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HISTORY OF THE TUCKASEGEE BAPTIST CHURCH

Tuckasegee Baptist Church is about centerly located between the townsof Belmont and Mt, Holly.N.C.

The church was organized on the 16th day of April 1911 with a membership of 59. At this time there was no house in which to worship except a small one room school house which was used for a period of one year.

Rev. Geo. L Mullis was called to take up the reins as first pastor; During his leadership of about four years the church grew steadily in membership and in the year 1912 the people of this community and by the help of the mill owners erected a commendable church house on a tract of land given by A.P. Rhyne and T.W. Springs.

On Dec. 20 1914 Rev. L.M. Hobbs was called next as pastor. He serving the church for about two years in which it grew slow but steadily.

Rev. W.B. McClure was next called to serve as the devine leader of that small but faithful band of christian workers.

Rev. McClure being a modest but very humble, called servent of God, served the church very faithfully for about three years during which time the church and sunday school grew rapidly.

Upon it's organization the Tuckasegee Baptist Church was recieved into what was known then as the South Fork Baptist Association but was later consolidated and is now known as the Gaston County Baptist Association.

Rev. L.A. Bangle was called to take up the pastorial work of the church Nov. 18 1917, he being a very able man served about four years, with the church continuing to grow steadily during his leadership.

Rev. C.L. Taylor was called some time in 1921, he serving about one year.

On Oct. 20 1922 Rev. I.C. Miller of Patterson N.C. was called to the pastorial work of the church and during his leadership of about three years the church and other departments grew steadily. Bro. Miller being a very sincere and able docted man was liked by the church as a whole.

After Bro Millers resignation the latter part of 1925 the church was without a pastor for about a year.

On Jan. 2 1926 Rev A.A. Lockee of Lumberton N.C. was called to take up the work as pastor. At this time the church had gone down considerably but with such a noble, devine man in Rev. Lockee as our pastor the church and sunday school and all other departments has grown by leaps and bounds during his nearly five years of work.

To-day the church has a membership of two hundred and the Sunday School has a little better than two hundred on roll. Also a good B.Y.P.U. with over one hundred members.

We have a standard Sunday School graded with 12 classes, well balanced and all classes divided by curtains.

We feel wonderfully blessed by having a man like Bro. Lockee in our midst to instruct and guide us to higher and nobler things in this life.

J. A. Guice.

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Tuckaseege Baptists Take VBS To Kentucky

For several years, members of Tuckaseege Baptist Church have traveled to Kentucky to share Vacation Bible School experiences with congregations there.

According to the Rev. Mack Pressley, this year's trip turned out to be one of the best yet. Following is the report as made by the pastor in his "Mack Chats. . ." column of the church newsletter.

Our Kentucky trip included 38 people this year. After bus trouble on the way up it was all smooth sailing. We worked in Vacation Bible Schools in three churches.

We had been to Locust Grove several times before and to Black Mountain once. Four Mile was the one that was new for us. Black Mountain and Locust Grove are without pastors. Brother James Gross is pastor at Four Mile as he was when I went to Harlan County a few years ago. He has pastored

other churches since, but is now back at Four Mile.

Our folks always come back talking about how nice the people are to us. I have often said that Harlan County's greatest resource is not coal but people. They certainly proved it this time.

We have come to look forward to Prayer Meeting at Loyall. Brother Keith Rogers and the people are so kind to invite us each year. This is always a kind of homecoming for the Pressleys. Our young people sang and Bob Osment gave his testimony. We joined hands with the people of Loyall in the closing prayer. It was a warm experience.

All of our experiences were warm. That was the hottest week that I have ever seen in the mountains. On Wednesday it was 101 degrees in Harlan and Pineville. We had several water fights and everybody was hoping they would be hit. Stores in Harlan did a big business in

shaving cream and we had fights with that. I believe that this crowd played more than any group ever has.

I was pleased with the number of new couples we had this time. Aside from the old standard crowd we had. . . Bob and Melody Osment, Jimmy and Elaine Jackson, Jackie and Sandy Rogers, Galen and Rachel Cassada (Rachel had been before). Ray and Margaret made it back without hearing a hoot owl.

The trip to Pine Mountain State Park on Tuesday was nice. We took a little walk out to the Chain Rock. Elaine got her walking in for the year. My only regret was that some who have always enjoyed hiking could not be with us this year. . . Puny . . . and Bertha //

Organized April 16, 1911 By 59 Men And Women

Tuckaseege Baptist Church Is 65 Y

Tuckaseege Baptist Church, under the leadership of the Rev. Mack Pressley, will participate in the Bicentennial Service of Praise at Mount Holly Junior High School on Sun., May 2.

