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Meeting of Pastoral Association

The Catawba County Pastoral Association met in the Chamber of Commerce room, Hickory, N. C., May 5, 1919, at 11:30 a. m. The devotions were led by Rev. C. R. W. Kegley. Those present were Revs. E. J. Sox, W. A. Deaton, J. M. Senter, A. R. Beck, C. R. W. Kegley, J. J. Bickley, J. C. Peery, W. D. Wise and W. J. Boger.

Mr. Summy Miller was made an advisory member.

The brethren on the program for the day were conspicuous for their absence.

Rev. Haltiwanger, former business manager of the Catawba Lutheran, submitted a report for the year 1918.

The subject carried over from the April meeting, What Christian Education is possible for Laymen? was opened by W. J. Boger. A general discussion followed covering many cognate subjects.

The following is the program for June 9, 1919:

Discussion of Jno. 14: 11-17, Rev. L. D. Miller.

What should be the deciding factor in making pastoral changes?—Rev. W. D. Wise.

Can the rural churches in any way promote the industrial welfare of its constituency?—Rev. J. A. Yount.

The Association adjourned to meet in Hickory June 9, 1919 at 11:30 a. m.

E. J. SOX, Pres.

W. J. BOGER, Sec

Lenoir College Commencement

The 28th commencement will be held May 29th to June 2.

Thursday, May 29, 8:30 p. m.—Annual concert.

Friday, May 30, 8:30 p. m.—Juniors' Oratorical Contest.

Saturday, May 31, 11:00 a. m., Sub-Freshman Declamation Contest.

Saturday, May 31, 8:30 p. m., Dramatic Entertainment.

Sunday, June 1, 11:00 a. m., Baccalaureate sermon by Dr. Charles S. Bauslin, General Secretary Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church, Harrisburg, Pa.

Sunday June 1, 8:30 p. m., Address before College Luther League by the Rev. John C. Deitz, Gastonia, N. C.

Monday, June 2, 10:30 a. m., Graduation Exercises. Address before the Literary Societies, Attorney Dorman Thompson, Statesville, N. C.

Monday, June 2, 4:00 to 5:00 p. m., Business meeting of Alumni Association; 5:00 to 7:30 p. m., Alumni banquet or picnic. 8:30 p. m., Alumni address and Exercises.

To all these exercises the public is most cordially invited.

R. L. FRITZ, Pres.

Claremont Pastorate

Salem—Mt. Calvary

Rev. J. J. Bickley, Pastor

April 6th, the writer assisted the Rev. W. D. Wise in the evening services at Maiden, and administered Holy Baptism to Evelyn Ruth, daughter of Pastor and Mrs. W. D. Wise.

April 13th, Holy Baptism was administered to Ruby Cleo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Little. On the same date I confirmed on her sick bed as a member of Salem, Hattie Blanche, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Huffman. Miss Huffman has been the subject of a former correspondence in these columns. She is still indisposed, but we have hopes of her recovery.

Mt. Calvary's spring communion was held the 3rd Sunday in March. There were fifteen accessions by confirmation. An average number communed but the average does not include all members. Why does a church member refuse Communion? Doubtless in this case some refused conscientiously, fearing the epidemic still lurked around, but why does a Church member refuse time after time? Skeptics, cynics, worldlings, Agnostics, and Infidels do not come to the Lord's Table but would a church member be willing to be found in such company? Reader, should this be a personal matter with you the language may appear offensive. Jehovah's servants became offensive when they refused to prophesy deceits and smooth things for Israel. Sin, like crime, cannot be made respectable by disguising truth in flattery. By nature you are an offensive and an offending creature in God's sight. You are a chattel of the Devil. Adam delivered the entire race in mass to Satan's Kingdom. But we don't come out in mass. Its a one-by-one process, and some never escape. For this purpose, there is provided the Means of Grace—the Word and Sacraments. Then, how will the unbaptized escape who have had, not one but many opportunities to be baptized? Then, how will those escape who were baptized in infancy because God blessed him or her with a Christian father and a Christian mother, who when grown to maturity, live a life that is a daily and constant repudiation of the baptismal covenant? How will un nourished souls square themselves who have had not one, but many opportunities to nourish themselves at the Lord's Table? How can the soul attain freedom from sin, which does not continue and persist in the Word? "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free." But outside the Word, there is no truth.

Statesville Pastorate

St. John's

Rev. A. R. Beck, Pastor.

Services every Sunday 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.

