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William Stewart

Perfect attendance

Thirty-six years ago after an especially severe bout with the effects of drinking too much, William O. Stewart promised the Lord if He would help him overcome alcohol, he would be in God's house somewhere every Sunday.

He said, "I got up that morning and started looking for something to wear to church and I have been attending church somewhere each Sunday since then."

Stewart, age 75 recently received his 36th year perfect attendance pin from Oakboro Baptist Church where he has been a member for the past 10 years.

Stewart began his perfect attendance record at Matthews Baptist Church and has attended churches all over the southeast when he and his family would go on vacations.

He said, "I've kept my promise and I intend to make 50 years of perfect attendance if the good Lord is willing. //

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Senior Citizens Are Honored At Oakboro

The First Baptist Church of Oakboro honored their senior citizens Saturday evening, May 24, at 6 o'clock in the fellowship hall of the church.

Following the delicious meal, Pastor and Mrs. John Barnhardt, with the youth of the church, presented a very good program, enjoyed by everyone attending, according to a spokesman. Much work and time went into the planning and presenting of this enjoyable occasion, she said.

The senior citizens express their appreciation to the pastor,

deacons and all who had a part in presenting this enjoyable event.

More than 25 senior citizens of the Oakboro Club enjoyed Senior Citizens Day on Morrow Mountain Friday, May 23.

Their quintet, composed of Mrs. Louise Hartsell, Bill Cagle, Mrs. Viola Thomas, Mrs. Gladys Williams, Rev. Jones and Mrs. Zona Brooks, participated in the morning program.

The next meeting of the Oakboro Senior Citizens Club will be Thursday, June 12, at 11:30 a.m. for their covered dish luncheon in the Baptist Church.

Rev. Steve Williams of the Barbees Grove Church will lead the devotion. All members are urged to attend and visitors are welcome. //

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Oakboro Church To Build Home For Aged

The First Baptist Church of Oakboro plans to begin construction within the next 30 to 60 days on a 12-bed Home for the Aged custodial care facility on a three-acre site on the St. Martin's Road just outside the Oakboro City limits. The property was acquired from J.E. Little.

The 3,862 square foot brick structure will contain six semi-private rooms, baths, laundry, utility room, day room, kitchen and dining room and quarters for a live-in manager. It will be energy efficient, completely air-conditioned.

Plans for the home have been prepared by architect Larry Massengill of Massengill Associates in Benson, who has designed and constructed similar facilities throughout the state. A 12-bed unit of this nature is the most economically operated, a church official said.

The plans have been submitted to and approved by the Division of Facility Services, N.C. Department of Human Resources. An application has been made with the Stanly County Department of Social Services for a license to operate the home.

Several contractors have the plans and are expected to submit bids in the next few days.

The Home for the Aged will be operated by a committee from within the sponsoring church.

"Our Long-Range Planning Com-

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INSPECTING SIGN — Several members of the Home for the Aged and Long-Range Planning Committees of the First Baptist Church of Oakboro are shown here inspecting a sign erected on the site of a custodial care facility to be constructed by the church. The site is located on the St. Martin's Road, just outside the Oakboro City limits. Construction of the 12-bed facility is expected to begin within the next 30 to 60 days. Left to right: Lum Hinson, Dwight Hill, Guy Rushing, Rev. John Barnhardt, Mrs. Mae Brooks, Mrs. Eunice Little, Roy Hinson and Mrs. Hazel Helms.

— Staff Photo

Oakboro Church

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mittee some months ago recognized the need in the church and in the community for some type of custodial care facility for our older citizens," a church official said. "Several members conducted a survey and presented its report to the church, recommending that the project be adopted. The church gave its full support to the idea.

"We are all excited about this Home for the Aged, and are looking forward with a great deal of anticipation to its completion."

Rev. John Barnhardt is pastor of the First Baptist Church of Oakboro. The project is being coordinated by members of both the Home for the Aged and Long-Range Planning Committees.

