

DEDICATED IN MEMORY TO
WAYNE CURTIS

This copy of the minutes of the Mount Zion Baptist Association is dedicated to the memory of our friend and fellow laborer, Rev. Wayne Curtis, who was serving as pastor of Belmont Baptist Church at the time of his death. Mr. Curtis was born July 31, 1903 in Sanford, North Carolina and passed away August 11, 1971. He was the son of Charlie R. and Belle Holt Curtis. He was married to Nannie Moser Curtis who survives. Mr. Curtis was educated at Friendship High School in Alamance county and Long Creek Academy in South Carolina. He studied Music and Voice in Asheville, N. C., Lawrenceburg, Etowah, and Chattanooga, Tenn., and also in Dallas, Texas. He studied English and Effective Speech at Sherwin Cody School of English, Rochester, N. Y.

Brother Curtis was licensed to preach by the First Baptist Church of Lawrenceburg, Tenn. on May 18, 1927. He was ordained at Mt. Zion Baptist Church at Berea September 18, 1927. For many years, he did evangelistic singing in revival meetings and on radio. His only pastorate was Belmont Baptist Church where he faithfully served for thirty-two years. He was active in the Federated Ministerial Association and served on several of the county organization's committees.

His fellowship among us will be missed, but our remembrance of his love for Christ and the Church he served will be a constant reminder to us of his genuine Christian love and compassion.

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Rev. Curtis Is Claimed By Death

The Rev. Earl Wayne Curtis, 68, of 4826 Maple Avenue extension, pastor of Bellemont Baptist Church for more than 32 years, died unexpectedly Wednesday afternoon at 3:40 o'clock at his home following 14 months of declining health.

Final rites will be held Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock at Bellemont Baptist Church. The service will be conducted by the Rev. W.M. Loy, assisted by Frank Ingram and Ronnie Estes. Burial will be in the church cemetery.

The body will remain at Richmond until taken to the church to lie in state 30 minutes prior to the service. The family will be at the mortuary tonight from 7 to 9 o'clock.

A native of Sanford, Mr. Curtis was the son of the late Charlie Robert Curtis and Mrs. Belle Holt Curtis Allred. He was the husband of Mrs. Nannie Moser Curtis of the home, who survives, and had served as pastor of the area church since March of 1939.

Mr. Curtis attended Friendship High School here in Alamance County and Long Creek Academy in Mountain Rest, S.C.