

## THE CAMBRIDGE CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

--steadfastly continuing for 150 years  
as the fellowship of believers "in  
the apostle's teaching and in the  
breaking of bread and in prayers"  
-- dedicated to the advancement  
of New Testament Christianity

We thank you Our Father in Heaven, that in adversity, in diversity, and in prosperity, you have continued to bless this temple. Prayerfully we sing this song---

Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet heavenly dove,  
Stay right here with us. Filling us with  
your love, And for those blessings we lift  
our hearts in praise, without a doubt we'll  
know that we have been revived when we shall  
leave this place. (Sweet, Sweet Spirit)

### I. BEGINNINGS -- 1842-1891

#### A. Coming to the New Land, Indiana

We can never realize how indebted we are to those men and women who came to Indiana in its formative years. They laid the foundations of political, social, religious, and educational structures, amid the struggle of just providing the simple needs of life. Among those early pioneers were the 'town fathers' who envisioned a 'village' becoming a city, Cambridge (later called Cambridge City), and developed the Articles of Incorporation on October 23, 1836. Thoughtfully, one of these men, William Conwell, donated one acre of ground to be used for the erection of a house for religious worship and a seminary for education. The location of that plat is now known as 15 South College Street.

Perhaps it was providential that the one to come to this frontier land, seeking a new life, had too, much like the Apostle Paul met on his 'road to Damascus' a radical change of his convictions. His name was SAMUEL K. HOSHOUR -- some called him Professor Hoshour, the teacher, others Elder Hoshour, the preacher; for he could wear 'two hats' with equal prowess.

He was recognized by his peers as a brilliant pastor of the Lutheran Church -- preaching with eloquence in both the German and English languages. In 1834 a

'protracted' preaching mission was held by two 'Campbellite Proclaimers', near the influential Lutheran Church at Hagerstown, Maryland. He was asked by his congregation and fellow colleagues to preach on baptism to refute them. After careful study of the New Testament in the Greek, he found that 'baptism in the Greek is called baptismos and in the Latin tongue mersio; as when a person dips something into the water until the water closes over it.' It meant that the person to be baptized should entirely be sunk into the water and again drawn out. His new conviction was further confirmed by reading from the works of Martin Luther and Romans 6:(1-4). On the last Lord's day of April 1835, he was immersed.

#### B. The Cost of Conviction

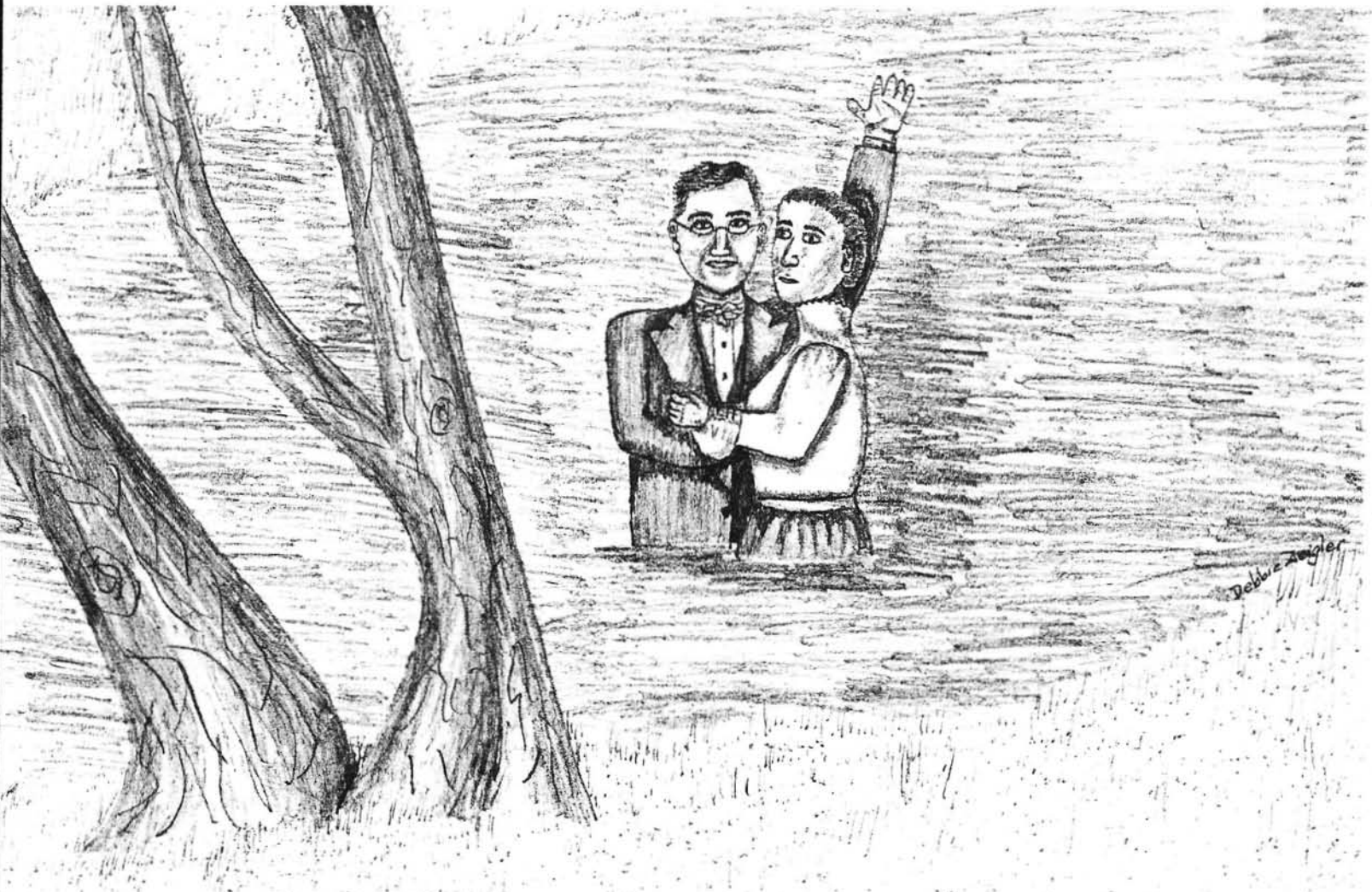
Immediately his honor had now become dishonor, cherished associates 'passed by on the opposite side of the street', the women of the church came to express their sympathies to his wife, Lucinda. He was expunged from the Lutheran Church. The families of Samuel K. Hoshour and his brother-in-law, Samuel Sevie, left Hagerstown, Maryland in a carriage and two covered wagons to arrive on October 16, 1835 for a new life. He called it 'the promised land', Centreville, the Capitol of Wayne County. Isaac Errett writes "...The strength of Prof. Hoshour's life was given to Western Society, Indiana...in the schoolroom, in the pulpit and in the social life, he brought to bear all the refining and sanctifying influences of an educated mind, a pure heart, and a righteous life...His influence for good will live for many generations..."

#### C. Arrival in Cambridge City

On the 16th of September 1839, he became a citizen of Cambridge City to 'superintend' the Cambridge Seminary. The seminary was opened for instruction to students at the beginning of November. From time to time, rumors surfaced that 'stringent sectarians' expressed great satisfaction with him as a teacher, but were suspicious of his religion and orthodoxy. Previously, a 'Presbyterian divine made a man of straw and called him Campbellism and dismembered him before his audience.' Fame had reported Samuel Hoshour as a representative of the 'mangled and dangerous entity'. He reports there was only one man in the place who belonged to the Disciples, Brother John Crum. Both of them agreed that their religious interest must be cautiously advocated, with dignity and discretion.

D. The 'Word' and Immersion

Elder Hoshour writes, "...I tried to approach the community gently, making it a main point to teach them the 'Word'. Some eyes were opened to the beauties, claims, and consolations, of the 'Word'..." He reported that he preached nearly six months, about every other Lord's day, before he gave an 'invitation'. "Indeed, the first person I immersed in the place, sent me a note, in which the inquiry was made, "Whether I would immerse the persons, if 'confessions' were made at my next preaching?" "Knowing well of the applicant, I replied, 'yes'. The confession was taken, and the announcement made, that on the Lord's day, which was a very mellow September day, at about sundown the candidate would be immersed in the stream that runs through the town. When the banks of the stream were lined with people to whom the sight was novel, I immersed a matronly form in the presence of a multitude, seemingly deeply impressed. The sight was so much like those detailed on the pages of the New Testament! It was the beginning of a series of baptisms that occurred at the same place. As sinners 'died to sin' I buried them and raised them unto a new life!"



E. Sowing the Seed of Christianity

Brother John L. Parsons in an article, titled INDIANA CHURCHES published by the Christian Standard, wrote these words about Elder Samuel K. Hoshour,..."The scanty support given to ministers in those pioneer times made it necessary for the Professor to supplement his salary by teaching school. Indeed, he made his living by teaching school, and he preached the gospel almost entirely gratis. He found time not only to conduct his school, and preach on the Lord's days, but he pushed out through the week, at night, into all the surrounding country. He sowed the seed all about here then, and the fruits of his labors are still visible..." Indeed, Elder Hoshour planted the seeds of New Testament Christianity in Cambridge City, Dublin, Milton, Bentonville, Centreville, Connersville, and perhaps Fairview.

F. "He Built A Fire, and Left It Burning"

He kindled a spark, the Holy Spirit started a fire, a fellowship of believers 'gathered together' to build a spiritual temple in Cambridge City. From the Church's first register, a copy of that organization, their statement of Faith, and the names of those first members are attached for your perusal.

# Record of The Christian Congregation In Cambridge City.

In the month of February 1841.  
a few Disciples of Christ residing  
in and about Cambridge City.  
United themselves into a Christian  
Society, but not having among  
a sufficient number of male  
Members to create a proper elder  
ship, and appoint <sup>a full organization</sup> deacons, was  
deferred from time to time until  
Saturday the 12<sup>th</sup> of Nov. in the year  
of our Lord 1842, when an election  
was held by the members of  
the Congregation and the following  
brethren elected viz. Bro. Joel  
Collins and S. H. Hoshour Elders  
and John Crum and Ebenezer  
Finny Deacons.

As a Congregation of Disciples  
of Christ with our eldership  
and Deacons, we profess to take  
the New Testament as our only guide  
in matters of faith and practice,  
at the same time cheerfully believing  
that the old Covenant was the  
institution of God to the Jews, and  
may be read by the Christian with  
much edification. Holding the  
New Testament as the "perfect law of  
liberty," we repudiate all articles of  
faith in matters of salvation which  
are simply the opinions or speculations  
of men. It shall be our constant  
aim to regulate our faith and conduct  
according to the facts and precepts  
of the New Covenant; praying our  
heavenly father to bestow upon us  
that grace that can strengthen us in  
the hardest man, and enable us to  
walk worthy of our Christian  
vocation.

Names of Members who constituted  
 the congregation at the election of  
~~elders~~ and deacons on the 12 day  
 of Nov. 1842.

- Gordon Jackson Deceased
- ~~Quinn~~ Jackson dismissed by letter
- Sarah Crane Dismissed by letter
- Saul H. Hoshour Dismissed by letter
- Lucinda Hoshour do do
- Elizabeth Hoshour do do
- Moses Powell Remained } the letters
- Nancy Powell Remained } the letters
- John Crum
- Mary Beeler Removed
- Duffman Berry x
- Susanna Berry withdrawn
- Mariah Ritchie
- Cyrena Serio x
- Cath. Smith Removed
- Minerva Brookshank
- Jane. Hornow
- Eggs Young Dismissed by letter
- Elizabeth Young " do
- Mary Young " do

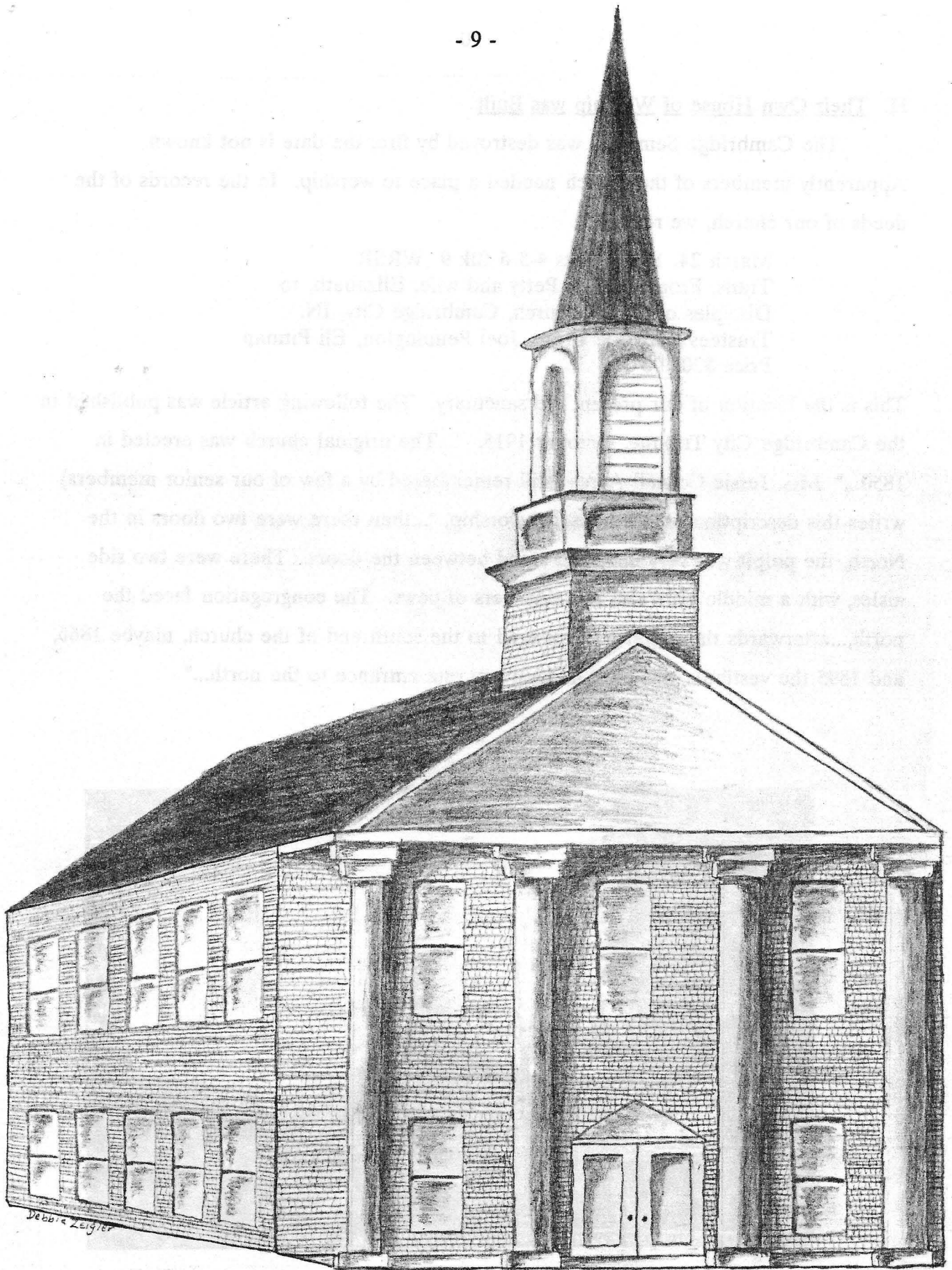
First Members continued

7 Phebe Luse Dismissed by letter  
 Augusta Munday  
 Levi Lakey Member  
 Rachel Lakey do  
 David Crull Dismissed by letter  
 Ann Crull  
 Joel Collins Removed  
 Elizabeth Collins Removed  
 Elizabeth Colbert  
 Rebecca Gordon  
~~Rachel~~ Shurtle (Shuttleworth) Dismissed by letter  
 Ebenezer Timms Dismissed by letter  
 Mary Willet  
 Harriet Conklin Dismissed  
 Lydia Knobe Dismissed by letter  
 John Cox 1st. Lord's day 9<sup>th</sup> of June 1843

G. The First House of Worship

In the beginning, the meetings of the Cambridge City Christian Church were held in the CAMBRIDGE SEMINARY. In the Annual Report of 1878, Dr. Lee R. Johnson reporting concerning public schools writes, "...The Cambridge Seminary was erected during the summer of 1839. It was a substantial brick building of two stories covering an area of respectable dimensions. The portico of some ten feet depth and four Doric columns, gave to the east front quite an imposing appearance, though the cupola was never completed. The lower story was intended to subserve, and did subserve for several years, the triple purpose of a town hall, a primary schoolroom, and a church for religious denominations..." Debbie Zeigler has sketched a drawing of the CAMBRIDGE SEMINARY.