Sunday school every Sunday 9:45 a. m.

Luther League every Sunday 7 p. m.

Ladies' Aid every first Thursday Woman's Missionary Society Thursday after each second Sunday.

Children's Missionary Society every fourth Sunday.

Council meeting Thursday after each last Sunday of the month.

The Woman's Missionary Society observed the week of prayer. The attendance was the largest and the interest manifested the most encouraging of any like observance the society has ever held. A public service was held on Sunday evening at which time Rev. J. M. Senter gave a very helpful address. The offering amounted to \$20.37.

Holy Week services were well attended and the interest manifested was encouraging.

The Sunday school held a sunrise service on Easter morning, and rendered the service "Vivit" to a good attendance.

The services on Easter day were truly inspiring. The attendance was the largest of any service the present pastor has conducted in St. John's. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered to fifty-six communicants. At this service also the following were confirmed: Mary Warren, Annie Louise Hollar, Zooby Nell Gilbert, Francis Annie Cline, Archie Elford Lanier, Carrie Angeline Hoover, Hester Elizabeth Sloan.

The pastor and the church council have been giving serious consideration to the matter of procuring better property for St. John's. It is the unanimous conviction that the future success of the congregation is in a great degree depending upon whether or not this is done. The proposition is a perplexing one, and will necessitate the exercise of much thought, prayer and action before a final solution is reached. But it must be done if the congregation is to have the success we wish and pray for and which the Lutheran church in Statesville deserves.

The pastor has been very much hindered in his work by being compelled to move too frequently. To move once is bad enough, but to move twice within two months is fully twice as bad, but he is now comfortably housed at 327 E. Front street, to which place he gives a hearty welcome to all his friends to come to see him. He is of the opinion he will not receive orders to "move out" as submissively as heretofore, and

hopes to be able to give better attention to the work of the church.

Baptized: May 2, Samuel Cope-land, Jr., son of S. C. Troutman and wife, Marie.

Holy Trinity Pastorate

Rev. C. R. W. Kegley, Pastor

Members and friends of Holy Trinity are having the true Easter joy over the attendance at church services. The main church auditorium and some seats of the Sunday school room have been used in every morning service so far making officers say with the church nearly full at the evening service a total for each Sunday of nearly 1,000 people present and the Wednesday night service has been doubly good they claim. Will they keep it up? God grant it.

Offerings the officers report have been double perhaps anything known to the history of this historic church and with their handsome church property all paid for we look for great things in behalf of Home and Foreign Missions.

The reception to your new pastor and family was in spirit lovely and in manner suitable for any large church such as yours in any of our largest cities in fact people of Hickory tell us they doubt if a prettier reception was ever given by any Lutheran church in this state. Heartly thanks again to Mr. Moretz's family, to the committee in charge and to all the congregation. The word "Welcome" in the Art Window over your church door expresses the Christian love in your hearts and shown to your pastor already in many ways.

Our Church council has pledged itself anew to its duties and to arise to the privilege of superior service. May God give His favor and guide them. Much work of a very hard nature needs to be done at once and it is already on the hearts of our Council. God give results.

The women of our church held a Missionary meeting this month in the home of Mrs. W. P. Bowman and the program, offerings, prayerful interest all were very praiseworthy. They have served well. A parsonage like-new showed something of their spirit. They plan great things for the Home and Foreign field. God give them His guidance by the Holy Ghost for Christ's sake we pray. With fervent prayers to God to guide the devoted church I left in the heart of the city of Chicago to the right pastor and asking you dear reader to give your prayers faithfully to God for us as pastor and people of the Holy Trinity Church that the Holy Spirit use us as He wills to save souls.

I am Yours Very Sincerely in Christ Jesus, C. R. W. KEGLEY.

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Act of March 3, 1879.

The treasurer of our Conference, the Rev. E. H. Kohn, Mt. Holly, N. C., requests that a statement be made in the Catawba Lutheran in regard to the Conference apportionment. By action of Conference all apportionments have been increased 25 per cent. Therefore, all congregations should send to the treasurer this year an amount one fourth larger than last year. The treasurer is of the opinion that many pastors, or treasurers of congregations, have overlooked this action, for they are making their remittances on the basis of the old apportionment. Let all congregations take notice and make remittances accordingly, and thus relieve the anxiety of our efficient treasurer.

East Hickory Pastorate

Mt. Olive—St. Stephens
Rev. E. J. Sox, Pastor

We have lost recently from our pastorate two most excellent women by death. Their obituaries appear in this issue and will take the greater part of our space this month.

