

HISTORY of
ST. JAMES METHODIST CHURCH, ATLANTA, GEORGIA
FIRST CONFERENCE YEAR, 1956-57

BACKGROUND

In the year 1956, Atlanta was a rapidly growing city. Since 1950 its population had increased from 331,314 to more than 500,000. The metropolitan area consisting of the counties of Fulton, DeKalb, Cobb and Clayton had increased in population from 529,755 to nearly 900,000 during this period.

To the north of Peachtree Road and to the east of Wieuca and Roswell Roads lay an area of beautiful rolling woodlands which had waited for centuries to furnish attractive home-sites for this expanding population. In 1956 this area was rapidly becoming a network of newly paved streets along which hundreds of new and attractive homes were being built and occupied.

In this locale and setting, St. James Church came into being - - - a spiritual structure founded on a deep and abiding faith in Christ, and built of the interwoven desires of Christian men and women to worship and serve an everloving Heavenly Father.

PRELIMINARY ACTIVITIES

St. James Methodist Church was founded under the leadership and guidance of Dr. Nat G. Long, District Superintendent of the Atlanta East District of the Methodist Church. Perceiving the need and opportunity for such a church, Dr. Long secured the approval of the Atlanta East District Board of Missions and Church Extension and of Presiding Bishop Arthur J. Moore and set the organization machinery in motion.

From the beginning, this movement received the approval and support of the pastors of neighboring churches. Notably these were:

The Reverend Claud M. Haynes, Pastor of Peachtree Road Methodist Church;
The Reverend Eugene Drinkard, Pastor of the Northside Methodist Church;
The Reverend E. A. Padgett, Pastor of Sardis Methodist Church;
The Reverend D. B. Shelmutt, Pastor of Sandy Springs Methodist Church;
The Reverend E. H. Blackburn, Pastor of the Brookhaven Methodist Church.

With such leadership and support the project could not fail and it did indeed move rapidly and smoothly to complete fruition.

October 1, 1956

Dr. Long appointed four young ministers to make a church survey of the area which the new church would serve. These young men were: Ted. H. Walter, Charles S. Nease, Jr., Tom A. Summers, and Don A. Walsh - all students at the Candler School of Theology, Emory University.

These young men were given scholarships for one year as expression of appreciation for their work. Two scholarships were furnished by Glenn Memorial Methodist Church, Reverend Candler Budd, Pastor; one was furnished by Sardis Methodist Church, Reverend E. A. Padgett, Pastor; and one was furnished by the North Georgia Methodist Conference.

October 11, 1956

Dr. Long addressed a letter to the citizens of the North Atlanta section calling attention to the plans for the new church and to the survey to be made. These citizens were invited to give their wholehearted support to the movement, and a warmhearted reception to the young men who would make the survey.

During the months of October and November the "Four Young Men", as they came to be affectionately called, made a careful survey of the designated area - making more than 1,000 house calls. It was discovered that about 90 percent of the people in the area were members of some church. Many of them were Methodists and expressed active interest in the movement.

Dr. Long became convinced that the situation and time were ripe for the immediate assembling of a new church body and his convictions were put into definite actions.

At this point it seems imminently appropriate to digress from the chronological narration of events to speak further about the four young ministers. To be sure they worked diligently and devotedly through many weeks until they completed their assigned task in a creditable manner. But they did more than that. With their bright and cheering smiles, their faith, and their dauntless courage, they entered not only the homes but also the hearts of the people of North Atlanta.

Upon the organization of the Mission, which will be discussed presently below, these young ministers were designated by Dr. Long, "to preside at the services, do pastoral visiting, lead youth groups, conduct church school, and, in general, offer their services to the new group of Methodists." For attending to these duties their work shall praise them more than could the words of an historian. They became integral parts of the organization which they had labored to create, and an inspiration to all of its members. They continued to serve the group until June, 1957, preaching, teaching, working with the young people, and rendering pastoral service in general.

By mid-November many prospective members of the new church were active in its behalf. In addition to the work being done, a series of prayer services were held in the following homes:

November 13, 1956 - At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Sommer. Leaders: Mr. Don B. Boyer and Mr. Forney W. Brandon. Attending also were Ted Walter, Charles Nease and Tom Summers.

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November 14, 1956 - At the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Sherwood Stout. Attending also were Ted Walter, Don Walsh, and Tom Summers.

November 19, 1956 - At the home of Dr. and Mrs. John W. Thompson. Leaders were Don Walsh and Tom Summers.

The Superintendent of the City Schools, Miss Ira Jarrell, and the Board of Education of Atlanta, graciously consented for the new Methodist group to use the new D. F. McClatchey Elementary School Building, located at 685 Loridans Drive, N. E., for church services and church school.

November 16, 1956

Dr. Long announced a series of services beginning on December 2, 1956, under the auspices of the Atlanta East District Board of Missions and Church Extension. He addressed a letter to all known prospective members of the new church announcing these services - inviting them to attend and requesting them to invite their friends. The services announced and the preacher for each was as follows:

December 2, 1956 - Dr. Nat G. Long, East District Superintendent.

December 9, 1956 - Dr. Paul Worley, Professor of Theology, Emory University.

December 16, 1956 - Dr. Mack B. Stokes, Professor of Church Administration, Emory University.

December 23, 1956 - Chaplain J. R. Esaias, Associate Pastor, Peachtree Road Methodist Church.

December 30, 1956 - Dr. Claud M. Haynes, Pastor of Peachtree Road Methodist Church.

January 6, 1957 - Dr. W. A. Smart, Professor of the New Testament, Emory University.

November 29, 1956

Another prayer service was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Quinton Dobbs, with Mr. William T. Towles and Mr. Wilburn A. Askew as leaders, and attended by Ted Walter, Don Walsh and Tom Summers.

THE MC CLATCHEY METHODIST MISSION

On December 4, 1956, Dr. Long announced that the name of the temporary organization would be, "The McClatchey Methodist Mission." He appointed temporary officers as follows:

Forney W. Brandon, Treasurer; G. Ray Mitchell, Church School Superintendent; John S. Crawford, Lay Leader; Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Chairman of the Flower Committee.

These officers were appointed to serve until the Mission was organized into a full-fledged Methodist church.

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THE FIRST MISSION SERVICE

December 2, 1956

This was an historic day for the members of the McClatchey Methodist Mission. On this day their hopes blossomed into reality as they assembled in the school auditorium for their first public service. The historian can only record this event. It is, of course, impossible to record the emotions which stirred within the breasts of the participants in this service. It will have to suffice that we say it was a service of worship, praise, thanksgiving and dedication.

The Reverend Charles S. Nease, Jr., presided. The Prelude was played by Mrs. Nat G. Long. The Scripture Lesson was read by Reverend Ted Walter. Prayer was led by Reverend Tom Summers.

Announcements were made by Reverend Don Walsh. The Offertory Solo, "How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings", was sung by Mrs. Guy Hutchinson, a member of the Peachtree Road Methodist Church Choir.

The Sermon, "I Love Thy Church O God", was delivered by Dr. Nat G. Long.

The morning offering was \$208.

About 230 persons attended this service. Delegations from Glenn Memorial, Sardis, Peachtree Road, Sandy Springs, Northside and Brookhaven Methodist Churches attended to worship and to extend congratulations and good wishes.