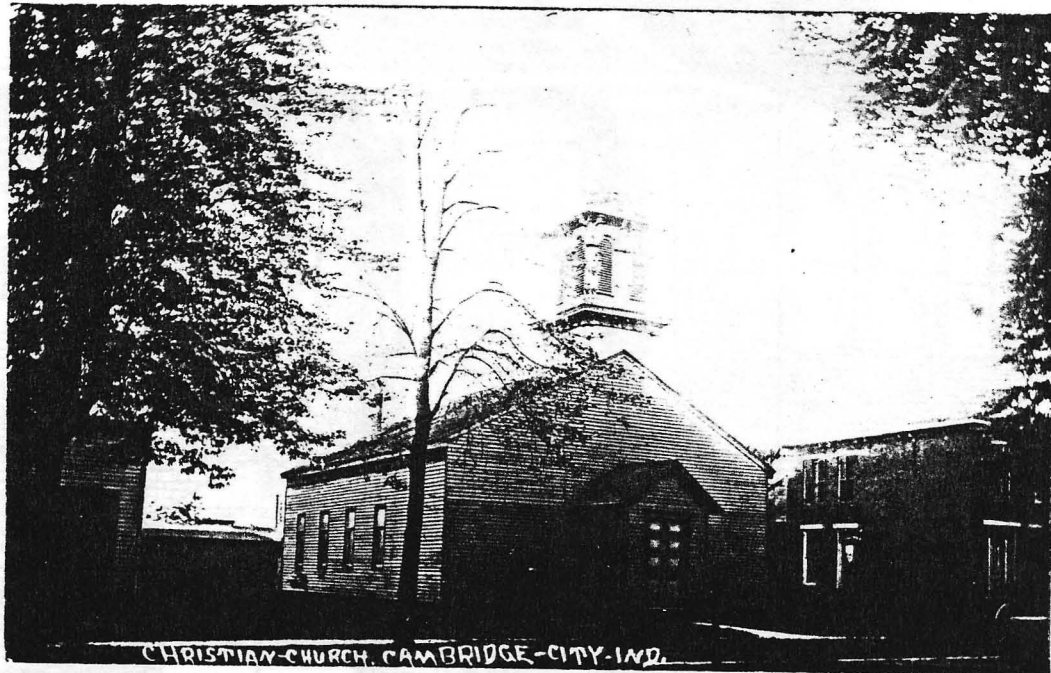


#### H. Their Own House of Worship was Built

The Cambridge Seminary was destroyed by fire; the date is not known. Apparently members of the church needed a place to worship. In the records of the deeds of our church, we read

March 24, 1847 Lots 4-5-6 Blk 9 WRSR  
Trans. From William Petty and wife, Elizabeth, to  
Disciples of Christ Church, Cambridge City, IN.  
Trustees were Joe Crum, Joel Pennington, Eli Pitman  
Price \$200.00

This is the location of our present old sanctuary. The following article was published in the Cambridge City Tribune, October 1915. "...The original church was erected in 1850..." Mrs. Jessie Cornell Ayres (still remembered by a few of our senior members) writes this description of this house of worship, "...then there were two doors in the North, the pulpit was very high and stood between the doors. There were two side aisles, with a middle aisle and two side tiers of pews. The congregation faced the north,...afterwards the pulpit was changed to the south end of the church, maybe 1866, and 1895 the vestibule was built making just one entrance to the north..."



In the October 16, 1852 The Cambridge City News, we read this announcement:

Christian Chapel

Situated on Rail Road Street between Foote and Green,  
Elder S. K. Hoshour, Pastor, serves every other  
Sabbath morning at 10 o'clock and 1 o'clock PM.  
(Rail Road Street is now known as Church Street)

The names of the members of the Christian Church in the beginning of the year 1851  
were counted to be 60.

I. A Good Friend Says Goodbye To His Friends In 'Wayne'

On the 13th of September 1858, Elder Hoshour accepted the presidency of North  
Western Christian University (now Butler University). The Church's Register reads,  
'October 13th, 1858, having been called for the following, letters were granted and sent  
afterward on the 13th of Oct. 58

1st Samuel K. Hoshour,  
2nd Lucinda Hoshour,  
3rd Elenora Hoshour and  
4th Lizzie Hoshour Price

These united at Central Christian Church, Indianapolis.'



The 'Journey of Samuel K. Hoshour' in Indiana begins at Centreville in Oct. 1835. He began as a teacher in the Wayne County Seminary, later elected to be its superintendent--but a pioneer preacher of New Testament Christianity for the rest of his life. In 1836 he was granted an A.M. Degree by Indiana University. Lew Wallace, author of BEN HUR and Oliver P. Morton, later to become governor of Indiana, were two of his students. He was elected to 'superintend' the Cambridge Seminary in 1839. While in this area he 'organized' churches in Centreville, Cambridge City, Dublin, Milton, and Bentonville; perhaps more. In an article, TOUR OF FORTY DAYS, we read, "...at the Fairview Academy, we first met with our esteemed and much beloved Bro. Hoshour whose praise is in all the churches of Indiana..." In 1858, he became President of Northwestern Christian University. In 1862, he was elected the State Superintendent of Public Instruction. The closing years of his life were spent in giving private lessons in German. He was numbered among a group of pioneer teachers who brought these schools to such a degree of efficiency as to set a standard for the whole educational system.

#### J. Those Ministers That Followed

As was true of those early pioneer churches, they struggled on with only occasional meetings, generally when a visiting minister was in the vicinity -- such was the case of the Cambridge City Christian Church. Elder Hoshour probably did come back and 'visited his old friends in Wayne' and preached when he had the opportunity.

From the Church Register, information furnished by the Disciples of Christ Historical Society, comments written by older members, and information published by Cambridge News papers, these brief comments about these early preachers is written: Cambridge City Newspaper --

Religious Notices -- Rev. S. S. Bennett will preach at the Christian Chapel next Sabbath morning at 10 1/2 o'clock. August 16, 1860

Millenial Harbinger -- February 1861

"Forwarded by Bro. Treadway, I had a cold ride to Cambridge City, and domiciled with Bro. L. L. Rains, the pastor, and was at once at home. Preached here in the morning, and at Centreville, ten miles east, in the evening, lodging with Bro. A. C. Shortridge."

In November 1864, Brother Ben Franklin held a protracted (revival) meeting.

There is no record of the ministers from this time until Brother Daniel R. Van Buskirk's ministry. His ministry was shared with then our sister church at Milton. He was from Fayette County. His academic work was done in Bethany College and N. W. C. University. He came in 1867 for a short time. In the Christian Standard, July 11, 1908, his obituary states that..."he was called a natural preacher...Churches were blessed

with his Christlike ministration in Rushville, Bloomington, Ill., New York City, The Third Christian Church in Indianapolis, and Greensburg."

Brother John Benjamin Marshall came in 1868 to minister to both churches. Information about him indicates that he was a Sunday-school evangelist -- his work seems to 'pay-off' in the ministry to follow.

Brother F. W. Parker was the first resident minister, after a period of years. The Church Register indicates a membership of 126 members. Mrs. Frances Ayres writes, "The church was at its zenith. The Sunday School was in a flourishing condition and numbered two hundred members."

From the Christian Standard, October 29, 1904, we read "Dr. G. W. Thompson was a successful physician and able minister of the word. He did valiant work for the Master at Union City, Muncie and many other places." He was the next resident minister. The Church Register seems to indicate the continued prospering of this fellowship.

Brother C. G. Bartholomew followed as a resident minister, probably from (1877-1879). During his ministry it is noted in the Church Register there were 34 additions. Perhaps in an effort to bring the congregation together, they added to the original statement of faith these words --

*We whose names are here subscribed,  
having upon our faith in Jesus Christ  
as the Son of the Living God,  
and our Savior, and rightful Lord  
and King, avowed our determination  
to live Godly lives, His grace  
helping us and, having thereupon  
been buried with him in baptism,  
wherein we have also risen with  
Him to walk in newness of life,  
Hereupon pledge ourselves to one  
another, as his servants to walk  
in all his commandments and*

ordinances without blame, as far as in us lies, His Spirit helping our infirmities, to maintain His worship among ourselves, and to labor to lead others to Christ, both by our example and the preaching the Word, and to these ends we will maintain and sustain, as far as possible, both our officers in the discharge of their duties, and such Pastors as we may be able to command, and strive to maintain peace among ourselves, and to this end we invoke the wisdom and grace of the Great head of the Church, We hereby make this additional declaration in connection with the original declaration of the Christian Church in this place adopted November 12th A.D. 1842 as witness our hands.

**K. The Fire Dwindled To A Spark**

Towards the end of the year 1879 and 1880, three supply ministers, apparently from Butler University, came to fill the pulpit. They were Brother John A. Roberts, Brother G. L. Harney, and Brother F. Armstrong.

On February 23, 1884, The Christian Standard published an article, written by Brother J. L. Parsons, titled INDIANA CHURCHES. "...Cambridge City has occasionally, for a short period at a time, supported a minister itself all the time. For the most part it has been compelled to depend on semi-monthly preaching. Several

excellent preachers have served this church. Several years ago there was a serious trouble between two of its leading men. Many of its members removed to other towns and cities to find employment. The preachers passed by on the other side, and left it wounded, and half-dead. Indeed, it was supposed to be dead, but life was still in it. It ran down to about thirty members. Most of them were poor. Nearly every man abandoned all effort to revive the church. In the year 1881 there was scarcely a meeting in the house of worship. The Sunday-school was given up, and the meetings of the church were entirely abandoned. The church was now dead, as was supposed. In 1882 the house was opened once or twice for a funeral. The preachers who thought they knew the facts in the case, advised that the dead church should be let rest in its peaceful grace; and the preachers did let it rest. But there were six or eight women who not quite let it rest. The house of worship had fallen into decay. It needed a new roof and other repairs. These women held weekly meetings through these years of deadness, for work in the interest of the dead church. Not a man attended them. The church was not dead. These women were the real church, and the liveliest kind of women. They put the roof on the house to preserve the property, paid for the improvement in the street, put carpet on the floors, blinds in the windows, paper on the walls, hung new chandeliers from the ceiling. They did all this during a period of two or three years. HERE WAS FAITH, LIVING FAITH, FAITH WITH WORKS."

"January 1, 1883, these women invited me (Brother John L. Parsons) to come over from Richmond and preach in the house thus saved by them, twice each month. I accepted it, but I had no faith in this church and was for some time ashamed to tell any of my old friends I was preaching for such a church. However, I had faith in the gospel and in these women. The gospel I had known and believed all my life, and some of these women I had known well for twenty years. They had encouraged, helped and supported me in my early ministry. I was still willing to trust them and God.

"I began with a small audience. It seemed I would never secure a full house. The public had lost confidence in the church. They cared nothing for it and would not come to the meetings.

"In September, 1883, I was invited by the Presbyterian minister to bring my congregation and preach in his church. I did so with pleasure. The Methodist minister and his congregation were also present. The house was full. Those union services were continued every Sunday night. I have taken my turn. This brought me before the

people...My own house filled."

"Remembering the counsel of an older great preacher, 'Please preach to us the same plain old gospel you preach to others, for it is God's power to salvation'...And so it is...What the gospel did for the people here when Prof. Hoshour preached it to them over forty years ago, it will do for the people now, when preached by His sons in the faith..."

#### L. A Fire Was Finally Kindled

In early February, 1884, a protracted meeting was held. "...The meeting still goes on, and from night to night the name of Christ is confessed...Among these are some good men..The outlook is now encouraging...Ministers must preach Jesus...The people want to hear of Jesus and His kingdom...By all means let the people have the 'bread of life'...Feed their hungry souls..."

Sixty-one additions whether by letter or immersion were added to The Church Register of names during his ministry.

In 1885, one writer reported, "We had a good Sunday School with Jennie Barnett as Superintendent.

In 1887, the Missionary Society was reorganized.

It was probably the women of the Dorcas Aid Society (established soon after the Civil War -- 1872) that kept the faith of the church during those years of adversity.

Brother John L. Parsons apparently discontinued his services in October 1888. Brother Henry R. Pritchard, 'the grand old man that everyone loves came as a part-time minister in 1889'. The Christian-Evangelist reports, "...He had come to Fairview in Rush County in 1846 and was an able and influential minister of the Word of God. A vigorous, logical mind, a tender heart, and a determined will were the characteristics of this man, one of the Lord's noblemen and most faithful servant..." The church continued to prosper during his ministry; 18 new members were committed to the fellowship of believers.



We thank you Our Father in Heaven that in those middle years of adversity, You steadfastly provided for all our needs and continued to bless this temple. Prayerfully we sing this song--

Great is Thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies we see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided -  
Great is Thy faithfulness,  
Lord, unto me!

## II. THE MIDDLE YEARS -- 1892-1941

### A. The Fire Still Burns

There is a "neat but small church called the Christian Church, or Campbellites" in Cambridge City. The first Church Register of the Cambridge City Christian Church (1842-1892) ends with the pastorate of Brother E. C. Wells. At the close of the year 1893, there "evidently was a revival of unusual worth for in the month of December twenty-eight persons came forward for the hand of Christian Fellowship and joined the congregation of believers." His ministry was shared with the Milton Christian Church. Elder Wells was educated in the Kentucky public schools and in the old College of the Bible where he graduated in 1877. His ministry was from 1892-1894.

### B. The Next Church Record Begins -- 1904

It commences with these words, "The Christian Church Record which was made at the beginning of the organization of the Christian Church of Cambridge City, Ind. has been lost. This record was made by a committee of 12, appointed by the president of the Church Board to be made as near like the old one as could be remembered." This statement probably refers to the listing of the membership.

It is only through dates of immersion and by whom baptized, financial reports of disbursement, information from the Disciples of Christ Historical Library and religious notices published in the Tribune, that the writer can 'piece together' the names of some of those who came to minister to the congregation in the following years.

### C. Those Who Answered The Call To Serve

Thanks to Our Father in Heaven for the steadfast faith of those that came to minister to this then struggling church. These were:

Brother William Grigsby, pastor of the Dublin Christian Church, apparently came

from time to time to fill the pulpit.

On March 15, 1895, the Tribune reports that "Elder Strawn preached two good sermons at the Christian Church, last Sunday".

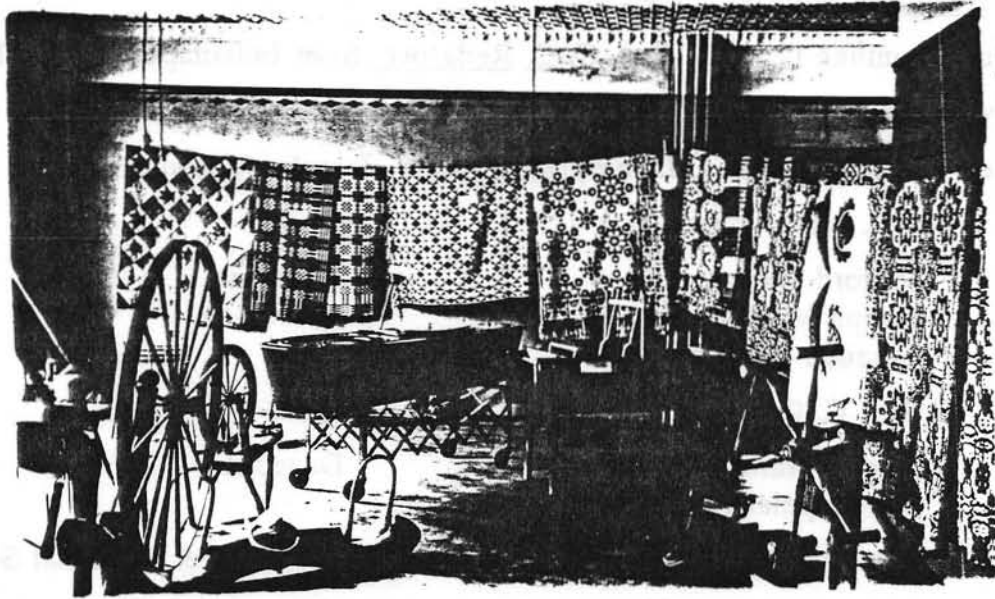
From the June 6, 1895 Tribune, we read, "Rev. Herbert Hall, professor at Butler University, will fill his regular appointment, Sunday, at the Christian Church. Everybody invited!"

A Rev. Hufford (probably from Butler) also served the church. These three ministers may have been called to fill the pulpit from 1895 to 1901.

From the records of financial disbursements, we find that the following supply minister served the congregation: Brother Daniel Robertson Lucas, well-known minister and veteran soldier, who helped build the Central Christian Church in Indianapolis during his seven year ministry, ending in 1892; he also spear-headed the building of the monument to Oliver P. Morton. Upon his retirement he preached to this congregation. Brother J. M. Land, former minister to the Milton Christian Church, filled the pulpit from April 24 to October 23, 1904. He preached every other Sunday and was paid \$8.50 for each service.

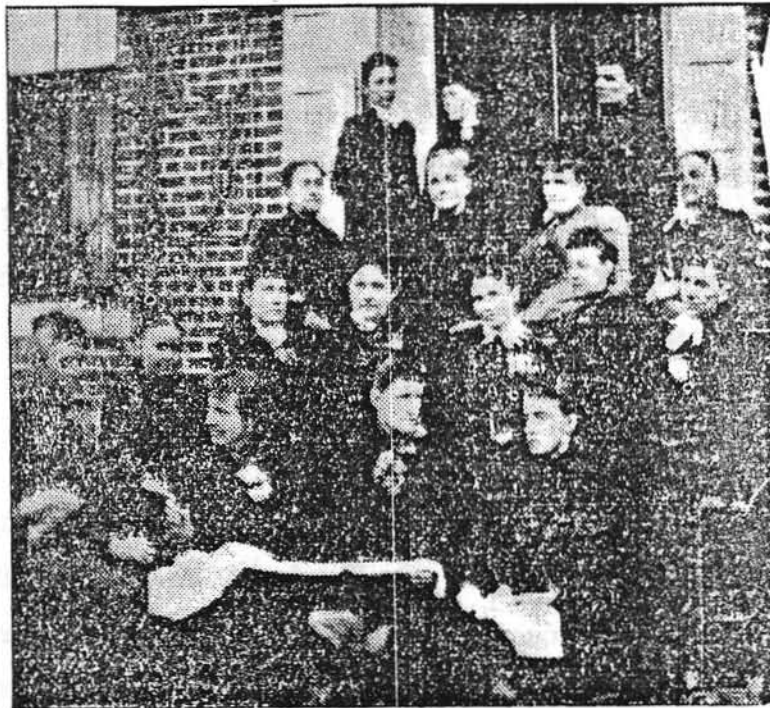
#### D. The Witness of Faith and Works

The Dorcas Aid Society composed of the women belonging to the Cambridge City Christian Church were organized soon after the Civil War. The purpose of this organization was to support the church spiritually and financially. In the years from 1893 to 1905, church collections resembled the giving of the 'widow's mite'. The church was hard pressed for financial support. The Dorcas Aid 'put their hands to work' by serving Easter dinners, having rummage sales, and a yearly event of making sunbonnets, comforts, and quilts. They had magic lantern entertainment, ladies exchanges, meals for the Lackey horse sales, lining caskets, and helping during the corn husking season. As a result of their works, the Dorcas Aid Society paid for the sidewalks, lumber for the vestibule, piped water to the church baptistry, and bought communion sets as well as many times paying for the support of those who came to preach. Not only did these ladies support the church financially, but many were spiritual leaders exhibiting a strong faith for the Lord's church.



