south Methodist Church.

At one time, Brashear was a thriving little town, dry goods stores, two banks, etc. There were four churches, North and South Methodist, Christian, and the E. U. B. We now have the United Methodist and the Community Bible Church (both active churches). An account of the early history of the Brashear Methodist Episcopal Church is rather difficult as all records were destroyed. It appears that the society which later changed into the Brashear Methodist Church was first organized as Paulville as part of the Sand Hill Circuit. When Brashear was established as a station on the railroad in the early seventies, Paulville moved almost as a unit to the new town. The membership retained its organization and for the most part, held its meetings in the schoolhouse. In this early organization, James McCreery was Sunday School superintendent and Pay McCreery was organist. A little old-fashioned organ served in the church until 1900 when a piano was installed.

On September 26, 1883, J. N. and Anne E. McCreery deeded a lot, 224 by 62 feet to the trustees of the church. On this lot, the first building, called the McCreery Chapel, was erected. The church was dedicated by Reverend M. L. Curl, April 13, 1884, with A. H. Collins as pastor.



In 1885, a 16 foot addition was built on the north end of the church, the project being sponsored mainly by James McCreery, John Hall, Doctor Wiseman, S. R. Dunham, Doctor Hopkins, Hiram Little, Ambrose Black, Judge Dan Tuttle, and J. R. Howey.

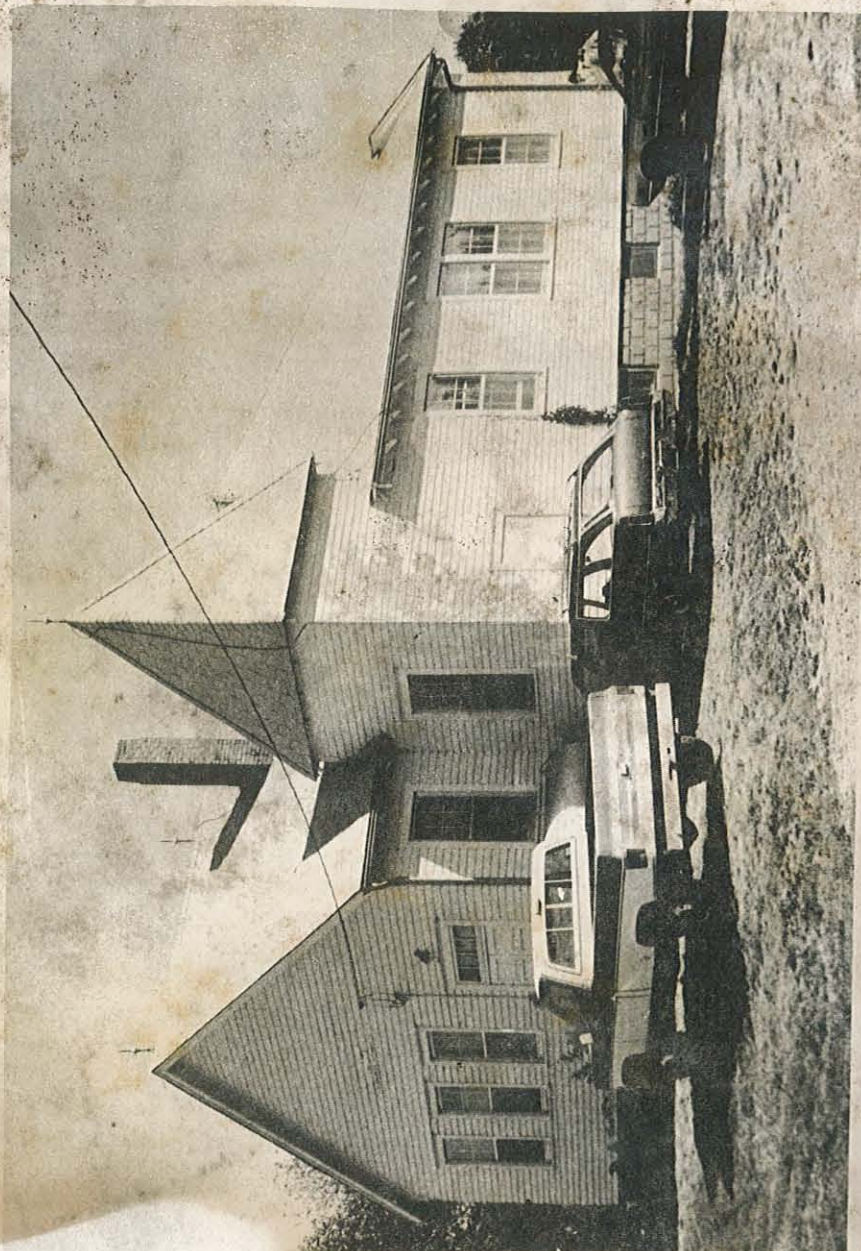
In 1908, the young people of the two Methodist churches in Brashear organized an Epworth League, which flourished for a number of years.

As the church grew, its influence spread to other communities and the Brashear circuit was established to include Hurdland, Sabbath Home, and Bullion with the pastor residing in Brashear.

Under the pastorate of Reverend John H. Lane, the Brashear church was reconstructed into the building, including the basement, which was destroyed in 1974. Brother Lane contributed much of his time to the work. Following a week of special services, the building was rededicated at an all-day meeting by Reverend Cameron Harmon, president of Missouri Wesleyan College, Cameron, Missouri, on Sunday, July 30, 1922. The Ladies' Aid contributed \$500 toward the reconstruction of the building.

In 1968, the official name of the church was changed to the United Methodist Church. In the darkness of the night, on May 14, 1974, an explosion was heard throughout the community. The Methodist Church lay in a pile of rubble from the explosion caused by a gas leak in the basement. A revival seemed to take place after the destruction as members and friends gathered to clear the rubble and salvage items that were not damaged. Committee's were organized and plans were made for construction of a new building. Labor, money, materials and furnishings were donated by many people. During construction of the church, services were held in the Hudson Rimer Funeral Home. Out thanks to Mr. A. G. Rimer for the use of this facility. The first service was held December 31, 1974, in the nearly completed church.

The new church was consecrated December 7, 1975. Dr. G. Poole, District Superintendent from Kirksville gave the message. We pray that it will be a blessing to all, as it took a lot of hard work and planning.



BULLION CHURCH SERVICE FOR A CENTURY

The Bullion United Methodist Church, located 4 miles East of Kirksville, has served its community for 100 years. The story of how this country church began and is still growing has been accounted for as closely as possible.

One-hundred years ago church and Sunday school services were started in the log built, Buck Horn school, better known as the Rural Dell school, located 8½ miles Southeast of Kirksville.

