

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS

1880

Biblical Recorder article mentioning a gift from Mrs. Foushee of a communion service. It consisted of “a heavy massive silver double plated pitcher, two goblets, two plates and two linen tablecloths, with a beautiful marble top table.” Mrs. Foushee had sold some of her jewelry to buy the service for the church. (Appendix A, Article 4). The communion service was given to Mrs. Foushee’s granddaughter Elizabeth Chapin (Hatch) Gould in 1950 who returned it to the church in 1957.

Biblical Recorder article mentioning a gift of a 6 light chandelier received from Geo. J. Leach, of New York. (Appendix A, Article 9).

1907

A silver vase was given to the church by friends of Cornelia H. Foushee in her memory.

1909

Dec 22---Biblical Recorder article describing the gift of 2 Sunday School rooms from Dr. H. T. Chapin and Mr. J. L. Griffin. (Appendix A, Article 5).

1929

The church was given a pulpit Bible by sisters Mattie Moore Pierce and Lilli Moore Wilkins in memory of their father, G. W. Moore.

1938

March 30---An anonymous monetary gift was received to repair the floor and buy carpet for the “auditorium.”

April 27---The church voted unanimously to accept a gift from “friends of the church” who wished to have the roof of the church painted, “with no expense to the church and asked the church for the privilege to do the same.”

1939

Sept. 24---Mr. William Lysander Johnson gifted the church with a pulpit Bible in memory of his wife, Mary Annie Johnson.

1943

Oct 17---Dedication of a Memorial Communion Table given by Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Wagner in memory of their son Staff Sgt. Wade L. (Joe) Wagner, who died April 10, 1943 in New Guinea in World War II.

1945

May 13—Mother’s Day—Mrs. Annie Eubanks Horner gave a vase to the church in memory of her parents Romulus S. Eubanks and Annie Hadley Eubanks who were married on that date, May 13, 1869.

1949

April 3—The Myrtle Brewer Sunday School Class presented a \$1,000.00 check to the church to be applied to the building fund. “Through the efforts of the members of the class and Mrs. C. E. Jones, teacher, this amount was made possible.”

1950

A new communion set was presented to the church by W. Lee Farrell and his wife, Blanche Griffin Farrell, to replace the silver communion service set received in the early history of the church from Mrs. Johanna Burke Foushee, who sacrificed her jewelry to buy the set. Mrs. Foushee's set was given to her granddaughter, Elizabeth Chapin (Hatch) Gould.

1951

Nov 25—The church was presented with a check for \$1,000.00 to be applied to the church debt. It was bequeathed to the church in the will of the late William H. Griffin.

Dec 30—Through the efforts of the women of the church the note on the new organ was paid off. The organ was purchased in Jan. 1951 at a cost of \$2,666.00. In addition, through the efforts of the women of the church, a refrigerator was purchased at a cost of \$240.00 and a check in the amount of \$500.00 was given to be applied to the church debt.

1952

Feb 10—A dedication service was held to dedicate the organ, given by the women of the church; the painting for the baptistery, given by the family of Mr. Kelly Crissman, and five stained glass windows. The windows were given as follows:

In memory of George Jeter Griffin and Martha Elizabeth Griffin

In memory of Victor R. Johnson

In memory of Stephen W. Brewer and Mary C. Brewer by their daughters, Flora Hunter and Annie Thompson

In memory of James Lasater Griffin and Hettie Wrenn Griffin

In memory of Romulus S. Eubanks and wife Annie Hadley Eubanks and grandson Private William E. Boone killed in action in France in WWII

1954

Jan 17—A guest register for the vestibule of the church was presented by the Myrtle Brewer Sunday School Class.

1957

Elizabeth Gould returned her grandmother's silver communion set to the church. This communion set was first given to PBC by Mrs. W. F. Foushee in 1880. In 1950, the set was given to Mrs. Foushee's granddaughter, Elizabeth Gould. Miriam Chapin Morgan, great granddaughter of Mrs. Foushee gave the church a display cabinet for the communion set. Mrs. Foushee granddaughter-in-law had the display case lined with velvet.