Quilts for sale - Dorcas Aid Society

## Early Cambridge City Group



CAMBRIDGE CITY, Ind., Sept. 14.—Among the pictures found which is of great interest to the Cambridge City community is the first Ladies' Aid Society of the Christian Church of which five of the members are still living. The picture belongs to Charles Kerlin, whose mother was one of the interested workers.

Those in the picture from left to right standing in the doorway are Lottie Copeland, Myra Malone, Virginia Barnett; in the second row, standing, are Sarah Kerlin Stephe, Amanda Kimmel, Sue Wilson, Mollie Roth; the next row, five sitting, are Sadie Wiseman, Sarah Stombaugh, Minerva Blue, Hattie Bailey Voss, Cathrine Whitely; the lower row are Viola K. Roth, Savannah Hiser, Amanda Mauk, Olive Miller, and Mollie Drischel.

Those in the picture who are living are Savannah Hiser, Olive Miller, and Lottie Copeland, all of Cambridge City; Hattie Bailey Voss of Muncie; and Mollie Drischel.

Dorcas Aid Society meeting at Rose Hill home of Joseph and Amanda Kimmel

E. First Recorded Minister Called

On December 17, 1905, Rev. C. C. Redgrave, from Indianapolis began his ministry with the Cambridge City Christian Church. As a result, the members called a meeting on Thursday evening, January 14, 1906, to elect the following officers:

Mrs. Nan Rankin	Clerk
Sanford Wilson	Trustees
Joseph Marsh	
Amanda Kimmel	
Rev. C. C. Redgrave	Elder
Joseph Marsh	Deacons
Roy Copeland	
Roy Copeland	Treasurer & Financial Secretary

The meeting adjourned with a motion carried to have a business meeting on each last Thursday evening in each quarter. According to the financial disbursement, Rev. Redgrave served this pastorate until April, 1906. He was given \$25.00 for preaching two services a month.

F. Victory In Jesus

In 1907, Brother Charles E. Shultz, clerk for the Henry Circuit Court and a song evangelist in the Eastern Indiana district, held a protracted meeting of 'great worth' which resulted in VICTORY and added membership. It was commented that, "He does his work in the finest spirit and leaves a church in a healthy condition. His work 'put us on our feet'." Nineteen additions were added to the membership.

G. Those Who Came To Minister -- 1908-1916

Rev. Cecil Franklin and his wife, Sophie C. Franklin, song evangelists, came to serve the congregation from 1908-1909. On October 6, 1909, a committee was appointed to consult with the congregations at Dublin, Bentonville, Centerville, and Jacksonburg in regard to employing Brother Franklin half time; apparently, none were interested. During his ministry, Mr. Cook, Director of Education in Indiana, spent a week here and established the Graded Bible School in this church with Mrs. J. W. Marson, Superintendent of the Elementary Department (she had served since 1888) as Superintendent of the Children's Department. Mrs. Bird was selected as Superintendent of Juniors and Mrs. Hodson as Assistant in the Primary Department. Mr. Cook's ministry was blessed with thirty-five baptisms.



TEACHER-TRAINING GRADUATING CLASS, CAMBRIDGE CITY, IND.

On January 9, 1910, the church board called Rev. W. L. Burman to minister to the congregation. He was to be paid at rates of \$450 a year for half-time pay; also, to help defray moving expense from Indianapolis to Cambridge City -- \$6.00. Money was 'tight' and women were selected as solicitors and collectors. Church solicitors were asked to put forth special efforts concerning work to collect from delinquents and to ask all members to pay owed Sunday dues in advance.

Aunt Dollie Smith, a consecrated Christian, upon her death, gave her home and household goods to the church. The property was sold in 1908 and the money used to buy new joist sills, an entire new floor and roof for the church. The following year the Dorcas Aid bought new seats at the cost of \$275. In 1910 this same organization donated a new carpet for the entire floor.

Brother Fred Kanauer served this congregation in the years 1911-1912. He was a student at Butler University. During his ministry, twenty-two additions joined the church by immersions.

On December 1, 1912, the "...board and church members unanimously accepted Brother Charles E. Shultz interest to preach for us on the 3rd and 5th Sundays of each month, commencing the year 1913..." His ministry would continue into 1916.

#### H. The Church Alive and on the Move

In 1913, Ruth Evans Reed and John Slonaker canvassed the business sections of Cambridge City and secured money to buy the fixtures and wiring. Dan Evans donated his work and wired the building.

The Missionary Society, organized in 1876 and later discontinued, was re-organized June 9, 1914, by Mrs. Charles Shultz. Their motto chosen in 1890 was "BEGIN YOUR WORK, GOD WILL SUPPLY YOU WITH THREAD." The Executive Committee for 1914 was

Mrs. J. W. Marson	President
Mrs. A. H. Hodson	Secretary
Miss Barnett	Treasurer
Mrs. V. A. Roth	Secretary Pro Tem -- June 1915-16

In 1914 there were fifty-two children in the elementary department. Mrs. Marson made an appeal for a basement and pledged \$100 from that department. Rev. Shultz urged, "We do remodel and have a basement." A unanimous vote to this was given.

After the morning service, Mrs. Marson made a personal plea for the women of the church who were not members of the Dorcas Society to form an organization and help raise funds for the remodeling. With enthusiasm the women said, "Yes."

On March 3, 1914, the Sewing Circle was organized. Officers chosen were Mrs. Rose, President; Mrs. Frank Repp, Vice President; Mrs. Roy Copeland, Secretary; and Mrs. Forest Hughes, Treasurer. The first money by the Circle was made by selling 'tags' during the Lackey horse sales. "Too much praise cannot be given the women of the circle for their zeal and good work at that time and since." Other projects were dinners, banquets, rummage sales, bazaars, sewing comforts, etc.

While the house of worship was being raised to put a basement under same, the congregation met in the town hall.

#### I. "In His Name"

In the October 31, 1915, Tribune we find this tribute titled "IN HIS NAME". Excerpts from this article are presented for your reading. "The rebuilt Christian Church was dedicated last Sunday in due and ample form. It stands upon the grounds where the original church was erected in 1850...The building was too small for present day needs and the congregation last spring appointed a building committee who picked up the old structure and built a 9 foot cement basement underneath. The main room of this is 38 x 40 feet, to which is added a boiler room, a spacious kitchen and a stairway leading to the congregation room above. This room has not been changed except inverted dome and electric effects, new wallpaper, paint and varnish, making the

transformation quite noticeable. This is reached by cement steps from the sidewalk to the reception room on a grade so easy that the approach is not difficult. The basement has entrances on either side as well as in the rear. Those in front are protected by caps and columns that add to the architectural beauty of the building as a whole..."

"The members feel proud of their efforts and especially, the ladies have labored faithfully in the good work. It is an honor to HIM in whose name it was dedicated, a credit to the congregation and a valuable addition to the religious and civic interests of Cambridge City."

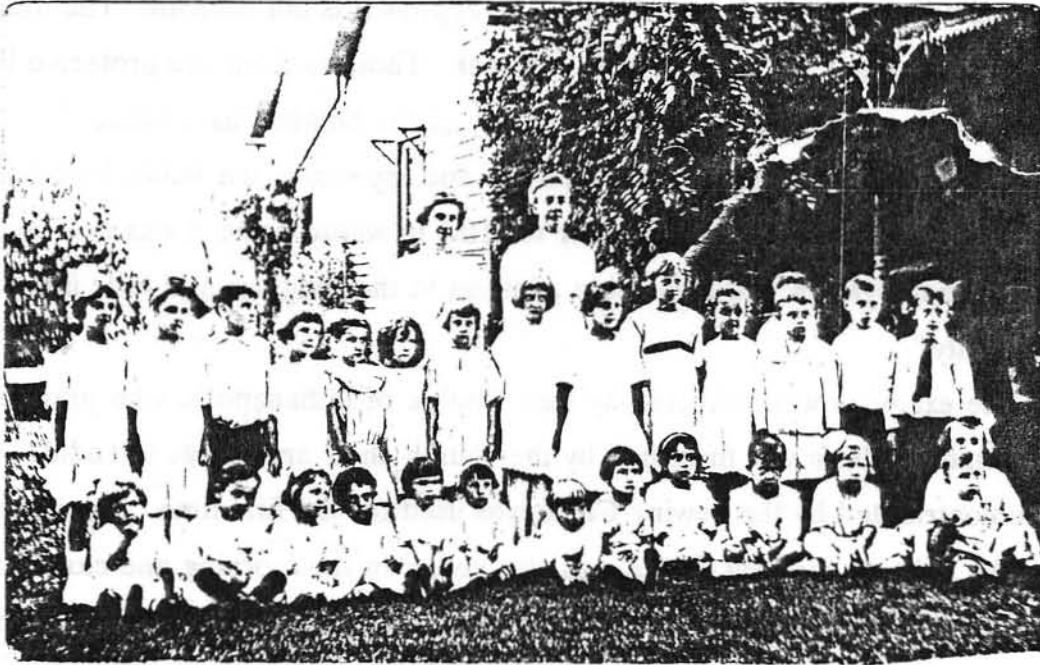
"...The exercises were directed by Rev. Cauble of Indianapolis, who preached the morning sermon. Music was furnished by the church choir and it was splendid. The new piano contributed by the Sewing Circle was used for the first time. The work of canceling the debt on the new edifice was also begun in the morning and closed in the afternoon with plenty of pledges and to spare. It was required to raise \$3,500--when the day closed \$3,835 in cash and pledges was the results..."

"It was largely due to the influence of Rev. Shultz that the congregation took up the proposition to rebuild the church...Much credit is due Roy Copeland for the interest he took in this project. Other members of the committee, all of whom were active in the work, were J. J. Richardson, Chairman, Charles Marples, Chas. Sowers, B. R. Miller, Will Sowers, Albert Kelsey, Chas. Boyer and John Parrish...Edward Copeland was in charge of the carpenter work...The basement and approaches were built by Orpha Dill...The Dorcas Society gave a beautiful bible as well as cash..."

During the ministry of Rev. Charles Shultz, it is recorded that there were 47 baptisms. One commented, "We owe much to Brother Shultz and his wife. They were song leaders and accomplished much good in our community."



Cradle Roll Day - May 10, 1913 - Irene Kelsey with finger in mouth (front row)



Picture taken at the home of Sue Marson of the elementary Sunday School student.  
Back row: Sue Marson on the right and Ruth Barnett, assistant on the left.



On the steps of the newly remodeled church  
Mrs. Marson, Supt. of Elementary Department on left. Mrs. Bird, Supt. of Juniors in  
the middle. Mrs. Hodson, assistant in the Primary Department on right.



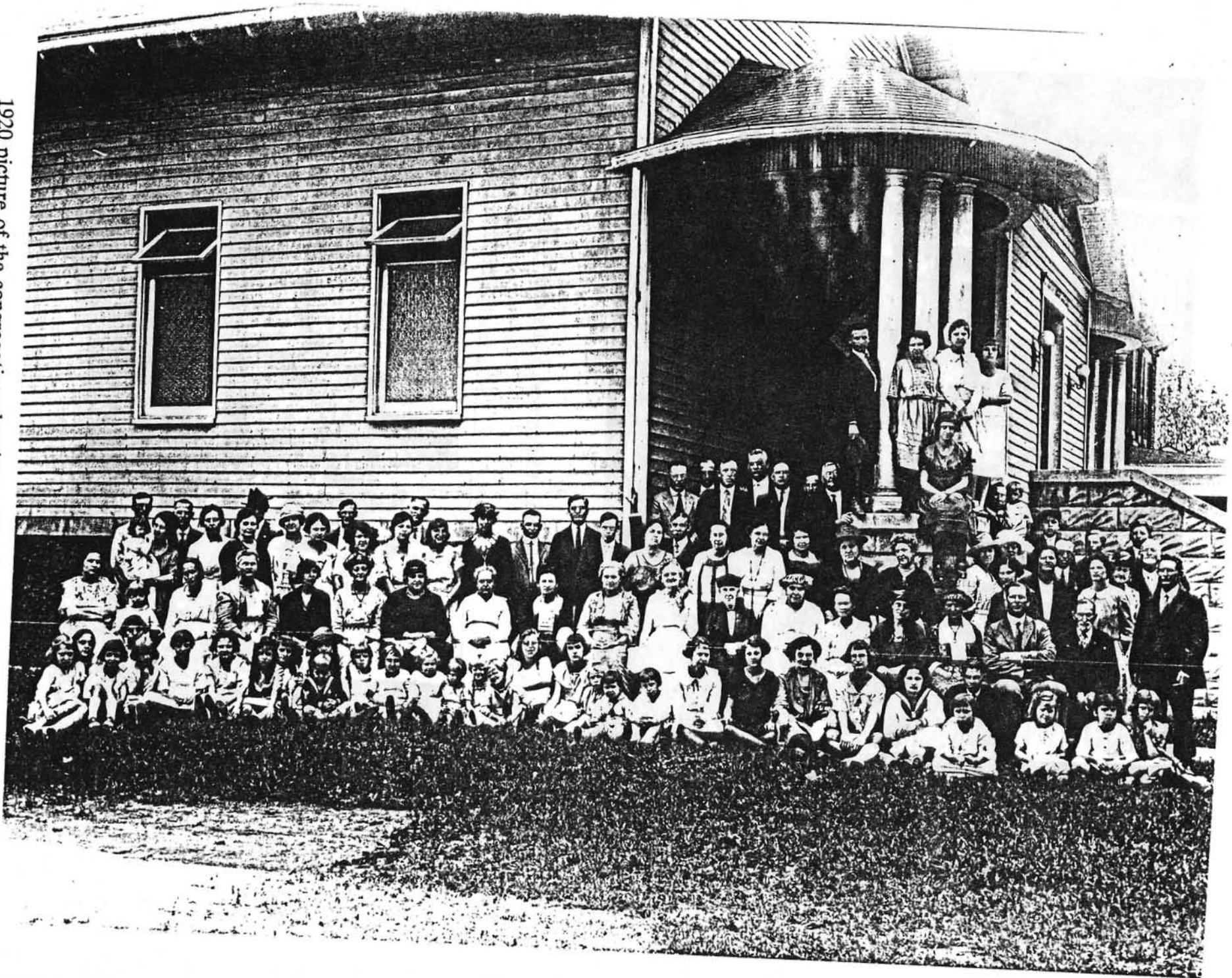


Mrs. Blanche Copeland and 2 assistants. Children in muffs and knitted caps and hats.



Ladies of the church - 1919. Rev. Erastus Conner standing in doorway.

1920 picture of the congregation showing a side view of the 'raised church'.



J. The War Years And a Recession

There are no records for the years 1915 through 1919. However, from the Disciples of Christ Historical Society, Pastor Erastus S. Conner served the congregation on a half-time basis for four years from 1917-1920 while located at Indianapolis. He graduated from the Northwestern Christian University in 1887.

Brother Lyman Hoover, while a student at Butler University, was called to serve the congregation commencing January 9, 1921 to September 1, 1922. It is recorded that he was a strong spiritual leader. During his short tenure there were an amazing number of additions, forty-three. Upon graduation from Butler, he entered graduate study at Yale University.

K. A Blest Ministry

On October 1, 1922, Brother F. C. McCormick entered into a shared ministry with the Milton Christian Church and the Cambridge City Christian Church. In the annual report of the Milton and Cambridge City Christian Churches for the year 1925, we see a picture of Rev. F. C. McCormick with these words below, "Who has been Given a Life Pastorate with these two Churches."

During his ministry we find friendship and fellowship between these two sister churches. Board meetings were held regularly and a structured order of reporting, still used today, as follows:

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|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Prayer                                  | 8. Reports of Standing Committees |
| 2. Roll Call                               | 9. Reports of Special Committees  |
| 3. Reading of Minutes                      | 10. Unfinished Business           |
| 4. Pastor's Report                         | 11. New Business                  |
| 5. Report of Financial Secretary/Treasurer | 12. The Good of the Church        |
| 6. Reports of Officers                     | 13. Closing Prayer                |
| 7. Organizational Reports                  | 14. Adjournment                   |

But perhaps most of all, Brother McCormick was a voice of encouragement during those depression years. In the latter part of 1937, Brother McCormick became ill and a supply minister, Reverend Barney, finished the year.

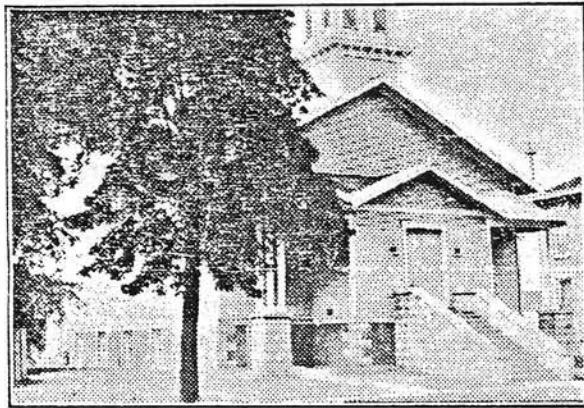
Following are copies of the annual reports for 1925 and 1927 as well as remarks made by Rev. F. C. McCormick in the 1934 pre-Easter meetings.