The log building was built in 1869 or 1870 and served only a few families. In 1871 a revival was held at the school by a man named Ketrow who had been appointed to the Brashear Circuit. The attendance was so large chairs were set up on the lawn and Ketrow stood in the door of the school and preached. Regular church and Sunday school were established at this time and were held in the log school house.

In 1881 the Fairview school community, located North of the C. B. & Q. Railroad, wanted to unite with the Rural Dell school community and build a church. This idea was readily accepted but they soon came into an argument about where to build the church. The Rural Dell people said that the church would be built on the South side of the railroad and the Fairview people wanted it on the North side of the railroad. Finally an agreement was reached. The side that raised the most money to build the church would have it built on their side of the railroad.

In 1882 the church was built on the North side of the railroad. It was a simple construction with a single isle down the middle. The church was called Bullion, getting its name from the nearby town of Bullion which had a depot, post office, and a couple of stores, one of them owned by Issac Miller.

The first Bullion Church was dedicated by J. J. Bently of the Kirksville Methodist Church of November 6, 1882. W. M. Brown was the Pastor at the time of construction.

In 1901 Bullion was removed from the Brashear Circuit and placed on the Kirksville Circuit. The Gibbs Methodist Church replaced Bullion on the Brashear Circuit. But Bullion rebelled and was placed back on the Brashear Circuit in 1903 where it still is today. Gibbs returned to the Kirksville Circuit.

Eight years later, in 1911, the building was struck by lightning and burnt to the ground. Only the organ and organ stool were saved.

On May 25, 1913 dedication services were held for the second church with Charles E. Petree, District Superintendent, conducting. A. J. Bruner was Pastor at the time.

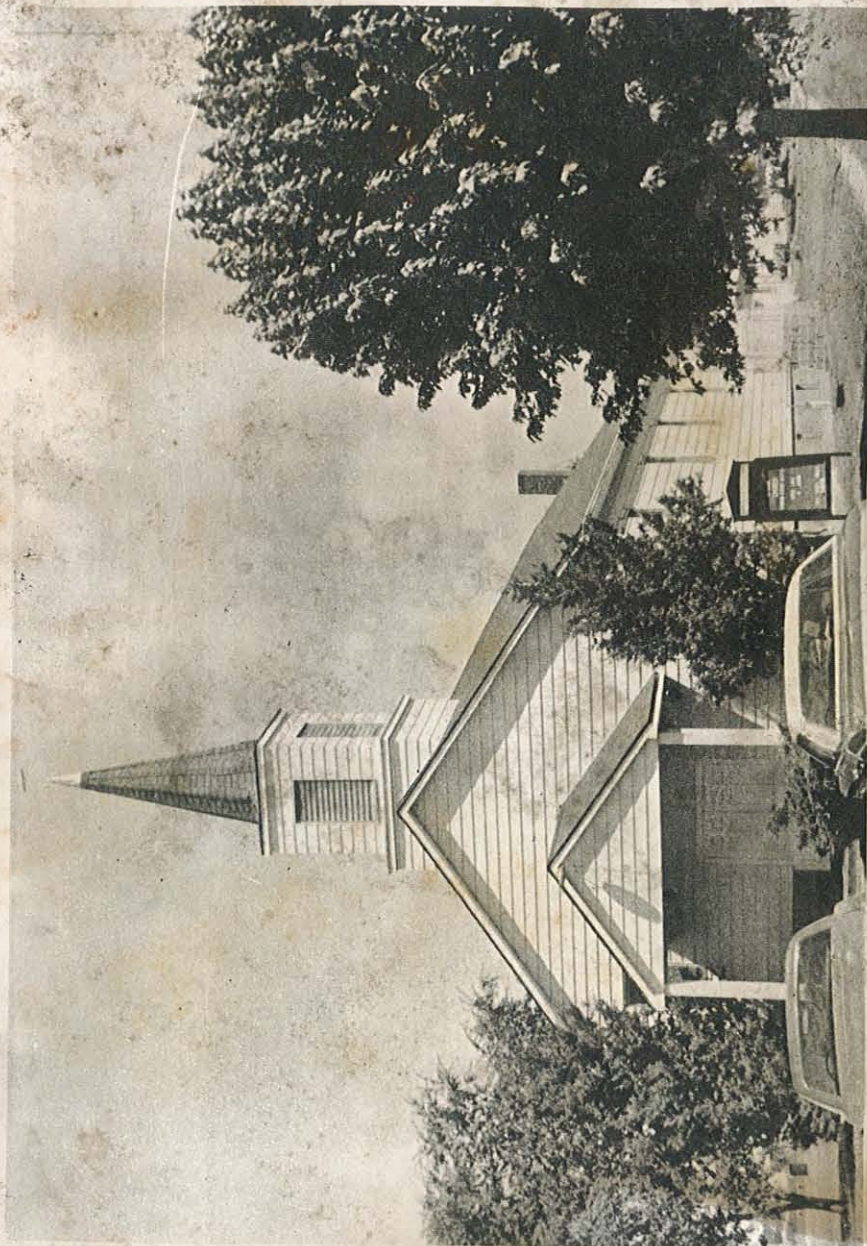
Once again the church was burnt to the ground by lightning in 1938. Otto Baker, a member of the board of trustees, made plans for the third church. Construction was started in 1938 while F. V. Bittaker was Pastor and was completed under the Pastorate of Byron A. Wagenknecht. The present building was dedicated on July 7, 1940, by Q. R. Wright, District Superintendent.

The Bullion Methodist Church has been served by 50 ministers. Dr. Joseph Thompson is presently serving the church. An average of 40 to 45 attend each Sunday.

In observance of its 100 years of service Bullion has planned a centennial celebration to be held Sunday, August 29. Regular church and Sunday school will be held as usual: Church—9:30 to 10:30 and Sunday school—10:30 to 11:30. A carry-in-dinner will then follow at 12:00. Afternoon services will be held with guest speaker Quincy Wright, former District Superintendent. There will also be antique relics on display as well as a photo gallery. The public is invited to come during any part of the centennial celebration.

The Bullion United Methodist Church has Sunday School Every Sunday with 30 to 40 in attendance. Worship services are held every Sunday from 9:30 A.M. Sunday School at 10:30 A.M. led by the Pastor of the church every other Sunday and the associate Pastor every other Sunday.

On the first Sunday of each month a Singing is held. With a large attendance each night. This service attracts a large group from the surrounding communities. A social hour is held following.



HURDLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH HISTORY

The present Church building is the third in which Methodists have worshipped. The Church in which they first met was a Community Church, and was built in 1882 on the East side of the square in Hurdland. It is now used by the Nazarenes.