In 1911 there was no organized church at Tuckaseege.

Different churches and denominations held services in the little red schoolhouse from time to time. The schoolhouse was located some 50 yards west and across the road from the present Tuckaseege Baptist Church. These services were without any regularity and nobody was in charge.

On April 16, 1911, 59 men and women met and organized the Tuckaseege Baptist Church. That group built a brush arbor near the present church site and began to hold services on a regular basis. Not all of the 59 charter members are known, but we do have a partial list, it includes:

Mr. & Mrs. G.R. Auten, T. Alexander, Mr. & Mrs. J.W. Bumgardner, Docia Curry, Mr. & Mrs. D.R. Huffstetler, Mr. and Mrs. N.H. Huffstetler, Sr., F.T. Hovis, Lizzie Hartgrove, Janie Johnson, L.

Lawing, Mr. & Mrs. C.F. Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Mullis, Viola Connell, and Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Mauney.

Also J.W. Miller, W.W. McAllister, Cluster Nichols, W.L. O'Daniel, E.A. Riley, Mrs. Fannie Riley, L.A. Stone, Lillie Thrower, Mr. & Mrs. J.M. Huffstetler, J.E. O'Daniel, Walter Mullis, F.J. Harris and W.G. Stowe.

George L. Mullis became the first pastor. Little is known of the church under his leadership, but the congregation grew until neither the schoolhouse nor the brush arbor would hold them.

January 22, 1912 the Tuckaseege Manufacturing Company gave the group two and three-eighths acres upon which to build. Soon a building 36 by 48 feet was built and this building along with its furnishings cost about \$1,300.00. Several years later, during the pastorate of A.A. Lockee, a wing was added to each side.

In January of 1935 W.E. Abrams was called to be pastor. For a year the work was half time with the other half going to Spencer Mountain. The following year,

1936, the church called him to serve full time at a salary of \$780.00 per year.

Under the leadership of Rev. Abrams, attention was given to the training of Sunday School teachers and the Sunday School became "standard" for the first time. The Church had its first stewardship campaign and the old debt on the building was paid and the church was put on a sound basis of finance.

In 1941 Superior Yarn Company donated land across the road for a parsonage. The house was built and is still in use. It was completely renovated in 1972. A building fund was established and the people began to think about a new church building.

In 1943 Rev. David Roberts became pastor. It became his responsibility to lead the church through the final planning and building of the present church building. The first service was held in the building Dec. 17, 1950. The keys were presented to the pastor by the V.P. Loftis Construction Company of Charlotte.