# ANNUAL REPORT

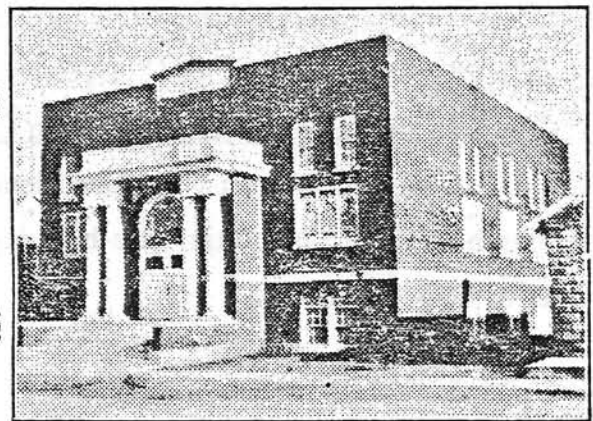
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## The Milton and Cambridge City Christian Churches

For the Year 1925



THE CHURCH AT CAMBRIDGE CITY, IND.



THE CHURCH AT MILTON, IND.

*W*E EXALT and wear no name but Christ's.  
We have no creed but the living Christ.  
Our only rule of faith and practice is the Bible.  
We are not the only Christians, but we are christians only. We stand for the restoration of the New Testament church in its doctrines, its method of conversion, its ordinances and its ideals of life.

### OUR MOTTO

“In faith, unity; in opinions, liberty; in all things charity.”

1925  
CAMBRIDGE CITY CHRISTIAN  
CHURCH OFFICIARY

Pastor: Rev. F. C. McCormick.

Elders: Sanford Wilson, C. P. Marple, Chas. Sowers, Elmer Fryman, Frank Buser, T. W. Davidson, Roy Higgins, A. R. Kelsey.

Deacons: Roy Clingman, Sam Gerber, Ben Sanford, Walter Smith, Golie Moore, Eli Brewer, Chas. Boyer, Ross Cramer, Carl Oldham, Raymond Gardner, Walter Vernon, J. H. Ayres, Carl Buser, Lowell Cornthwaite, Herbert Hodson, Melvin Goley, Percy Donaldson.

Deaconesses: Jessie Cornell, Lottie Copeland, Ollie Miller, Pearl Evans, Nellie Gerber, Retta Kelsey, Madge Moore, Mae Clingman, Reba Fryman, Sarah Tague, Edna Hangle, Merle Smith, Marie Gardner, Nevada Goley, Maude Harmeier, Blanche Copeland.

Trustees: Roy Clingman, A. R. Kelsey, C. P. Marple.

Treasurer: Roy Copeland.

Clerk: A. R. Kelsey.

Chairman of Board: I. J. L. Harmeier.

Vice-Chairman: Percy Donaldson.

Missionary Society Officers: President, Sarah Tague; Vice President, Mattie Kerlin; Secretary, Alma Hodson; Treasurer, Mrs. Sanford.

Christian Endeavor Officers: President, Isol Vernon; Vice President, Russell Barnes; Secretary and Treasurer, Irene Kelsey.

Dorcas Aid Society Officers: President, Mrs. Mattie Kerlin; Vice President and Secretary, Laura Parrish; Treasurer, Clara Cornthwaite.

Sewing Circle Officers: President, Edna Zook; Vice President, Nellie Gerber; Secretary, Mae Clingman; Treasurer, Maude Harmeier.

BIBLE SCHOOL OFFICERS

Superintendent, C. P. Marple; Assistant Superintendent, Jessie Cornell; Treasurer, Roy Clingman; Secretary, Thelma Edwards; Assistant Secretary, Irene Kelsey; Pianist, Mrs. Maude Harmeier; Superintendent Adult Division, Clara Cornthwaite; Superintendent Young People's Division, Sarah Tague; Administrative, Jessie Cornell; Missionary, Lottie Copeland; Temperance, Carl Buser; Superintendent Children's Department, Alma Hodson; Secretary Children's Department, Mabel Howard; Cradle Roll Superintendent, Clara Huddleston.

Teachers: First Year Beginners, Mrs. Hodson; Second Year Beginners, Mrs. Copeland; Second Year Primary, Mrs. Hangle; First Year Junior Girls, Jeanette Boyd; First Year Junior Boys, Mrs. Hubbard; Second Year Juniors, Mrs. Sanford; Third Year Junior Girls, Mrs. Kerlin; Third Year Junior Boys, Mrs. Marson; Busy Bees, Mrs. Elmer Fryman; Joy Class, Lottie Copeland; Loyal Boosters, Carl Buser; Loyal Daughters, Mrs. Sarah Tague; Loyal Sons, J. H. Ayres; Loyal True Blue, Frank Buser; Loyal Women, Mrs. Jessie Cornell; Loyal Men, Irvin J. L. Harmeier; Home Department, Mrs. Nola Crook.

Music Committee: Roy Copeland, I. J. L. Harmeier, Arthur Reese.

Press Correspondent: Sarah Tague.

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About \$2,000.00 was raised for local expenses and about \$400 for missions and various benevolences in 1925.

The secretary of the Bible School reports 294 enrolled and a record attendance of 362, and an average attendance for 1925 of 180. The average attendance for 1924 was 173, and for 1923 it was 163. We hope the average for 1926 will be 200.

Our church building is attractive and comfortable but we need more room. It is fortunate that our building is so arranged that for about \$8,000.00 we can add sixteen class rooms and enlarge our auditorium. Whenever the members and friends of the church make this possible it

will be done. Considering the good work this church is doing, where can anyone invest money in this community where it will do more good?

The Christian Churches in Bentonville and Jacksonburg, which are the only churches in their townships, the strong Christian Churches in Centerville, New Lisbon and Milton, and, a little farther away, the church at Greensfork, are a source of strength and encouragement to us and we hope we are helpful to them.

The DeKovan Male Chorus of Muncie, will be here on January 31st. This is a great chorus of more than sixty voices.

## OFFICIARY, 1928

Minister.....F. C. McCormick (Phone Red 124)  
 President Official Board.....Irvin Harmeyer  
 Clerk.....Fred Masterson  
 Treasurer.....Roy Copeland  
 Trustees.....Charles Marple, T. W. Davidson, Charles Boyer  
 Press Correspondent.....Thelma Edwards  
 Chairman Music Committee.....Arthur Reese  
 Chairman Flower Committee.....Mrs. Charles Kerlin

### BIBLE SCHOOL

Superintendent.....Charles Marple  
 Assistant Superintendent.....Bruce Henderson  
 Secretary.....Irene Kelsey  
 Assistant Secretary.....Thelma Edwards  
 Treasurer.....Roy Clingman  
 Pianist.....Mrs. Maude Harmeyer  
 Superintendent Adult Division.....Mrs. Clara Cornthwaite  
 Superintendent Home Department.....Mrs. Eva McCray  
 Superintendent Temperance Department.....Carl Buser  
 Superintendent Miss and Young People's Dept.....Mrs. Sarah Tague  
 Superintendent Cradle Roll.....Mrs. Clara Huddleston

### ANNEX

Superintendent.....Mrs. Alma Hodson  
 Assistant Superintendent.....Mrs. Blanche Copeland  
 Secretary.....Mabel Howard  
 Pianist.....Jeannette Boyd

### DORCAS AID

President.....Mrs. Mattie Kerlin  
 Vice President and Secretary.....Mrs. Laura Parrish  
 Treasurer.....Mrs. Clara Cornthwaite

### SEWING CIRCLE

President.....Mrs. Hazel Kirlin  
 Vice President.....Mrs. Claude Dickerson  
 Secretary.....Mrs. Ben Sanford  
 Assistant Secretary.....Mrs. Roy Clingman  
 Treasurer.....Mrs. Ralph Tague

### WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

President.....Mrs. Ralph Tague  
 Vice President.....Mrs. Thomas Bird  
 Secretary.....Mrs. Charles Ellsberry  
 Treasurer.....Mrs. Ben Sanford

The average attendance for the Bible School for 1927 was 143. The average offering was \$7.86. Attendance records were made as follows: 52 Sundays, Mildred Howard and Frances Kellam; 49 Sundays, Mabelle Howard, Irvin Harmeyer, Roy Copeland; 48 Sundays, Blanche Copeland, Edna Hangley, Irene Kelsey; 46 Sundays, Mrs. Alma Hodson; 44 Sundays, Jeannette Boyd, Mrs. Maude Harmeyer. The average attendance in the Annex was 57 and the average offering was \$1.92. There are 18 on the Cradle Roll. The Bible School gave \$154.69 to Missions and Benevolences.

The Women's Missionary Society has 33 members. They added seven new members in 1927. They gave \$157.19 to missions and benevolences last year. Their aim this year is 36 members, 19 World Calls and \$150.00 in offerings.

The Dorcas Aid made \$74.42 quilting last year.

The Sewing Circle made \$244.03 last year. Since Jan. 1, 1928, they have paid \$175.00 into the general budget fund of the church, purchased a new range for the church kitchen and subscribed \$250.00 to the general budget fund for 1928.

The Church Treasurer's report shows: total receipts, \$1,723.10; total expenditures, \$1,698.97; amount on hand at beginning of 1927, \$57.28 and balance of \$13.36 at the close of the year 1927.

One of the greatest needs of our church is more room for our Bible School, but this cannot be provided until there is more money in the building fund. This fund is growing slowly.

"The World Call", the best church magazine published, will keep you informed about the great, educational, benevolent and missionary enterprises of our brotherhood, and it only costs \$1.50 a year.

One of the best pieces of work done last year was the compiling of accurate lists of members and friends of the church and its organizations.

The Orchestra, under the leadership of Irvin Harmeyer, has been a great help to the church and Bible school and to the community at large. Have you told them this?

Let this be visiting year in every department of the church. At every regular meeting of every class and organization let reports be made of the number of visits made in behalf of the church and its work since the last regular meeting.

The Choir can help the church greatly this year. Let every one who sings at all help all they can. We have the talent for a great choir. Why not have it?

Several copies of this bulletin are being sent to you. Please keep a copy throughout the year and give or send the others to friends you would like to have know about our work.

The total amount of the missionary and benevolent offerings given by all the departments of the church last year was \$421.88.

The visits and addresses of Miss Margaret Lawrence of China, and of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Moon, former missionaries to Africa, were very interesting and helpful.

Please get several of these reports and give or send them to your friends.



F. C. McCORMICK, 1922

At the candle light services in both the Milton and Cambridge City Christian Churches all are requested to enter quietly and wait in silence for the service to begin. There will be a recital of the events connected with the establishment of the Lord's Supper, the Supper itself will be served, appropriate hymns will be sung and all will leave the buildings without visiting. The only light in these meetings other than candle light will be from the cross.

Walking reverently in the woods and fields is good but will not take the place of worship of Our Savior—the most inspiring, life-giving, cleansing personality that ever lived. To worship God in Christ quickens every good in the human heart. And there is an exaltation of spirit that comes when we worship with others that makes for fellowship on the higher levels of life and that can come in no other way. A religion that leaves all others out of it and is satisfied with feelings of personal piety is not christian. To love God and to love your brother as you love yourself is true religion. Love and the fragrance of a rose diffuse themselves equally in all directions.

At this time when lack of integrity and common honesty may wreck our entire business and political structure, all character building agencies should have universal encouragement and support—and the church is the greatest and most effective character building agency the world has ever known.

And money—don't quit doing what good you can do because you have little or no money and don't make this an excuse for staying away from church. Christ and the apostles did a marvelous work and they were penniless. Anyway, "It isn't what you'd do with millions, if millions should be your lot; but what are you going to do with the dollar and a quarter you got."

A religious journal suggests that we adopt a five-year program of advancement in the churches ending December 31st, 1938. The deepest need in America today is more widely attended and more reverent services of worship where all that is noblest and best is exalted. There should be no less activity in all the live, effective and useful organizations of the church. If all work together we can build up great and helpful services of worship. To succeed in this would be a real and worth while achievement.

L. "Your Church"

On December 26, 1937, Reverend William V. Barney answered the call to serve both the Milton and Cambridge City Churches fulfilling Rev. McCormick's ministry and then be considered for a more definite and longer period. He was given permission to two days of graduate school at Butler University, making his residence in this area. He had graduated from Eugene Bible University and spent most of his Christian service work as a chaplain in the army.

An interesting article written in the Traveler by J. W. Roberts, titled "Your Church" in an interview with Rev. Barney, probably 1940, contained the following information.

The Board Officers were:

Mr. Bruce Henderson, Chairman

Trustees -- Percy Donaldson, Golie Moore, and R. B. Grigsby

Deacons -- Golie Moore, John Reed, Herbert Shutz, Vincon Inco, Gayle Dunavent, Harvey Whitton, and Floyd Hines

Deaconesses -- Mrs. Mattie Kerlin, Mrs. Golie Moore, Mrs. Melvin Golay, Mrs. Harvey Whitton, Mrs. Rollie Grigsby, and Mrs. Gayle Dunavent

Elders -- James Bozoarth, Bruce Henderson, and Will Protsman

The writer wrote that, "...had the opportunity to attend the recent Young People Service...Miss Rilda Jean McGrady presented two melodic xylophone solos, "Glow Worm" and "The World is Waiting for the Sunrise."...Robert Whitton gave an informative talk on values gained by youngsters in the Christian Camp at Rushville (Weakleys Camp)...excellent moving pictures of camp scenes were shown when Rev. Barney was Dean of the Camp...A duet by Rev. Barney and his wife was appreciated by the audience...The impression of Christian Fellowship was not lost on the visitors..."

On January 29, 1941, Chaplain Barney was appointed Camp Chaplain at Camp Shelby.

M. Hard Times -- But God Hath Provided

From the early days when Joseph Kimmel gave most of the support to the church in the eighties, the congregation had struggled to pay the bills. Many times the Dorcas Aid Society and the Sewing Circle were 'looked to for support'. The poem, The Sewing Circle of the Cambridge City Christian Church, seems to illustrate this need for support.



## The Sewing Circle of the Cambridge City Christian Church

Oh the Sewing Circle of the Cambridge City Christian Church  
Is an organization prosperous and alert;  
It came into existence twenty years ago or more  
And its splendid deeds are counted by the score.

Its popularity and influence are to be considered  
Its spirit and attitudes are never embittered.  
Its made up of women loyal and true  
Who are always willing to give and to do.

The needs of the Master's Church are many  
And they must work for every penny;  
So they sew and stitch and work  
And never do their duties shirk.

About this circle there is nothing phoney—  
It has many ways of making money.  
They have markets which people adore  
Where they have cakes, salads and dainties galore.

And their Easter Bazaars are always right in it,  
All of their things are quite up to the minute.  
They have quilts and aprons and caps so fine  
You will be sure to buy one every time.

And their penny suppers, oh my, oh me—  
The food is the most delicious that ever can be;  
They make the best dishes from their recipe books  
Which shows that they are of the finest cooks.

If every church in every town  
Had a circle of such renown;  
There would be no ragged song books, no shabby floors,  
And not a church would ever have to shut its doors.

I have belonged to clubs and circles far and wide  
But this fact to you I surely must confide—  
That of all the circle I have chanced to meet  
The one of the Cambridge Christian Church can't be beat.

Composed by Mrs. Maud Thurman, Milton, Ind.

August 1936

Even as late as March 8, 1937, the board discussed financial problems. It was decided "that something must be done, at once about these problems. We must let the members of the church know that we need money."

Despite all these financial problems, the church was optimistic about the future. In May 1926, a Building Fund had been started looking forward to the day when an educational unit could be added to meet the needs of congregational growth. A letter of encouragement was sent to the congregation on December 15, 1937, proposing the budget for the year 1938. It is attached for your reading.

MILDRED DUNAVENT, Clerk  
BRUCE HENDERSON, Chair. of Board

VINCE INCO, Treas.  
FLOYD HINES, Fin. Secy.

## Cambridge City Christian Church

F. C. MCCORMICK, PASTOR  
WM. V. BARNEY, SUPPLY PASTOR

Cambridge City, Indiana

December 15, 1937

Members and Friends  
Christian Church  
Cambridge City, Ind.

Greetings:

We wish to express our most sincere appreciation for the wonderful response to our call for funds in order to liquidate a debt at Thanksgiving time. The goal was met; and more, too. You went over the top by \$5.00. The skeptics who said, "It can't be done" lost again. We thank you for this reply to them.

The task of raising funds can be done without "campaigns" if each of us will do our part each Sunday of the year. May we call to your attention the following statement of proposed expenditures for 1938.

Lights	\$32.00
Fuel	75.00
Gas	12.00
Water	10.00
Printing-Postage	35.00
Insurance	40.00
Pension	60.00
Repairs	60.00
Janitor	144.00
Room for Minister	100.00
Minister	<u>520.00</u>

Total \$1038.00

(There is no debt to be added to the budget)

Envelopes for weekly contributions will be sent to those who have used them during 1937. Should you not receive the envelopes notify a member of the church board. Please give this financial matter the same careful consideration that is given to your other interests. Pledges for weekly contributions should be made both to Current Expense and Benevolences.

Heartiest Christmas Greetings and wishes for a Happy 1938 Church Year.

THE CHURCH BOARD



The Homebuilders Class

- 1st row: Martha Will, Bertha Stockberger, Eva Passmore, Dorothy Bozoarth, Freida Craig.  
2nd row: William Will, Fred Jaehne, James Bozoarth, Mary Bryant, Helen Jaehne, Pearl Scott, Bertha Lamberson.  
3rd row: Ed Craig, Ed Stockberger, Don Bryant, Moss Scott.

In May 1941, Reverend Frank Schottelkorb answered the call to serve the Milton and Cambridge City Christian Churches. He was a graduate of Butler University. Rev. Schottelkorb submitted his resignation to the board on December 27, 1943.

