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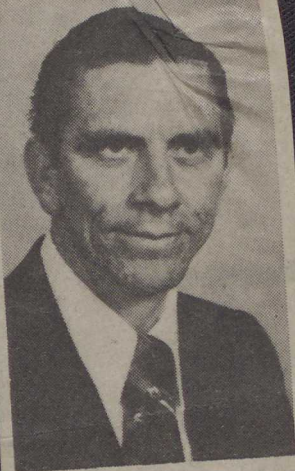
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NEW PASTOR — The Rev. Aaron Wylie will assume duties Sunday as pastor of Skyland Baptist Church on Little Texas Road. A graduate of Piedmont Bible College, he comes here from North Laurel Baptist Church in Valdese. The Rev. Mr. Wylie has been in the ministry 11 years and Skyland is his third pastorate. He has taken a number of extension courses from Luther Rice Seminary. He and his wife, Virginia, are the parents of one daughter, Kim, of the home; and a son Tony, who is married. They have one grandchild.

Skyland's Homecoming Honors Stafford

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THE MY CHURCH ON AND HISTORY

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I want it to be a church that is a lamp to the path of pilgrims, leading them to goodness, truth and beauty. It will be, if I am.

It will be friendly, if I am. Its pews will be filled if I help fill them. It will do a great work, if I work. It will bring other people into its worship and fellowship, if I bring them.

It will be a church of loyalty and love, of fearlessness and faith, and a church with a noble spirit if I, who make it what it is, am filled with these.

Therefore, with the help of God, I shall dedicate myself to the task of being all of these things that I want my church to be.

Lila Moore
Viola Watson
Maxine Kerly
Mrs. Corie Rae Kerly
Mrs. Sawelle Edwards

SKYLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

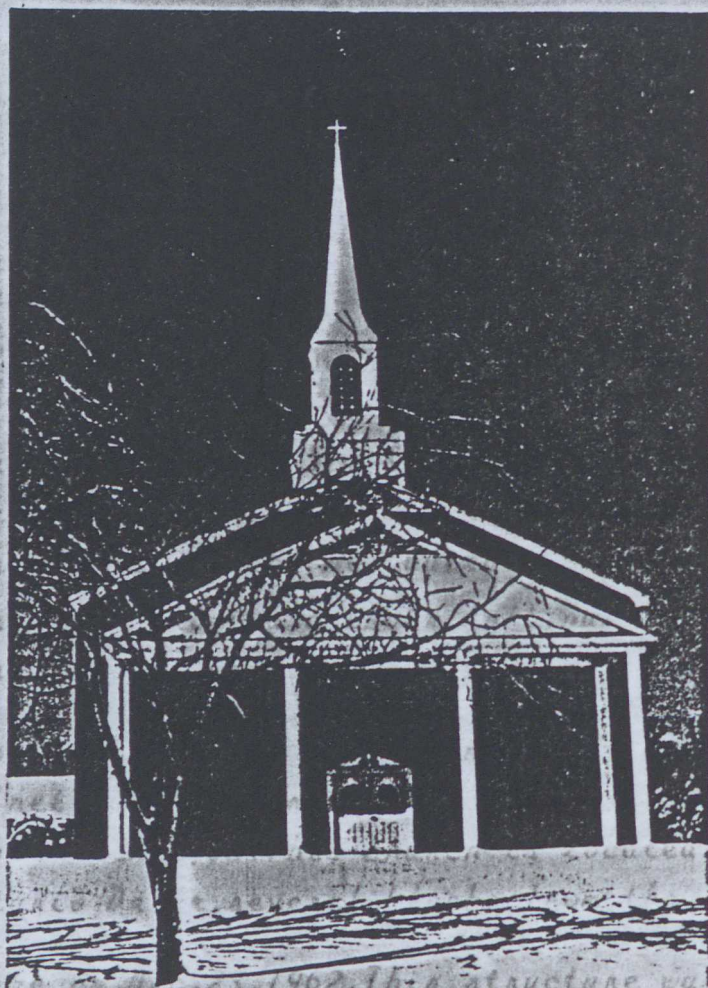
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PASTOR

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The first service was held in 1902. This structure was one of the latest plans recommended by the Southern Baptist Convention. It contains 10 classrooms and has 8 depts.

To all who mourn and need comfort- to all who are weary and need rest, to all who are friendless and wish friendship- to all who pray and to all who do not, but ought- to all who sin and need a Saviour, and to whosoever will- this church opens wide the door and in the name of Jesus, the Lord, says- WELCOME.

THE ORGANIZATION AND HISTORY OF SKYLAND BAPTIST CHURCH

Skyland Baptist Church was declared an organized church on June 16, 1946. The first meetings were held in a small, two room house near the end of Skyland St. (This little house was recently torn down due to the city ordinance.) Meetings were also held in a larger house, now owned by Mrs. Viola Watson, the last remaining active charter member of the church.