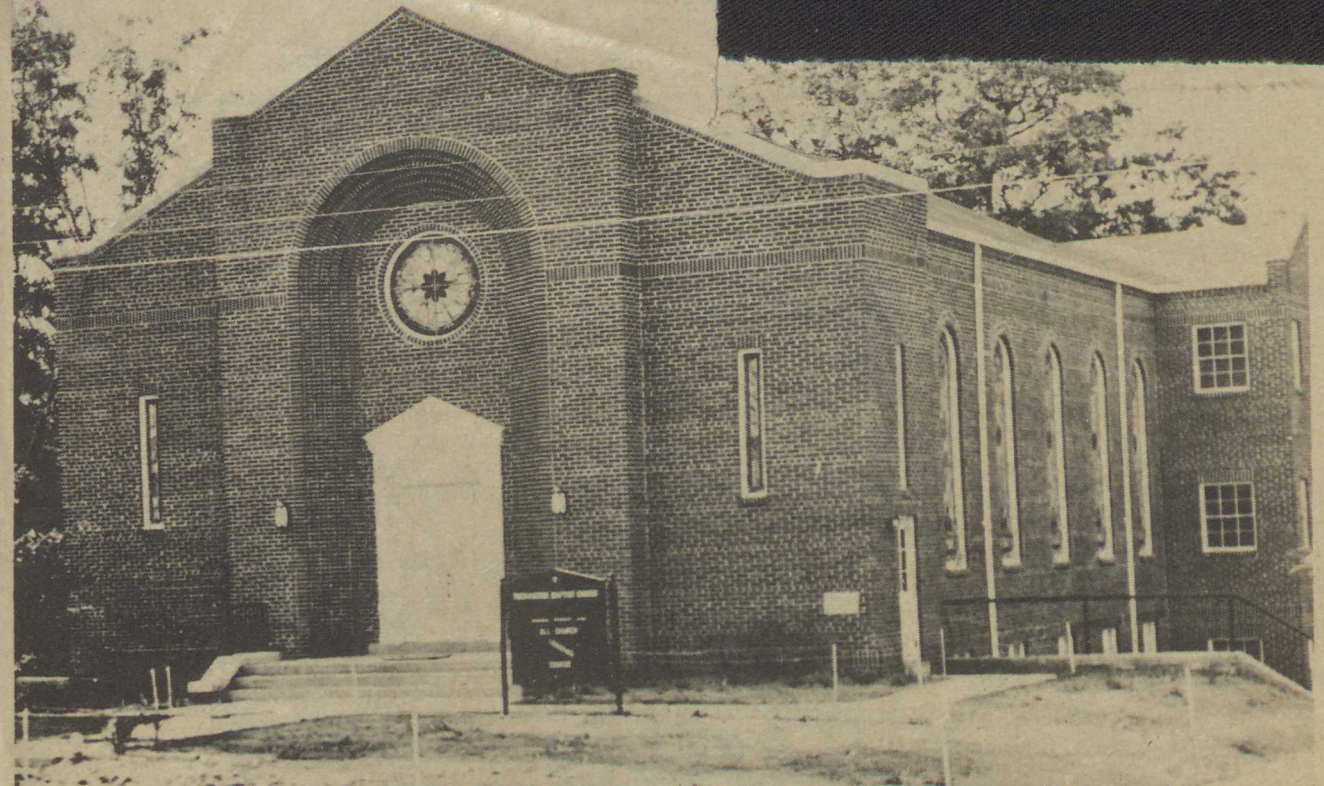
During the years to follow the church became a leader in

Baptist work in North Carolina. The church was known everywhere for its strong Baptist Training Union for teaching and training members.

Rev. Reel was pastor until December 1966. Dr. C.C. Warren then served as interim pastor and advisor until the church called Rev. Glenn Tallant as pastor. Dr. Tallant resigned in March 1969 and the following November Mack Pressley became the churches thirteenth pastor.

The 13 pastors who have served the church are: 1911, George Mullis; W.B. McClure; 1920, L.A. Bangle; 1920-1922, C.L. Taylor; 1922-1925, J.C. Miller; 1926-1927, B.H. Lockridge; 1927-1933, A.A. Lockee; 1933-1934, Harry M. Roberts; 1934-1943, W.E. Abrams; 1943-1946, David B. Roberts; 1947-1966, O.B. Reel; 1967-1969, Glenn Tallant; and 1969 - Mack Pressley.

The church is now celebrating its 65th anniversary and is prayerfully planning for the future.



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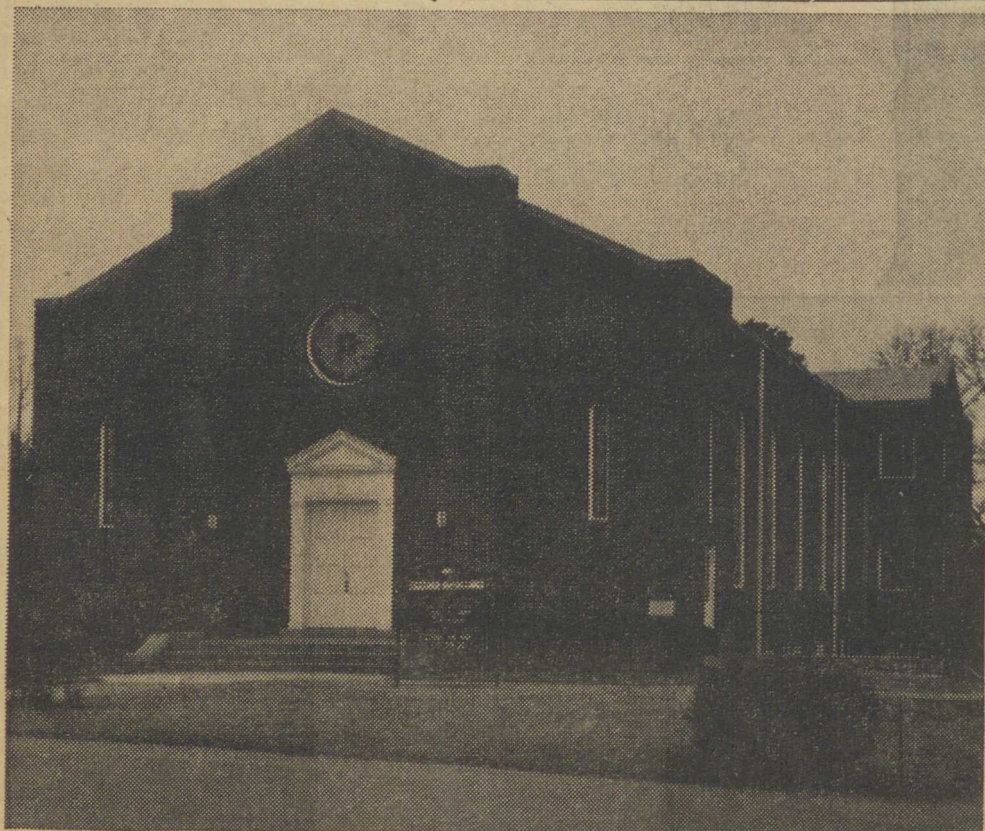
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TUCKASEEGE BAPTIST CHURCH as it looks today was completed in 1951. The building cost in excess of \$83,000. At the present time Tuckaseege Baptist has property valued at