At this point it seems appropriate to make special mention of the music of the new church. The "Call to Worship" for the first service begins ... "O Come, let us sing unto the Lord."

Mrs. S. C. Sommer volunteered to organize and direct the Choir and to arrange for special music during the first year. She conducted weekly Choir practice and developed a Choir which added much to the services. In addition Mrs. Sommers arranged a program of special music for our Easter Service. The members of St. James came to look forward to the quiet meditation and inspiration which were fostered by these music programs.

The following gifted musicians rendered instrumental music at different times:

Mrs. Nat G. Long, Mrs. E. J. Heichlebech, Mrs. Phillip Rhodes, Mrs. James Rogers and Mrs. Paul Snavely.

The following gifted artists rendered vocal selections at morning services:

Mrs. Guy Hutchinson, Mrs. T. N. Griffin, Mrs. James M. Roberts, Mrs. Gus L. Connelly, Dr. Justin Jones, Mrs. J. T. Hutcheson, Mr. Cal Watford, Jr., and Miss Sue Baxter.

By the end of the year St. James had a Choir of which it was justly proud, and Mrs. Sommers and her assistants had made a most important contribution to the worship of the church.

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December 3, 1956

Dr. Long addressed a letter to Mrs. G. Ray Mitchell, Mrs. J. P. Hunter and Mrs. George McKinnon, asking them to call a meeting of the women who were interested in becoming charter members of the new church, for the purpose of electing a temporary leader of women's work, and appointing any temporary committees deemed necessary for carrying on the work. Included in this letter was a list of 83 persons who had indicated the desire to become charter members.

December 4, 1956

Dr. Long appointed Mrs. J. P. Hunter as Church Historian and requested that she collect and preserve records, bulletins, newspaper clippings, letters and other materials pertinent to the history of the church.

December 5, 1956

Dr. Long appointed as a temporary Steering Committee, Mr. John S. Crawford, Mr. G. Ray Mitchell and Mr. Forney W. Brandon. This committee was soon enlarged to include Mr. Jim Gilbert, Mrs. J. P. Hunter, Mr. George McKinnon, Mr. John M. Mount and Mrs. S. C. Sommer.

The Steering Committee was requested to begin thinking about:

1. Elective Stewards
2. Trustees
3. Church School Superintendent
4. Chairmen of the four Commissions
5. Members of the four Commissions
6. Chairman of the Official Board
7. President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service
8. Church Treasurer
9. Music Committee
10. Visitation Teams
11. Appointing Committee to confer with other churches desiring to aid the new church.
12. House and Grounds Committee

December 17, 1956

The four ministers announced that the Steering Committee had set January 27, 1957 as the date for the official organization of the new church.

January 4, 1957

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hunter opened their home for a get-better-acquainted reception for members and friends of the new church. There were 65 persons present for this occasion. Among the guests were Dr. and Mrs. Nat G. Long, Mrs. Arthur J. Moore, Reverend E. A. Padgett, Chaplain and Mrs. J. R. Esaias, Reverend Charles S. Nease, Reverend Tom A. Summers, Reverend Don A. Walsh and Reverend Ted H. Walters.

CHURCH SCHOOL ORGANIZED

January 6, 1957

The Church School was organized on January 6, 1957, with five classes. By the end of the Conference Year, June 30, 1957, it had expanded to include two Nursery classes, one Kindergarten class, two Primary classes, one Junior class, one Intermediate Class and four Adult classes.

On Sunday, January 6, there were sixty-three members present, including one officer. By the end of the Conference Year, the membership had grown to one-hundred and twenty-three members, including five officers. There were one-hundred and seventy members present at the end of September, 1957, including four officers.

Nursery

The Nursery group was comprised of the one, two and three year old children. Six children were present for the organization Sunday. Mrs. Leon D. Lovett was appointed to take charge of this group. Mrs. Lovett served in this capacity for a short time and was superseded by Mrs. William T. Towles.

On February 3, 1957, this age group was divided. The one and two year old children were attended by a maid, with mothers alternating their time. The three year old children were supervised by Mrs. James E. Gilbert and Mrs. Sidney D. Hughes.

Nursery 1 and 2 Year Old

By the end of September, 1957, the attendance of this group had increased from an average of nine to thirteen present each Sunday.

Nursery 3 Year Old

By the end of September, 1957, this group had an average attendance of twelve children present each Sunday.

Kindergarten - 4 and 5 Year Old

Four children were present on the Sunday the Kindergarten was organized. Mrs. Claude R. Keller is the Teacher of this group with Mrs. Stanley H. McCalla and Mrs. Howard B. Harmon, Jr., assisting. By the end of September, 1957, the attendance of this group had increased from an average of ten present to eighteen.

Primary Department - 1, 2 and 3 Grades

Six children were present on January 6 when this class was organized under the direction of Mrs. Don A. Walsh and Mrs. John Ivey. The attendance of this group grew so rapidly that by the end of March, 1957, the class was divided with Mrs. Frank B. Hester teaching the First Grade; Mrs. John S. Crawford teaching the Second Grade; and Mrs. Forney W. Brandon teaching the Third Grade. By the end of September, 1957, each of these classes was enjoying an average attendance of six to eight present each Sunday.

Junior Department - 4, 5 and 6 Grades

Six children were present on January 6 when this class was organized under the direction of Mrs. L. Sherwood Stout. One June 30, 1957, there were nine persons in attendance in this age group; by September, 1957, there were twenty-two present. This class was soon divided with Mrs. W. L. Bost teaching the Fourth Graders; Mrs. T. L. Adams teaching the Fifth Graders; and Mrs. W. G. Parmenter and Mrs. Lloyd Davis, Sr. alternating teaching the Sixth Graders.

Intermediate Class - Youth Division

The Intermediate Class was organized on January 20, with seven members present. Mr. Osgood Clark was appointed teacher. Their first officers were Jimmy Carroll, IV, President; Camille Clements, Secretary; and Perry Mitchell, Treasurer. On June 30 there were ten persons present; on September 29 there were fifteen present. The class was later divided with Mrs. David I. Weeks teaching the Intermediate Class I; and Mrs. Osgood Clark teaching the Intermediate Class II and III.

Senior Department - Youth Division

In September of 1957, we found that we had "grown our own" Senior Department. Six members were taken from the older Intermediate group and formed this class under the leadership of Mr. Charles W. Francis.

Christ Seekers Class - Older Youth

This class was organized on March 17 with four members present and Mr. Tom Sommers, one of the young ministers, as teacher. On June 9, Mr. Alvin O Thomas became the teacher of this group and Mr. C. H. Watford, Jr. was elected the first class President. There were five members present on June 30, and six on September 29.

Trinity Fellowship Class - Adult Division

This class was organized on February 10 with twenty-one members present, and Mrs. G. Ray Mitchell as Teacher. This class was named "Trinity Fellowship" on March 17, and the following served as its first class officers: J. Jerome Felton, President; Mrs. Paul A. Nelson, Vice President; Mrs. Cloyd N. Eberhart, Secretary; and Mrs. Claude R. Keller, Treasurer.

By the end of March, the membership had increased to a total of sixty-four members. At this time the class was divided; the younger married couples forming the New Covenant Class. After the division of this class and by the end of September, this class was enjoying an average attendance of thirty-one persons present.

