

Quaker Gap plans revival

Quaker Gap Baptist Church will conduct revival services Oct. 8-13. Guest evangelist will be Rev. Ronald D. Hicks, pastor of Colonial Heights Baptist Church, Kingsport, Tenn.

Rev. Hicks is a former pastor of Quaker Gap and Mountain View Baptist Churches of King and South Fork Baptist Church of Winston-Salem.

He is a native of Winston-Salem and his wife, Dorothy, is from Germanton. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville, Ky.

Service time will be at 7:30 p.m. There will be special music at each



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service and a nursery will also be provided.

The pastor and members of the church invite the public to attend.

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HONORED—The Rev. and Mrs. Ronald D. Hicks were honored Sunday afternoon upon his retirement as pastor of Colonial

Heights Baptist Church, Kingsport, Tenn. The couple holds gifts they received, centered by a flower arrangement containing one flower

from each of the 1,300 people who were baptized by the Rev. Mr. Hicks during his 29 years of service to the church.

County Residents Attend Event Honoring Former Pastor

Ten Granville County residents and former residents attended a "Pastor Appreciation Day" service for their former pastor in Tennessee on Sunday.

The Rev. Ronald D. Hicks retired Sunday after 29 years of service to Colonial Heights Baptist Church in Kingsport.

His farewell sermon was entitled "The Untrodden Path and the Guiding Hand." His scripture reading was from Joshua 3:4.

The Rev. Mr. Hicks began serving the church on April 29, 1956, at which time the membership totaled 34 charter members. Today the membership is 1,369. The budget has grown from \$13,987 to \$594,000.

After the death of the Rev. W. D. Poe, who served Enon and Hester Baptist churches on a half-time basis each, Hester Church decided to employ its own pastor on a full-time basis. So Enon and Mount Zion Baptist Church decided to share a pastor, the Rev. Mr. Hicks being the first one. He began his service in 1949 and remained as pastor of both churches until 1956, when he left to assume the Colonial Heights pastorate.

Lunch was provided the Granville visitors by the church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Overbay.

The church-wide reception was held in the fellowship hall for two

hours in the afternoon. It was attended by the couple's four children—Mrs. Overbay (Annette), Ellen Gray and Forest Hicks, all of Kingsport, and Ronald D. Hicks Jr.

of Nashville, Tenn.

Attending the service from Mount Zion Church were: Mr. and Mrs. Watson Currin, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hunt, and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar

Morton, now of Raleigh. Attending from Enon Church were Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Hester, Mrs. R. T. Critcher and Mrs. Linward T. Mize Sr.