SHILOH METHODIST CHURCH

Shiloh Methodist Church, which is located four (4) miles south of Buford, on the Lawrenceville Highway, was organized in August, 1873, after a group of people had been invited to hold a series of meetings at the home of an elderly lady, affectionately called Aunt Myra Walker. She lived at that time in a one-room house across the road from the present Church site. Rev. R. P. Martin, with other Ministers of the Gospel, preached during this series of meetings; at which time a great revival broke out and there were many lives dedicated to Christ, and others rededicated. The names of some of these were as follows:

George W. Pharr      Lizzie Pattillo
Georgia Pharr         S. J. Pattillo
A. W. Gunter          A. T. Pattillo
R. W. Gunter          Fannie Pharr
M. E. Gunter          Owen Pharr

At this time the Church was organized, although the Church Building was not erected till 1876 and was valued at $400.00. The charter members were as follows:

James A. Pattillo     Rebecca Pharr
Mary E. Pattillo      Georgia Pharr
C. L. Pattillo        Julia E. Pharr
Jane Pattillo         Wash Pharr
Alfred T. Pattillo    A. P. Brooks
Sam J. Pattillo       Marcella Brooks
Lizzie Pattillo       H. F. Gunter
John N. Pharr         A. M. Gunter
George W. Pharr       H. M. Gunter
J. C. Hughes          Owen Pharr
Julia Hughes          J. E. Sudderth
Of this number, one was called to preach, C. L. Pattillo who devoted his life to God's Work. Pattillo Memorial Church of Decatur, Ga., was organized by him and named in his honor.

Several of the Pharr Families children have made devout Methodist ministers. At the time Shiloh was organized, not many people had any way to get to Church except to walk; therefore they desired a place to worship in their walking distance.

In the year 1896, a group of children who were playing Church near the Community School House were touched by Higher Powers and another great revival followed. In the year of 1910, Rev. T. M. Luke held a Tent Meeting on the Church ground in which resulted a great revival. This Church has been served from various charges as Flowery Branch, Dacula, Chicopee, Buford and at present by Rock Spring charge. With improvements all along, the Church is not valued at $2,000, including 1/2 acre of land, which was deeded for the church by James A. Pattillo. Ministers who have pastored this church are as follows:

Rev. R. P. Martin - 1873
Rev. W. H. Tokes - 1874-1876
Rev. Joseph Carr - 1877
Rev. J. R. Smith - 1878
Rev. W. P. Smith - 1879
Rev. J. M. Armstrong - 1880
Rev. W. W. Winn - 1881-1882
Rev. H. L. Edmonds - 1886
Rev. W. W. Oslin - 1887-1890
Rev. J. C. Davies - 1891
Rev. W. A. Farris - 1892
Rev. J. E. Rowe - 1893
Rev. W. T. Humlicutt - 1894
Rev. J. W. Taylor - 1895
Rev. H. D. Pace - 1896
Rev. J. W. Austin - 1897
Rev. J. T. Balis - 1898
Rev. J. W. Austin - 1899-1900
Rev. J. M. Tomlin - 1901
Rev. J. P. Nemec - 1902-1903
Rev. W. T. Hamby - 1904
Rev. A. C. Cantrell - 1905
Rev. J. S. Askew - 1906-1909
Rev. R. P. Jackson - 1911-1914
Rev. L. L. Landrum - 1915-1917
Rev. J. A. Surryberry - 1918-1919
Rev. T. N. Lee - 1920-1921
Rev. R. M. Dixon - 1922
Rev. Adrian Warwick - 1923-1924
Rev. W. H. Vanable - 1927-1929
Rev. Henry B. Hays - 1932-1933
Rev. O. T. Thrailkill - 1933-1934
Rev. W. T. Irvin - 1935-1936
Rev. Paul Smith - 1937-1941
Rev. F. C. Hixes - 1942-1946
Rev. J. L. Ray - 1947
Rev. J. S. McDonald - 1948-1949
Rev. W. P. Berklemer - 1950-

Present Membership this May 20, 1951, is as follows:

Mrs. Delia Billey  Mrs. Jennie Gunter
Mrs. J. O. Barkar  Mrs. Broughton Hawkins
Mrs. T. B. Gunter  Mrs. Colin Davis
Mrs. Carolyn Gunter Teague  Mrs. Mary E. Bailey
Mrs. J. H. Howell  Mrs. Ruth T. Pruitt
Mr. J. H. Howell  Mr. Marshall Hawkins
J. H. Howell  Mr. Fred Pharr Hawkins
Jewell Howell  Rev. W. P. Berklemer
Arvil Howell  Mrs. W. P. Berklemer
Mrs. L. A. King  Miss Joyce Howell
Ray King  Miss Katrine Pickett
Mrs. Ray King

While at present small in membership number, the Church is very active spiritually, and has had very good church school throughout history of Church.

Although the church has only twenty-two members, it nevertheless has met all conference obligations in full and paid its share in the building.
of a new parsonage for the Rock Spring Charge, which was eight hundred and fifty dollars ($850).

Historian - Mrs. J.C. Barker

GAINESVILLE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENTS

J. F. Yarbrough - 1939-1933
Claud Hendrix - 1939-1942
J. Foster Young - 1943-1946
Mchowery Elrod - 1947-1948
A. B. Elizer - 1949-1950
J. R. King
S. R. Belt