New Covenant Class - Adult Division

The New Covenant Class was organized on March 31, 1957 with nine members present and under the leadership of Reverend Don A. Walsh. The first officers of this class were: Sebastian Sommers, President; Mrs. A. M. Fleetwood, Secretary and Treasurer.

After Reverend Walsh's new Conference Appointment in June, Mr. Frank B. Hester became the teacher of this young adult group. By the end of September, this group was enjoying an average attendance of sixteen members present each Sunday.

Open Door Class - Adult Division

The class was organized on February 10, 1957, with thirteen members present and Dr. John Ivey as Teacher with Mr. G. Ray Mitchell and Mrs. L. Sherwood Stout as substitute teachers. On March 17 the class was named "The Open Door" to commemorate the doors of North Atlanta which were opened to admit the "four young ministers" which was actually the beginning of St. James Methodist Church.

The first class officers were: H. Cecil Moon, President; Forney W. Brandon, Vice President; Mrs. E. W. Cannon, Secretary; and Mrs. Osgood Clark, Sunshine Chairman. Due to the transfer of Dr. Ivey and Mr. Stout, the class appointed four alternating teachers as follows: Mr. G. Ray Mitchell, Mr. John Sewell, Mr. A. L. Groce and Mr. Lloyd Davis, Sr. By the end of September the average attendance was twenty-one members present each Sunday.

METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP ORGANIZES

January 6, 1957

The Methodist Youth Fellowship had a very modest beginning on January 6, 1957. A total of three members were present - Camille Clements, Jimmy Carroll and Perry Mitchell - and one counselor, Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Jr. The MYF grew rapidly and in two weeks time was able to elect its first officers. They were:

Perry Mitchell, President; Camille Clements, Vice President; Suzanne Robinson, Secretary; Jimmy Carroll, Treasurer; Judy Morgan, Devotions Chairman; Jane Ruthledge, Project Chairman; Jane Campbell, Membership Chairman; and Walt Rodgers and Arnold Johns, Recreation Co-Chairmen.

January 13, 1957

The Timothy Sunday School Class of Peachtree Road Methodist Church gave the new church a beautiful Pulpit Bible, honoring Mrs. G. Ray Mitchell, formerly the teacher of that class.

January 21, 1957

A meeting of the pastors and the Steering Committee was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Ray Mitchell to perfect plans for the official church organization, to select nominees for the various officers and committees of the church.

On this date Dr. Long also addressed a letter to all prospective members and friends of the new church inviting them to be present at the

Organizational Meeting to be held on Sunday, January 27. In this letter it was stated that one-hundred and seventeen persons had indicated their desire to become charter members.

MISSION BECOMES FULL-FLEDGED METHODIST CHURCH

January 27, 1957

This was another historic day for it was the day on which St. James was officially organized as a Methodist Church. It was most appropriate that Dr. Long was present to preside and to deliver the morning sermon. He brought an inspiring and instructive message on the subject, "The Word Became Flesh".

Following the benediction, Dr. Long welcomed a number of distinguished guests. Present were: Mr. Matt G. Perkins, Editor of the Northside News, published in Buckhead; Mrs. Bruce Hayback, representing The Methodist Information and a reporter from the Atlanta Journal and Constitution; and visiting members of Peachtree Road, Sardis, St. Mark and Glenn Memorial Methodist Churches.

The doors of the church were opened and the following persons were received and became the first members of St. James Methodist Church:

Adams, Mrs. T. L.	Hewell, Mr. & Mrs. C. E.
Adamson, Mr. Archie M.	Hopkins, Mrs. George M.
Andrews, Mrs. Archie W.	Hunter, Mrs. J. P.
Boggs, Mr. & Mrs. Luther J.	Ivey, Dr. John E.
Bost, Mrs. W. L.	Jessop, Mrs. Charles E.
Boyer, Mr. & Mrs. D. B.	Johnson, Mrs. Sam S.
Brandon, Mr. & Mrs. Forney W.	Keller, Mr. & Mrs. Claude R.
Bull, Mr. & Mrs. D. B.	Kirby, Mr. & Mrs. George H.
Campbell, Mr. & Mrs. W. F.	Lacy, Mrs. Ben F.
Campbell, Miss Jan	Lovett, Mr. & Mrs. Leon D.
Cannon, Mr. & Mrs. E. Walt	McCalla, Mrs. Stanley H.
Carroll, Mr. & Mrs. James C., III	Mitchell, Mr. & Mrs. G. Ray
Clark, Mr. & Mrs. Osgood	Mitchell, Perry
Clement, Mr. & Mrs. Richard L.	Moon, Mr. & Mrs. H. Cecil
Clement, Miss Camille	Morgan, Mr. & Mrs. Roy F., Sr.
Connelly, Mr. & Mrs. Gus L.	Morgan, Miss Judy
Cook, Mr. & Mrs. Rodney M.	Mount, Mr. & Mrs. John M.
Crawford, Mr. & Mrs. John S.	Nelson, Mrs. Paul A.
Daughtry, Col. G. O. A.	North, Mr. & Mrs. Joe P.
Davis, Mrs. Wilbur, Jr.	Pierce, Mr. & Mrs. T. W.
Denny, Mr. & Mrs. J. W., Jr.	Pierce, Tom R.
Dodd, Mr. & Mrs. M. Harris, Sr.	Pierce, Miss Julia Ann
Durden, Mrs. C. R.	Pottle, Mrs. Joseph E.
Eberhart, Mr. & Mrs. Cloyd M.	Sewell, Mr. & Mrs. John D.
Etling, Mr. & Mrs. Elmer H.	Sewell, Miss Helen
Eubanks, Mr. & Mrs. Lamar L., Jr.	Smith, Mr. & Mrs. H. Frank, Jr.
Eubanks, Mr. Lyndon, Jr.	Sommer, Mr. & Mrs. Sebastian
Felton, Mr. & Mrs. J. Jerome, Jr.	Stout, Mr. & Mrs. L. Sherwood, Sr.
Ferguson, Mr. & Mrs. Reagan, Jr.	Stout, Miss Peggy

Fortinberry, Mrs. S. B., Jr.
Gilbert, Mr. James E.
Gilbert, Brent
Glover, Mr. & Mrs. Noel L.
Groce, Mr. & Mrs. A. L.
Hester, Mr. & Mrs. Frank B.

Stout, L. Sherwood, Jr.
Towles, Mr. & Mrs. Wm. T.
Thomas, Mr. & Mrs. Alvin O.
Thompson, Mr. & Mrs. Roy S., Jr.
Watford, Mr. & Mrs. C. H.
White, Mr. & Mrs. A. R.

The first Church Conference was then called into session and proceeded under provision of the 1952 Discipline to complete the Official Organization.

Dr. Long took this occasion to express his sincere thanks to the members of the Steering Committee who had worked tirelessly in the interest of the new church.

Upon the recommendation of Reverend Don Walsh, Dr. Long requested that Mrs. Osgood Clark and Mrs. Charles Jessup be appointed as secretaries to record the minutes of the Church Conference.