N. Make Me A Blessing

"Moses sang, and led the people in singing. Miriam sang. Deborah and Barak sang. David sang, and wrote the Psalms to be sung. Jesus and the Twelve sang. Paul and Silas sang. The angels sing. In Heaven everybody will sing." So, of course, the congregations did sing; but little is written in the records. In 1930-31, it is written that "Mrs. V. M. Miller, with a vested choir of thirty, rendered great service to the church on Easter and many other days." During the tenure of Rev. Schottelkorb, in the 1940's, we find this listing of the choir members, namely:

Don Smith, Director	Pianist, Dorothy Bozoarth
Rilda Jean McGrady	Assistant, Marthanna Wissler
Sue Hines	Shirley Woods
Beverly Phillips	Roberta Henderson
Dorothy Kellam	Edith Schottelkorb
James Bozoarth	Horace Shirk
Fred Lamberson	Martha Shirk
Patti Hubbard	Anne Roberts
Martha Will	Jean Will
Joe Bill Hutchinson	Marguerite Polk
Harold Dean Henderson	

So ends the middle years. Despite a recession, a war, separation of some leaders from the congregation, a depression and another in the offing, THE FIRE STILL BURNS BRIGHTLY. GOD IS SO GOOD -- ALL WE HAVE NEEDED HIS HAND HATH PROVIDED.

We thank you Our Father in Heaven that throughout the years You have been with us. You strengthened and comforted us when we were in the 'valley'. You rejoiced with us when we had those mountaintop experiences; but, most of all, we thank You for the blessing of giving to each one of us a shepherd, Your Son, Jesus the Christ, Our Lord and Saviour. Prayerfully we sing this song--

Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us,  
For we need You to help us find our way.  
Gentle Shepherd, come and feed us,  
For we need Your strength from day to day,  
There's no other we can turn to  
Who can help us face another day:  
Gentle Shepherd, come and lead us,  
For we need you to help us find our way,  
--Gentle Shepherd.

### III. IN OUR YEARS -- 1942 -

#### A. The Fire Still Burns

On December 27, 1943, a special church board meeting was called to read a letter from Brother Frank Schottelkorb stating that he was submitting his resignation as pastor of the Cambridge City Christian Church. His ministry was shared with the Milton Christian Church. Fortunately, the congregation had elected an outstanding board under the leadership of Floyd Hines as Chairman; likewise, strong leadership was elected in the Bible School with Franklin Scott as Superintendent.

#### B. The Church Took A 'Giant Step' Forward In Faith

It was a faith with the ingredients of a purpose, requiring work by all, and a risk to be taken. The purpose was (1) to call a minister to a full-time ministry (the first since the 1870's), (2) to provide a parsonage for the minister and his family, and (3) to bring to completion the necessary funds (started in 1926) for the erection of an educational unit. All of this would require a lot of volunteer labor, church growth, and an increased stewardship of giving.

#### C. Reverend George W. Smith Was Called On May 28, 1944

On August 1944, Brother George W. Smith, his wife Lenore, and family came to share with the congregation in the ministry of this church. He gave a short talk to the board stating that he was glad to be with us and asked that we all work in the

interest of the church. Apparently that first year was a great year as commended in the August 4, 1945, Christian Standard, "Cambridge City - twenty-three additions. Attendance has increased 50 per cent and the salary of the minister, George W. Smith, has increased 30 per cent. Have \$8000 in building fund. Offerings for this project average \$95 per month. Building will be erected as soon as labor, building materials, etc. will permit."

D. Music Program Enhanced By A Gracious Gift

Don Smith, Choir Director, requested that the board send a letter of appreciation and thanks to the giver or givers of the electric organ and a plaque be placed on the organ at their pleasure. One recently commented to this writer on how much the organ added to the worship service. On page 3 is a bulletin of the church showing the choir and its members. Pictured are:

Front row (left to right): Jean Will, Mary Alice Scott, Lenore Smith, Marthanna Wissler, Dorothy Kellam, Patti Hubbard, Roberta Henderson, Marguerite Polk, Dorothy Bozoarth.

Second row: Martha Shirk, Sue Hines, Ann Roberts, Martha Will, Marthena Hudson, Fred Lamberson, John Reed, Hal Holbert, Don Smith, Arthur Powell, James Bozoarth.

E. Now For The Rest Of The Story -- by Brother George Smith

See page 4 for his letter.

**STATED MEETINGS**

Board Meeting ..... Second Monday in Each Month  
 Esther Circle  
 Naomi Circle  
 Ruth Circle  
 Council ..... February and July

**OFFICERS OF THE CHURCH**

**ELDERS**

Bruce Henderson                      George Morton  
 Quincy Bryant                      Floyd Hines

**TRUSTEES**

Gayle Dunavent                      Ross Hutchinson                      Golay Moore

**DEACONS**

Vince Inco                      William Wissler                      Don Golay  
 Don Smith                      John Reed                      Fred Lamberson  
 Harry Powell                      Jesse Kellam                      Harlan Hauk  
 Bert Bolding                      William Will                      Ralph Spence

**DEACONESSES**

Garnet Smith                      Maude Bryant                      Ina Hines  
 Hazel Ammon                      Grace Bolding                      Mary Grigsby

**BIBLE SCHOOL OFFICERS**

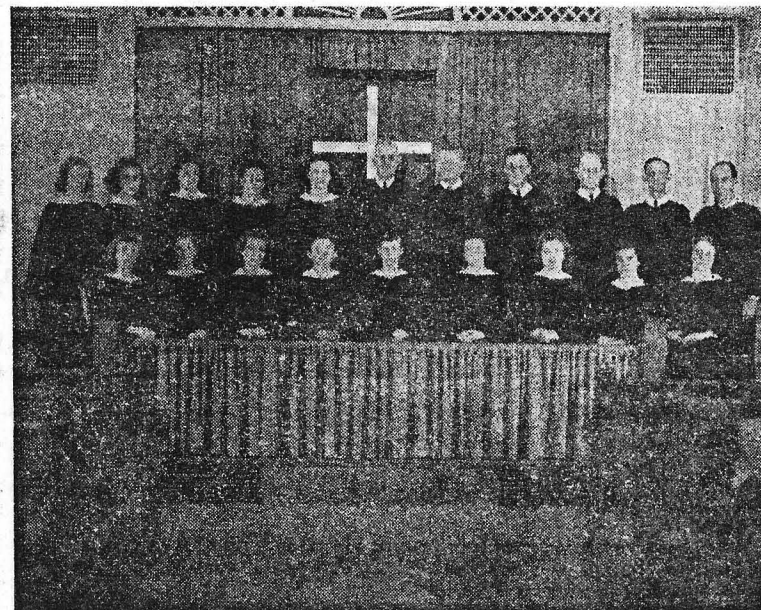
Franklin Scott ..... Superintendent  
 Louetta Whitton ..... Secretary  
 James Bozoarth ..... Treasurer  
 Helen Dunavent ..... Junior Supt.  
 Mildred Dunavent ..... Pianist  
 Roberta Henderson ..... Chorister

**Information for the Pastor**

Illness in family.                       Has moved into the community.  
 Is interested in our church.                       Desires a call from the pastor.  
 Prospective member.

NAME .....

Address .....



**CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

CAMBRIDGE CITY, INDIANA

**Sunday Services**

BIBLE SCHOOL ..... 9:30 A. M.  
 MORNING WORSHIP ..... 10:30 A. M.  
 EVENING SERVICE ..... 7:30 P. M.

DON SMITH ..... CHOIR DIRECTOR

**ORGANISTS**

DOROTHY BOZOARTH                      SUE HINES  
 MILDRED DUNAVENT                      MARTHANNA WISSLER

GEORGE W. SMITH ..... MINISTER

Residence — 407 W. Front St.                      Telephone — Green 316

**THE CHURCH THAT PREACHES THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST**

George and Lenore Smith, along with daughters Sandra and Sally, moved to Cambridge City early in August of 1944. Sandra was in the sixth grade and Sally was in the second grade. The church rented a little brick house on West Front Street, owned by Rolla and Mary Grigsby, to serve as the parsonage for the minister's family.

I had met with the pulpit committee early in the summer of 1944. Floyd Hines was Chairman of the Board and presided at the pulpit committee meeting. We received the call to be the minister soon after the meeting.

We were met in the church by friendly people who became very supportive of our ministry in Cambridge City. Floyd Hines, Bruce Henderson, Quincy Bryant and Oliver Morton were the elders at that time, and I have never known better elders. Their meditations at the communion table were very enriching, giving a great spiritual lift to the morning worship.

The congregation purchased the Graves' house for a parsonage in 1946. This may have been the first parsonage the church ever owned. Quite a bit of remodeling was done, including an office or study for the minister. The parsonage was dedicated August 18, 1946, during the morning worship hour and an open house was held the same day from 6 to 8 p.m.

When I began my ministry in Cambridge City I found Franklin Scott as the Superintendent of Sunday School. He did a great job. On Easter of 1946 a new attendance record was set at 330; that record stood for a long time. Along with the increase in Sunday School was a good increase in the worship service.

The church had a good choir directed by Don Smith. The organist was Dorothy Bozarth and Mildred Dunavent played for the evening services.

The church developed an evangelistic zeal, holding two evangelistic meetings during our ministry there. In the two and a half years I served as minister of the Cambridge City Christian Church we had 33 additions by confession of faith and 34 additions by statement or letter.

A very important happening in the Smith family was the birth of a new daughter on December 23, 1946, in the Henry County Hospital. We named her Susan Beth.

On February 13, 1947, we moved to Salem, Indiana. We left Cambridge City with regret as we had made many good friends and the church was going great.

Sincerely,  
George W. Smith



F. A Call Was Extended To Brother Frank Smith

On March 10, 1947, Brother Frank S. Smith, his wife Hylde, and family joined with the congregation in a shared ministry of the church. He stated that he was glad to be with us and asked that we help him all we can.

G. Missions And A Question

At the July, 1947, meeting, the church board requested that Brother Frank Smith address both the board and the congregation relative to the concerns with regard to missions. He delivered four sermons on the missionary subject as to its growth, its policies, etc. He reported good attendance with everyone expressing their appreciation of his bringing out both sides. He also reported there are probably still differences of opinion but no division among the church people over the missionary question, mostly centered concerning the United Christian Missionary Society with regard to the endorsements of certain mission fields. Also, it was stated that those that had started the petition had no thought of division but desired a spirit of investigation.

H. A Recommendation For Ordination

On September 13, 1948, a letter of recommendation was written stating that "We, the official board of the Cambridge City Christian Church are happy to recommend Brother Wayne Alford as being, to the best of our knowledge, a most promising candidate for ordination to the ministry of the WORD." The ordination was to be conducted by the elders of the Bentonville Christian Church and they were to be allowed to use this church for the ceremony.

I. Building Plans Now In The Planning Stages

In November 1949, two committees were organized to implement the building of an educational unit; namely

- (1) The Planning-Surveying Committee: Ross Hutchinson, Don Golay, Bruce Henderson, Pearl Scott, Martha Holbert.
- (2) Building Fund Committee: Fred Lamberson, Robert Whitton, Mary Grigsby, Alice Davis.

On May 15, 1950, the Church Planning Committee submitted plans for the building of this educational unit. It was interesting to note the Mrs. Leatha Inco was elected to a position of trustee to insure that 'there would be adequate restroom for women'.

J. Now For The Rest Of The Story and Reflections -- Brother Frank Smith

FRANK S. SMITH

357 WEBB ROAD, PINEY FLATS, TENNESSEE 37686

July 27, 1992

Mr. David L. Zeigler, Minister  
Cambridge City Christian Church  
Post Office Box 340  
Cambridge City, Indiana 47327

Dear Brother Zeigler:

Thank you for extending to me the opportunity to contribute something toward the publication of Cambridge City Christian Church's Sesquicentennial History.

I served the congregation from March, 1947 until July, 1950. My wife, Hylda, and I have said many times that we have known no happier years in the church than those three years in Cambridge City. Two of our four children were born while we were there.

We were relatively inexperienced at our tasks. I had been preaching only six years, and most of that time was spent in weekend ministries while attending the old Butler University School of Religion. No congregation could have been more accepting or supportive of us and our efforts.

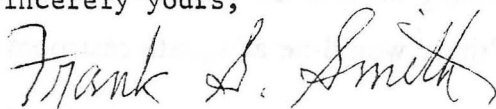
I do not know that we did the church a great deal of good but we did the best we could, and we certainly profited ever so much from our time spent there.

We did see sixty eight new members added, forty one of these by the primary obedience of Christian Baptism. I officiated at ten weddings, and fifty five funerals. Many of these funerals were for non-members whose families held high enough regard for Cambridge City Christian Church to call on us in their time of need.

While with the Church, we began a Building Fund for the enlargement and improvement of the church's facilities. This, perhaps, was the beginning of the road which has led to today's splendid edifice.

We have found considerable satisfaction in every evidence of the church's progress during the years since we were there, and we extend our very special good wishes as the congregation celebrates its Sesquicentennial.

Sincerely yours,



Frank S. Smith

### K. Brother Homer H. Stansbury Called

On August 30, 1950, Brother H. H. Stansbury and his wife Barbara came to share in the ministry of the Cambridge City Christian Church. His ministry would 'reap the fruits' of the labor and faith of the many to build an educational unit.

### L. Ground Breaking Ceremony

At the October 13, 1951 board meeting, Franklin Scott, Chairman of the Construction Committee, reported to the board that Jess Breitenbach, a local contractor, was instructed to begin immediately under the supervision of the committee. Upon the suggestion of Brother Stansbury, a ground breaking ceremony was planned for Sunday, November 4, 1951. Chairman Franklin Scott was given the honor of digging the first shovel full.

### M. Read All About The Dedication Of The Newly Erected Educational Unit

CAMBRIDGE CITY. — The dedication of the Cambridge City Christian church will dedicate its newly erected educational unit and remodeled church building Sunday afternoon, July 27.

Members and friends of the church are invited to attend the services at 2 o'clock.

Ground was broken for the new building on Nov. 4, 1951. It is a two-story building of frame and concrete block construction.

The educational unit provides 12 classrooms, four rest rooms, the space room and a modern kitchen. By remodeling, the social room in the basement of the church was enlarged providing more room for papers, etc.

All wood in the new unit is of natural finish and floors were covered with asphalt tile blocks. Wood in the church was refinished to match that in the rest of the structure. A hot-water radiant heating system was installed.

The old church building was remodeled with new ceiling and floors and redecorated throughout. A new baptistry was installed behind the pulpit.

**To Be Speaker**

Rev. K. Smith, pastor of the Christian church at Columbus, Ind., will deliver the dedicatory message. Special music will be presented by the adult and junior choirs.

Speaker for the morning service 10:30 will be George W. Smith Salem, a former minister of the church. A basket dinner will be served at noon in the social room. Bible school will meet at 9:30 a. m. with A. W. Camp, superintendent.



—Palladium-Item Photo  
The Rev. Mr. Stansbury points to a painting which is visible through a window in the baptistry. The painting was done by a member of the Centerville Christian church.

# DEDICATION DAY PROGRAM

**Christian Church**  
CAMBRIDGE CITY, INDIANA



SUNDAY, JULY 27, 1952  
2:00 P. M.

## PROGRAM



ORGAN PRELUDE

HYMN

PRAYER

HYMN

INTRODUCTION OF VISITING MINISTERS.....By R. L. Whitton  
Chairman of Church Board

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.....By Fred Lamberson  
Building Fund Treasurer

RENDITIONS .....Junior Choir

MEMORIAL SERVICE.....Led by Bruce Henderson

ANTHEM—"Wonderful Grace of Jesus".....Adult Choir

DEDICATORY MESSAGE.....T. K. Smith  
Minister Christian Church, Columbus, Ind.

PRESENTATION OF KEYS.....By Franklin Scott,  
Chairman of Building Committee

ACCEPTANCE OF KEYS.....By R. H. Judy,  
Chairman of Trustees

DEDICATION SERVICE.....Led by Minister, H. H. Stansbury

OFFERTORY MESSAGE.....By R. H. Judy

OFFERING

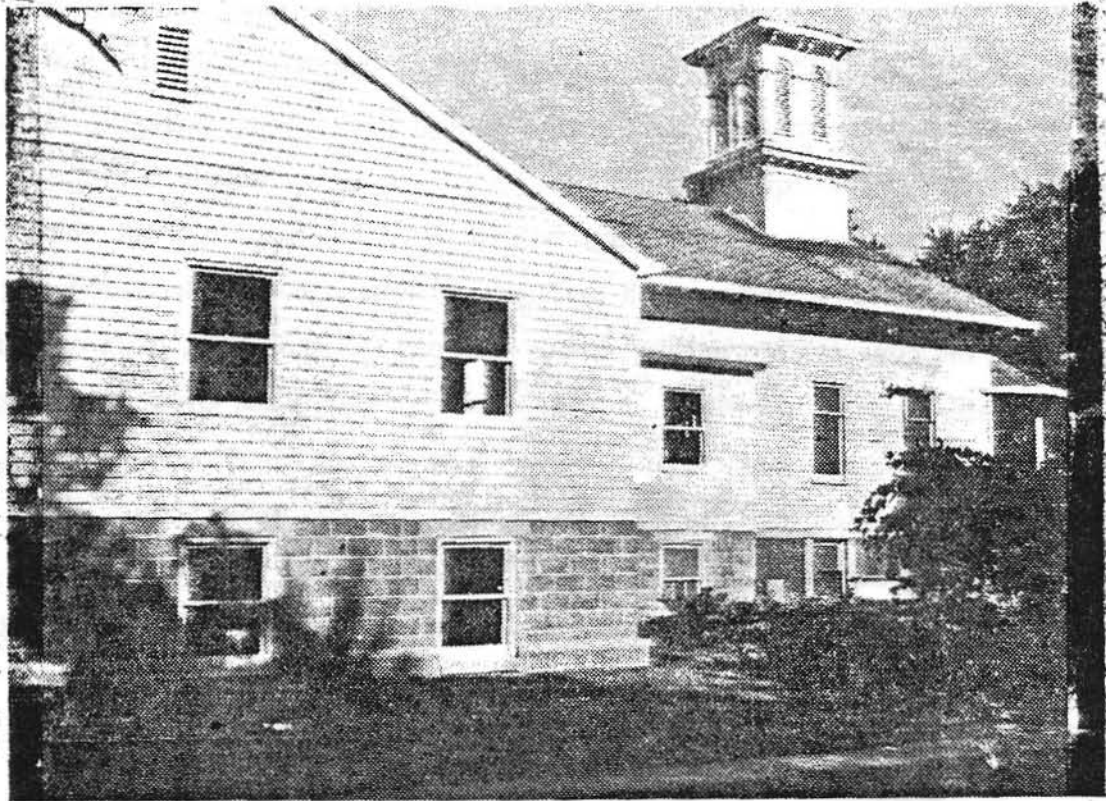
INVITATION HYMN

BENEDICTION

\* \* \*

Miss Mildred Dunavent, Organist  
Mrs. James Black, Song Leader

## Remodeled, Expanded Church To Be Dedicated Sunday At Cambridge City



This view of the new addition to the Cambridge City Christian church is from the rear of the building looking toward the front of the church lot.