\$250,000 dollars. The church has made tremendous strides, physically and spiritually, under the direction of its present pastor, the Rev. O. B. Reel.

Under Leadership Of Rev. O. B. Reel

Tuckaseege Baptist Church Has Made Much Progress Over Years

Under the leadership of the Rev. O. B. Reel Tuckaseege Baptist Church has made much progress.

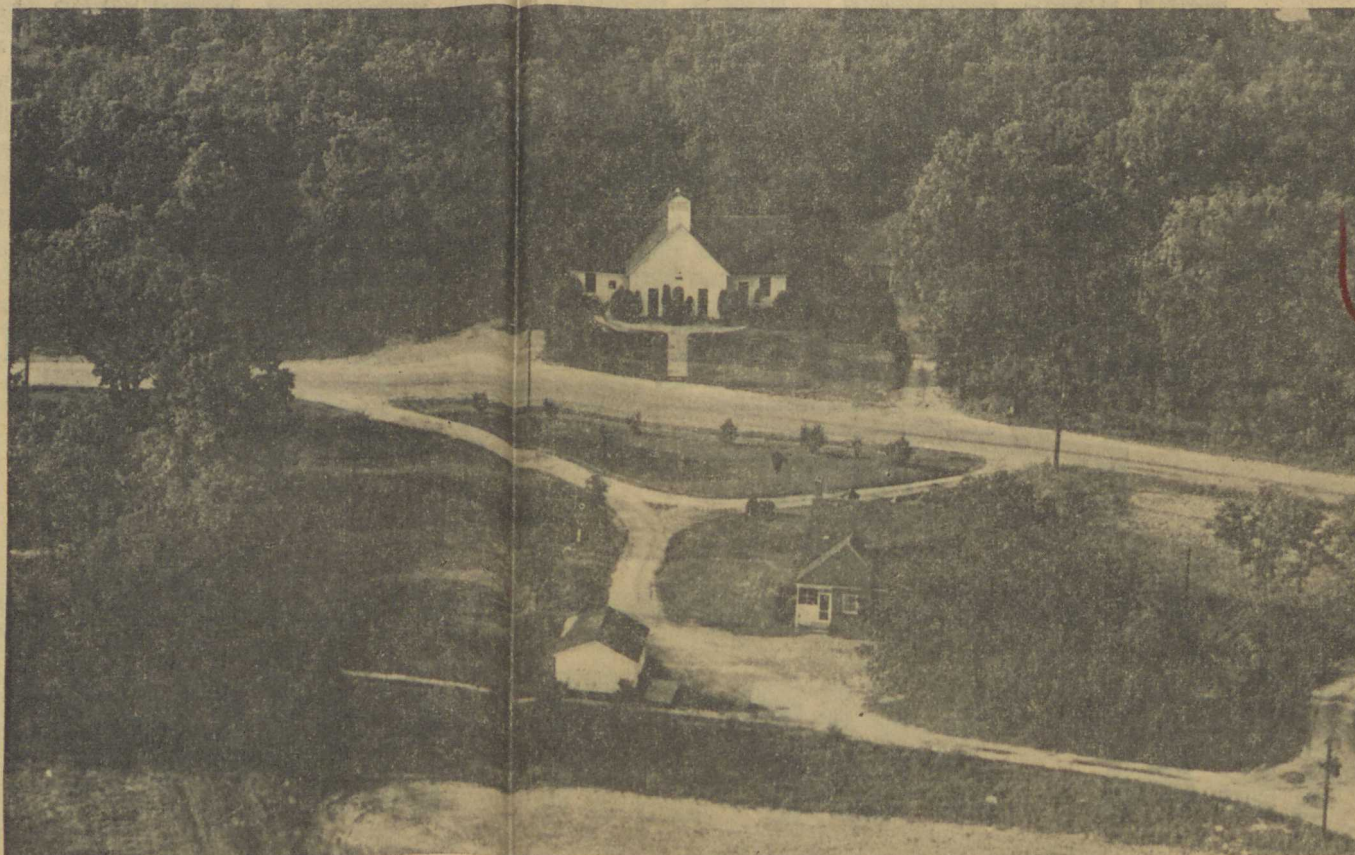
In 1947, when Rev. Reel came to Tuckaseege the Sunday School enrollment stood at 229. In this short span of 18 years