Reverend Don Walsh, as Secretary of the Steering Committee, reported the following nominations for the BOARD OF STEWARDS:

Mr. Don B. Boyer
Mr. Forney W. Brandon
Mr. W. F. Campbell
Mr. E. W. Cannon
Mr. R. L. Clements
Mr. G. L. Connelly
Mr. Rodney M. Cook
Mr. J. W. Denny, Jr.
Mr. Lamar L. Eubanks
Mr. James E. Gilbert
Mr. Frank B. Hester

Mr. C. E. Hewell
Mr. C. R. Keller
Mr. G. H. Kirby
Mr. Leon D. Lovett, Jr.
Mr. Cecil Moon
Mr. J. P. North
Mr. H. Frank Smith, Jr.
Mr. S. C. Sommer
Mr. L. S. Stout
Mr. J. D. Sewell
Mr. T. W. Towles

No nominations were made from the floor and the Stewards nominated were elected.

The Stewards thus elected were asked to be seated in the front of the church.

The Church Conference adjourned and the Quarterly Conference was called into session. Dr. Long pointed out that the Elective Stewards and the four Ministers composed the nucleus of the Quarterly Conference.

The Conference proceeded upon nominations of the Steering Committee, to elect the following to the offices and commissions as indicated:

Trustees by Class

Class of 1957 - Mr. Noel Glover, Mr. S. S. Johnson

Class of 1958 - Mr. E. H. Etling, Mr. John M. Mount

Class of 1959 - Mr. John S. Crawford, Mr. George McKinnon, and
Mr. G. Ray Mitchell

Church School Superintendent - Mr. John M. Mount

Adult Superintendent & Asst. General Superintendent -
Mr. J. E. Gilbert
Youth Superintendent - Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Jr.
Children's Superintendent - Mrs. Forney W. Brandon

Charge Lay Leader - Mr. John S. Crawford

Commissions & Committee Members

Membership and Evangelism - Mr. John S. Crawford, Chairman
Mr. J. W. Denny, Jr., Mr. L. S. Stout, Mrs. M. Harris
Dodd, Mrs. Geo. R. McKinnon, Perry Mitchell and Camille
Clement.

Education - Dr. John E. Ivey, Chairman
Mrs. R. L. Clement, Mrs. C. E. Hewell, Mrs. C. R.
Keller, Mrs. G. Ray Mitchell, Mrs. L. S. Stout.

Missions - Mrs. J. P. Hunter, Chairman
Mrs. D. B. Bull, Mr. George Daughtry, Mrs. C. R. Durden,
Mrs. Den Lacy, Mrs. John M. Mount, Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Jr.,
Mrs. J. P. North.

Finance - Mr. George R. McKinnon, Chairman
Mr. Forney Brandon, Mr. E. W. Cannon, Mr. John M. Mount
Mr. J. P. North.

Committee on Church Property

Mr. John S. Crawford, Mr. E. H. Etling, Mr. Noel Glover, Mr.
S. S. Johnson, Mr. George McKinnon, Mr. G. Ray Mitchell, Mr.
John M. Mount.

History and Records - Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Chairman
Mrs. Osgood Clark, Mrs. Charles Jessop

Pastoral Relations (nominated by virtue of office)

Charge Lay Leader
Chairman of the Board of Stewards
Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Church School Superintendent
President of the Women's Society of Christian Service
President of the Methodist Youth Fellowship
Chairman of the Commission on Evangelism

Ushers and Greeters - Mr. Rodney Cook, Chairman

Mr. L. J. Boggs, Mrs. D. B. Bull, Mr. Osgood Clark, Mr. A. L.
Groce, Mr. Reagan Ferguson, Mr. M. Harris Dodd, Mr. E. W.
Peet, Mr. T. W. Pierce.

The Quarterly Conference thereupon adjourned and the Official Board
convened for its organization meeting and election of officers. The follow-
ing were elected:

Mr. G. Ray Mitchell, Chairman; Mr. Forney W. Brandon, Vice Chairman;
Mr. S. C. Sommer, Secretary; Mr. Don Boyer, Assistant Secretary; Mr.
Archie Adamson, Treasurer; and Mr. J. P. North, Assistant Treasurer.

The Board adjourned and the Church Conference was called back into session for the purpose of selecting a name for our new church. Mrs. J. P. Hunter presented the following names for consideration: St. James, St. Timothy, St. Michael, and St. Andrews. However, selection of a name was deferred until February 3.

Mr. G. Ray Mitchell offered a resolution of appreciation to Dr. Long on behalf of all of the members for his help and effective leadership in organizing our Church. This resolution was adopted unanimously.

Upon motion by Mr. Mitchell the Church Conference adjourned.

At this time Dr. Long announced that Dr. Wilburn Beasley, Professor of Homiletics at the Candler School of Theology, Emory University, and a noted preacher in Southern Methodism, would be the guest preacher during the month of February.

Dr. Beasley preached his first sermon on Sunday morning, February 3, his subject being, "Briefing Modern Joshuas." His service at St. James constitutes an important chapter within itself. Possessed of a genial and captivating personality, and being indeed a scholar of note, he immediately endeared himself to the members of the Church. By his own admission he also became personally attached to the sincere and enthusiastic workers for Christ in this new congregation. His service and fellowship with the Church did not end with February. His well chosen sermons and scholarly interpretations of the profound truths of Christianity could not be voluntarily dispensed with by the Church and he was persuaded to continue his ministry through March, April, May and June. He occupied the pulpit at most of the Sunday morning services during these months.

Dr. Beasley's last sermon was delivered on Sunday, June 23, just one week before the arrival of the new minister assigned to St. James by the Methodist Conference.

At the conclusion of his final service Dr. Beasley was presented a check by Mr. G. Ray Mitchell, Chairman of the Official Board, on behalf of the Church. While this gift was a token of appreciation, Mr. Mitchell referred to the fact that it could be considered only as a token and not full representation of the love and esteem of the congregation. Dr. Beasley was, and is, a part of St. James.

THE WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE
ORGANIZES

January 25, 1957

The Committee on Nominations for the Women's Society of Christian Service met at the home of Mrs. J. P. Hunter, on January 25, 1957, to select nominees for the various offices of the Woman's Society. The following were members of this committee:

Mrs. J. P. Hunter, Chairman; Mrs. Charles Jessop, Secretary;
Mrs. Osgood Clark, Mrs. John W. Mount, Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Jr.
Mrs. W. F. Campbell, and Mrs. James E. Gilbert.

January 29, 1957

On this date thirty-five women met in the home of Mrs. Rodney Cook, 5775 Long Island Drive, N. E., to organize the Woman's Society of Christian Service. Mrs. J. P. Hunter presented the slate of officers as selected by the Committee on Nominations. The following were elected and installed by Mrs. W. A. Mendenhall, President of the Woman's Society of Christian Service for the Atlanta East District:

Mrs. Rodney M. Cook, President; Mrs. John M. Mount, Vice President; Mrs. Osgood Clark, Secretary; Mrs. Charles Jessop, Treasurer; Mrs. J. P. North, Sec'y. of Promotion; Mrs. W. F. Campbell, Sec'y. of Missionary Education and Service; Mrs. J. D. Sewell, Sec'y. of Student Work; Mrs. C. E. Hewell, Sec'y. of Christian Social Relations; Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Jr., Sec'y. of Youth Work; Mrs. W. T. Towles, Sec'y. of Children's Work; Mrs. G. Ray Mitchell, Spiritual Life Leader; Mrs. James E. Gilbert, Sec'y. of Literature and Publications; Mrs. J. S. Crawford, Sec'y. of Supply Work; Mrs. E. W. Cannon, Status of Women; and Mrs. J. W. Denny, Jr., Chairman of Local Church Activities.