We collected the offerings of our people for Foreign Missions on Easter day at both our churches. At Mt. Olive, the Sunday school rendered very beautifully the service sent out by our Foreign Mission Board. At St. Stephens we held our communion service on that day. The offering amounted to \$32.50 at St. Stephens and \$20 at Mt. Olive.

The result of our canvass for the Lutheran Council Reconstruction Work was very gratifying to us all. Mt. Olive congregation subscribed and paid \$106.25 and St. Stephens contributed \$88.05. We are indeed gratified to see how our people are catching the view of greater and better things for the church. Our Lord is graciously opening to us great doors of opportunity and we are praying that our people all over this country may enter into this larger and greater field of service for our Lord and His church.

We report the following baptisms:
Helen Mabelle, daughter of D. L. Hartzogue and wife Fannie.

Clara Naomi, daughter of P. L. Hefner and wife Jennie.

Fred Ransom, son of R. F. Allen and wife Ollie.

Clitus Hampton, son of W. L. Benfield and wife, Edna.

Mary Ellen, daughter of Q. O. Smith and wife Laura.

John Jacob, son of J. E. Townswend and wife Mamie Lee.

Roy Walter, son of W. R. Miller and wife, Lillie.

Clitus Hampton, son of W. L. Benfield and wife, Edna, fell asleep in Jesus March 22, 1919 at the tender age of one month. He was baptised into the name of the Holy Trinity, March 11, 1919, and has now been called from the church militant to the church triumphant.

Obituary of Mrs. Stephen Yount

Harriett J. Yount was born Dec. 27, 1855, and departed this mortal life March 30, 1919, making her sojourn here 63 years, 3 months and 3 days. She was baptised in infancy, and early in life, having been instructed in the truths of our holy religion, she publicly assumed her baptismal covenant and was admitted into full communion with St. Stephen E. L. Church, from which she later transferred to Mt. Olive. In this faith and fellowship she lived until the Lord called her hence.

Jan. 25, 1877, she was married to Stephen A. Yount. This union was blessed with six sons and four daughters. These all with her aged husband, 27 grandchildren, mother, one sister and three brothers with a large number of other relatives and friends mourn their loss.

Mrs. Yount was faithful in every walk of life. As a wife, as a mother, as a church member, as a neighbor, she did what she could.

Obituary of Mrs. Luther Townsan.

Alice Susanah Huffman was born Nov. 6, 1870 and departed this mortal life April 30, 1919, having lived here 48 years, 5 months and 24 days. She was baptised in infancy, and in early life, having been instructed in the doctrines of our holy religion, she was admitted into full communion with the Evangelical Lutheran church by the rite of confirmation. In this faith and communion she lived faithfully until the Lord called her hence.

April 12, 1888, she was married to Abel Leander Townsan, and this union the Lord blessed with eight children, three boys and five girls. These all, with her devoted husband and nine grand children, together with an aged mother, five brothers and three sisters, with a large circle of other relatives and friends, survive her and mourn their loss.

St. Stephen church, of which she was a devoted member, loses a faithful worker, the community a good neighbor and her family a faithful and devoted mother and companion.

Newton Pastorate

Beth Eden—St. Timothy
Rev. V. L. Fulmer, Pastor

Nothing has appeared in the columns of the Catawba Lutheran from this pastorate for several months, nevertheless we were going on with our work just the same. The reporters from the pastorate for this year are Mrs. Alice Mull and Miss Myrtle Sigman. They will, I am sure, write interesting and helpful articles

for the readers of this paper. Both have had experience in such work. Mrs. Mull was a constant contributor years ago to the old "Church Paper," and has been a life long reader of the religious magazines. She can give us the reminiscences and experiences of olden times and their venerable customs.

During the Lenten season, services were held every Wednesday evening, and every night in Holy Week, except Saturday. The Communion service was held on Easter Sunday, and the following were received into the church: By confirmation—Fay Albert Yount, Minnie Viola Marlowe, Lula Francis Setzer, Willie Blanche Hoke, Lucile Lorna Houk, Hoy Deal, Charley Odell Thornburg, Annie Lee Marlowe, Clay Bradly Houk, Nellie Mae Canipe, Mary Lizzie Gilbert, Georgia Thornburg, C. M. Duyck and A. S. Setzer. By letter and action of the council: Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Thornburg, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Hunsucker, Mrs. Marshall Thornburg, Mrs. J. M. Goforth, Mr. P. A. Keller, Mrs. N. J. Marlowe and Mr. Luther Bowman; making a total of twenty-five. All of our Lenten services were well attended, and an unusually large number communed. The membership at Beth Eden has been doubled in the last three years.