an average of \$5,055.47 per year. Total receipts for all causes has totaled \$513,897.42, for an average of \$28,555.42 per year.

In 1951 a complete new church building was constructed and equipped. Rev. Reel ser-

Both Training Union and Sunday School have been departmentalized and graded and were standard for a number of years. The Biblical Recorder (State Baptist Newspaper), Home Life Magazine (published by the Southern Baptist Association)

Tuckaseege Baptist Church To Honor Its Pastor, Rev. O. B. Reel On Sunday For Eighteen Years Faithful And Fruitful Service



THIS VIEW from the air of Tuckaseege Baptist Church and parsonage was taken in 1949. Since that time a new church building has been erected and much work done on the parsonage and grounds.

The original land for the church was donated by Tuckaseege Mfg. Co., on January 22, 1912, when Mr. A. C. Lineberger was president of the mill.

Tuckaseege Baptist Church Day Nursery Is A Big Blessing To Working Mothers

Special Services Scheduled At 9:00 A. M. Easter Sunday

The congregation of Tuckaseege Baptist Church will honor the pastor, the Rev. O. B. Reel, in special ceremonies Easter Sunday morning.

The Anniversary Observance Program will begin at 9:00 a.m. with special Easter music, under the direction of Mrs. Delores Poovey. Three choirs will participate.

At 9:45 several members of the church, and a number of outside speakers will bring messages of appreciation of the pastor and his work.

Sunday afternoon at 5:30 p.m. the Rev. C. L. Taylor of Stanfield will bring the message. Rev. Taylor was pastor of Tuckaseege Baptist Church from 1290 through 1921. Many of his old friends will want to hear him speak.

A booklet, entitled "Eighteen Eventful Years" is being compiled for the special services and will be distributed on Easter Sunday.

Rev. Reel, 47 year-old native of Lincoln County, came to Tuckaseege in 1947 to take over the pastoral duties, from Rev. David Roberts. Prior to coming to his new pastorate he was assistant to the pastor and Educational Director of Loray Baptist Church, Gastonia.

Under the leadership of Rev. Reel Tuckaseege has made great strides in both physical

late Mr. A. C. Lineberger Sr., was president of the company at the time the property was given to the church.

The original property gift was for just over two acres of land. In 1941 the successors to Tuckaseege Mfg., Superior Yarn Mills, gave the church an additional one and two-tenths acres of land.

The first sanctuary was a one room building measuring 36 feet by 18 feet. In later years, the building was enlarged by adding wings on both sides of the building and Sunday School

the membership has grown to 503, Training Union enrollment has grown from 31, in 1947, to an enrollment of 259.

Church receipts have increased from \$8,000 per year to \$39,859. Cooperative Program gifts, span of Rev. Reel's pastorate, a the Southern Baptist Convention, has grown from \$611 in 1947 to an average of \$4,665 per year. In 1947 the church gave \$92 to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, for foreign mission work. Last year the figure had grown to \$1,924.

At the present the church has 400 resident and 32 non resident members. Over the 18 year span of Rev. Reels pastorate, a total of 738 members have been added to the church roll, an average of 41 per year. Total baptisms during the period stand at 448, an average of 25 per year. Over an 18 year span the average attendance in Sunday School has exceeded 200, and Training Union 110.

