Poseyville Methodist Church, located 3½ miles north of Bremen, Ga., and about 7 miles Southeast of Buchanan, received its name from one of Haralson County's most prominent pioneer families, "The Poseys".

Two brothers, J. L. and H. C. Posey, once owned most of the land that is now known as Poseyville community. Henry's wife, Sarah, being a very devout woman, saw the need of a Sunday School and sometime before the 19th century gathered a few of the children of the community together and organized a Sunday School in a little old log hut. Later her brother-in-law, J. L. Posey, realizing too, the need of a Sunday School, gave several acres of land and the men of the community got together and built a nice community house for the purpose of holding Sunday School and religious meetings of any denomination. Later the deeds were turned over to the county with the understanding that it should always be used for Sunday School and preaching, as well as literary school. Alas, may who are now Haralson's leading citizens, learned to read and write at old Poseyville School house. Many more can date their spiritual birth back to this place, or remember with pride that Aunt Sarah Posey was their first Sunday School teacher.

This building stood and loyally served her purposes for many years, but the time came when a new building was needed and Haralson County also wished to improve her schools, so Poseyville and Gum Springs were consolidated, the old buildings were torn away and a new one built, but not for the purpose of holding meetings and Sunday School.

In the year of 1926, after the people had heard the sad news, and were wondering what they would do for a meeting place for Sunday School, Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Earnest, of Bowdon Junction, were riding around and stopped by for Sunday School. As was always the custom when any preacher
came he was asked to preach. When they learned of our misfortune they began to talk of organizing a church. The people were hesitant to begin with because they wanted it to stay union and too, they only felt the need of a place for Sunday School, since most of the people belonged to other churches. Finally a few people who were so anxious to have a place of worship and a Sunday School in the community met at the home of J. R. Boggs with Dist. Supt. Bowen, of Mount Zion, and organized The Poseyville M. E. Church North. The Charter members were: Rev. and Mrs. B. F. Earnest, Rev. and Mrs. Ed. Butler, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Boggs, Mrs. Sarah E. Posey, Mr. W. B. Posey and Miss Lucile Boggs.

Several years went by before we got able to build our church as all the people were farmers and had very meager incomes. But finally the day came when we could move into it, and a day of rejoicing it was too, even though it wasn't ceiled and the benches and been made by the "Ladies Aid", which Mrs. Earnest organized before the church was finished. Our first pastor, Rev. Frank Barfield, a young man from Columbus, Ga. came to us before the church was built, and preached to us in an old abandoned house where we held Sunday School, after the School house was torn down. We held our first service in our church built on an acre of land given us by Mr. W. B. Posey in the year 1930.

A. young preacher from North Ga. by the name of Johnson was our second pastor. He only stayed one year and Rev. Mulkey, and elderly man followed him. Brother and Sister Earnest were always present, and with Sister Posey were the main strength of the church. Brother Earnest preached for us on the 4th Sundays until his death in 1942. And our pastors preached on the 2nd Sundays. Sister Posey was the Sunday School Supt. until her death in 1941. They were both active in church work when they died and were past 80. Sister Earnest is still living and very active and is past 80. It was always a joy for Mrs. Posey and the
community, for her son, Rev. J. D. Posey, an outstanding man in the North Georgia Conference of the M. E. Church, South, to visit us and preach for us.

Rev. Loran Parker was the last preacher sent to us while we were the M. E. Church North. He stayed with us for several years and we enjoyed many spiritual feasts during his stay. Rev. Carlock was the district Supt. at this time. Once we were having a great revival and a preacher from Mo. was visiting in the community and attended the revival. He felt his need for the first time of being baptized and requested that Brother Parker baptize him. Two young men, Verlon Agan and Robert Boggs, who are now preaching the gospel were converted in a revival during his pastorate.

We wish to mention, not last nor least, brother Ed Butler, now living in Tallapoosa, who was always a great help in our church, for he could pray as well as preach, and we still feel the strength of his prayers.

About the time Rev. Sams was sent to us the three Methodist churches united and we were put in with the Buchanan Charge and the Rome District, Rev. Frank Pim was our District Supt.

Rev. Charles Williams was to have a Youth Caravan come to Buchanan and the three churches, Bowdon Junction, Poseyville and Buchanan met together for a week of worship, study and recreation, which was very helpful. Rev. Jones, an elderly man, followed him and was very faithful to his duties.

Rev. Hollis Brigman came to us next. During his stay he brought Mrs. Maynard down from Buchanan and she helped us organize a W.S.C.S. of which we are very proud. We have 20 members in our W.S.C.S., and we are working very hard to raise the money to build a new church. Mrs.
David Wood, of Bremen, Georgia is our president, and anyone who wishes to make a donation may send it to her at the above address.

Rev. Oren Schaffer, of Wilmore, Kentucky came to us for a youth revival just as Rev. Brigman was having to go to Conference, and leave for another charge. We wish to report a most wonderful revival during the summer of 1950, Rev. Chambers, our present pastor, had 14 to baptize the first Sunday he preached. We now have a Methodist Youth Fellowship, and a Woman's Society of Christian Service, both of which have 20 members; a Sabbath School of an enrollment of 50, and a Wednesday night prayer band. Our church enrollment is only 30 members, but we feel more encouraged than ever before. Many of our members have moved away in the past few years, but we feel sure more are coming our way. Our Faith and Hope and Trust is in God. Many are praying for a revival, and we believe:

"Let us go forward on our knees".

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