Communion service was held at St. Timothy on Palm Sunday. Four were received by confirmation: John Earl Barringer, James Monroe Miller, Alvin Guy Boliek and Ernest Emmerly Miller. Ninety-four partook of the Holy Sacrament. Many were prevented from attending on account of sickness, but we are glad to report that all are about well. The smallpox scare is about over and we hope to see all of our folks out at services and Sunday school again.

Deaths: Thomas Thornburg, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thornburg. Died in Charlotte February 5, and was buried in East View cemetery, Newton, N. C. the day following his death. The funeral was conducted by the writer. He was given to the Lord in Holy baptism a few days before his departure from this world. "As many as have been baptised have put on Christ." Jesus said, "Suffer the little ones to come unto me."

Silas Emmanuel Poovey was born July 15, 1859 and died March 26, 1919, making his life 59 years, 8 months and 11 days. He was baptised in infancy and later was confirmed in Old St. Paul's E. L. church by the late Rev. Geo. Hunt. He a few years ago transferred to Beth Eden, where he remained faithful until death. In 1882 he was married and there were born to him ten children. He leaves to mourn his departure, a devoted wife, three sons, six daughters, one brother, three sisters and fourteen grand children. One daughter preceded him to the spirit land. He was a good husband, kind father and a friend to all. His remains were laid to rest Thursday evening in East-view cemetery. Services conducted by his pastor. Peace to his soul and rest to his ashes.

Baptisms: Feb. 9: Julia Evylin,

daughter of Victor Herman and wife, Rosa.

Feb. 19, William Clark, son of J. M. C. Lehmon and wife, Myrtle.

Mar. 11, Annie Mae, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Goforth.

March 11, Ella Inez, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Heavner.

Mar. 22, Reve Jene, daughter of Mr. J. M. Setzer and wife, Annie.

Marriages: March 12 at the parsonage, Mr. S. H. Haynes of Lincoln-ton and Miss Bessie Sigman of Newton.

April 21, Mr. Robert Huffman and Miss Ora Pearl Miller of Hickory.

We congratulate these young people and wish for them long happy lives.

Iredell Pastorate

St. Martin's—Sharon
Mt. Hermon

Rev. J. M. Senter, Pastor

The pastorate has secured a site for parsonage near the Mt. Hermon church and expects to build soon. Sharon and Mt. Herman have already made their canvass for funds and have "gone over the top." St. Martin's will make a canvass for the same purpose between this and the first of June.

All three of the congregations have paid their full apportionments on Synodical Debt.

Easter services at St. Martin's were well attended. The Sunday school rendered a special service in a very creditable manner. The offering of about \$17.50 was given for the Reconstruction work of the National Lutheran Council.

A large number of communicants partook of the Lord's Supper in Mt. Hermon church on fourth Sunday in April.

The writer preached the sermon at the closing of the Troutman's High school Sunday, May the 4th, to a large and appreciative audience.

Laura Dorothy, child of R. A. and Adah Raymer was born Oct. 10, 1916. On the 17th. of April, 1919, she was drowned at Balfour, near Hendersonville, N. C., by falling into a spring curbed with tiling. Having been consecrated to Christ through Holy Baptism she now rests safely in the arms of Jesus. Her age was 3 years, 6 months and 17 days. May the Lord comfort the sorrowing hearts of these parents. The funeral was conducted by the writer.

D. S. Clodfelter was received as a member of St. Martin's congregation by letter on Easter Sunday.

Baptisms: Clarence Edward, son of Charles C. and Vera I. Deal, baptized March the 9, 1919.

Harry Ross, son of Henry and Catherine Sigmon, baptized March 23, 1919.

Rowe Augustus, son of R. A. and Adah Raymer baptized April the 19, 1919.

Annie Lucile, daughter of J. M. and Lena Gobble, baptized April 27, 1919.

Mary Lee, daughter of Loy A. and Mary E. Shook, baptized May 3, 1919.

St. Andrew's Pastorate
Rev. J. C. Peery, Pastor

The Easter services at St. Andrew's were unusually gratifying this year. The attendance during Holy Week was much better than a year ago, but still left something to be desired. It is hoped that there will be still further improvement hereafter.