Total gifts for mission since 1947 amounts to \$90,998.51, or

Sunday School Members Are Good Attenders

Members of the Sunday School at Tuckaseegee Baptist Church believe in regular attendance every Sunday.

In the current church bulletin a number of Sunday School members are listed for perfect attendance for a period of four years or longer.

Those who have not missed a Sunday since January 1959, or for six years and three months, are Willie Allison, Carroll Cole, Mamie Cole, Kim Jackson, Worley Greene, and Louise Reel.

With a perfect attendance record since April of 1959, or for six years, are Hazel Arowood, Anne Cole, and Charles Cole.

Darrell Pool has been present every Sunday for a period of five years and nine months.

Martha Huffstetler has to go back to September of 1959, or a period of five years and three months, to check the last Sunday she was absent.

Alice Huffstetler can point to four years and six months of perfect Sunday School attendance. Gregory Dellinger and Ray Abernathy have not missed Sunday School since March of 1961.

A number of other members were listed with a perfect attendance record of from three and one-half years down to nine months.

ved as building supervisor and saved the church some \$40,000 with his close supervision. This was done without altering the original plans.

Since 1947 a \$3,600 electric organ has been put in use, in addition to seven new pianos. The sanctuary and nursery has been air conditioned and two window units installed in the pastorium. The driveway and parking lot around the pastorium has been paved and \$2,700 spent for landscaping and grading.

The church has constructed a house at South Mountain Region Eight Camp for the use of its Royal Ambassadors and Girl's Auxiliary. The church has purchased two sets of uniforms for its RA baseball team in recent years. For the past five years the church has had a full summer recreational worker to supervise activities for the children.

Much new equipment has been purchased, including two water coolers, soft drink machine, typewriter, mimeograph machine, movie projector, two picture screens, two slide projectors and a library containing 100 filmstrips has been organized.

The church has purchased three sets of choir robes over the years and in 1948 purchased Broadman Hymnals and in 1959 Baptist Hymnals and the employment of a Minister of Music, office secretary and full time janitor has been accomplished.

The unified budget system is now in effect in the church.

and The Commission (Southern Baptist Association publication) are mailed to every family of the church. Since 1959 members of the church have received 650 book credits, 40 diplomas, a number of them with red and blue seals. This was accomplished through Association approved study courses engaged in by the church members.

The forward Program of Church Finance has been used for four years. A new finance record system has been set up with permanent records and mailing of quarterly donation reports to church members. A complete new record system for the Sunday School and Training Union, and the beginning of the six point record system has been put in effect.

The church sent out its first missionary in 1959, Miss Sarah Wilson to Argentina.

A Day Nursery was established in 1960 with a staff of three. It is licensed by both the state and county. Much new equipment has been added recently, including a fenced in playground and equipment.

In 1951 the church received special recognition for a well-rounded program in a booklet published by the North Carolina Baptist Convention, "Lengthen Thy Cords".

These are just some of the spiritual and physical achievements of the church under the guiding hand of Rev. Reel. The church looks forward to many more accomplishments as the word of God is sent forth into the world and Christ's Church is edified.

By SARAH NIXON

A little girl and a little boy, children of working mothers, meet each weekday morning at 511 Tuckasee Road, enter the building together, and frequently announce, "We're brother and sister!"

An emergency arises in a home and a mother calls to make arrangements to bring her children for an hour.

A leader in the scout program and a garden club member may plan to leave their pre-school youngster for an afternoon.

For a mother's regular weekly shopping or for an unexpected trip to town, children between two years and school age may play here with others their own age for an hour or two.

It's the Tuckaseegee Baptist Week Day Nursery and Mrs. Willie Allison, the director, and those who assist her have created a home atmosphere away from home.

This is not a baby sitting service. It is a child care program licensed under the county and state child care program, offering all phases of child training under state inspected conditions.

There is a balanced meal at noon, refreshments during the day, rest periods, music, time planned for recreation, story telling reading, and teaching.

There is a wide fenced-in back yard with boxes, swings and other playground equipment for use on pretty, warm days. A heated floor of the church educational building is properly heated and available in cold or rainy weather.

There is a kitchen, and tiled floors, and toilet facilities. A state health inspector termed it one of the nicest in North Carolina.