On October 1, 1895, Mr. and Mrs. John Antill sold and deeded for \$60.00 a piece of ground where the present Church now stands. A Mr. Brown gave about \$500.00 and the rest of the money was raised by subscription. The Church was to be called Brown's Chapel, but, somehow the name was never used.

Al Husted laid the foundation, while much of the work was donated by members and friends. The building was completed in June 1896 and the day for the dedication set. On that day, as the crowd gathered in and the services started, the supports under the floor gave way, and the floor fell in. No one was hurt, but the dedication was postponed until the building could be repaired. This was done and the Church was dedicated in August 1896, with Reverend J. B. Kipple as pastor.

This Church was later damaged by a wind storm and the present structure was started October 4, 1952, when the first shovelful of dirt was dug for the basement drain. Much of the work on the present Church was also done by the members and friends of the community. It was dedicated in 1954 with Rev. Allen Vancil as Pastor.

Early in the Church history, a Ladies Aid was formed, but was soon abandoned and a Willing Workers Club was started. Later, it became a Missionary Society, then, Woman's Society of Christian Service, and now is called United Methodist Women.

SABBATH HOME

In 1876 J.W. Anderson was appointed to the Brashear Circuit. There were eight preaching places, and during the fall and winter the pastor held seven revival meetings resulting in 156 conversions and accessions to the church. The one at the Haxby schoolhouse was in the latter part of November and the first part of December. The one at Elliott schoolhouse closed January 28, 1877. The next day the official members of the two classes met and by unanimous vote agreed to merge into one and build a church. The location was chosen, two subscription papers written, and the canvass begun.

John Patterson, J.W. Waddill, Robert Waddill, Ira Elliott, and Charles Callison were elected as trustees with John Patterson as President of the Board.

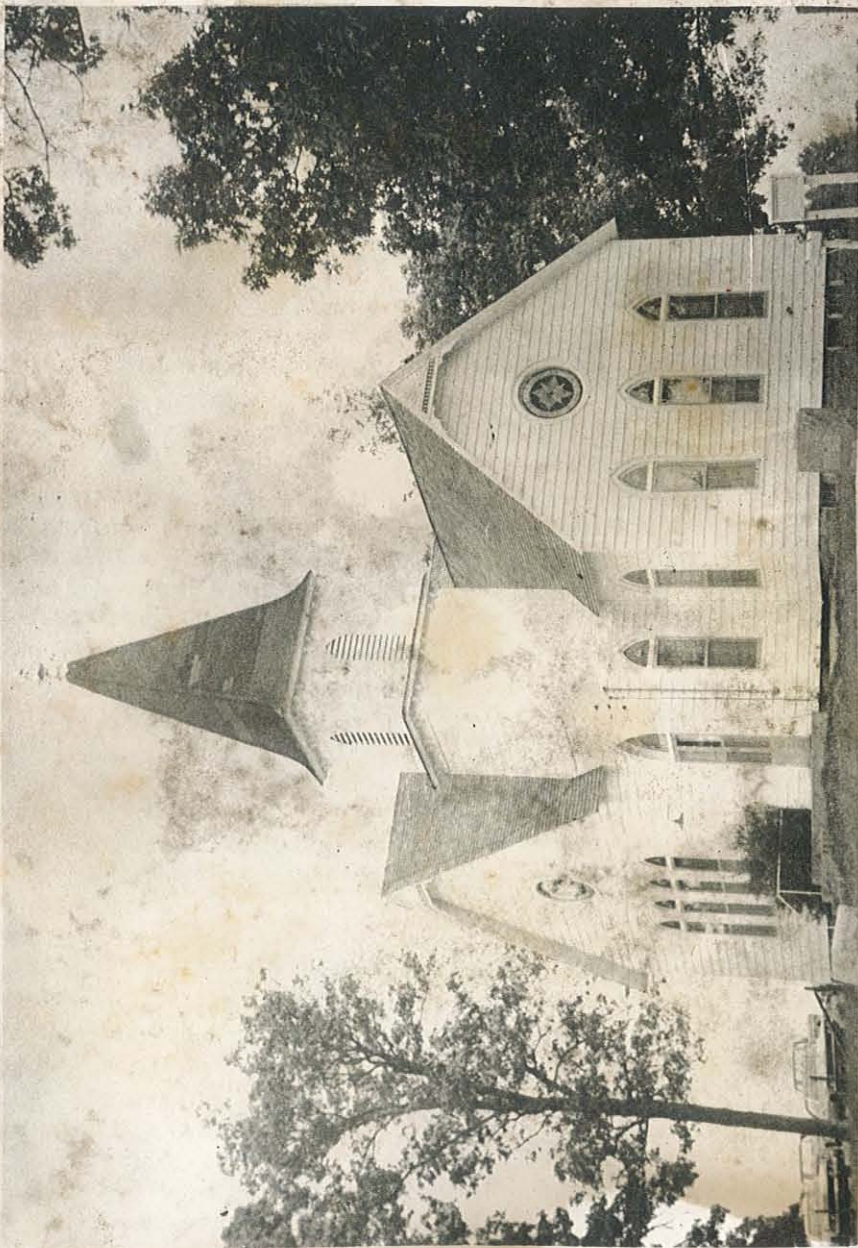
Early in February 1877, Isacc and Sally Hazard deeded the two acres, which are still held and occupied by the church and cemetery, to the above trustees and their successors in office.

The original building was 28 by 40 feet. Mr. Melvin Church was employed by the day to oversee the enterprise, with all other work being donated. The church was enclosed and lathed by March 20, 1877, but the plastering had to be postponed until warmer weather.

When it came to naming the church, many names were suggested. Finally Brother Patterson remarked that he thought that it would be nicer to call it our Sabbath Home rather than by one of the trees around it. At once the name was adopted.

The church was dedicated by the former pastor Reverend F.M. Green, assisted by the pastor, J.W. Anderson.

The present splendid and well equipped building was built in the spring and summer of 1906, during the pastorate of Reverend C.H. Brott, and was dedicated by Doctor J.B. Trimble the first Sunday of November 1906. All bills had been previously paid, hence a dedication without an appeal for money.



National problems always affect the Church and community. From 1906 to 1914 war clouds hung over Europe. In 1916 with United States entry into the war many new problems, both spiritual and financial developed. With faith and trust in God's goodness, however attendance and church maintenance was continued.

The old flu of the Church was taken down and rebuilt from the ground up on the outside of the Church by G. M. (Mert) Hasher in the early 30's. Sidney Rowe and Teddy Rowe painted the Church during this period.

In 1942 it was decided to enlarge the basement of the Church starting at the existing furnace and coal bin and going west to the west wall. The digging and cement work was all donation labor.

In 1948 electric service became available to the Church, accordingly the old gasoline and carbide lights were disposed of and in 1949 new electric lights were turned on.

