Dedication

The South Fork Baptist Association, meeting in the One Hundred Fourteenth Annual Session, voted on October 20, 1992, to dedicate the 1992 annual minutes to the following faithful ministers:

Horace Crouse

In 1923, Horace Crouse was born in Lincoln County, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dolph Crouse. He and Pauline Wallace of Stanley were married in 1946. To them were born five children: Horace, Jr., Yvonne, Mackie, Frances and Anne. Rev. Crouse attended Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute during 1960-1963 and Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary during 1964-1965. While members of Macedonia Baptist Church, both he and Mrs. Crouse assisted in the beginning of a mission, which became Westport Baptist Church. He served as pastor of Oak Grove Baptist Church, Lincolnton and churches in Troutman and Morganton. After his retirement in 1988, Rev. Crouse served as interim pastor in the Lincoln County area. On January 7, 1992, he went to be with his Lord.

Jack H. Mace

Jack H. Mace was born in Belmont, North Carolina on June 10, 1922. His parents, Rev. R.G. and Delia Mace were originally from Hendersonville. He was married on May 26, 1941 to Jo McClure. The Maces have three children: Ann, Van and Jackie. Rev. Mace was ordained to the ministry on November 16, 1947. Participating in the ordination were his father, the Rev. R.G. Mace and his father-in-law, the Rev. L.A. McClure. He served as pastor of Sharon and Macedonia churches in the South Fork Baptist Association. While at Macedonia, he was a motivator in the beginning of the Mission that became Westport Baptist Church. Other pastorate include Royal Oaks Baptist Church, Cabarrus Association and Powellsville and Centergrove churches in the West Chowan Association.

After retirement in 1984, Rev. Mace served as interim pastor in churches in the Lincoln-Gaston area. His homegoing was June 29, 1992.