Rev. O. B. Reel, pastor at

Tuckaseegee Baptist Church, believes theirs is the only church sponsored day nursery serving Mount Holly, Belmont and the adjacent areas. He explained that it is a non-profit organiza-

At Tuckaseegee Baptist

Wadesboro Native Is New Summer Worker

Each summer Tuckaseegee Baptist Church employs a summer worker to work with the young people of the church in a full time recreational and study program.

The church has been doing this for some time. Usually the worker is a student of a Baptist college who is studying for full-time Christian work.

Under the Baptist Youth Corps program of the North Carolina Baptist Convention Dr. Perry Crouch, general secretary, seeks to place 100 college students in summer programs of the churches of the state.

Tuckaseegee Baptist Church is participating in the program this summer by securing Miss Regin Davis of Wadesboro as their worker.

Miss Davis is a graduate of Wingte College and is now attending High Point College, where she is secretary of the Baptist Student Union.

She will begin her work at



MISS DAVIS

Tuckaseegee on June 20 and will serve through August 29. Miss Davis will be staying in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W.

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a service offered as a ministry to the communities. It is a part of the total church program. The church receives all money and pays all bills. The church members take pride in the Week Day Nursery and are genuinely interested in it.

The nursery program is covered by liability insurance, he further explained and stated that Richard Rankin is the nursery doctor.

Mr. Reel is available for counseling should there be a need for his help in working out a family problem.

Mrs. Allison is thoroughly trained in nursery work. She has been director of the church Nursery Department for the past 12 years and has more than 15 awards in the training work of the Sunday School and Training Union programs. Talking to her, one seems to sense patience and a love and concern for each individual child in her care.

Mrs. Isabelle Wilson, the full-time maid, is Usabelle to some of the children, Jingabelle to others, auntie Belle to another, but she is well qualified for her work.

"We learn from them," Mrs. Allison laughed last week, "It really keeps us on our toes."

At lunch, a little girl coaxed another, "Eat. See, your sister is eating."

A bright-eyed five year old asked if Mrs. Allison were going to take a nap, too. To her answer that she had no bed, he generously volunteered, "You

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and spiritual growth.

Tuckaseegee Baptist Church was organized on April 16, 1911 in a "little red schoolhouse" which was located just west of the present church building on Tuckaseegee Road, Mount Holly. The church was organized with 59 charter members and elected Rev. George L. Mullis as its first pastor.

The "little red schoolhouse" served as a house of worship for about one year, then a building was erected on property given for that purpose by what was then Tuckaseegee Manufacturing Company, the

Recent Revival At Tuckaseegee Very Fruitful

The recently concluded service of revival services at Tuckaseegee Baptist Church, April 21-28, was one of the most productive and well attended in a year, according to the pastor, Rev. O. B. Reel.

At the close of the service the church accepted 13 additions, by either baptism or letter. A number of new Sunday School and Training Union members also resulted from the services.

Evangelist for the revival was the Rev. Eddie McPeters, pastor of First Baptist Church of Biscoe.

"We appreciate every effort and sacrifice that went into making our revival one that will long be remembered," Rev. Reel stated in the church bulletin.

"Brother McPeters delivered some of the most powerful messages, each evening, that we have ever heard. The Pew Captains worked so that the people were present to hear and respond.

Since January 1, 1964, 26 new members have been added to the Tuckaseegee Baptist church roll, by either baptism or letter. Sunday school enrollment has increased by 27 and the Training Union by 32.

"This is a result of the dedicated Christians of the church," explained Rev. Reel, "we hope and pray that the spirit of revival will continue with our people always.

rooms in the rear. Other improvements were a heating plant and outdoor baptistry.

Some years following the erection of the church building, a parsonage was built beside it. In 1941 a new and modern parsonage was built across the road from the church. Since that time the old parsonage has been used as classrooms and recreational building, and is affectionately known as "The Hut."

The church, while retaining a friendly rural atmosphere has kept pace with modern methods and organization. The Sunday School, Training Union and WMS are vital organisms within the church's ministry. In the latter years the Brotherhood was taken its place as one of the backbone organizations of the church.

The church has experienced a steady growth throughout the years. In 1950 the original membership of 59 had grown to 317. At present there are 432 church members and 503 Sunday School members.

During the pastorate of the Rev. W. E. Abrams (1934-1943) the church envisioned the immediate need for a new and more adequate church building to meet the spiritual needs of the rapidly developing community. Consequently the church began a building fund for that purpose.