Mrs. Arthur J. Moore and Mrs. Nat G. Long were guests for this occasion.

FIVE MONTHS OF GREAT ACTIVITY

Following its organization meeting, St. James continued to be, as Dr. Long expressed it, "The extension of the Incarnation - a fellowship of workers in the name of Christ."

CHURCH IS NAMED ST. JAMES METHODIST CHURCH - February 3, 1957

Immediately following morning services conducted by Dr. Wilburn Beasley, a Church Conference was called and the new church was officially named "St. James Methodist Church", of Atlanta, Georgia

February 10, 1957

A Preparatory Membership Class was begun for young people who were desirous of becoming church members. This class for religious instruction continued under the tutelage of the young ministers until the week before Easter.

February 18, 1957

The first monthly meeting of the Official Board was held at the Dixie House Restaurant. At this meeting it was determined that regular monthly meetings would be held on the third Monday night of each month.

February 27, 1957

A Property and Locations Committee was appointed by Mr. G. Ray Mitchell, Chairman of the Official Board, to work with the Board of Trustees, to look

for and receive suggestions from members relative to a desirable location for a church building. Members of this committee were: C. H. Watford, Osgood Clar, Mrs. C. R. Durden and the seven Trustees.

March 11, 1957

The first monthly meeting of the Commission on Missions was held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Hunter. This Commission decided to hold regular monthly meetings on the second Monday night of each month.

March 24, 1957

The Official Board announced the following Committee on Visitations to the sick: Mrs. George R. McKinnon, Chairman; Mrs. D. B. Bull, and Mr. James W. Denny, Jr.

Mrs. E. W. Cannon was appointed by the Board as Communion Stewardess.

The Board of Trustees announced its officers as follows: Mr. E. H. Etling, Chairman; Mr. George R. McKinnon, Vice Chairman; and Mr. John M. Mount, Secretary.

March 25, 1957

The first meeting of the Commission on Membership and Evangelism was held at the home of Mrs. George R. McKinnon. The Commission decided to conduct a Visitation Evangelism Campaign from May 12 through May 12, 1958.

March 31, 1957

Miss Helen Sewell was hostess at a drop-in meeting, at her home, for those interested in Older Youth and Young Adult classes in the Church School.

April 1, 1957

The Commission on Education met in the home of Mrs. Richard Clements. At this meeting it was decided that regular meetings of this Commission would be held on the first Monday night of each month.

April 7, 1957

This day was designated "Methodist Youth Fellowship Day." As a symbol of ultimate Christian fellowship, the youth of this group lovingly donated to the church a beautiful sterling communion set consisting of a base, four trays of communion glasses, and two silver trays.

This communion set was used at the first Holy Communion Service conducted by Dr. Wilburn Beasley on this date.

April 14, 1957

This Palm Sunday was a joyful day at St. James. The class of eleven young people who had been receiving instructions in Methodist beliefs and history were received into full church membership.

St. James was honored on this occasion to receive as a gift from this class of young people a bronze baptismal font. Members of the Preparatory Class were:

Dorothy Ann Brandon, Al Clements, Rick Clements, Sandra Crawford, Marie Hughes, Rebecca Hughes, Arnold Johns, Jr., Sherry Mooney, Sandra McCalla, Linda Stout, and Mary Stout.

April 21, 1957

Reminiscent of the days when the Wise Men visited the Christ Child, it seemed that everyone "came bearing gifts." The Women's Society of Christian Service gave the choir a complete set of robes. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Watkins, friends from Oxford, North Carolina, donated caps to match the choir robes.

The robes and caps were first worn on Easter morning. Dr. Wilburn Beasley conducted the worship service.

May 9, 1957

The Fourth Quarterly Conference of St. James Methodist Church was held on May 9, 1957. Since this conference received reports on the first year's activities of the church, and elected officers for the new Conference Year 1957-1958, the complete minutes are included:

"The Fourth Quarterly Conference of the St. James Methodist Church was called by Dr. Nat G. Long, Superintendent of the Atlanta East District, of the North Georgia Conference, in accordance with the requirements of the 1956 Discipline, paragraphs 139, 154, 168, 170-72 and 180. The meeting was held at 7:30 P.M., May 9, 1957, at the D. F. McClatchey School, located 685 Loridans Drive, N. E., Fulton County, Atlanta, Georgia.

Mrs. Osgood Clark was appointed Recording Steward for this meeting. After a brief period of worship, Dr. Long expressed his appreciation to the Reverends Charles Nease, Tom Summers, Ted Walters and Don Walsh, for the splendid work they had done for St. James.

The members of the Official Board present for this conference were Messers: Don B. Boyer, R. L. Clements, C. L. Connelly, Leon D. Lovett, Jr., Cecil Moon, J. P. North, J. D. Sewell, H. Frank Smith, Jr., S. C. Sommer, L. S. Stout, W. T. Towles, John M. Mount, Archie M. Adamson, G. Ray Mitchell, George R. McKinnon, and John S. Crawford.

At this point Dr. Long conducted the business session of the conference and the following reports were received:

MEMBERSHIP & EVANGELISM - Mr. John S. Crawford, Chairman. This Committee has held three meetings. A planned Visitation Program has been set for May 12 to run through May 16. Plans have been made to contact some 200 homes in this area who are potential members for St. James. At present there are approximately 157 members on the current Church Roll.

EDUCATION - Dr. John Ivey, Chairman. Due to Dr. Ivey's transfer from this State, Mr. John Mount gave this report. There are 11 organized Sunday School Classes at present - approximately 184 members on roll. The average attendance for Sunday School (all ages) is 135. The Sunday School Collection to date is \$562.66 - with \$92.37 paid out. Collections from the Methodist Youth Fellowship total to date is \$13.20, with an average attendance of 10 persons.

MISSIONS - Mrs. J. P. Hunter, Chairman. This commission meets on the second Monday of each month. There has been \$200 spent on Missions to date - the breakdown is as follows: \$25 to Camp Glisson, \$50 Wesley House, \$25 to the J. Allen Couch School for lunches for needy children, \$25 to Korean Orphans, \$50 for extra missions, conference funds, and literature, and \$25 in reserve for contingencies. The commission is in full cooperation with the Commission on Membership and Evangelism which will launch their Visitation Evangelism Program beginning May 12, 1957.

WOMAN'S SOCIETY OF CHRISTIAN SERVICE - Mrs. Rodney M. Cook, President. The total membership of the society to date is 48. Beginning June 1, 1957, the society will be organized into three Circles which will meet in the homes with the General Meetings being held on the same day, first Monday in the month, at the Atlanta Federal Savings and Loan Association auditorium on Peachtree Road, in Buckhead. The society has made a gift of choir robes to the church. Total cash receipts from all sources have mounted to \$241.21. The society has sent to Women's Society of the North Georgia Conference the amount of \$76.55. The balance in the treasury to date is \$64.66 after paying \$100 toward the choir robes.