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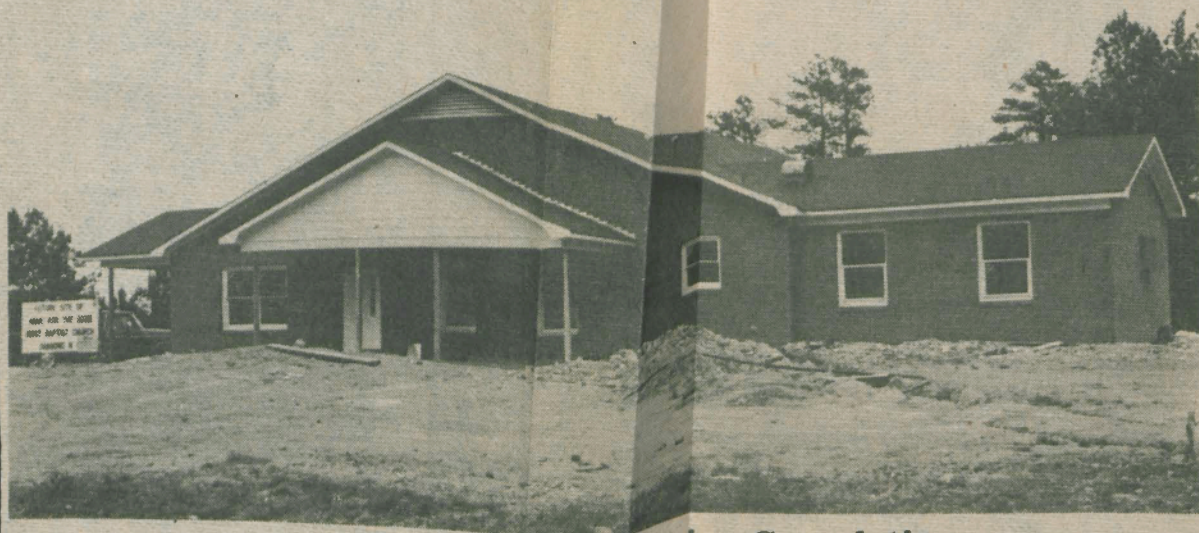
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Home For The Aged Nearing Completion

The First Baptist Church of Oakboro's Home For The Aged under construction on the St. Martin's Road at the Oakboro town limits is expected to reach completion by the end of June and to open shortly after the first of July. Interior painting is scheduled to begin next week. The 3,862 square foot structure will house 12 beds in six semi-private rooms. Atom Construction Company of Albemarle holds the general contract.

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FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
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Breaking Ground For Home For Aging

The First Baptist Church of Oakboro formally broke ground Sunday for the construction of a home for the aging. The home, to cost \$153,317, will be built by Atom Construction Company of Albemarle, and completion is scheduled by June 1. Some of the principals in the ceremony Sunday are, starting from the sign, left to right: Rev. John Barnhardt, pastor; Lum Hinson, member of the Home for Aging Committee; Rev Hinson, committee chairman; Guy Rushing, member of the Long Range Planning Committee; Mae Brooks, member of the Long Range Planning Committee; and Eunice Little, member of the Home for Aging Committee. Construction is expected to start by January 1.

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6C — THE STANLY NEWS & PRESS, Albemarle, N.C., Thursday, October 15,

Homecoming celebration at First Baptist—Oakboro

Homecoming will be celebrated at First Baptist Church in Oakboro Sunday, Oct. 18 beginning with Sunday School at 10 a.m.

During the 11 a.m. worship hour, Dr. Christopher White, president of Gardner-Webb College, will deliver the message.

A covered dish lunch will be served in the fellowship hall immediately following the morning service.

Dr. White is an ordained Southern Baptist minister, a member of First Baptist Church in Shelby, and has served as president of Gardner-Webb College since 1986.

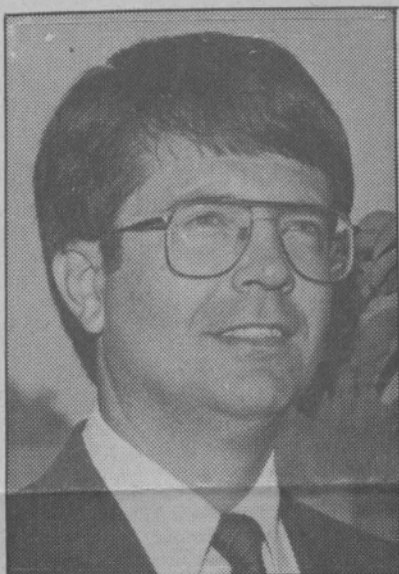
Gardner-Webb, an affiliation with the Baptist State Convention is a senior, coeducational liberal arts college with over 2,100 students and is in Boiling Springs, N.C.

Prior to joining Gardner-Webb, he was vice-president for Academic and Student Affairs at Elon College of Elon.

He has also served churches in Georgia, Kentucky and North Carolinas as pastor or interim pastor.

In 1965, Dr. White graduated Magna Cum Laude, receiving his A.B. Degree from the Mercer University in Macon, Georgia, and continued his education at The Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Kentucky where he earned his Master of Divinity in 1968.

In 1972, he earned his Ph.D. from Emory University in Atlanta, Georgia and was a Woodrow Wilson Fellow.



Dr. Christopher White

Dr. White has written several articles and reviews on religion in various professional journals and has been previously listed with Who's Who in America, Who's Who in Society, Who's Who in the South and Southwest, Who's Who in Religion and Outstanding Young Men of America.

He also enjoys playing the piano and the clarinet. The public is cordially invited to join Oakboro First Baptist in celebrating the church's beginning.

The church is at 122 North Main Street in Oakboro. For more information, please call 485-8168.

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