1958

April—A collection plate was given in the memory of Dianne Griffin.

1959

July 9—Mrs. Lee Farrell donated one of the folding doors in the sanctuary in memory of her late husband. A Bell and Howell tape recorder was given by the Myrtle Brewer Sunday School Class. The Victor Johnson Class provided for the lighting of the church steeple.

Rev. R.R. Gordon's library was donated to the church. Horace Clegg gave roses each Sunday for the minister and ushers. Mr. and Mrs. D.W. Smith gave equipment for the nursery. Harvey Brown constructed cabinets in which to hang choir robes. Talton Crutchfield erected a clothesline at the parsonage.

1960

Sept—The Dahlia Farrell family gave a piano to the church. Mr. A. N. Tatum gave an air conditioning unit for the church office. Mrs. Louse Craft Phillips gave \$100 for building fund.

1961

May—Mr. and Mrs. Colon Shaw gave a chair for the Pastor's study.

1962

Aug. 23—Mrs. Frank May donated a piano for the children's building.

1963

March 21—Mrs. Glevin Overacre gave a \$100.00 gift to the building fund.

Sept. 26—Caley M. Goodwin donated \$50 to the building fund in appreciation for the use of facilities for his daughter's wedding.

Nov 1—The Fidelis Class bought a playpen mattress and had a playpen repaired for the nursery.

1964

Jan 2—The Willing Workers Class gave \$50 to the building fund. The Golden Circle Class gave \$25 to the Lottie Moon Offering. The Pearle Johnson Class gave \$10 to a missionary in Taiwan.

Jan 16—George P Johnson gave \$100 to the building fund in memory of his father, Victor Johnson.

1965

Jan 6---The Lottie Moon Christmas offering was \$673.75, the largest remembered by any of the members.

April 1—The Annie Armstrong offering was \$215.25. The goal had been \$170.

May 20—Mr. Fred Justice gave \$1000 to the building fund.

1967

Dosset Bowling and Lina Bowling Spellman gave \$100.00 for the building fund in memory of their parents, Mr. & Mrs. D. E. Bowling

The Griffin Bible Class landscaped and planted 45 pieces of shrubbery.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Griffin and the Griffin families furnished the pastor's study.

The ladies of the Pearle Johnson Sunday school class carpeted and furnished the history room.

The deacon's bench and chair were given by Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Jones.

1968

March---A gift of \$336.00 from George P. Johnson in honor of his father, Victor R. Johnson, made possible the purchase of 144 chairs and 10 tables for the fellowship hall.

\$100 was given to the building fund in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Joe Moore by the Joe Moore Family.

June---The church sanctuary was painted, the monies donated by the Willing Workers Sunday School Class and an anonymous donor. Total cost was \$750.00.

Mrs. Iva Roberson gave a gift of \$500.00 in memory of her husband Otis and her parents Rev. and Mrs. W. T. Hurst. A pulpit Bible was given by Mrs. Katherine Upchurch.

1969

The Pearle Johnson Class gave \$100 to the building fund.

Mr. Belk Vaughn gave a tape recorder to the Tape Ministry.

1970

A piano was given in the memory of Mrs. Virginia Neighbors Lambeth by her husband, Dr. H. D. Lambeth and their five children. The Broadman Bible Commentary set was gifted to the library in memory of Jane Faucette Pleasants, sister of Betty Wilson.

A sound movie projector was given to the library by the Myrtle Brewer Class.

1971

Sept. 29---Fred C. Justice forgave a \$500 note.

A gift was received from George P. Johnson of 12 shares of Colonial Stores, Inc. stock at a value of \$42.00 per share.

1972

May 14---The Acteens announced the establishment of the Mary Margaret Griffin Education Loan Fund. The \$400 fund was made possible by the sale of the Pittsboro Baptist Women's Cookbook. The MM Griffin Educational Fund is designed to aid young people desiring to further their education and needing financial assistance. A loan is made to an anonymous recipient meeting specified qualifications.