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE - Mr. George R. McKinnon, Chairman. A budget has been prepared for the coming year and has been submitted to the Official Board for approval. A salary - \$5,000 minimum per year, has been set aside for the new minister, with an additional \$600 for his travel and expense.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Mr. Archie M. Adamson reported a total of \$15,386.70 as received from the beginning - December 2, 1956 through April 30, 1957. Of this amount \$3,532.10 was received through envelopes and pledges. \$2,147.03 was received through plate offerings, and \$9.707.57 by special contributions. Total disbursements have amounted to \$1,729.65 leaving a balance on hand of \$13,657.05. Excluded from this report is money which has been set aside for building and property.

Dr. Long stated, at this point, that Peachtree Road Methodist Church has budgeted \$15,000 to us in their 1957-58 Budget.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES - Mr. George R. McKinnon reported for Mr. E. H. Etling, Chairman. A committee has been appointed to look for a possible land site. There has been no definite decision made as to possible location, nor is there any particular location in mind at present.

METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP - Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Jr., Youth Superintendent. The total membership to date is 17 - 10 young people and 5 workers. The MYF has held a special study on missions which led into a Pledge Service. Also the young people have been engaged in a special training course for church membership. The MYF undertook as a project the furnishing of the Communion Service to the church.

REPORT OF PASTOR - The Reverend Charles S. Nease, Jr. reported that there were 153 members on the present church roll. The number received for baptism is 12 (included 1 infant). There have been 14 persons received on Profession of Faith, 127 transferred from Other Methodist Churches, and 12 from Other Denominations.

CHURCH LAY LEADER - Mr. John S. Crawford Reported that as Lay Leader he will work with the Methodist Rally Day which is coming up in the near future. Also he is working with the Visitation Evangelism Committee to raise the church membership.

Dr. Long called on each of the other ministers who had been working with St. James for a brief report.

Reverend Don Walsh stated that one of the highlights of his work had been in preparing the youth for church membership. On Palm Sunday, eleven of these young people were received into the church.

Reverend Ted Walters reported that the spiritual life of the church members was very high; also the desire for learning is great and the people are to be commended for the progress they have made.

Reverend Tom Summers stated that the church's great progress could be attributed to its steady growth in membership. Working with the various groups had certainly added to his own education.

As a matter of interest to those in attendance at this conference, Dr. Long suggested that the ministers tell what they were going to be doing for the summer months. Reverend Charles Nease was to work in the South Georgia Conference, he had been appointed to preach at a church. Reverend Don Walsh graduates from the Candler School of Theology in June - he has been transferred to the Florida Conference, and will assume pastorate in the St. Petersburg District. Reverend Ted Walters received an appointment in the Rock Hill District, and will serve in a church in Lancaster, South Carolina. Reverend Tom Summers will be assigned to the Board of Education for five and one-half weeks in Columbia, South Carolina, five and one-half weeks in another church in Charlotte, North Carolina.

Mr. G. Ray Mitchell as Chairman of the Official Board, and for the conference records, expressed on behalf of all members of the St. James Methodist Church the sincere, deep appreciation for the young ministers help in organizing our church, and promoting its progress for the past several months. The appreciation expressed by Mr. Mitchell also included Dr. Wilburn Beasley who was not present.

REPORT OF PASTOR

ELECTION OF 1957-1958 OFFICERS - Dr. Long asked that Mr. S. C. Sommers, Secretary of the Committee on Nominations, come forward and read the list of officers as chosen by the committee. They were as follows:

ELECTIVE STEWARDS

Archie M. Adamson	Frank B. Hester
Don B. Boyer	C. E. Hewell
Forney W. Brandon	C. R. Keller
W. F. Campbell	G. H. Kirby
E. W. Cannon	Leon D. Lovette, Jr.
James C. Carroll, III	H. Cecil Moon
Osgood Clark, Jr.	Joe P. North
R. L. Clements	J. D. Sewell
J. W. Denny, Jr.	H. Frank Smith, Jr.
M. Harris Dodd, Sr.	L. S. Stout
Lamar L. Eubanks	Roy Thompson
Reagan Ferguson, Jr.	W. T. Towles
James E. Gilbert	C. H. Watford
A. L. Groce	A. R. White

Recording Steward - Sebastian Sommers
Communion Stewardess - Mrs. E. W. Cannon
District Steward - George R. McKinnon
Reserve District Steward - J. P. North
Delegate to District Conference - Sebastian Sommer
Reserve to District Conference - Don B. Boyer
Delegate to Annual Conference - G. Ray Mitchell
Reserve Delegate to Annual Conference - John M. Mount
Church Lay Leader - John S. Crawford
Church School Superintendent - John M. Mount
Adult Superintendent - James E. Gilbert
Youth Superintendent - Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Jr.
Children's Superintendent - Mrs. W. T. Towles

BOARD OF TRUSTEES & COMMITTEE ON CHURCH PROPERTY

Class of 1960 - Noel Glover, G. Ray Mitchell
Class of 1959 - George R. McKinnon, John S. Crawford
Class of 1958 - E. H. Etling, John M. Mount

COMMISSIONS

Membership & Evangelism

John S. Crawford, Chairman; J. W. Denny, Jr.; L. S. Stout;
Mrs. M. Harris Dodd; Mrs. George R. McKinnon; Perry Mitchell
and Camille Clements.

Education

Rodney M. Cook, Chairman; Mrs. R. L. Clements; Mrs. C. E. Hewell;
Mrs. C. R. Keller; Mrs. G. Ray Mitchell; Osgood Clark; Mrs. H.
Frank Smith, Jr. and Mrs. W. T. Towles.

Missions

Col. G. O. A. Daughtry, Chairman; Mrs. J. P. Hunter; Mrs. D. B. Bull; Sidney D. Hughes; Mrs. A. M. Fleetwood; Mrs. J. M. Mount; Mrs. J. P. North; Jim Carroll, III and H. Frank Smith, Jr.

Finance

George R. McKinnon, Chairman; Forney W. Brandon; E. W. Cannon; John M. Mount; E. H. Etling and J. P. North.

History & Records

Mrs. Osgood Clark, Chairman; Mrs. H. Frank Smith, Jr.; Mrs. Rodney M. Cook and Mrs. E. W. Cannon.

The slate of officers as read was unanimously approved.

Before closing the Quarterly Conference, Dr. Long asked if there were any other items of business that should be discussed at this time.

Mr. John M. Mount made the motion that the Charter Membership be closed on June 30, 1957. The motion was seconded and approved with the understanding that this should be published in the church bulletin during the Visitation Evangelism Week. Any person who committed himself to membership on or before that date, but for pertinent reasons was not received by that time, will be considered a charter member.

In closing the conference, Dr. Long gave a brief report of progress of other newly established churches which would serve as a yardstick to measure our six months progress.

The motion was made that the conference adjourn. Mr. John S. Crawford extended thanks and appreciation to Dr. Long for conducting the meeting."

May 12, 1957

Interest in the young people of the church became very early a tradition at St. James. In keeping with this fact the church decided to sponsor a soft-ball team in the Y.M.C.A. League. Rodney M. Cook, and Don Walsh agreed to accept leadership.

May 26, 1957

Following the Sunday evening service this date a reception was held at the church honoring the four young ministers. In addition to many expressions of deep and sincere appreciation for their loyal and effective service to St. James, each of the young ministers was given a check and a pen and pencil set. Perhaps no gathering at St. James will ever surpass this one in the unanimity of feelings and expressions.