On July 15th, 1955 an executive meeting was called to decide on the best method of obtaining more room at the Church. Building on a room was discussed but it was decided to add more room to the present basement. It was suggested that since the furnace was getting old, we purchase a new one and move the furnace location further north, giving room for a landing from the outside door and a stairway leading up and down. This plan was adopted along with the decision to make a full Church basement. On September 20, 1955 the contractors started digging and the basement was completed shortly thereafter. The new furnace was purchased from Floyd Wiles and installation, duct work, etc. was done under the direction of E. Lee Baker with labor being donated by the community. This project was completed in 1956.

In 1960 a strong wind storm shook the Church so badly that the plastering was cracked, making a new interior decorating job necessary. Community donation labor was used to remove the old plastering and nail on metal lath over the old wooden lath. Mr. Highbarger was employed to do the plastering. Painting was unnecessary since color was added to the plaster.

In 1962 in February it was decided to install a hardwood floor over the old pine floor. Earl Ferguson oversaw this work with the aid of Bud Black and donation labor from the community.

On January 2, 1964 the Methodist Youth Fellowship decided to install a ceiling on the church basement.

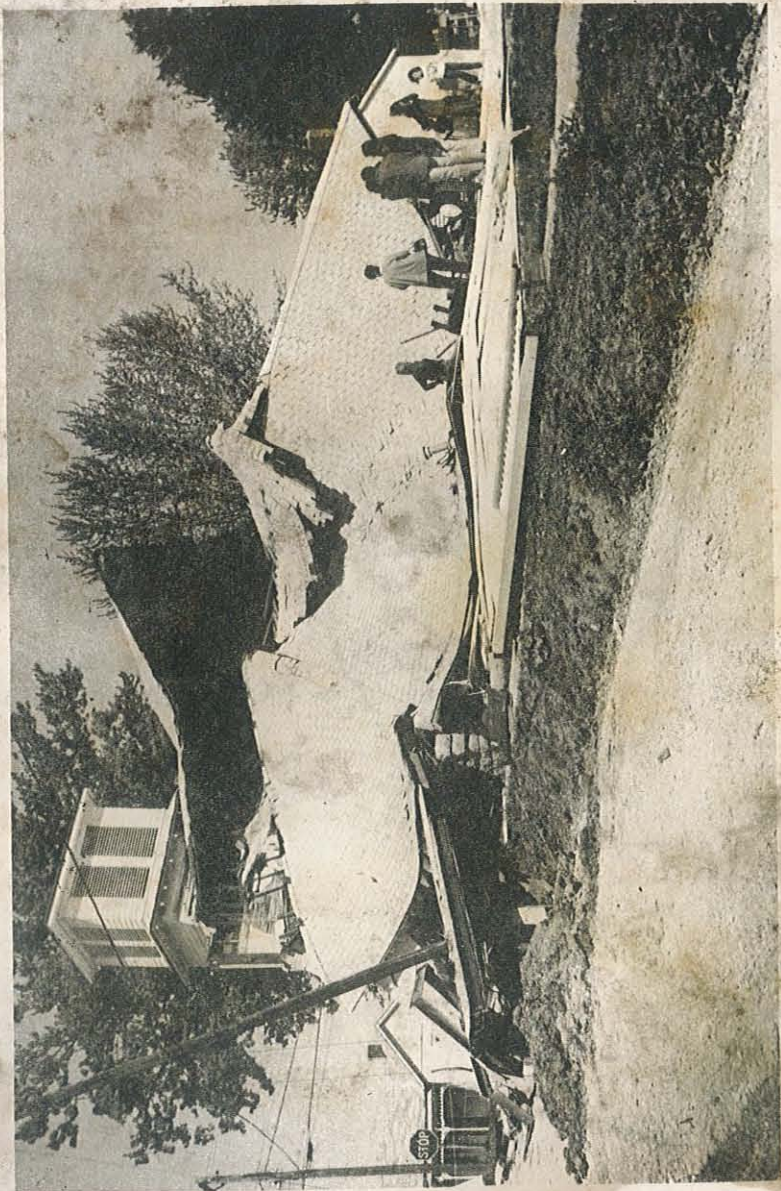
On January 18, 1966 it was noted that the front steps had settled so a new step was installed.

On August 21, 1968 a composition shingle roof was put on the north side of the Church. Funds from the trustees of the Keller Estate assisted on this project.

On May 22, 1973 Rev. Beryl Cragg took the contract for covering the old wood siding with new vinyl siding which requires no painting and added greatly to the outside appearance of the church.

On March 18, 1975 new counter balance sash cords were installed to the lower windows of the Church, also the exterior eave, and window face and cornish boards were painted. Perpetual care of the Sabbath Home Cemetery was established and is still under practice.

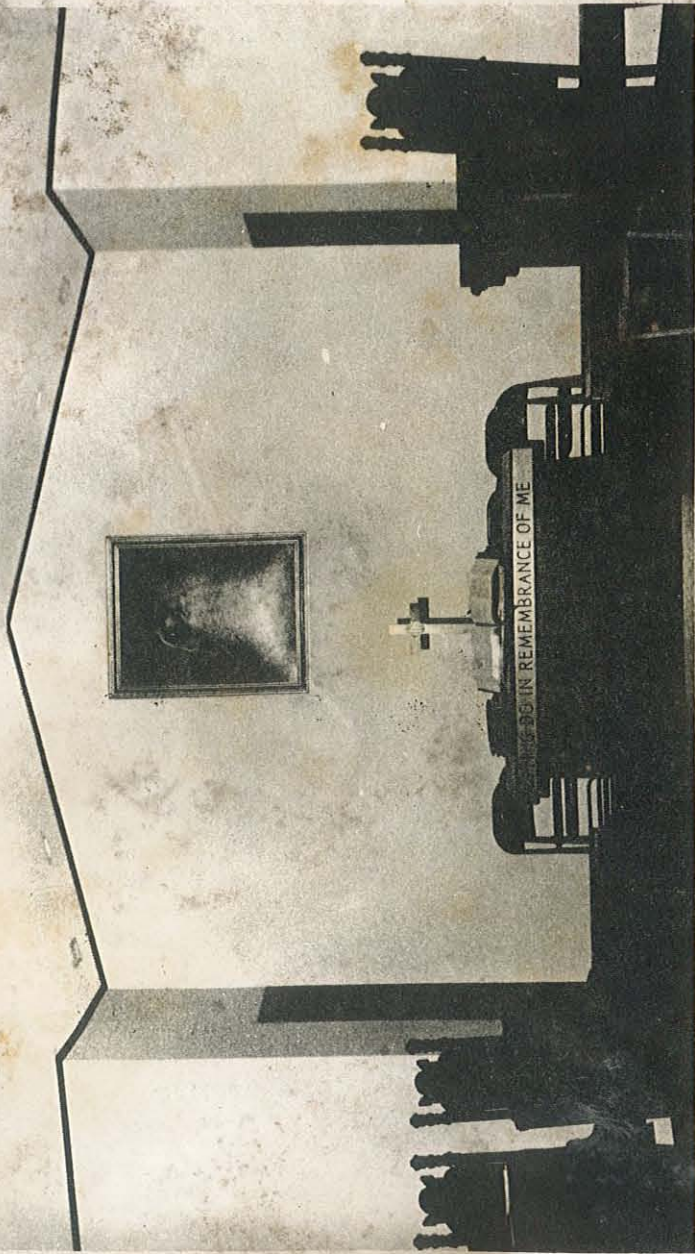
It is noted from the above that the Sabbath Home community has been interested and thankful for their church, which has been amply evident by their willingness to contribute their talents, money, and time toward its continuation. The Church in turn wishes to make its contribution to the community by providing a pleasant place to meet and worship God. Bible study and worship being the backbone of all community endeavor. It is hoped that the Sabbath Home United Methodist Church will continue to be of assistance to the community during the times of their joys and sorrows.