The Colon Shaw family gave a picture for the church office.

A gift was received from George P. Johnson of 4 shares of Schering Plough Corp. stock at a value of \$135.25 per share.

1975

Mrs. Lucy Pierce Holland, a former member, willed the proceeds from the sale of her home and land to the church. The total amount of the Lucy Holland bequest was \$14,081.62. A new fiberglass steeple replaced the old steeple on the sanctuary in 1976 using \$8600 of this bequest. The remaining was divided between the church debt, the Building Repair fund and church office equipment. A stereo record player was given to the library by Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Sturdivant.

1977

A new card catalog was given to the library by Alfred Tatum.

1978

The newly renovated sanctuary was enhanced by 2 lovely gifts: an Allen Digital organ given by Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Brown and a 7-piece set of Drexal pulpit and communion furniture given by the family of Mrs. Almerdine Haynes. (The Roberts and Haynes families)

A gift of \$1,000 was received from estate of Mrs. Janie Baldwin.

A gift of 30 folding chairs was given to the children's division by Rev. and Mrs. John Robinson.

A gift of 175 white bound Baptist Hymnals was given by the Willing Workers Sunday School class in loving memory of Mrs. W. F. Bland who served as church organist for over 50 years.

1979

The family of Mrs. W. F. Bland gave a piano in her memory.

1983

Nov—A copy machine was given anonymously to the church, adding much to the efficiency of the church office.

1985

The church was given, from the estate of Harvey Brown, his house to be used as a parsonage. Dr. and Mrs. Ron Farrar were its first occupants. A library desk was given in the memory of A. L. McNeill from his family.

Library video equipment was given in the memory of Sam and Ada Griffin by their children.

1986

A motion passed that all memorial funds be combined into one memorial fund and be used at the discretion of the church upon recommendation of the Finance Committee.

A communion table was given by Burnice and Mary Margaret Griffin in memory of Harvey and Belle Brown.

A portable lectern and public address system were given by the Myrtle Crissman family in her memory.

An anonymous gift was received in the amount of \$2,000.00 to be used for a riding lawn mower and a push mower for the parsonage.

Mrs. Alice Phillips Garrison, Mrs. Julia Bland's granddaughter, gave back to the church an antique pump organ used in the church sanctuary many years ago and given to Mrs. Bland when it was no longer needed in the church. The organ has been rebuilt and refinished.

Jan 5—The church voted to accept a bequest from the will of Mrs. Ellen Bowling. The bequest was for 10% of her gross income before taxes, given to the church Board of Trustees for use as it saw fit among those in need of assistance. The gift totaled \$84,953.00.

1986

April 20—A motion passed to allow deacons to accept gifts to the church up to \$500.00 without a vote of the church. This would require a constitutional change that was passed.

1987

The Willing Workers Sunday School Class gave a telephone answering machine for the pastor's office.

1988

An ice machine valued at \$700-\$800.00 was given anonymously to the church.

1990

Monetary gifts totaling \$5,850.00 were received for the year to be used as follows: \$500.00 designated to buy additional choir robes, \$2,500.00 designated to finish the fund to buy a new baby grand piano for the sanctuary, \$200.00 to purchase and update video equipment. The remainder is to be used at the Pastor's discretion.

1992

Joe Trageser donated 31 tangerine colored chairs to the pre-school and children's division of the Sunday School.

1993

The daughters of H.G. and Ethel Johnson gave a brass Bible stand, flower urn and flower container in their parents' memories.

George and Jeanette Shivers gave a refrigerator to the church kitchen.

Jay and Judy Beaver gave a 6-phone telephone and intercom System.

1994

The Prayer Room was furnished by the family of Katherine Griffin in her memory. Ernest and Barbara Horton constructed a kneeling bench for the Prayer room.

1996

Sept—Tony Biancardi gave the church a pure silk tapestry he purchased on his mission trip to Leh, India.