June 9, 1957

This was another red letter day for St. James. At a called Quarterly Conference, the church authorized the Trustees to purchase a parsonage. Full minutes of this conference are given herewith:

"Quarterly Conference of St. James Methodist Church was called on June 9, 1957, by Dr. Wilburn Beasley, Pastor. During the conference, Mr. E. H. Etling, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, reported on the group's work in trying to find a suitable residence to serve as the church parsonage. Mr. Etling recommended the Board be authorized to purchase the property, and Mr. James E. Gilbert made the following motion:

'That this Quarterly Conference authorize the Trustees to proceed with the purchase of the home at 4020 N. Ivy Road, N. E., so that it may be available for our minister late this month. This action shall be confirmed by a second Quarterly Conference to meet on June 23 as provided by the Discipline.'

This motion was seconded by Joe P. North and adopted by unanimous voice vote of the Conference."

The purchase price of the parsonage was \$24,000.

ST. JAMES WELCOMES ITS FIRST CONFERENCE APPOINTED PASTOR

On June 22, 1957, Bishop Arthur J. Moore, Presiding Bishop of the North Georgia Annual Conference, announced the appointment of Dr. Robert V. Ozment to the pastorate of St. James Methodist Church.

Thereupon, and following the purchase of the parsonage, there was excited action among the church members. The parsonage had to be furnished - but not only furnished - it must be furnished completely and beautifully. New carpets must be laid, air-conditioning installed, new curtains artistically selected and draped, walls redecorated, kitchen and laundry facilities installed.

June 26, 1957

Dr. and Mrs. Robert V. Ozment arrived and were duly welcomed and installed in their new home.

Dr. Robert V. Ozment is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Lon V. Ozment, of Rome, Georgia. Dr. Ozment graduated from Coosa High School, Floyd County, and attended Young Harris College. He received his B.S. degree from Jacksonville St. College, Jacksonville, Alabama. He attended the Candler School of Theology, Emory University and received his D.B. degree from this institution. Dr. Ozment studied at Harvard and Boston Universities and received his Doctor of Philosophy degree from Boston University.

Dr. Ozment served as the minister of six rural churches in the Western North Carolina Methodist conference at the age of seventeen. He has served in the following locations:

North Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Massachusetts, and Havana, Cuba. Dr. Ozment was the minister of the University Methodist Church in Havana, Cuba, for one year.

A year ago Bishop Arthur J. Moore appointed Dr. Ozment to the Allen Memorial Methodist Church, Oxford, Georgia. He served the college church and taught in the college, which is a division of Emory University. His weekly column is published in nineteen Georgia newspapers.

He is married to the former Miss Arah Jane Lingerfelt of Dahlonega, Ga.

June 30, 1957

Dr. Ozment conducted his first service at St. James on Sunday morning, June 30. Following the call to worship, Mr. John S. Crawford officially greeted and welcomed Dr. Ozment on behalf of the church membership.

At the close of this first Conference Year, the membership of St. James had increased from the original 111 members to 175 members.

An era of great progress and service seems to be in the future path of St. James. With Faith in Christ and looking to Him for Strength and guidance, the congregation of the church is devotedly planning great accomplishments.

APPENDICES:

The Charter Membership of St. James, a Financial Statement covering the first conference year, and a statement of the budget adopted for the second year, appear as appendices I, II, and III, respectively.

APPENDIX I

CHARTER MEMBERSHIP OF ST. JAMES

Abernathy, Mr. Sidney G.
Abernathy, Mrs. Sidney G.
Adams, Mr. T. L.
Adams, Mrs. T. L.
Adamson, Mr. Archie M.
Andrews, Mr. Archie W.
Andrews, Mrs. Archie W.
Barber, Mr. Walter E.
Barber, Mrs. Walter E.
Barton, Mrs. J. B., III
Boggs, Mr. Luther J.
Boggs, Mrs. Luther J.
Bost, Mrs. W. L.
Boyer, Mr. Don B.
Boyer, Mrs. Don B.
Brandon, Mr. Forney W.
Brandon, Mrs. Forney W.

Brandon, Miss Dorothy
Bumfield, Mr. W. O.
Bumfield, Mrs. W. O.
Bull, Mr. D. B.
Bull, Mrs. D. B.
Campbell, Mr. W. F.
Campbell, Mrs. W. F.
Campbell, Miss Jan
Cannon, Mr. E. Walt
Cannon, Mrs. E. Walt
Cannon, Terry
Carroll, Mr. James C., III
Carroll, Mrs. James C., III
Carroll, James C., IV
Chamberlain, Mr. J. Mark, Jr.
Chamberlain, Mrs. J. Mark, Jr.
Clark, Mr. Osgood, Jr.

Clark, Mrs. Osgood, Jr.
 Clements, Mr. Richard L.
 Clements, Mrs. Richard L.
 Clements, Al
 Clements, Rick
 Clements, Camille
 Connelly, Mr. Gus L.
 Connelly, Mrs. Gus L.
 Cook, Mr. Rodney M.
 Cook, Mrs. Rodney M.
 Crawford, Mr. John S.
 Crawford, Mrs. John S.
 Crawford, Miss Sandra
 Cummings, Mr. Ted A.
 Cummings, Mrs. Ted A.
 Daughtry, Col. George O. A.
 Davis, Mr. Lloyd, Sr.
 Davis, Mrs. Lloyd, Sr.
 Davis, Lloyd, Jr.
 Davis, Shipley
 Davis, Mrs. Wilbur J.
 Denny, Mr. J. W., Jr.
 Denny, Mrs. J. W., Jr.
 Dobbs, Mr. A. Quinton
 Dobbs, Mrs. A. Quinton
 Dodd, Mr. M. Harris
 Dodd, Mrs. M. Harris
 Duncan, Mr. K. T.
 Duncan, Mrs. K. T.
 Durden, Mr. Cecil R.
 Durden, Mrs. Cecil R.
 Earnest, Mrs. J. D.
 Eberhart, Mr. Cloyd M.
 Eberhart, Mrs. Cloyd M.
 Etling, Mrs. Elmer H.
 Etling, Mr. Elmer H.
 Eubanks, Mr. Lamar L.
 Eubanks, Mrs. Lamar L.
 Eubanks, Mr. Lyndon L., Jr.
 Felton, Mr. Jerome J., Jr.
 Felton, Mrs. Jerome J., Jr.
 Ferguson, Mr. Reagan, Jr.
 Ferguson, Mrs. Reagan, Jr.
 Fleetwood, Mr. Allison M.
 Fleetwood, Mrs. Allison M.
 Ford, Mr. J. K.
 Ford, Mrs. J. K.
 Ford, Tommy
 Fortinberry, Mrs. S. B., Jr.
 Francis, Mr. Charles W.
 Francis, Mrs. Charles W.
 Gilbert, Mr. James E.
 Gilbert, Mrs. James E.
 Gilbert, James Brent