### N. Thanks

Ray Judy, member of the Building Committee, requested that the Clerk, Norma Beeler, send letters of thanks to the various ones that aided in building the new unit. It was also requested that a donation be given to the members of the Masonic Temple for the use of their building while the church was involved in construction.

### O. Death Of Brother Stansbury

On May 22, 1953, Chairman Robert Whitton called a special board meeting to relate the sad news that Brother Stansbury had died.

### P. Brother Cyril (Cy) Stocke Called To Fill the Pulpit

On July 16, 1953, Brother Cy Stocke, his wife Betty, and his daughter Margaret came to share with the congregation in the ministry of the church and be a witness to

this community for twelve years (1964); and then they came back in their retirement years (1978 to 1985) to once again be a part of this 'family of God'.

Q. A Need For Remodeling The Auditorium

An increase in both the Bible School and the worship service presented a need for expansion of both the auditorium and the basement classrooms. Through the generosity of Charles and Don Golay, this construction began on August 9, 1954. It would include two large rooms, which may be separated by folding doors, at the back of the auditorium, with two equally large basement rooms, a new steeple, a ramp on the east side for the handicapped, and a large lighted sign. The outside of the church and the parsonage were to be covered with Indiana limestone. Also, while remodeling was taking place, the congregation decided to buy new pews with contour, plain ends, made of red oak with a golden oak finish. Two hundred hymnals titled, Great Hymns of the Church, were purchased. Ed and Hilda Sheets gave the gift of new communion furniture. It is now used for Little People's Worship. Burris Butler, editor of the Christian Standard delivered the dedicatory address during the afternoon program.

Pictures of the church building before and after are shown for your viewing as well as the Dedication Day Program.



Cambridge City Christian Church  
Around 1915



Worship Center Following The 1954 Addition

*Dedication  
Day  
Program*

July 27, 1952

Organ Prelude

Hymn No. 504—  
The Church's One Foundation

Invocation

Greetings ..... Elder Maynard Wolf

Hymn No. 473—O Worship the King

Scripture and Prayer ..... Bro. Paul Banta  
(Centerville Christian Church)

Financial Statement, Bro. Fred Lamberson  
(Building Fund Treasurer)

Organ and Piano Duet—

Angels Ever Bright and Fair (Handel)  
JOAN SKATES AND GAYLE DUNAVENT

Dedicatory Message ..... Bro. Burris Butler  
(Editor, Christian Standard)

Responsive Reading ..... Bro. C. E. Stocke

Dedicatory Prayer

Solo—"Bless This House," Roberta Bertsch

Benediction

Hymn No. 224 (Vs. 1)—  
"Take the Name of Jesus"

R. Spiritually Our Faith Was Shown Through --

1. the Bible School attendance indicating a growing church. In 1955, Paul Lunsford, Bible School Superintendent, recorded an average attendance of 199; in 1961 the average attendance was 229. Every class had a strong fellowship program, contributing not only to social activity, but in the stewardship of giving to benevolent endeavors above and beyond the missionary program.

2. the Missionary and Benevolence Endeavors. In 1953, the total receipts were \$817.75 and disbursements were \$748.59; in 1963, the total receipts were \$3,129.45 with disbursements of \$2,508. Three living-link missions were developed, namely

Toronto Christian Mission -- Gene Dulin

One of Bill Scott's children when the family left for the mission field in Barbados Island.

Black Forest Mission in Germany - Alva and Janice Phillips

3. through the creation of the Timothy Fund. Brother James Harris presented the concept, reason and purpose for a Timothy Fund. In the Constitution and By-laws, published in 1960, we read the following: I. Object or Purpose. "To create a fund which will enable the church to primarily encourage our young people to enter into full time Christian service and second to lend support to those already in Bible Colleges but who need financial assistance, or to encourage young people to enter into full time Christian service."

On November 21, 1960, the first recipient was Rupert Bishop, a prospective missionary to his native land, Barbados Island. He was a student attending Cincinnati Bible College. He was later ordained in this church.

The ordination of a Timothy, Alva Phillips, is shown in the following picture.





From left to right: Quincy Bryant, Paul Lunsford, Kenneth Stevens, Brother Cy Stocke, James Harris, and Chairman of the Board James Grigsby. Timothy -- Alva Phillips

R. (continued) Spiritually Our Faith Was Shown Through --

4. an awesome Revival. On March 31, 1958, Brother Cy Stocke reported to the board, ". . . this was undoubtedly the happiest report he had ever made to any church board at any time in his ministry. . . During the time covered by the evangelistic meeting, there were forty-four added to the church by confession and baptism and twenty added by transfer of membership. . ." Evangelist Myron Taylor was the speaker and Harold Clark was the song leader for the revival meeting held March 16 through the 28th.

In the Annual Report for 1958, Brother Cy Stocke reported 97 added to the church roll, 62 who made the good confession and were buried with their Lord in Christian baptism and 35 who were added to the church fellowship via transfer of membership.

5. through the Circles engaged in purposeful activities. The Annual Report for 1959 reported as follows:

Mattie Stevens reported for the Dorcas Circle the funding of the following missions: Toronto Christian Mission \$140, Lower Caribbean Mission \$65, for needy families \$50, and sponsored the Mother-Daughter Banquet.

Ruth Reed reported for the Sue Marson Circle the funding of the following missions: United Christian Missionary Service \$50, Riley Donica \$50, American Leprosy Mission \$25, Cleveland Children's Home, Emily Flinn Home \$50, and kitchen remodeling \$829.75.

6. fellowship at the Annual Church Picnic. A picnic under 'the spreading beachnut trees', high on a hill overlooking a beautiful pond below -- the creation by God and man working together. Members brought well-filled baskets followed by hot fudge sundaes and all the watermelon you could eat. Then the fellowship of recreation followed with horseshoes, softball, hiking, fishing in the pond, or a boat ride in Howard Roger's motor boat. As the sun began to set in the west, vesper services were held. An unforgettable day at the annual church picnic at the Chore-Boy Farm.

S. Now For Reflections As Written By Brother Cy Stocke

July 25, 1992

To the church in Cambridge City, Indiana

Greetings, in the name of our precious Lord whom we have served ever more faithfully for many years: Christ Jesus, in whose service we have found peace and love which produced fruits of the Holy Spirit enabling us to reach out to others with the dynamic message of personal salvation through His blood.

How oft I have prayed for you so that you might continue to send faithful laborers into the vineyard which is ripe unto harvest.

Memories, sweet memories, fill my cup when I review the years when we served our Lord in the name of our victorious Savior, nurtured by His Word and led by His Holy Spirit.

There are happy memories of the steady spiritual growth of the Body in Christ and additions to the Body as men, women, and young people responded to the study of God's Word and surrendered their lives in repentance and Christian baptism. Growth was witnessed, also, as His followers evidenced the indwelling Spirit of the living Christ.

We remember so many young people -- in Bible School, flourishing youth groups, weeks and weeks of Daily Vacation Bible School and of camps. I wish we could revisit Mahoning Valley and relive the joy and anticipation we invested in countless young lives.

Yes, there are memories, which bring a tear to the eye and a catch in the throat, of faithful soldiers of the Cross who have exchanged their cross for a starry crown. What a blessed reunion awaits us beyond the sunset.

Yes, Betty, Margaret and I share blessed memories with you when God permitted us to join hearts and hands in Christian service from 1953 to 1964. Who can forget the sound of the old church bell every Sunday morning or the Stevens's faithful dog which followed them to church throughout the years they served so well as caretakers.

Memories of days of devoted labor at which we remodeled the buildings so we could more effectively perform the task before us, or when the original building and parsonage were covered so beautifully with limestone.

With what gratitude we remember the expanding of our mission outreach, sending Gene and Lenore Dulin to Canada, and eventually to Europe, where they faithfully and truthfully served until recent retirement. Other missionary families were the Bill Scotts, in Barbados; Bob Warricks, Japan; Wayne Alford, in Arizona and Canada; Hale Whitcomb in Africa; and Alva Phillips who served Germany after attending Johnson Bible College and being ordained in Cambridge City. Several families were represented by their young people who attended Bible Colleges and are now in full-time Christian service -- Sandra (Harris) Leinbaugh, Whittons, Cheeks, and others.

There is a postlude to the memory song when we enjoyed the family of God in Cambridge City once again, in retirement, from 1978 to 1985, as you loved us in days of need and reassurance. We thank our Father for your love and caring during each of the 18 years He permitted us to be a part of His family at Cambridge City.

We pray for a glorious future in His Church. One day we shall gather around the throne, in Glory, brothers and sisters who have worked and prayed, and laughed and cried, in the Lord.

May the future add numberless souls to our family.

In His Love,  
Cy and Betty Stocke  
and Margaret

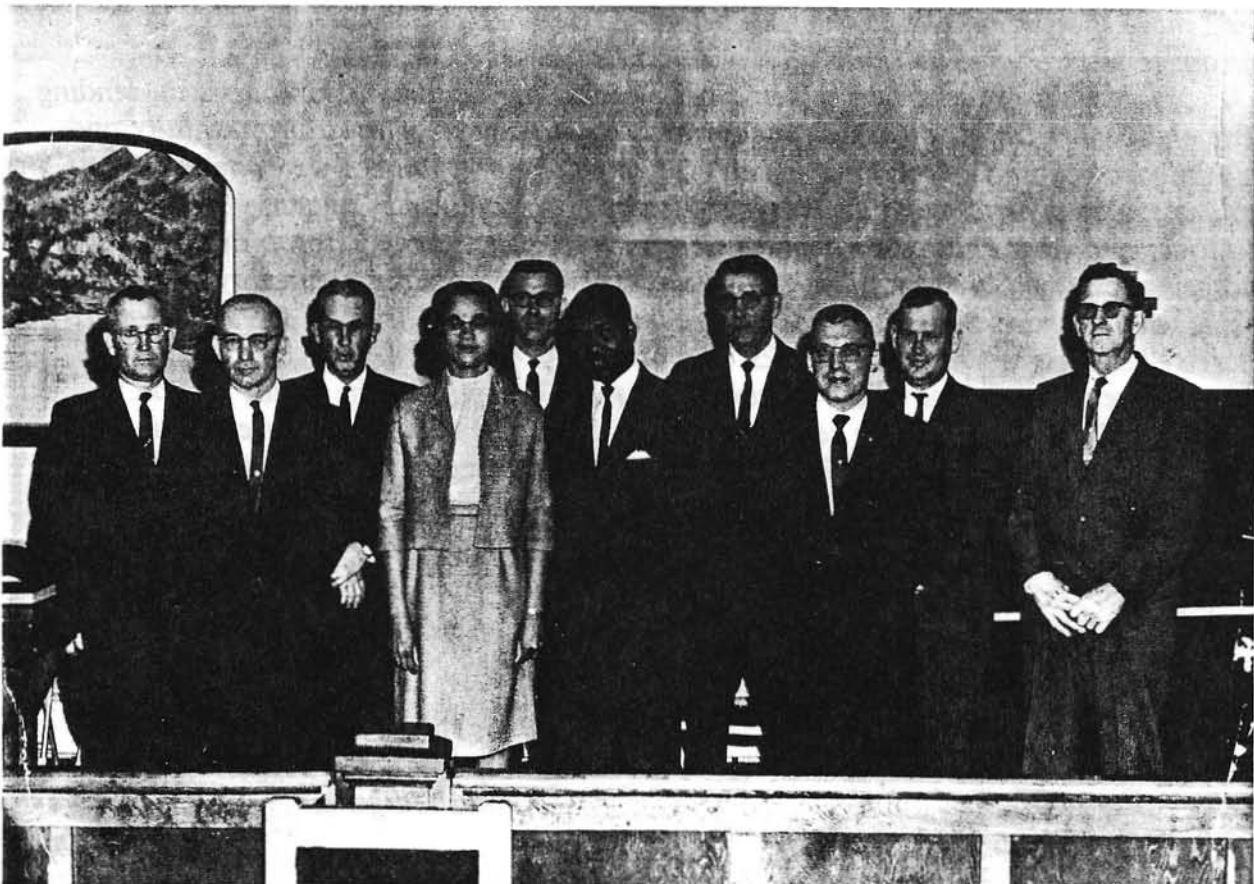
T. A Call Extended to Brother Harry Holloway

A special congregational meeting was held on the evening of May 10, 1964 to hear a trial sermon by Brother Harry Holloway. Following the service, Bruce Henderson, Chairman of the Pulpit Committee, recommended a call be extended to Brother Harry. The ballot was cast. It was nearly unanimous in favor of extending the call to Brother Holloway. On July 12, 1964, Brother Harry, his wife Janet, and their two children, Beverly and Ronnie, came to share with the congregation in the ministry of the Cambridge City Christian Church.

U. Spiritually Our Faith Was Shown Through --

1. the ministry of preaching. There was a quick, positive response to Brother Harry's evangelistic 'down home' preaching with an appealing approach, and he was well received by the many. He created a desire in the congregation to 'walk the second mile' in sharing the gospel by a walk of faith. At the end of his ministry of four years, attendance at church worship approached 250; in the evening worship 70 or more. During his ministry there were 167 additions, 112 by baptism and 55 by transfer.

2. an Ordination of Brother Rupert. Brother Rupert Bishop, a student at the Cincinnati Bible College, preparatory to returning as a missionary to Barbados Island with his wife, Crystal, was recommended as being a worthy candidate for ordination.



U. (continued) Spiritually Our Faith Was Shown Through --

Names of those pictured on previous page:

First row (left to right): Paul Lunsford, Kenneth Stevens, Crystal and Rupert Bishop, Robert Whitton, Arthur Powell.

Second row: James Harris, Brother Harry Holloway, Joe McGuire, and James Grigsby, Chairman of the Board.

3. an Eagle Scout Recognition Program. John Black, Samuel J. Lilley, Stephen Locke, and Jerry L. Myers were presented the Eagle Award at the Cambridge City Christian Church on March 5, 1967. Later both Dennis and Greg Cole were presented the Eagle Award. John Black and Charles Edward Golay were presented the God and Country Award at another time. Both awards require the evidence that the scout has met his obligations to home, school, church, and community willingly and ably.

4. the employment of a youth minister. Brother David Huddleston was hired to work with the young people on August 22, 1965.

5. the ministry of music. Brother Harry commented, ". . . and what about Denzel and the choir? How willingly and lovingly they have given themselves to the ministry of music. . ." Organists were Janine Skates and Sondra Clifton.

Pictured on page 18 from left to right:

First row: Betsy Grigsby, Candie Henderson, Nancy Allen, Marguerite Black, Janet Holloway, Bonnie Bertsch.

Second row: Ruth Gethers, Mary Alice Scott, Jane Henderson, Deanna Barricklow, Jean Morse, Sue Quick.

Third row: Denzel Barricklow, Hugh Nichols, Kenny Scott, Steve Batzka, John Black, Joe McGuire.



6. the presentation of Timothy Scholarship at Lincoln High School commencement. Lois Scott was the first recipient of the Timothy Scholarship which amounted to \$250 and was to be continued each year for three years if she was successful in her Christian endeavor of study.

7. a decision to remove The Cambridge City Christian Church's name from the Disciples of Christ yearbook. The following resolution was voted on by the congregation:

Cambridge City Christian Church

"A NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH"

Church Office 62822

HARRY HOLLOWAY, Minister  
104 W. Church St.  
Telephone 62957

CAMBRIDGE CITY, INDIANA

RESOLUTION

At a duly called congregational meeting of The Cambridge City Christian Church, located in Cambridge City, Indiana, which was held on June 30, 1968, the majority of the Church members present and voting at said congregational meeting, adopted the following Resolution as being both expressive of the will of, and also binding upon said congregation and its property:

Be it Resolved that The Cambridge City Christian Church located in Cambridge City, Indiana, hereby go on record as declaring, in unmistakable terms, that, under no circumstances, shall said congregation ever surrender, by merger, absorption, or otherwise, its historically independent and uniquely undenominational position in Christendom, nor its strictly congregational polity, that is to say, its God-given and Bible-centered right, as well as its inherent authority, to govern its own internal affairs in accordance with the New Testament, without interference by any outside authority, ecclesiastical or otherwise, so long as said congregation does not violate any civil or criminal laws of the state of Indiana or of the United States of America.