Very great interest was manifested in the Easter matin service. When the hour for service arrived, just at sunrise, the church was found to be comfortably filled. This early service is always enjoyed at St. Andrew's for it is felt to be most appropriate for the people to assemble at the early dawn to hear the Easter message. At this service more than a hundred people communed, and a class of fourteen young people were confirmed.

The eleven o'clock service was also well attended, and the Holy Communion was again administered. There were but few of the members who failed to commune at one of these services.

Again at eight o'clock in the evening the church was well filled with people who came out to hear the special Easter program rendered by the Sunday school. This service was enjoyed by all. The children all did well, tho many of them had never taken part in such a service before. The Japan Day offering at this service and at the Sunday school in the morning amounted to \$40.

Mrs. D. J. Sox, who has been sick for some time and who recently underwent a serious operation at Statesville, is now at home and also at her accustomed place in the church service. She is steadily improving, and her physicians promise her that she will now enjoy better health than she has had for years, though her complete recovery will be slow on account of her long and serious illness.

We are especially glad to welcome back to the church and to the community our returned soldiers. Many of these young men the present pastor had never seen, but he finds them a fine group of men, and he welcomes their friendship and their cooperation in the work of the church. Those who have returned are Messrs. John Mouser, Robert Yount, William Younce, Fayette Miller, Earl Reitzel, and George Moser. The following are those who were confirmed Easter morning: Lela Sherrill, Affie Sox, Rosa Morrow, Rosa Cline, Lillian Reitzel, Louise Hagood, Carroll Little, Max Little, Jacob Seaboch, Philip Suttlemyre, Walter Killian, Lester Killian, Cecil Hunt and Ray Pitts.

Maiden Pastorate
Salem—St Martin
Lutheran Chapel

Rev. W. D. Wise, Pastor

On the second Sunday in April we held communion services in St. Martin's congregation and the third Sunday with Salem. These services were well attended with a goodly number communing. At St. Martin's we confirmed a class of three. We will hold communion services with

Luther's Chapel the second Sunday in this month. At present we have several members on the sick list. Miss Ila Smith and Bro. Monroe Hallman are in the hospital at Lincolnton, both having undergone an operation. Mrs. H. P. Rudisill of Maiden has been indisposed for some time but is getting better. Our prayer is that all those afflicted ones may soon be up and about again.

Obituary:—Mary Elizabeth Seagle (nee) Finger was born April 30, 1841, and died April 14, 1919, being at the time of her death 77 years, 11 months and 14 days. She was baptised in infancy and later on in youth became a confirmed member of the Evangelical Lutheran church in which faith she remained a consistent member until death. On March 21st, 1865 she was married to Abel Jacob Seagle. To this union six children were born. She leaves to mourn her departure besides her husband and two children, four grand children and a host of other relatives and friends. She was a good woman and will be sadly missed by all in the community in which she lived. Her body was laid to rest in Salem cemetery on April 16th, the burial services being conducted by her pastor.

W. D. WISE.

St. James Pastorate
St. James'-Ebenezer

St. Paul's
Rev. W. J. Boger, Pastor

The work in this pastorate is encouraging. Our attendance is uniformly good. The Sunday schools at both churches are the largest in years. Both churches claim that the communions on Easter Sunday and the Sunday following were the largest in years.

At St. James seven were confirmed and one received by letter. At St. Paul's eight were confirmed and two received by letter.

St. James is engaged in beautifying the grounds and making some repairs on the building.

St. Paul's has just completed the addition to the church which gives us two nice Sunday school rooms.

The attendance at Ebenezer is very good and the members seem to appreciate the services.

We are sorry to note the death of the three days' old infant of Brother Wm. Poovey and wife. The parents have our tenderest sympathy.

Baptisms:—John William son of Marvin and Elma Sigmon Mauney, March 19, 1919.

Beulah Victoria, daughter of D. A. and M. A. Arndt, March 30, 1919.

Evans Alfred, son of J. Lester and Mary A. Propst, April 25, 1919.

J. D., son of J. Lester and Mary A. Propst, April 25, 1919.

On April 19th, at the home of Mr. Daniel Wike, the pastor married Mr. Huit L. Arndt and Miss Sallie Wike, and Mr. Cromer Frye and Miss Ethel Wike. These young people have our best wishes for a long, happy life.