Remains of the 1922 Brashear church after the explosion



Brashear Congregation



Interior of new Brashear church



Brashear sunday school officers and teachers



Brashear Beginners



Brashear Kindergarten



Brashear Primary



Brashear Intermediate



Brashear Junior



Brashear Junior High



Brashear High School



Brashear Tri T



Brashear Adults



Brashear UMY



Brashear Senior Citizen 50 year member

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This is the first church. This church was built in 1882, dedicated Nov. 6.

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A. J. BRUNER, Pastor CHAS. E. PETREE, Dist. Surg.
CHAS. W. SMITH, BISHOP



DEDICATORY SERVICES

This is the second church. Built in the year of 1913 and dedicated on May 25, 1913.



Bullion congregation



Bullion Sunday School



Bullion Primary Class



Bullion Junior Class



Bullion Senior Class



Bullion Adult Class



Bullion Senior Citizens 50 year members



Hurdland Congregation



Hurdland Junior Class



Hurdland Intermediate Class



Hurdland church officers



Hurdland Allen Vancill Class



Hurdland Senior Adults



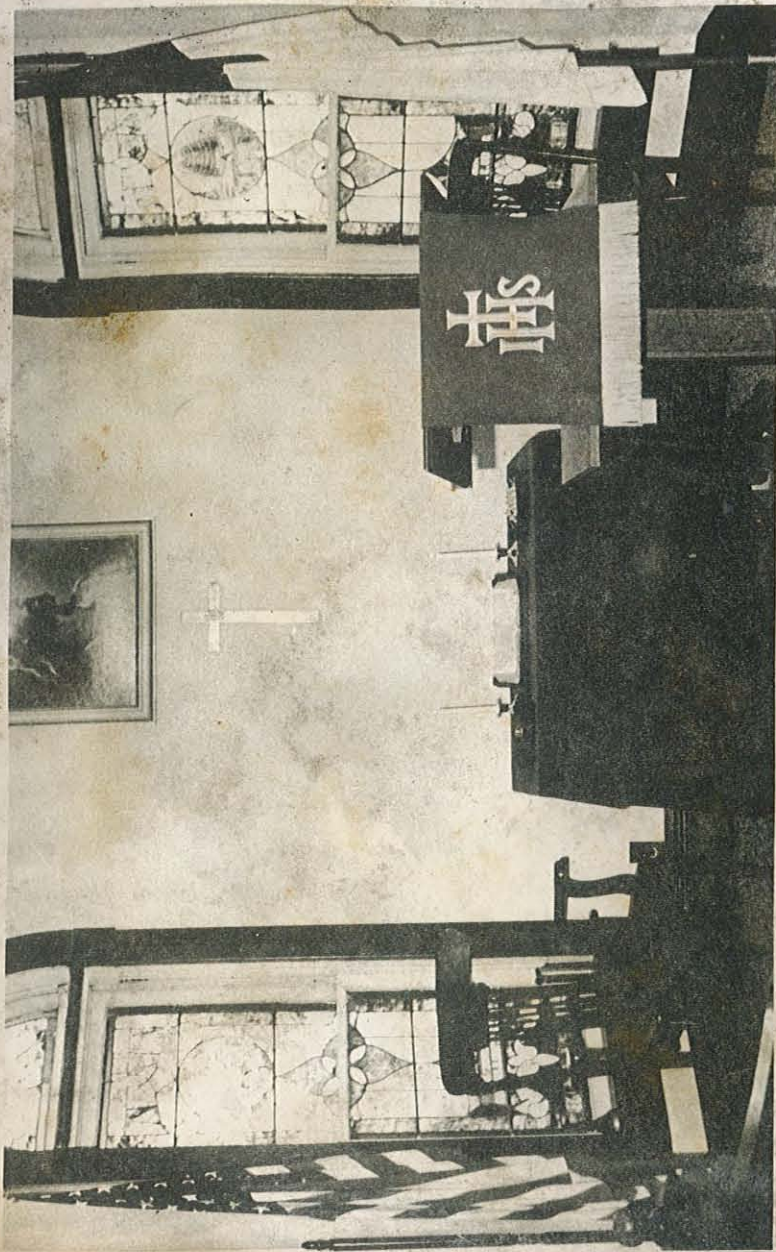
Hurdland Men



Hurdland Teachers



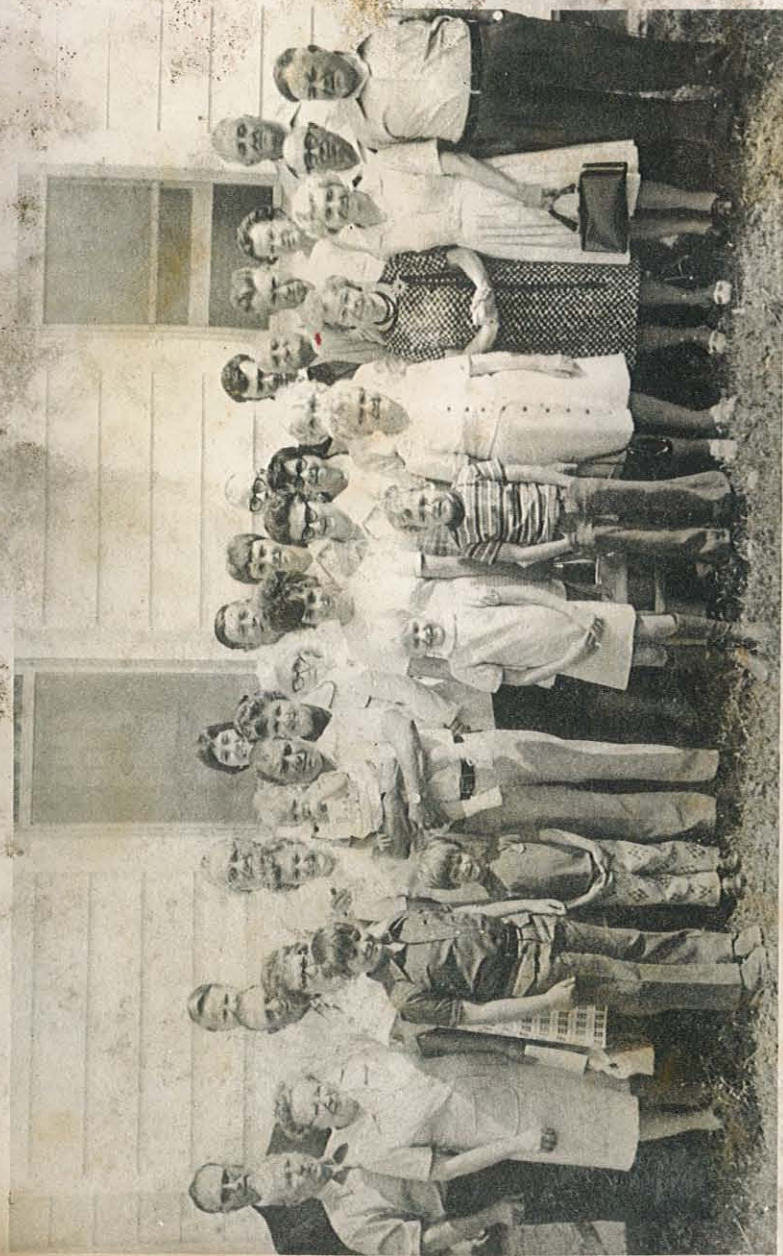
Hurldand Senior Citizens 50 year members



Sabbath Home Church Interior



Rev. Beryl Cragg at the pulpit at Sabbath Home



Sabbath Home Congregation



Sabbath Home Sunday School teachers and assistants



Sabbath Home Senior Citizens 50 year members



Brashear United Methodist Women

BRASHEAR UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Brashear Church has an active Women's Society which meets once a month. The purpose of the Society is to learn more about God and to participate in global ministries.

Our giving to the district is among the highest per member in the district.

We help the local church too by helping to finance the Bible School and other things. When we were building and furnishing our new building, we were able to help with many projects.

The present members are: Vaden Ross, Barbara Cragg, Barbara Beerbower, Voncile Black, Maxine Buress, Cuma Conkle, Marcena Kite, Karen Thompson and Anne Baker.

HISTORIES OF THE WOMEN'S SOCIETIES OF BULLION CHURCH

On Sept. 10, 1910 five women of the Bullion community met at the church and organized a Ladies Aid. Its purpose was to raise money for the local expenses of the church. The second meeting was at the home of Mrs. Amos Propst where the membership increased to 12 and very soon all the women of the community were involved. They pieced, quilted, tied quilts and comforters for sale and also quilted for others to obtain money for church furnishings.

The next year, 1911, the church was struck by lightning and burned. The Ladies Aid quilted, served sales, held ice cream suppers, oyster suppers, box suppers and made comforts to raise money to buy pews and song books for the new church. It was dedicated May 25, 1913 and the ladies had contributed \$529.68.

The Ladies Aid continued to work and raised \$197.95 to put a floor in the basement. Other things included pulpit rug, matting in the aidles, choir chairs and folding chairs for the Sunday School room, another \$424.25. All these things were accomplished by 24 members in horse and buggy days. If the horse was working in the field the ladies walked, met every two weeks and sometimes each week when a quilt was in the frame. The organization continued their work projects and held devotional and business meetings once each month.