I, Ruth Gethers, the duly elected Clerk of said congregation, do hereby certify that, on June 30, 1968, the majority of the Church members present and voting at the congregational meeting duly called and held on that date, did adopt the foregoing resolution.

Ruth Gethers  
Signature of Church Clerk

V. Instructions From The Board and Reflections By Brother Harry

On June 17, 1968, Kenneth Stevens made a motion that the board accept the resignation of Brother Harry Holloway followed by these remarks, "The board recognizes a very commendable job in the 4 years of his ministry here and the church is in a better position." He further stated that the Chairman should send a letter in these regards for Brother Harry's records. The motion was seconded by James Harris and the motion carried. And Now Written Reflections By Brother Harry Holloway.

July 28, 1992

To All The Saints in Cambridge City;

I'll never forget that Mother's Day evening in 1964 when I preached my trial sermon at Cambridge City. Looking back at my old date book, I find I had written, "Cambridge City, 7pm - HIRED!" I was excited about the opportunity and looked forward to moving. That evening after the Service, I visited with Don Golay for about 20 minutes. He was most encouraging. I'll never forget.

When I brought my family to Cambridge City and went to work, I knew I had found the Church I needed. Leaving the work in Dugger was hard because they had ministered to me and my family in such a wonderful way. I needed that again because it helped me to grow as a minister. Cambridge City was the same kind of Church. We were received in love with open arms. Here we could stay for the rest of our lives. As we got better acquainted with you all the bond of love was stronger yet. Our kids were in a great school, did well and graduated. Beverly was married to Mike Bettenbroke and Janet Lee was born. Ron enrolled in Johnson Bible College. I bowled on my only Championship team. Janet found so many wonderful friends and we all enjoyed the many activities of the Church.

The attendance began to grow and so did I. It was a busy time with Church activities and football, revivals and basketball, weddings and funerals (I lost count!) etc., etc.! But it was most of all a happy time! A time of serving the Lord with a wonderful, willing and talented people whose enthusiasm made the work a blessing!

It was a joy to work with the Elders. They really cared about what was going on in the Church and how I was doing. I continued to grow under their leadership.

Of course, we will never forget being moved in a Balanced Line Casket Co. truck! Franklin Scott (God love his heart) made it available and a crew of people came along to help. The people in Dugger really teased us about that! When we arrived in Cambridge City, Jim and Dorothy Bozoarth were planting flowers in the planters across the front of our beautiful home. Four happy years we lived there and loved you all! Thank you so much for giving us that opportunity!

May God bless every member and every home of the Great Church in Cambridge City. May He fill your hearts with joy abundantly. May He bless the ministry of that wonderful Church and lead it to show the way to the greatest days of dynamic growth the Church has ever known. May He pour out His Spirit upon you all and give you peace.

His and Yours,

Harry Holloway



W. The Congregation Extends A Call To Brother Joe Conarro

Brother Joe Conarro, his wife Sue, and children, Brenda, Ben and Rhonda, came to join with the congregation and share in the ministry of the Cambridge City Christian Church in October, 1968. Brother Joe had written in his 1970 Minister's Report these words: "The weeks I spent at camp were to help your youth to fulfill their ministry. The Faith-Promise program, the Care-Promise program, the weekly Bible study, the varied youth programs, the teaching of Bible school classes, the many hours per week in calling, in counseling and comfort were for one purpose, ultimately vis. to help you individually to fulfill your ministry. There is no room in the Christ-centered church for a 'clergy' or 'laity'. WE ARE ALL MINISTERS TOGETHER OF THE GOOD NEWS OF JESUS CHRIST. Thank you, Brother Joe, for this word which is still the same message for each of us today.

X. Five Firsts For The Church

1. The Tire Brigade -- The church purchased the property south of the church from the Consolidated Rubber Company for \$11,750. Unfortunately, it was filled with enough tires to 'build the tower of Babel'. The men of the church joined hands for the 'tire brigade' -- "Praise the Lord, and pass me another tire".

2. A New Circle -- The Friendship Circle -- On November 18, 1968, the members of the Dorcas Circle and the Sue Marson Circle held a combined meeting for the purpose of organizing into one group beginning with the 1969 year. The officers elected were Beverly Baldwin, President; Claro Bryant, Vice President; Mary Cole, Secretary; and Mary Grigsby, Treasurer.

3. Faith-Promise Rally -- The first Faith Promise Rally was held October 23-25, 1970 with Brother John O. Schofield as the speaker. The goal was set at \$6,000; the pledges received amounted to \$8385. Members of the Mission Committee were James Harris, Howard Shafer, Bruce Henderson, Mary Grigsby, Agnes McGuire, and Brother Joe Conarro.

4. Little People's Worship -- The Little People's Worship began on September 15, 1969. Amazingly, forty-two ladies of the church volunteered to help with this ministry to the 2's and 3's, 4's and 5's, and the Primary. Youth groups were renamed to fit the space age. They were: Whirley Birds, sponsors - Mary Cole and Carolyn

Jackson; Jet Cadets, sponsors - Mr. & Mr. Howard Shafer and Mrs. Bob Baldwin; Alpha-Teens (7th & 8th grades), sponsors - Mr. & Mrs. A. J. Shrout; Omega Youth (High School), sponsors - Mr. & Mrs. Joe Conarroe.

5. Pictorial Directory -- The first pictorial directory titled THE PLACE WHERE CHRIST AND CHRISTIANS MEET was published in 1968.

Y. Now Written Reflections by Brother Joe Conarroe

*Dear Christian friends,*

*As I check my records I find that I served at Cambridge City from October 1968 to May 1971. In this total of 31 months there were some 33 baptisms and 16 transfers. The "Faith Promise" missions program was started. Work in Junior Worship and Pre-school Worship was increased.*

*I remember the intensive calling I did in order to reach each member. I was thankful that I was able to present messages in most of the schools in the community.*

*Events that were highlights for me personally were that under the direction of Denzel, my skills as a music director were honed for later congregation and community choirs.*

*It is pleasant to remember many fine Christian friends. I shared in the joys of birth and the surrender of death. I participated in 17 marriages and 31 funerals. I trust that the memory of my service will be highlighted by my honest Gospel preaching and concerned personal growth for all.*

*God bless your efforts for our Lord in the future. There is no future without Christ.*



Cambridge City  
Christian Church

JOE CONARROE, Minister

104 West Church St.  
Phone 478-2822

Bible School 9:00 a.m. Worship 10:00 a.m.

Evening - Youth 6:00 Adult 7:00

Mid-Week Wednesday 7:00 p.m.

*Sincerely,*

*Joe H. Conarroe  
July 1992*

Z. A Call Extended to Brother John Heflin

Brother John Heflin, his wife Beverly, and children, Brenda, Timothy, and David, came and shared with the congregation in the ministry of the church. Their ministry was almost for a decade, from July, 1971, to April, 1980.

AA. Spiritually Our Faith Was Shown Through --

1. the ministry of Growth by Groups. The groups were composed of individuals who desired added study in the Word of God. They met in small groups in homes of the members and discussed freely, verse by verse, the scriptures. Prayer time was always included at these meetings.

2. attendance at the North American Christian Conventions. What a joy it was to be in the fellowship of the many of like precious faith. Our faith was lifted on high and spirit filled as we joined with over 25,000 Christians at Riverfront Stadium in Cincinnati singing, "Jesus, Jesus, Jesus: There's something about that name!"

3. the stewardship of giving for Missions and Benevolence. The faith-promise rallies continued to increase, always beyond the goals that were set. In 1979, support was given to four living links, namely:

Bruce Ammerman in Rhodesia  
The Indiana Children's Christian Home at Ladoga  
Dr. Messman (Batonga Christian Mission)  
Warricks in Japan

Support was given to four Bible colleges, Ball State and Purdue college campus houses, and many other missionary endeavors.

4. the ministry of music. Each year the congregation has been blessed by the music sung by the Adult Choir. Director Denzel Barricklow reported that the choir participated in more than 40 services during 1972. Special services were given at Christmas and Easter. Over 50 different selections were performed. A picture of the Adult Choir is shown for your viewing.

First row (left to right): Beverly Heflin, Marguerite Black, Peggy Grigsby, Janie Grigsby, Vicki Benedict, Deanna Barricklow.

Second row: Brenda Heflin, Karen Stater (organist), Sue Quick, Mary Alice Scott, Jean Morse, Ruth Gethers.

Third row: Brother John Heflin, Hugh Nichols, Jerry Dorgan, Denzel Barricklow, Joe McGuire.



The Junior Choir was made up of young people in second through sixth grades. The choir practiced once each week immediately after school from 3:30-4:15. Mrs. Don (Sarah) Smith was in charge of transportation from the Dublin School and Mrs. Earl (Pat) Baker from Milton. A picture of the Junior Choir is shown on page 26.

First row: Jeff Miller, Kim Stater, Jennifer Harris, Lisa Stomm, Robin Bryant, Dennis Baldwin, Kara Grewe, Duane Coon.

Second row: Steve Lemley, Brenda Scanlon, Larry Smith, Steve Baldwin, Jan McLane, Judy Campbell, Tim Fleenor.

Third row: Debbie Scanlon, David Heflin, Michele Baker, (unknown), Kathy Miller, Karen Cole, Janice Smith, Phillip Smith.

The High School Youth Group may well be titled, "Teens for Christ". Many of the members were involved in the sing-out group that participated in the NACC at Cincinnati and at Indianapolis as well as participating in Bible Bowls. At the end of each class time they sang "Pass It On" -- they did and many still do. A picture of the 'sing-out' group is shown on page 27 for your viewing.

First row: Peggy Grigsby, Choir Director Beverly Heflin, Doug Coon.

Second row: Tim Heflin, Dennis Orndorff, David Coon, Brian Nichols.

Third row: Greg Cole, Janie Grigsby, John Johnson.

Fourth row: Nancy Grigsby, Becky Grigsby, Deann Jackson, Kris Nichols.

Fifth row: John Shrout, Brenda Heflin, Jerry Dorgan, Bill Smith, Bob Orndorff, Cindy Gethers.





5. the ordination of a Timothy of this church. On July 16, 1972, Brother Louis Spencer Cheek was ordained. A picture of the ordination is shown below.



Ordination of Louis Cheek by Kenneth Stevens, Joe McGuire, James Harris, C. R. Golay, and Paul Lunsford.

A copy of the ordination program is shown on page 29.



XXX  
 X ORDINATION SERVICE X  
 X Louis Spencer Cheek July 16, 1972 X  
 X  
 XXX  
 Cambridge City Christian Church 7:30 PM

Prelude Denzel Barricklow

Call to Worship Doxology

Prayer Elder

Purpose of Ordination John D. Heflin

Hymn "All Hail The Power" 111

Responsive Reading

Elder: Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Congregation: How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?

Elder: And how shall they preach, except they be sent. Lift up your eyes and look on the fields, for they are white already to harvest.

Congregation: And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth fruit unto life eternal.

Elder: The harvest truly is plenteous, but laborers are few.

Congregation: Pray ye therefore the Lord of the Harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest.

Statement of Recommendation Elders

Scripture Reading II Timothy 4:1-5 John D. Heflin

Ordination Message Fred Moore

Ordination Charge Harry Holloway

Laying On Of Hands The Elders

Ordination Prayers by Minister and Elders

Hymn "I'll Go Where You Want Me To Go" 359

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You are cordially invited to a reception given in honor of Louis Cheek immediately following services. Plan now to stay and greet Louis and his family.

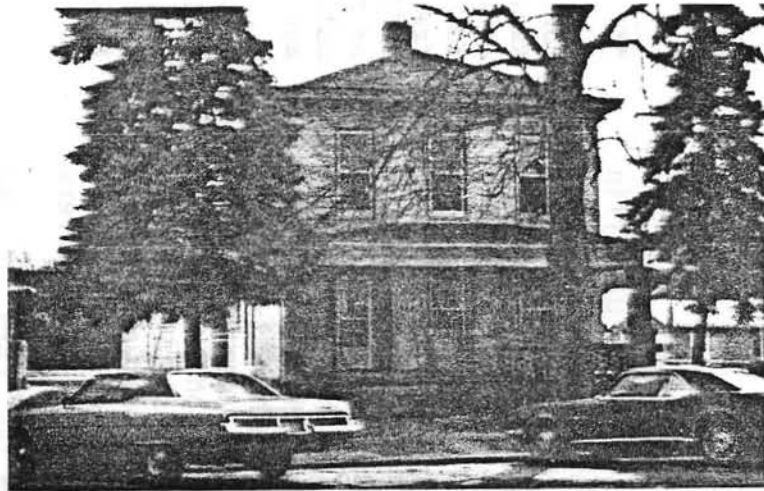
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*Louis Spencer Cheek, son of Lester Cheek and Rachel Rauthe, Cambridge City, Indiana, was born May 8, 1939 at Liberty, Indiana. He attended schools at Greensfork, Indiana and Cambridge City, Indiana, graduating from Lincoln High School, Cambridge City, Indiana in 1957. He is married to Janet Elaine Bryant, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Bryant of Dublin, Indiana on October 19, 1959. He has three children, Tomah Jean, age 12, Kimberlee Jonel, age 10 and Amy Lynn, age 7.*

*He entered Johnson Bible College August 25, 1969, has completed three years and will be returning August 20 for the final year. He has been preaching on a regular basis at The Bloomington Christian Church, Byrdstown, Tennessee since November 1971.*

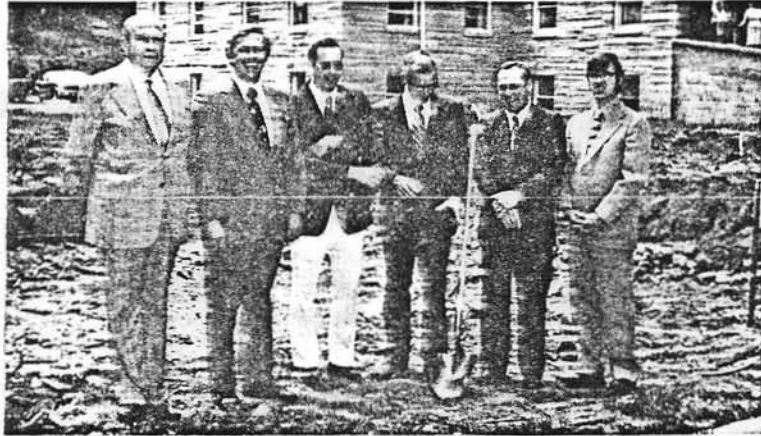
The Annual Report for 1974 records these written words by Gene Garleb, "The church was blessed this year to have been able to have helped Brenda Heflin; John Johnson; Harold Orndorff, Jr.; Robert Orndorff; Carla Reddick; and Steve Jackson through the Timothy Fund." Both Harold and Robert Orndorff would later become Christian ministers.

6. the stewardship of work and giving. Mel Gethers, Chairman of the Special Finance Committee, reported that in October, 1973, the former Hall property had been purchased by the church for \$15,000. The Building Committee composed of Chairman Bob Baldwin, Denzel Barricklow, Sue Quick, Ben Grewe, and Dick Grigsby soon became involved in the project of remodeling the house with many members of the congregation. Specific needs were for electricians, carpenters, wallpaper hangers, plasterers, painters, and frankly, anyone that could help. The newly remodeled parsonage was ready for occupancy in February, 1975.



New Parsonage Directly West Of Original Building Acquired In October, 1973

7. gracious gifts from generous hearts. After a proposal was made by the Golay family to use monies from the estate of Nevada Golay and her son, Don E. Golay, to build a new sanctuary for the church, the congregation voted to accept the gift on June 30, 1974. The following May, the original parsonage at 104 W. Church Street was demolished to make way for a new house of worship. Ground breaking ceremony was set for May 16, 1975, following the morning worship. Those participating in breaking of ground are shown on the next page.



Those participating in the breaking of ground were from left to right — Charles R. Golay, John D. Heflin, Minister, Robert Baldwin, Building Committee, Hugh Nichols, Elder, James Grigsby, Board Chairman, and Charles Akers, Architect.

Other generous gifts were given. Elmer and Goldie White gave a large gift of money to defray the cost of the new grand piano; the McGrady family gave the gift of carpet and installation on the ramp; the church bought new choir robes.



A picture of the time capsule prepared to be placed behind the corner stone, September 28, 1975.



Susanna Barricklow, one of three symbolic stone masons who participated in the Corner Stone laying service. The others were Bea Henderson, and Montie Harris.

#### LAYING THE CORNERSTONE

Today we lay the Cornerstone  
For the Church that Jesus bought,  
We lay it in its proper place —  
From the Bible we are taught.

From the Holy Book we learn that  
Jesus is the Chief Cornerstone,  
Our lives are patterned after the  
Son of God alone.

And so we lay this stone today  
With exactness and with care,  
So this building may be built,  
A House of Worship and of prayer.

All measurements are taken  
From the stone we lay today,  
And may future generations  
Know our love by the stone we lay.

So may the Chief Cornerstone  
Be as visible in you and me,  
So the world may take its pattern  
From the Christ of Calvary.

