

BAPTIST BIOGRAPHY DATA FORM

Please read carefully the *Instruction Sheet* and then list the appropriate information as it directs.

1. NAME Harris Davis Ray
(Last) (First) (Second)

Give full names. For a married woman please put maiden name in parentheses.

[EXAMPLE: Cole, Mary Ann (Smith).]

2. BIRTH Newport News Warwick Virginia 5-18-33
(Place) (County) (State) (Date)

DEATH _____

3. PARENTS Atlee B. and Grace Florence Harris
[EXAMPLE: Alec Joe Doaks and Lucy Mae (Brown) Doaks]

Father's occupation retired waterman Mother's occupation homemaker

4. BROTHERS () List full names and year of birth _____
(Living or deceased) Number

5. SISTERS (3) List full names and year of birth _____
(Living or deceased) Number

Edna Weeks about age 50

Florence Miano about age 46

Joyce Wiggins about age 37

6. CHILDHOOD RESIDENCE: (Please list each residence of 3 years duration or more, up to the time of the 18th birthday)

Type of Community	Post Office	County	State	Dates
Rural (R); town under 2500 pop. (T); city 2500 or more pop. (C). Check one.				

R ☒ T ☐ C ☐ Oyster Point Warwick Virginia 5-18-33 to 9-1-51

R ☐ T ☐ C ☐ _____

R ☐ T ☐ C ☐ _____

R ☐ T ☐ C ☐ _____

7. EDUCATION:

Grammar school: Graduate? Yes (x) No () Year graduated 1947

High school: Graduate? Yes (x) No () Year graduated 1951

School attended: Warwick High School, Newport News, Virginia
(Name) (Place) (State)

(Whether graduate or not; if more than one was attended, show the last one.)

College: Years attended: None () One () 2-3 () Graduate (x)

Whether graduated or not, list college(s) attended: (EXAMPLE: 1935-'38)

Moody Bible Institute Chicago, Ill. 1951-1954 Diploma
(Name) (Place) (State) (Years attended) (Degree)

Piedmont Bible College Winston-Salem, N.C. 1955-1957 ThB
(Name) (Place) (State) (Years attended) (Degree)

Graduate-level: List college(s), seminary(ies), etc. attended; *earned degrees*
(Name) (Place) (State) (Years attended) (Degree)

8. SPECIAL AWARDS OR RECOGNITION RECEIVED: (Honorary degrees, such as: D.D., Howard College, 1948; citations, such as: *Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities*, 1939; honorary positions, such as: "Man of the Year"—Pryor, Okla., 1943; etc.)

9. MARITAL INFORMATION:

Spouse	Birthdate of Spouse	Place of Marriage (Town and State)	Date of Marriage
(1) <u>Mary Hemrick Harris</u>	<u>3-21-39</u>	<u>Winston-Salem, NC</u>	<u>June 11, 57</u>
(2) _____	_____	_____	_____

Number of children (). List their full names and birthdates: (an example of a married daughter would be: Mrs. John Alan (Mary Lou) Ross, 3-7-1918)

Mark Chandler Harris, 3-6-60, Timothy Ray Harris, 8-14-61, Daniel Keaton Harris, 10-16-63

10. VOCATIONAL HISTORY (List all vocations, occupations, trades, or professions engaged in for two or more years) Insurance selling

11. RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE:

Conversion 1949 (Date) 16 (Age) Baptism 1949 (Date) Denbigh Baptist, Newport News, Va. (Church) (Location of Church)

List any church, *other than Baptist*, with which formerly affiliated

Ordained as: Minister () Deacon () Other _____

(Date ordained) (Church) (Place) (State)

12. LOCAL CHURCH ACTIVITY, *UNSALARIED* (Place the *number of years service*, in the space provided, for each office ever held.)

Gen. Supt., Director, President	Dept. Supt., Director, Circle Chm.	Teacher, Counselor, Sponsor, Leader	List below other offices or service, such as: Sec., Assoc. Supt., etc.	Other Offices (give number of years service)	
				Deacon <u>5</u>	Ch. Treas. _____
				Trustee _____	Ch. Library _____
				Usher _____	Ch. Recreation _____
				Ch. Clerk _____	Choir Mem. <u>10</u>
				Other _____	Choir Direc. <u>2</u>
				Ch. Committee Chm. _____	
				List completed Study Course diplomas (Indicate related organizations, such as: S.S., T.U., etc.) _____	

13. DENOMINATIONAL SERVICE, *UNSALARIED*. (Please list positions held in Baptist associations, conventions (state or Southern), national and world-wide organizations, such as; moderator, president, clerk, trustee, board, commission or committee members; etc.)