However, on the night of August 28, 1938 the church building was struck again by lightning and burned. The piano, lecturn and a few other articles were saved. With the sum of \$3,500 insurance, many hours of sweat and toil by the men, more quilts, sales and suppers and with faith, prayers and God's help a new church, our present House of Worship, was built and dedicated July 7, 1940.

In that year, 1940, the Ladies Aid Society became the W.S.C.S. or Woman's Society of Christian Service. Our horizons widened to world wide or foreign missions as well as home and community service. This organization was an official member of the Methodist Conference with conference financial obligations, voting privileges and study programs.

Once again in 1972 the name was changed by conference officials, delegates and popular vote of the society members to United Methodist Women.

During the 66 years of the Bullion church organization there have been at least 150 different active members. The largest enrollment at one time has been 35.

At present there are 12 active members on the roll who attend the regular monthly devotional lessons and business meetings. Many, many more answer the call for help with financial activities.

Our purpose has remained the same through all these years, to help others by our prayers, service and gifts.

Mrs. Fern Mitten, Sec.-Treas.



Hurdland United Methodist Women

HISTORY OF THE WOMEN'S SOCIETY OF THE HURDLAND METHODIST CHURCH

The Ladies Aid of the Hurdland Methodist Church has a history of around sixty years. They were a group of very busy Christian women striving to help the church with the many financial problems. The quilts that were quilted were without number, also the comforts that were tied. Lunches were served at many sales with members always happy to be helping support the church.

In 1948, during the ministry of the Rev. Martin Cross, our missionary society (the W.S.C.S., Women's Society of Christian Service) was organized. Mrs. Thomas (Meda) Wink was the first president of the organization. She and many of the members are now deceased. Many of our members have served as president during the past years. We had a membership of twenty and twenty-five for several years. Our present membership is sixteen.

Several years ago we were notified that our name was to be changed. Each society was to vote on a choice of names and by this combined vote of the many organizations our present name, United Methodist Women, was chosen.

We are still a very busy and interesting group. We learn much about the happenings and needs of other countries and their people around the world. Therefore we are glad to pay our pledge to missions. We have also donated to many projects for the up-keep of our church.

Our present officers are:

President – Mrs. Ruth Munden
 Vice-President – Mrs. Robert Shahan
 Secretary – Mrs. Mabel Vansickle
 Treasurer – Mrs. Harry Holman
 Secretary of Program Resources – Mrs. Nina Shaver

Mission Co-ordinators:

Christian Personhood – Mrs. Mattie Fisher
 Supportive Community – Mrs. Frances Baker
 Christian Global Concerns – Mrs. Raymond Hall
 Committee on Nominations – Mrs. Mattie Fisher,
 Mrs. Elva Long and Mrs. George Gooch



Sabbath Home United Methodist Women

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN OF SABBATH HOME

In the early years of the Church the Christian women played an important role in the spiritual and financial part of the Church. During their meetings which would sometimes be every week, they would study, pray and plan for the advancement of the Church with ice cream suppers, quilting, public sales, etc. The Ladies Aid was a strong pillar of the Church.