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SAMUEL ELCANAH KILLIAN

Samuel Elcanah Killian was born Sept. 9, 1843 and departed this life March 22, 1919, making his sojourn on this earth 75 years, 6 months and 13 days. He was baptised in infancy and having been instructed in the doctrines of our holy religion by the late Dr. P. C. Henkel, on June 9, 1860, he publicly confessed his faith in the Lord Jesus Christ and vowed faithful adherence to the Faith as taught and confessed by the Evangelical Lutheran Church, and was admitted into full communion with the church by the rite of confirmation, and became a member of St. Paul's Congregation, near Newton, N. C. His faith in his Saviour Jesus Christ and his devotion to his church never faltered but grew stronger and richer as he advanced in years. The recognition of his strong Christian character by his brethren in the faith is shown by this that nearly all his life long he occupied a place in the councils of his church both locally and in Synod and Conference. When, in 1884, he moved to Hickory, he transferred his membership to Holy Trinity congregation. A very large part of these years he served his congregation as an officer and Sunday School teacher. He was a member of the building committee that had in charge the erection of this church and was elected secretary and treasurer of that committee. He was a great church member according to the Master's rule—great in service.

Not only in the congregation did he serve His Master and church, he carried the church to his house and home. In his home was the family altar where daily the scripture was read and prayer and thanksgiving offered up to God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ. He believed in feeding the soul as well as the body. Brother Killian rests from his labors, but his works do follow him, and in them, he, though dead, still speaks to us. He has fought a good fight, he has kept the faith, he has finished the course. Peace to his ashes and rest to his soul.

Dec. 20, 1866 he was married to Frances Ann Fry. To them were born one son and five daughters, the son and two daughters having preceded him to the world to come. These were stricken and died of typhoid fever in 1884.

Dec. 8, 1886 he was again married to Alice M. Yount. This union was blessed by one child, a daughter.

He leaves to mourn their loss a wife and four daughters, 23 grand children (three grandchildren having preceded him) and four great grand children together with a very large circle of other relatives and friends.

Brother Killian served his country with the same devotion that he served family and church. When the war between the states arose, he volunteered for service, at the age of 18, in company K of the 46th N. C. Regiment and served throughout the war. After being wounded at the Wilderness he served as sergeant in the quartermaster department until he surrendered with Lee at Appomattox. One

who knew him well has written it up on the pages of history: "Sam Killian, as we know him, has served his country well in peace and war. For 34 years he served his country as a magistrate and justice of the peace. In this capacity he did untold good as a peace maker. Few men enjoyed the confidence of his fellows as he. His advice in legal matters was sought far and near. As a farmer, as a merchant, and in all his business he was eminently successful."

He has done a great deal to make Hickory what it is today. He lent his strong influence to bring Lenoir College here and has served on its Board of Trustees all these years. He has been a director of one of Hickory's successful Building and Loan Associations, and one of her prosperous banks. But his work is finished. Another must catch up his fallen mantle and carry on his great work.

Trinity Pastorate

Trinity, Cedar Grove
Sardis, David's Chapel.

Rev. J. A. Yount, Pastor

Having accepted and taken up the work of the Trinity pastorate in Lincoln county, North Carolina, we find ourselves in the midst of an earnest and appreciative people. When Brother Charles Fulbright conveyed us to the parsonage in his automobile, we were delighted to find things in readiness for us. The pantry was loaded with good things for the table.

On the 4th Sunday of April we completed the first round to the churches in this part of the Lord's vineyard, and to put it mildly we are very favorably impressed with the hearty response of our parishioners. We are now putting in all the time that we can well spare in pastoral visiting and caring for the sick and we are arranging to begin catechetical work in the very near future.

We have arranged to have the installation service at Trinity church on the third Sunday of this month. The Rev. B. D. Wessinger of Cherryville will deliver the charge to the pastor and the Rev. W. J. Roof, the charge to the people. The entire pastorate, together with all interested are very cordially invited to come and take part in the service.

Lenoir Pastorate

St. Stephen, Mt. Zion

Rev. Lester D. Miller, Pastor.

The work of St. Stephen's congregation is very encouraging. The attendance at all of the services is good and seems to be on the increase. Recently the congregation made quite an improvement on the front of the church building, having erected new cement steps and having painted the doors of the church, etc. The Ladies Aid Society furnished the funds for this work, which amounted to about \$35. The congregation has also contributed liberally to the Reconstruction Fund and also to the Seminary Fund. It should also be stated that Mt. Zion congregation made a liberal contribution to the Reconstruction Fund.

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