Glover, Mr. Noel L.
 Glover, Mrs. Noel L.
 Groce, Mr. A. L.
 Groce, Mrs. A. L.
 Hacker, Mrs. John P., Jr.
 Harmon, Mrs. Howard B., Jr.
 Hester, Mr. Frank B.
 Hester, Mrs. Frank B.
 Hewell, Mr. C. E.
 Hewell, Mrs. C. E.
 Hopkins, Mrs. George M.
 Hughes, Mr. Sidney D.
 Hughes, Mrs. Sidney D.
 Hughes, Miss Marie
 Hughes, Miss Rebecca
 Hunter, Mr. J. P.
 Hunter, Mrs. J. P.
 Hunter, J. Powell, Jr.
 Ivey, Dr. John E.
 Ivey, Mrs. John E.
 Ivey, Miss Jo
 Jessop, Mrs. Charles L.
 Johns, Mr. A. E.
 Johns, Mrs. A. E.
 Johns, Arnold, Jr.
 Johnson, Mrs. Sam S.
 Keller, Mr. Claude R.
 Keller, Mrs. Claude R.
 Kirby, Mr. George H.
 Kirby, Mrs. George H.
 Lacy, Mrs. Benj. F.
 Lacy, Mrs. David M.
 Lacy, Mr. David M.
 Lee, Mr. Thomas B.
 Lee, Mrs. Thomas B.
 Lee, Miss Carolyn Elizabeth
 Lee, Thomas B., Jr.
 Lovett, Mr. Leon D., Jr.
 Lovett, Mrs. Leon D., Jr.
 McCalla, Mr. Stanley H.
 McCalla, Mrs. Stanley H.
 McFadden, Mr. John F.
 McFadden, Mrs. John F.
 McKinnon, Mr. George R.
 McKinnon, Mrs. George H.
 McKinnon, Frank W.
 Mitchell, Mr. G. Ray
 Mitchell, Mrs. G. Ray
 Mitchell, Perry
 Moon, Mr. H. Cecil
 Moon, Mrs. H. Cecil
 Mooney, Mr. W. M.
 Mooney, Mrs. W. M.
 Mooney, Miss Sherry

Morgan, Mr. James W.
Morgan, Mrs. James W.
Morgan, Mr. Roy F., Sr.
Morgan, Mrs. Roy F., Sr.
Morgan, Miss Judith
Mount, Mr. John M.
Mount, Mrs. John M.
Nelson, Mr. Paul A.
Nelson, Mrs. Paul A.
North, Mr. Joe P.
North, Mrs. Joe P.
Parmenter, Mrs. W. G.
Parmenter, David
Parmenter, Jim
Parmenter, Tom
Parsons, Mr. Thomas S.
Parsons, Mrs. Thomas S.
Pierce, Mr. T. W.
Pierce, Mrs. T. W.
Pierce, Tom R., Jr.
Pierce, Miss Julia Ann
Pottle, Mrs. Joseph E.
Rolader, Dr. I. C., Jr.
Rolader, Mrs. I. C., Jr.
Sewell, Mr. John D.
Sewell, Mrs. John D.
Sewell, Miss Helen
Smith, Mr. H. Frank, Jr.
Smith, Mrs. H. Frank, Jr.
Sommer, Mr. Sebastian
Sommer, Mrs. Sebastian
Stevens, Blair
Stout, Mr. L. Sherwood
Stout, Mrs. L. Sherwood
Stout, L. Sherwood, Jr.
Stout, Miss Linda
Stout, Miss Mary
Stout, Miss Peggy
Thomas, Mr. O. Alvin, Jr.
Thomas, Mrs. O. Alvin, Jr.
Thompson, Dr. John W.
Thompson, Mrs. John W.
Thompson, John W., Jr.
Thompson, Mr. Roy S., Jr.
Thompson, Mrs. Roy S., Jr.
Thompson, Scott G.
Towles, Mr. William T.
Towles, Mrs. William T.
Vaughn, Mr. Lewis M.
Vaughn, Mrs. Lewis M.
Vawter, Mrs. William I.
Vawter, Mr. William I.
Walker, Mr. James F.
Walker, Mrs. James F.

Warren, Mr. Edward
Warren, Mrs. Edward
Watford, Mr. C. H.
Watford, Mrs. C. H.
Watford, Mr. C. H., Jr.
Weeks, Mr. David I.
Weeks, Mrs. David I.
Weeks, David I., Jr.
Weeks, Miss Nancy
White, Mr. A. R.
White, Mrs. A. R.

APPENDIX II

FINANCIAL REPORT
ST. JAMES METHODIST CHURCH
YEAR 1956 - 1957

Receipts:	As of May 31, 1957	June	As of June 30, 1957
Interest and Dividends	\$	\$ 43.75	\$ 43.75
Church School	641.98	156.02	798.00
Plate Cash	1,787.15	164.72	1,951.87
Pledges	4,440.50	1,063.00	5,503.50
Special Collections	74.15		74.15
Building Fund	3,043.77	20.00	3,063.77
Lot Fund	5,060.00		5,060.00
Unallocated Special Gifts.	1,525.00	1,000.00	2,525.00
Loan		7,000.00	7,000.00
Miscellaneous	334.65	1,832.52	2,167.17
	<u>\$16,907.20</u>	<u>\$11,280.01</u>	<u>\$28,187.21</u>

Disbursements:

Parsonage	\$	\$12,219.34	\$12,219.34
Parsonage Furnishings		2,194.43	2,194.43
Minister	660.00	80.00	740.00
Music	140.00	55.72	195.72
Janitor and Maid	336.00	77.00	413.00
Office Supplies	24.98	4.00	28.98
Flowers	138.97	55.37	194.34
Postage, etc..	52.39	4.20	56.59
Heat & Lights	284.00		284.00
Church School	119.50	69.01	188.51
Methodist Expansion Day	125.00		125.00
Commission on Missions	125.00	50.00	175.00
Advances	552.70	37.50	590.20
Hymn Book & Miscellaneous	526.97	196.22	723.19
	<u>\$ 3,085.51</u>	<u>\$15,042.79</u>	<u>\$18,128.30</u>
Balance:	<u>\$13,821.69</u>	<u>(\$ 3,762.78)</u>	<u>\$10,058.91</u>

Building Fund	\$ 3,063.77
Lot Fund	5,060.00
Current Expense Fund	1,935.14
	<u>\$10,058.91</u>
The Citizens and Southern Buckhead Bank	\$ 2,040.14
The Citizens and Southern Buckhead Bank Savings Account	5,000.00
Atlanta Federal Savings and Loan Association Building Fund a/c/	3,018.77
	<u>\$10,058.91</u>

APPENDIX III

ST. JAMES METHODIST CHURCH
BUDGET FOR YEAR 1957-58

Pastor's Salary	\$ 5,400.00
Pastor's car allowance	600.00
District Superintendent's Fund 9%	486.00
Bishop's Fund (Episcopal Fund) 2%	108.00
Conference Claimants 16%	864.00
Minimum salary fund 2%	108.00
Music	2,300.00
Utilities and Janitor	1,200.00
Insurance	210.00
Office Supplies	700.00
Secretary	600.00
Flowers	250.00
Sunday School	150.00
Commission on Missions	1,500.00
Contingency Fund	1,500.00
Parsonage (Loan Payments)	1,440.00
Loan from Bank	3,500.00
Furniture for Parsonage	1,500.00
Interest on Bank Loan	1,250.00
Fund for Church Building and Site	17,000.00
	<u>\$40,666.00</u>

History and Records Committee:

Mrs. H. Frank Smoth, Chairman

Mrs. Osgood Clark

Mrs. Charles Jessop

Historian: W. O. Brumfield