In 1940, the work of the Ladies Aid became such a strong influential factor in the Church and its programs that the General Conference recommended recognition of the women and their work and suggested that their name be changed to Women's Society of Christian Service. This was accomplished with their approval. From that time forward the General Conference has made suggestions concerning programming, study and in general been of assistance to the organization. The Women's Society still carried on the same way with spiritual programs and their strong financial assistance to the Church budget.

In 1968, when the Methodist Episcopal Church organization followed along with the Conference and became the United Methodist Women. This name includes all Methodist women in the world.

Present Officers:

Mrs. Joseph Paul, President

Mrs. Ralph Christman, Vice President

Mrs. Clifford Evans, Secretary-Treasurer

Mrs. Beryl Cragg, Spiritual Life Secretary

Mrs. Lonnie Newman and Mrs. Fred Allen, Supportive Community

BRASHEAR UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mrs. Velma Aldridge
 Larry Barger
 Barbara Beerbower
 Kitsi Sue White Billington
 W. A. Black
 Mrs. Voncile Black
 Donna Milstead Brewer
 Hazel Fortney Buck
 Archie Buress
 Richard Buress
 Mrs. Arlene Chadwell
 Pearl Chadwell
 Gary Clark
 Mrs. Rhonda Clark
 Cuma Conkle
 Janice Bookout Cooley
 Mrs. Barbara Cragg
 Cheryl Cragg
 Kevin Cragg
 Michele Cragg
 Randy Cragg
 Dana Mountain Crandall
 Lynn Creason
 Maurice Creason
 Joe Decker
 Karen Decker
 Mrs. Wilma Decker
 Mrs. Joe Downing
 Leolah Easley
 Fred Easley
 Fred Evans
 Mrs. Fred Evans
 Brenda Platz Ferry
 Harry Fisher
 Mrs. Charlene Fisher
 Mark Fisher
 Martha Fisher
 Monte Fisher

Mrs. Darlene Floyd
 Lisa Floyd
 Janie Ross Fortney
 Francis Gardner
 Mrs. Francis Gardner
 George Gardner
 Mrs. Mabel Gardner
 Joy Beerbower Garr
 Mrs. Amy Gordon
 Beulah Griffeth
 Sherry Scott Hamer
 Charles Scott Hamlin
 Roy Hartsock
 Virginia Hartsock
 Mrs. Cora Lee Helton
 Edward Helton
 James Helton
 Mrs. Johanna Helton
 Gary Hettinger
 Rene Hunt
 Mrs. Owen James
 Rex Lee Kelley
 Patsy Gardner Kellison
 Robert Kelsy, Jr.
 Jacky Kite
 Kathi Kite
 Kendell Kite
 Mrs. Marcena Kite
 Minta Kite
 Bonil Rummerfield Laird
 Mrs. Mary Lewis
 Mrs. Ida Lipper
 Leola Lipper
 Mrs. Winona Lyons
 Lula Rummerfield March
 Frank Matheney
 Mrs. Cathy Matheney

Brashear United Methodist Church (Continued)

Von McCoy
 Joyce Salter Meline
 Wilma Rummerfield Meline
 Chester Dale Miller
 Mrs. George Miller
 Florence Pearl Miller
 Imogene Upshaw Miller
 Monte Milstead
 Mrs. Oletha Milstead
 Mrs. Cleo Moore
 Opal Moore
 Mrs. Doris Mountain
 Richard Mountain
 Mrs. Brenda Moyers
 Tina Moyers
 Mrs. Betty Mudd
 Phillip Mudd
 Alan Osborn
 Marla Osborn
 Mrs. Peggy Osborne
 Lonnie Patterson
 Mrs. Viola Patterson
 Ethel Person
 Don Pevehouse
 Janice Rae Pollock
 Harold Reeves
 Mrs. Sharon Reeves
 Mrs. Diana Reynolds
 Gary Ridge
 Brenda Riley
 Mrs. Mary Riley
 Cecil Robertson
 Deta Buress Robertson
 Lana Jill Spiler Rogers
 Juanita Rogers
 Pearl Ross
 Mrs. Vaden Ross
 Jimmy Salter
 Larry Salter

Lonnie Salter
 Mrs. Mona Salter
 Russell Salter
 Mrs. Debbie Schempp
 Jim Schempp
 Kenneth Schempp
 Mrs. Margaret Schempp
 John Scott
 Barbara Selby
 Mrs. Berniece Selby
 Debbie Selby
 Linda Selby
 Merle Selby
 Mrs. Reva Selby
 Kim Sorenson
 Mrs. Donna Sorenson
 Phillip Sorenson
 Wade Sorenson
 Bruce Stansberry
 Richard Stansberry
 Mrs. Lena Stewart
 Jack Thomas, Sr.
 Mrs. Polly Thomas
 Donald Thompson
 James Thompson
 Mrs. Karen Thompson
 Stanley Thompson
 Tracy Thompson
 Leo Harold Turner
 Alice Williams
 Cecil Williams
 Jerome Williams
 Jimmy Williams
 Floyd Wink
 Mrs. Floyd Wink
 Harold White
 Mrs. Geraldine White
 Thomas David White
 Rhonda Helton Young

HURDLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Mrs. Gladys Arnold
 Horace H. Arnold
 Bill Baker
 Mrs. Frances Baker
 Mrs. Roslyn Baker
 Richard Barnes
 Virgil Barnes
 Darlene Barnhill
 Sandra Frye Barnhill
 Janice Barnhill
 Sherman Barnhill, Jr.
 Mrs. Laura Beerbower
 Homer Bowen
 Mrs. Emmet Brown
 Giles Brown
 Mrs. Hazel Brown
 Billy Francis Chadwick
 Mrs. Corrine Christenson
 Mrs. Ruth Conkle
 Mrs. Ruth Cooper
 Mrs. Alice Jean Crump
 John Crump
 June Cunningham
 Allen Dixson
 Mrs. Frances Dixson
 Greg Dixson
 Lawrence Dixson
 Theresa Dixson
 Margaret Easley
 Francis Elmore
 Mrs. Guyneth Elmore
 Randall Elmore
 James Fisher, Jr.
 Mrs. Jean Irene Fisher
 Mrs. Mattie Fisher
 Pearl Fleak
 Mrs. Alberta Jo Foglesong