The building fund continued to grow steadily under the pastorate of the Rev. David Roberts (1943-1946), and in the spring of 1949, plans were definitely made under the leadership of Rev. Reel to begin construction.

In April of 1950 the church entered into contract with V. P. Loftis Company, calling for construction of the building at an estimated cost of \$83,339. Construction was begun immediately.

Much work has been done on and around the church until now the total value of the church property now stands at \$250,000. Several of the major improvements to the building since 1950 are air conditioning, stain glass windows and the beginning of a day nursery in 1960.

Names of some of the charter members of the church, Huffstetler, Lawing, Miller, Auten, Alexander, Hovis, are still familiar names in the church community.

The Anniversary Committee is composed of J. W. Jackson, Chairman; Mrs. Harold Poovey, Mrs. Jack Lutz, Mrs. Roy Helms,

Rev. Reel Is One Of Most Active Baptist Pastors In State



REV. O. B. REEL

The Rev. O. B. Reel, pastor of Tuckaseegee Baptist Church, is one Christian that has lived up to the The Great Commission "Go ye therefore into all the world preaching, teaching, baptizing."

Rev. Reel was born a farm boy on May 14, 1917 in Lincoln County and after leaving the farm was for several years employed in the textile industry.

In 1936 he was married to the former Louise Benefield, they have one son, age 25. Later Mr. Reel owned and operated a furniture business in Gastonia.

In 1944, having received God's call, Mr. Reel entered Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky. During his seminary years he served as Adult Training Union Director of of Crescent Hill Baptist Church in Louisville and worked with the State Training Union Department of Kentucky, and during the summers of 1944-46 with the North Carolina Train-

ing Union Department. He participated in a special project on Associational work in North Carolina, sponsored by the Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board. He also worked with seminary preaching groups.

After leaving the seminary with a B.D. degree, Mr. Reel became assistant to the pastor and Educational Director of Gastonia's Loray Baptist Church. In 1947 he came to Tuckaseegee Baptist Church as pastor.

His activities throughout the years are well known in the Gaston Baptist Association. He has served as Adult Sunday School Superintendent of the Association and organized and served as Publicity Chairman of the Simultaneous Revival Program.

He served as Chairman of 13 to employ an Associational Promotional Director, and led the churches to subscribe the first budget of \$10,000. He served

with a committee of five to raise \$10,000 to send the Gaston Associational Male Chorus to the Southwide Brotherhood meeting in Oklahoma. Rev. Reel has served a number of times as Secretary and program chairman of the Gaston Baptist Pastor's Conference. For two years he served as Associational Treasurer, also two terms as Training Union Group Director and Sunday School Group Director.

At the present time Rev. Reel is serving on the Finance Committee, Brotherhood Advisory Council, and Adult Leader in Sunday School.

On three occasions in the past 18 years Rev. Reel served as Publicity Director of The Dry Forces on Mount Holly wine and beer elections to keep Mount Holly dry. He was chairman of the committee that formulated plans and organized the Mount Holly Community Relief Organization. Rev. Reel

was chairman of the committee to set up chapel services at Mount Holly High School. He has served as president of the Mount Holly Ministerial Association and has been active in the Parent Teachers Association and other school activities.

Outside of the county Rev. Reel served for two years as State Approved Adult Worker of the North Carolina Department of Training Union. Directed or assisted in at least two associational Training Union Enlargement Campaigns each year in North Carolina and other states.

He has served on the faculty at Ridgecrest and the Summer Assemblies at Caswell and Fruitland, and was an advisor in the Billy Graham Charlotte Crusade. For four years he served as adult leader and director of Region Eight Training Union.

Rev. Reel has preached at 12 "M" Night Training Union meetings since they were started.

His last one was at Shelby First Baptist, for the second time, when 1400 attended. He has conducted three Associational Sunday School group Training Schools, wrote 12 articles for the Training Union Magazine in one year, directed four Associational Simultaneous Revival Programs.

He has preached in revivals and taught study courses in 11 states. In 1960 Rev. Reel attended the Baptist World Congress in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and visited nine countries in South America, speaking in a number of churches there and visiting the mission points of the Southern Baptists.

At the present time he is serving on the Board of Advisors of Gardner-Webb College. Yes, Rev. Reel is always actively spreading the Gospel of the saving grace of Jesus Christ, not only in "Jerusalem," "Sameria," "Judeah," but also to the "uppermost parts of the world."

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