Example: S.S. Superintendent (Position) Bethel Association (Organization, board, agency, etc.) Kentucky (State) 1942-1944 (Date)

_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____	_____

14. TO BE FILLED OUT ONLY BY THOSE WHO ARE, OR HAVE BEEN, IN SAL-
ARIED CHURCH-RELATED VOCATIONS. (Including pastors, denominational work-
ers, missionaries, ministers of education and music, church secretaries, faculty members
or employees of Baptist institutions, agencies, etc.)

TYPE AND LENGTH OF SERVICE: List all positions of such service with one or
more years of duration; check F (full-time) or P (part-time). Examples:

	(Position)	(Church, agency, area, institution, place of service)	(Date of service)
F ☐ P ☒	1. pastor	County Line Baptist Church, Turkey Creek, La.	1925-1929
F ☒ P ☐	2. missionary	Ogbomosho, Nigeria, W. Africa	1930-1952
F ☐ P ☒		Deep Creek Mission Newport News, Virginia	1963-1966
F ☐ P ☒		Liberty Baptist Church, Williamsburg, Virginia	1967-
F ☐ P ☒		Glebe Landing Baptist Church, Lanwview, Virginia	1967-1970
F ☐ P ☐			
F ☐ P ☐			
F ☐ P ☐			

15. OTHER TYPES OF RELIGIOUS SERVICE: (In associations, assemblies, colleges, con-
ventions (state or Southern), national or world-wide meetings, such as: speaker, music
director, committee chairman, etc.)

(Position)	(Place of Service)	(Date of Service)

16. AUTHORSHIP (Include books, booklets, lesson courses or curriculum material, and
tracts)

(Book, item, etc.)	(Publisher)	(Date published)

17. CLUB OR GROUP MEMBERSHIP: (Service organizations, fraternal, P.T.A., Civic, etc.)
List important positions of leadership held

18. HOBBIES AND LEISURE INTERESTS:

Favorite fishing Others _____

19. PUBLIC SERVICE: (Military, educational, political, etc. not previously listed)

Two years service in U.S. Army, 1959-1960

The information for items #1-19 has been filled in by Davis R. Harris

Mailing address P.O. Box 596, Clemmons, N.C. 27012

Sources used in compiling the information are: (Example: personal knowledge; minutes, Cal-
vary Baptist Church, Wisner, La.; Court Records, Copiah County, Miss.; etc.)

Personal knowledge

20. DESCRIPTIVE CHARACTERIZATION (Please read special instruction sheet carefully and sample biographies before proceeding.)

Name of person writing the above characterization _____

P. O. Address _____

Return to:

Name _____

P. O. Address _____

Baptists Name Interim Pastor

By VIRTIE STROUP
Sentinel Religion Reporter

8/2/79

The Rev. Davis R. Harris of Clemmons has been named interim pastor of Woodridge Baptist Church, an 8-month-old congregation that meets in the Kernersville Public Library.

The congregation was organized in November, after the charter members broke away from Hillcrest Baptist Church (near High Point) in the Piedmont Baptist Association. The new 26-member congregation is applying for membership in the Pilot Mountain Baptist Association.

The church has bought land on N.C. 66, south of Kernersville, where it hopes to build at a later date.

The congregation is meeting on the lower level of the library. Sunday school is at 10 a.m., worship at 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Sundays and Bible study is at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays.

Harris, a member of First Baptist Church of Clemmons, operates Ministers Insurance Planning, a business designed to help ministers with their insurance and financial planning. Mrs. Harris is a kindergarten school aide at Clemmons School. They have three sons.



FOSTER



EDMONDSON



GADWAY

Journeyman

Three Wake Forest University graduates have been named journeyman by the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board. Marilyn Edmondson, who graduated in 1978 with a B.A. degree, will become a student worker at the Baptist Student Center in Tokyo, Japan. From Oak City, she has been employed as a department manager at Ivey's Department Store in Raleigh.

Ann Gadway, who graduated in 1977 with a B.S. degree, will become a medical technologist in Asuncion, Paraguay. From North Royalton, Ohio, she has been serving as a medical technologist at Cleveland, Ohio, Clinic Hospital. She has lived in Venezuela and Iran as well as California, New York, Connecticut and Minnesota.

William E. Foster Jr., who graduated in May with a B. A. degree, will become a youth worker at Kebayoran Baptist Church at Jakarta, Indonesia. Most recently, he has been employed as a summer missionary in Hampton Beach, N. H., for the Southern Baptist Home Mission Board. He is from Spartanburg, S. C.

They are members of a record 123-member journeyman class commissioned recently in Richmond, Va. They will serve for two years periods under the supervision of full-time career missionaries.

After hovering near 95 for the past three years, the number of new journeyman increased almost 30 percent to the new record this year. The largest representation came from Texas with 23 journeyman; Arkansas was second with 11; and North Carolina third with 10.