Minnie Frye
 Dean Funk
 Mrs. Maxie Gardner
 Larry Gelbach
 Mrs. Mary Jeanne Gelbach
 Terri Gelbach
 Mrs. Clover Golden
 William Golden
 Mrs. Gail Gooch
 George Gooch
 Blanche Goodan
 Mrs. Berniece Gregory
 Belinda Green
 Luther Green
 Lilliam Iva Haines
 Mrs. Birdie Hall
 Duane Hall
 Raymond Hall
 Mrs. Fern Harper
 Wanda Harper
 Janet Sue Forrester Head
 Mrs. Geneva Long Henson
 Harry Holman
 Jerry Holman
 Mrs. Virginia Holman
 Mrs. Maye Hook
 Mary Huffman
 Mrs. Anna Mae Hunziker
 Debra Hunziker
 Jerry Hunziker
 Keetha Hunziker
 Kerby Hunziker
 Stacy Hunziker
 Margie Kite
 Dorothy Lindsay
 Mrs. Eva Long
 Patty McCarty

Hurdland United Methodist Church (Continued)

Larry McGlothlen
 Pearl Miller
 Mrs. Eveline Muir
 Ada Muden
 Ruth Munden
 Mrs. Bonita Nichols
 James Nichols
 Mark Nichols
 Mary Munden O'Haver
 Mrs. Dorothy Ratliff
 Norman Ratliff
 David Richardson
 Patsy Richardson
 Willadean Adkins Schumaker
 Mrs. Mildren Shahan
 John Shaver
 Mrs. Nina Shaver

Eldon Shultz
 Mrs. Eldon Schultz
 Mildred Shultz
 Janette Shultz
 Charles Stateler
 Mrs. Laura Stateler
 Ernest Stull
 Chester Sykes
 Mrs. Eveline Sykes
 Mrs. Mary Sykes
 Harold Vansickle
 Mrs. Mabel Vansickle
 Mrs. Maud Warford
 Donald Whitaker
 Mrs. Marie Whitaker
 Janice Vansickle Woodward

BULLION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Gary Anderson
 James Anderson, Jr.
 Mrs. James Anderson
 Mrs. Ruby Bonham
 Martha Young Boonaprichy
 Donald Chadwell
 Martha Jane Chadwell
 Mrs. Juanita Detwiler
 Mrs. Lloyd Farr
 Nancy Farr
 Mrs. Daisy Furgason
 Dean Furgason
 Merle Glaspie
 Glen Green
 Mrs. Naomi Green
 Dan Hamer
 Frederick Hamer
 Mrs. Marjorie Hamer
 Diana Harrelson
 Mrs. Juanita Harrelson
 Mrs. Grace Kinney
 Fern Mitten
 Mrs. Fern Mitten
 Dorothy Patten
 Orville Patten
 Glen Preston
 Harold Propst
 Mrs. Kathlyn Propst
 Mrs. Kenneth Propst
 Myron Propst
 Mrs. Genevieve Propst
 Robert Propst
 Gregory Ratliff
 Kay Ratliff
 Mrs. Lorene Ratliff
 Mrs. Lulu Raven
 Carolyn Hamer Reeves
 Catherine Hammer Shahan
 Raymond Shahan
 Cynthia Ratliff Smoyer
 Mrs. Fontelle Stroud
 Virgil Stroud
 Truman Swingle
 Truman Swingle, Jr.
 Mrs. Virginia Swingle
 Lavern Thompson
 Mrs. Lavern Thompson
 Mrs. Lela Thompson
 James Waterman
 Rita Chadwell Williams
 Mrs. Forrest Wolf
 Mrs. Edith Young
 James Young
 Nancy Young

SABBATH HOME UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Shirley Miller Adams
 Fred Allen
 Mrs. Freda Allen
 Kenneth Barnes
 Virginia Barnes
 Basil Christman
 Lavesta Christman
 Mrs. Ruby Christman
 Mrs. Troy Christman
 Verna Lou Christman
 Patti Newman Coy
 Larry Crim
 Mrs. Madeline Crockett
 Stephen Crockett
 Mrs. Mary Cusick
 Willard Cusick
 Mrs. Bill Downing
 Forrest Draper
 Mrs. Viola Draper
 Betty Evans
 Clifford Evans
 Mrs. Corine Evans
 Mary Alice Evans McClure
 Mrs. William Fortney
 Bessie James
 Mrs. Bina James
 Boyd James
 Mrs. Clyde Kelsey
 Edith Laudwig
 Mrs. Evelyn Lindquist
 Ray Long
 Ruby Long
 Mrs. Arthur Lovell
 Larry McClanahan
 Ernest Miller
 Jessie Miller
 Mrs. Leta Miller
 Mrs. Zelva Miller
 Mrs. Margaret Morrow
 Russell Morrow
 Lawrence Newman
 Lonnie Newman
 Mrs. Virginia Newman
 Joseph Paul
 Mrs. Mary Paul
 Lucille Perry
 Mrs. Audrey Person
 Ronald Person
 Horace Propst
 Gary Roberts
 Mrs. Gary Roberts
 Mrs. Revel Roberts
 Allen Rowe
 Mrs. Sidney Rowe
 Evelyn Shephard
 Norman Shephard
 Bonnie Evans VanDyke
 Mrs. Lola Wade
 Willis Wade
 Dorothy F. Wadill
 Leonard Wadill
 Zola Wadill
 Helen Watson
 Lloyd Watson
 Melvin Watson
 Oral Watson
 Mrs. Edith Wileman
 Larry Wileman

The financial budget has grown to the point that in 1976 the Charge was enabled to contribute for local and conference askings a total of,

(Total budget of the Charge)	\$24,844.00
A little over one-third went for apportionments	7,068.00
Insurance, utilities, etc.	1,737.00
Local community items, local benevolences	1,738.00
UMW Conf. Treas.	295.00
Pastor's salary, travel, and utilities	6,650.00

These listed are some of the major items.

You may feel at times that what you do is so little. But when we unite our efforts we realize how much more we do.

Some of the benevolent needs have been met in our local work, some reported, others as a Christian effort without recognition or credit, and those who have been a part of that receiving a blessing as God knows their service.

Some of our benevolent efforts can be realized from and through our conference askings.

Praise the Lord for His enabling us so to serve.

When Allen Vancil completed his book in the early fifties, one would not have appreciated his efforts as much as we now can in looking back.

Now to find some 25 years later, the changes, two different buildings and many new faces. Other changes can also be recognized.

This has been a challenging effort, yet most rewarding for the Methodist Men to accept.

If the Lord should tarry, it would be interesting for a future project to see this work to be done again.

As you look through this book, we hope it will have been an enjoyment for you now, yet again, and again, and again.

The faces that are here to be meaningful to you, yet ever more importantly to feel that God has allowed us to be His people and has blessed us as His glorious family.