1997

The Spanish Mission received a gift of \$10,200.00 from the Baptist State Convention which was earmarked for the indebtedness on their church building.

1998

An anonymous donor gave a new communion set to the church valued at \$692.00.

1999

Gifts for the Hwy 902 picnic shelter were received from the Chapin Estate, both over \$500.00.

2001

The church was gifted \$7,400.00 to be used for carpet for preschool rooms and the nursery for added safety.

Oct---Church voted to replace the light fixtures in the sanctuary at a cost of \$220.00 each; all paid for by individual donors.

Sutton Baptist Church in Alaska gave the church a painting of Pioneer Peak in Palmer Alaska, in appreciation for our members aiding them during a mission trip.

2002

An anonymous gift was received in the amount of \$3,300.00 towards the purchase of church software.

An anonymous donor gave \$13,000.00 used as follows: a portion was given to Tripp and Nicole Harmon, materials were purchased for a church in Alaska, a portion was given in support of Tony Biancardi's mission trip to Tibet and a portion was given to reduce the Spanish Mission debt.

Cameron Sipe donated a computer for the choir.

2003

Gifts for the year were: \$1,650.00 for future sanctuary renovation, \$5,000.00 for the youth ministry large screen TV, DVD and room renovation, \$600.00 gift to Becky Young for the next mission trip to South Africa and a \$1,325.00 gift towards ceiling tiles in the fellowship hall.

2004

A \$2,000.00 gift was received to purchase new laptop to be used with the new sound system.

The estate of Frances E. Moricle gifted the church \$10,000.00 to be used as a means of assisting the elderly of the community, the principle never to be touched, only the interest of the gift. The motion passed to accept the gift and the money is to be invested with the Baptist State Foundation who would invest and monitor all funds and pay the interest twice a year to a designated church fund and that this interest is to be paid to the 3Ls of Pittsboro Baptist Church for use in assisting the seniors and others within the community.

2005

A motion passed to accept 100 shares of Alteria stock, (formerly Phillip Morris) to be used toward building and land on Hwy 902 for any expense involved. The stock is worth \$12,000.00. An anonymous gift of \$3,500.00 was received to apply to the steeple repair.
 Aug 3—At conference it was reported that Joni Williams had gifted the church with her commission from the sale of the parsonage. (The Harvey Brown home).

2006

During the year, gifts were given to: Alison Martin Scholarship Fund \$10,000.00—Mary Margaret Griffin Scholarship Fund \$4,000.00—Library Fund \$5,000.00—Family Benevolence Fund \$6,000.00—Baptist Men’s Special \$3,000.00—Bowling Trust \$1,000.00—Lunch Break Missions \$500.00—Historical Room \$500.00

2007

A \$1,000.00 gift was received from Christina Wight to Audio/Visual committee for needs in the sanctuary.
 Jan. 17—An anonymous gift was made to the church in the amount of \$53,305.06 to be divided equally to the Preschool, to the 902 Building Fund and Outreach Church Plant according to the wishes of the donor.

2009

A \$5,000.00 gift was received from the Dorothy Miller Estate, designated for improvement of the current facility.

2013

A \$5,000.00 gift was received in the memory of Mrs. Viola Seagroves.

2015

A new flat screen television was purchased thanks to a generous donation by Allan and Sheralyn Tyndall.
 A new desk top computer was donated to the library by Barry Maxwell.

FOLLOWING ITEMS NEED RESEARCH FOR DATES:

The Alice Nooe Circle and Annie Chapin Circle gave a flower urn in memory of Mrs. Alice Nooe, who taught the Pearle Johnson Class for over 40 years.

The pulpit stand of apple wood was given in memory of Dr. H. T. Chapin and Annie F. Chapin by their daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Chapin (Hatch) Gould.

The marble top table and chair were given by Mrs. Johanna Burke Foushee. She took this furniture from her home to be used in the old church building.

Conference table and chair

The large conference table in the library (old)? Was given by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nooe, Jr. The 12 chairs were given by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nooe, Jr. and Mr. Mrs. Clyde McCollum.