Charter Members were:

Mr. Roy Daniel

Mrs. Mozelle Daniel

Mr. W.C. Darnell

Mrs. Rose Darnell

Mr. C.G. Moon

Mrs. Woodie Moon

Francis Moon

Lily Moon

Viola Watson

Maxine Kenly

Mrs. Cozie Rae Kenly

Mrs. Brownie Edwards

The first officers were:

Church clerk - Mr. Roy Daniel

Treasurer - Mr. W.C. Darnell

S.S. Supt. - Mr. W.C. Darnell

Deacons - W.C. Darnell, Roy Daniel, & C.G. Moon

Pastor - Rev. Floyd Helms

The first church was on the corner of Skyland St. & Inez Ave in 1946. According to the records of the minutes, a loan of \$2700.00 was made to pay off debts incurred during the building of the church. This building consisted of a two story brick structure. The upstairs contained a choir loft, pulpit, two rooms and the sanctuary. Downstairs served as a Sunday School Dept. offices & rest rooms.

At the end of 1946, membership in the church had risen to 54. The majority of the members lived in the neighborhood around the church and many of them still attend the new church built in 1962. This church is located on the corner of Little Texas Rd. and Ontario Drive several blocks from the first church.

The first service was held there on Dec. 23, 1962. This structure was modern in every aspect and was one of the latest plans recommended by the Southern Baptist Convention. It contains 16 classrooms and has 8 depts..

The Church was designed to accommodate 317 persons in the educational department and 375 in the auditorium. Membership had risen to 250. Some of the programs included - G.A.s., Y.M.U., W.M.U., Sunbeams, and R.A.s.

Members of the building committee were: W.C. Darnell, J.H. King, W.M.

Dagenhart, Riley Stafford and J.C. Sellers.

Donations from the Cannon Foundation and Belk's Dept Store were given to aid in the building of this new church. Trees were donated by a Mr. Taylor in the landscaping of the yard. Estimated cost of this church was \$70,000.

A new organ was purchased by the church in 1963 and a sound system was installed in 1976.

The old church was being used as a fellowship building until 1979, at which time it was donated to the Fire Dept. to be burned as a fire practice.

Construction of a new fellowship building was completed in 1978.

Remodeling of the front of the church took place in 1979. A new vestibule, steeple, pastors study, front porch, two bathrooms, storage room, and carpet was included in this project.

The parking lot was paved in 1981, and a porch with a roof was added to the back of the church.

A new Constitution was written in 1982.

With the aid of "Hugo" the church was spared the expense of paying someone to remove the old steeple in order to erect the new one in 1989.

Membership as of 1992 is around 300. Activities include: Youth Ministry, Visitation program, Music Ministry at the Kannapolis Retirement Center, Tape ministry to the shut-ins, regular Worship Service on Sunday morning, and Sunday night, Wednesday night Bible Study, Sunday School, a Birthday Fellowship the first Sunday of every month, and Dinner Fellowships on most holidays.

The church has bought a van to be used in the Youth Ministry.

Former Pastors of the church were:

Rev. Floyd Helms
Rev. C.L. Divine
Rev. Farnel Shimpock
Rev. Odell Funderbunk
Rev. Joel Tyson
Rev. Tommy Gale
Rev. Alvin Tweed
Rev. Vitas Minton
Rev. Godwin
Rev. Dewey Allmon
Rev. Charlie Gibson
Rev. Jenny Hass
Rev. Aaron Wylie (present pastor)

Interesting Facts

In July of 1947 the first member of the church to be licensed to preach was Mr. Tracy Streater. In 1952 two others were also granted a license to preach, Mr. Roy Daniel and Mr. Ronald King. Jeff Basinger was ordained in 1991.

The parsonage was begun in 1952 and completed in July of 1953. With members doing most of the labor, it was built at an approximate cost of \$7000.00.

Records show a Duke Power bill was \$2.72 in 1954. The telephone bill was \$2.80.

Expenses for the budget year was \$5,350.00 in 1954-55.

The budget for the year of 1991-92 was \$50,448.00.

Most of the information of this history came from old records found in a safe in the church. But a special thanks goes to Mrs. Viola Watson for her help in the research of the beginning of the church, which she was a part of.

Research and compiling submitted by

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Dear ~~Mr.~~ *Ms. Bridges*

Enclosed is the updated history of Skyland Baptist Church. The chairperson for the research and compiling of this is Doretha Neal, 127 Crescent St. Kannapolis, N.C. 28081 1-704-938-3098. Our Pastor is Rev. Aaron Wylie. The church is located at 200 S. Little Texas Rd. Kannapolis, N.C. 28081. We are in the planning of having an "Old Fashion" day the second Sunday in October to celebrate the Religious Heritage Month.

We will be celebrating our annual home-coming in the month of June and I plan to present a copy of this history to the members of my church then. A lot of them have shown a great interest in someone writing up the history of the church, and I'm glad that I could be the one to do the research and writing of this. My mother and I are the two oldest members of the church and she was a great help in aiding me with a lot of facts pertaining to how the church was first started.

Our wish is that each church will participate in this celebration. We also hope for a successful completion of all church histories.

Sincerely,

Doretha Neal

DORETHA NEAL

Chairperson, Skyland Baptist
Church

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