Pictures of the new sanctuary



At the Master's table

"BEHOLD WE BUILD AN HOUSE  
UNTO THE LORD OUR GOD....."  
II CHRONICLES 2:4

GAMBRIDGE CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
SANCTUARY ERECTED 1975

MINISTER	JOHN D. HEFLIN
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD	JAMES E. CRIGSBY
DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION	R.M. BALDWIN, ROSS HUTCHINSON,
COMMITTEE	MELVIN GETHERS, C. E. COLAY
ARCHITECT	AKERS & ASSOCIATES
CONSTRUCTION	CHRISTIAN BUILDINGS SERVICES

A dedication of this Sanctuary to God

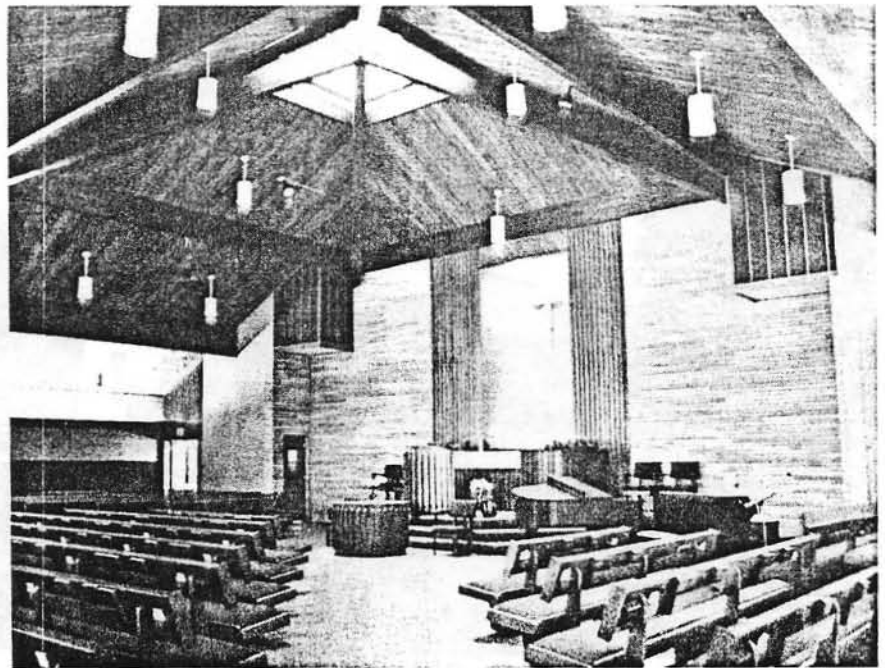
**NEVADA GOLAY & DON E. GOLAY**

**THIS SANCTUARY ERECTED AS A LIVING MEMORIAL  
TO THEIR FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE OF GOD AND MAN.**

**DEDICATED TO OUR LORD'S WORK AND GIVEN TO  
CAMBRIDGE CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH THIS 25<sup>TH</sup>  
DAY OF APRIL 1976.**

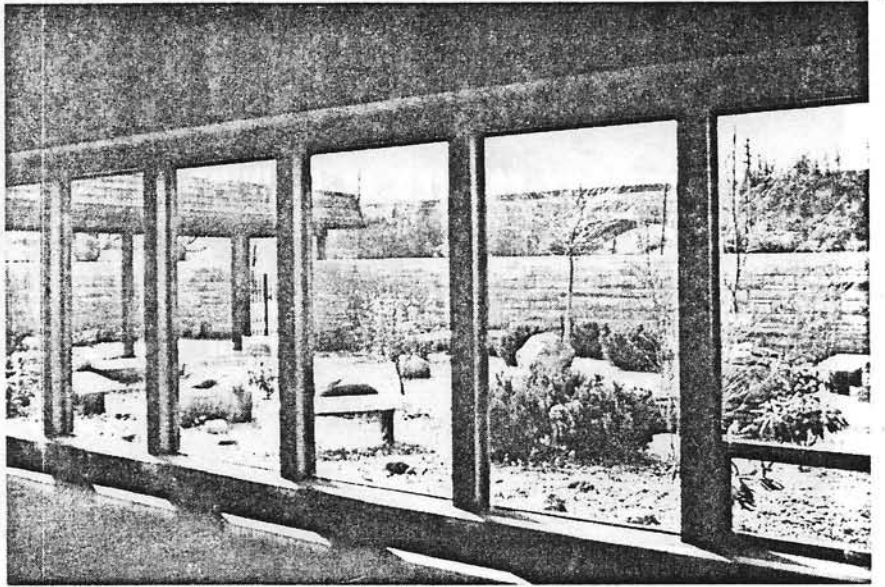
**GOLAY FAMILY**

The spirit & generosity of the Golay Family



Inside the sanctuary

Garden Area



View from the corner of Church & Foote Streets

Dedication of the Sanctuary  
April 25, 1976

CAMBRIDGE CITY CHRISTIAN CHURCH

2:30 P.M.

John D. Heflin, Minister

Charles E. Golay, Board Chairman

THE CHURCH AT STUDY

9:00 A.M.

Stephen Jackson, Bible School Superintendent

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

10:00 A.M.

*"Let the first tone of the organ be a call to  
reverent silence in which you draw near to God."*

Presiding Elder . . . . . Joseph McGuire  
Deacon in charge . . . . . Montie Harris

Prelude . . . . . Karin Stater, Organist  
Hymn of Praise — "Holy, Holy, Holy" . . . . . 105  
    Invocation . . . . . Elder  
    Welcome . . . . . Minister

Hymn of Devotion — "O Worship The King" . . . . . 107  
SCRIPTURE . . . . . Elder  
    The Morning Prayer . . . . . Minister  
    Choral Response

Communion Hymn — "When I Survey" . . . . . 58  
    The Lord's Supper is for all who love the Lord  
    and have accepted Him as their personal Saviour.  
    The Loaf and the Cup are partaken in unison.

Elders at the Table . . . . . Eugene Garleb - Hugh Nichols

Offertory      *Doxology*      Worship through giving

Anthem — "Since By Man Came Death" Handel . . . . . Choir  
Sermon . . . . . Minister

Hymn of Invitation — "Just As I Am" . . . . . 198  
Benediction . . . . . Minister  
Choral Amen

Hymn of Parting — "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" . . . . . 220  
Postlude . . . . . Organist

Organ Prelude . . . . . Karin Stater

Processional Hymn — "God of Our Fathers" . . . . . No. 464

Invocation . . . . . John D. Heflin, Minister

Choral Response

Dedication Day Greetings

Hymn of Worship — "Crown Him with Many Crowns" . . . . . No. 122

Anthem — "O God Our Help in Ages Past" . . . . . Thompson

Dedication Message . . . . . Edwin V. Hayden, Cincinnati, Ohio  
    Editor, "Christian Standard"

Presentation Hymn — "The Church's One Foundation" . . . . . No. 164

Presentation of the Building for Dedication . . . . . Charles R. Golay

Acceptance of the Keys . . . . . James Bozoarth, Chairman Trustees

Act of Dedication

Prayer of Dedication . . . . . Charles E. Golay

Hymn of Dedication — "The Doxology"

Benediction

Recessional — "Lead On, O King Eternal" . . . . . No. 414

Postlude



8. the remembrance of those we love. The Youth In Christ Fund and the Memorial Giving Fund were established in 1979. The Youth In Christ Fund is lovingly and prayerfully dedicated in memory of Charles Edward Golay with an earnest desire that it might be an effective means in winning young people to Christ. The primary concerns of this fund should be directed toward those extra-curricular activities of teenagers and young adults that are considered beyond the regular functions of the church Bible School.

The Memorial Giving Fund was established as an opportunity for those desiring to show an expression of care and love through the giving of a living memorial gift to the Cambridge City Christian Church.

The Christian Life Award was established by James and Montie Harris, given in memory of Chuck Golay. The recipient of this award shows the Christian life at home, school, and church and is chosen by his/her peers each year. The recipients' names are listed on two plaques in the foyer. They are as follows:

1979 - Phillip L. Smith	1986 - Tim Barricklow
1980 - Kimberly Stater	1986 - Jeff Clingenpeel
1981 - Ed Benedict	1987 - Jeff Tyner
1981 - Steve Lemley	1987 - Kyle Callahan
1981 - Jenni Harris	1988 - Shelly Alexander
1982 - Melissa Allen	1989 - Carrie Zeigler
1983 - Susanna Barricklow	1990 - Aaron Lunsford
1984 - Timothy Grewe	1991 - Daria Mehaffey
1985 - Kim Mehaffey	1992 - Debbie Zeigler

BB. Articles of Incorporation Are Adopted

At the Annual Church Board meeting, January 22, 1976, a recommendation was made from the board that "the present constitution of the Cambridge City Christian Church be rescinded and "The Articles of Incorporation" be adopted to replace the constitution. Montie Harris moved to accept this recommendation, Reuben Bertsch seconded. A ballot vote was cast. Motion carried.

CC. Now For the Rest of the Rest of the Story as written by Brother John Heflin



JOHN D. HEFLIN  
P.O. BOX 8  
CAMBRIDGE CITY, IN 47327  
317-478-5575

28 July 1992

John D. Heflin: Ministry from July 1971 until April 1980  
Graduate - Minnesota Bible College  
Grad School - Cincinnati Bible Seminary

During this time our youth Sing-out groups and Bible Bowl teams took part in several North American Christian Conventions and presented programs at area churches. Mr. Heflin, Charles E. Golay, Harold Orndorff Jr, and Bob Orndorff worked with the youth developing many programs which included a successful Youth tent meeting. After the untimely death of Chuck Golay, a yearly award for the outstanding Christian Young Person was established in his name.

The sanctuary of the old church was remodeled with an artistic expanding of the Baptistry, colored glass in the windows and padded pews.

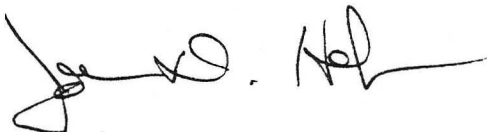
In 1975, a new sanctuary, with a large foyer area and prayer garden, was built through the generosity of the C. R. Golay family. On cornerstone laying day we placed a sealed container in the foundation which contained many items from our day, money, song-books, newspaper, bulletin, church paper, membership list and many other items. As a congregation we purchased a new Baby Grand piano, choir robes and many other items for the new sanctuary. The dedication address was given by Edwin V. Hayden, editor of the Christian Standard.

Major speakers during my tenure included Dr. Jack Cottrell, George Stansberry, Raldo Cook, Paul Benjamin, Dr. Lewis Foster, and the Boatmans.

Many special people come to mind when I think about this period of ministry at the Cambridge City Christian Church. Just to mention a few, Fred Lambertson, Jimmy Bozoarth, Ross Hutchinson, C. R. Golay, Rachel Newkirk, Mary Grigsby, Denzil Barricklow, Jim Harris, Jim Grigsby, Helen Alford and Steve Lemley. These and many others had a significant impact during my ministry. There is no way to mention all who played a roll during this time, but with the help of many we experienced church growth and most importantly, we grew spiritually.

It was my privilege to serve this fine group of Christians and to see young people like John Johnson, Steve Jackson, Harold Orndorff, Jr., Bob Orndorff, Carla Reddick, Pam Goodgion, and my Daughter Brenda Heflin become Timothy's from our congregation. If I have missed one please forgive me.

Sincerely,



DD. The Congregation Extends a Call to Brother Gordon Mehaffey.

Brother Gordon Mehaffey, his wife Jeanette, and children, Chip, Kimberly, Daria, and Matthew came to join with and share in the ministry of the Cambridge City Christian Church on August 3, 1980. Almost immediately there was a positive response to Brother Gordon's preaching of the Word and the introduction of Christ-related programs that would be creative as well as meeting the needs from the young to the elderly.

EE. The Lord Blessed the Ministry of This Congregation of Believers, Through --

1. an ordination of a Timothy. An ordination service was held in May 1980 for a Timothy of this church, Robert Orndorff. The ordination charge was given by the interim minister, Brother Wally Gardiner. The elders participated in this service with the laying on of hands.

2. the faith of the congregation to call, for the first time, a full-time Associate Minister. Brother Tim Ross was called to be a part of the team effort with Brother Gordon. Brother Tim and his wife Marcia came on January 1, 1983, to share in this ministry. This team effort could have been well called the 'dynamic duo'. Their motto for the congregation was, TOGETHER, WE CAN DO IT!

3. programs that were involved in innovative Christian teaching, fellowship and caring. Some of these programs for the youth were: special programming for youth, including the "Deeper Life Rally" with Tommy Oaks; JAM's (Junior High Bible studies); TNT's (High School Bible studies); two weeks of Daily Vacation Bible School; Action groups (puppets, drama, and classes in Becoming a Christian; the Keenagers, for 60 and older; a blood program for the congregation, and others.

4. one called to be a missionary. Brother Tim Ross resigned in June 1983 to study to be a missionary. Today Brother Tim and Marcia and their three sons are missionaries to the Masaai through the Christian Missionary Fellowship.

5. the calling of Brother John Campbell to be an Associate Minister. In July 1983, Brother John Campbell and his wife Joni came to serve in the ministry of this church. Later, because of budget constraints, Brother John Campbell resigned at the end of the 1984 year.

6. an opportunity to present the eternal hope that God has for all who love and follow him. At Christmas time, the students of Lincoln High School, the community, and the surrounding areas were stunned by the tragic death of Chris Helmsing, a senior at LHS. Brother Gordon was called to bring a message of love, the sharing of grief, comforting one another to the many gathered together at the high school. He shared with them the love and the hope our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, gives. Out of this tragedy, God blessed the student body with the student organization of S.A.A.D.

7. a new Youth Minister. In September 1985, Janet Wilhelm was hired as a Youth Minister. The activities of all youth were set in motion by a "FALL B.L.A.S.T. OFF" at the end of September.

FF. Now For the Rest of the Story Written by Brother Gordon Mehaffey.

See page 40 for his letter.

GG. The Congregation Extends a Call to Brother David L. Zeigler.

Brother David Zeigler, his wife Kathy, and three daughters, Judy, Carrie, and Debbie, came to witness, to share and to join with the congregation in the ministry of the Cambridge City Christian Church on October 1, 1985. Just as our Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, did witness and teach where the public gathered, so also Brother David did not hide his 'light under a bushel', but became an active participant in secular activities, such as: a speaker for the Lincoln High School Baccalaureate-Commencement exercises, an active member and officer of the New Day Kiwanis Club promoting the sponsorship of the Good Friday breakfasts, a leader and active member of the ministerial association, as well as being a participant in the sesquicentennial and Hoosier celebrations. In fact, when you see Brother David driving down the street, you read the message 'I PREACH'.

GORDON MEHAFFEY MINISTRY  
1980 - 1985

Our ministry to the Cambridge City Christian Church began in August of 1980 and closed nearly 5 years later in June of 1985. During this time, there were 215 additions to the body of believers, 121 of these were by immersion. Jeanette and I certainly enjoyed this 5 years as there was much love and growth with the help, excellent leadership, and members working together.

Two young men entered the ministry during this time, Jim Snyder (graduate of CBC and currently preaching in Kentucky and finishing his Masters with a straight A average); and Ed Benedict (graduate of Milligan College and a fine youth minister in Indiana). Both have done outstanding jobs. Also 2 excellent young men served as Associate Ministers and both are still successfully serving the Lord. Tim & Marcia Ross are missionaries in Kenya, Africa and John & Joni Campbell are ministering in Ohio. Both Tim and John did superb jobs in assisting and helping Cambridge City Christian Church to grow. Also returning missionary Bob Warrick served us as an elder and then began ministering to our sister church at Mooreland, IN. Cy Stocke ably served for several months as our Associate in 1980. He and Betty are retired in California now.

Our youth program saw Junior Church, DVBS, church camp, and four youth groups meeting. Checking back in old newsletters and records, we find over 175 different children attending DVBS in 1982 with over 50 different staff members. We averaged 45 youth attending church camp yearly with zillions of other youth activities led by Tim and John.

A Keenager Ministry was started for folks 60 and over. Trips with 45-60 people were made to Washington D.C., World's Fair, Grand Ole Opry, Ozarks, Niagara Falls, Mammoth Cave, Plus numerous shorter trips were enjoyed. A beautiful bus was purchased and fixed up and monthly Keenager letters were mailed and meetings were held. Several times attendance was over 100 at the monthly meetings and great times were enjoyed by all.

During the 1980-1985 era, attendance and giving grew rapidly. General Fund giving for 1979 averaged \$633.78 per week. Average general fund offerings for 1984 were \$1,346.49. 1980 Worship attendance from January-July, averaged only 117 per week. By 1983 we were averaging 256 per week. Our Faith Promise Missions giving averaged over \$20,000 per year with 1984 seeing \$24,970.83 given to missions.

Claro Bryant 1980-1981, Rose Onstott 1981-1984, Jan Whitaker 1983-1984, Janet Scott 1984-1985, and Janet Wilhelm 1985, served faithfully as Church Secretaries.

Some highlights were:

A blood donor program was started, led by Rose Onstott. 175 registered for the NACC in 1983. New hymnals were purchased, new pews added to expand seating, new sidewalks were put in, we doubled our parking space and blacktopped the parking area, new printing room, youth minister's office, and library were added. All rooms in the old part of the building were repainted, several rooms were carpeted. Volunteer cleaners were used for about 4 years. This saved the church a lot of money and allowed 20 or 30 families a chance to serve the Lord.

We had great leadership during the time we served at Cambridge City. Many men, too numerous to mention served as elders, deacons, and trustees. Several ladies were deaconesses also. It was a wonderful time to serve the Lord.

Since leaving Cambridge City Christian Church, I have preached in 25 different churches from 1 Sunday to over a year. I have preached over 200 Sundays during this time, serving wherever a church is in need. I have also preached about 20 weddings and 20 funerals. I have kept busy. I continue to minister to ministers, helping them plan for retirement and counseling them and helping ministers find churches and churches find ministers. We certainly like this area and it continues to be our home. Congratulations to Cambridge City Christian Church and their 150th anniversary.

HH. The Witness of the Church Was Shown Through --

1. a Sesquicentennial musical greeting dedicated to Samuel K. Hoshour. On June 28, 1986, a 76 member Lincoln High School alumni choir earned the praise of more than 350 people who filled every seat in the Christian Church sanctuary. Under the direction of Bea Thomas, accompanied by Linda Hall on the piano, the choir sang to the glory of God: "Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's Messiah, the "Battle Hymn of the Republic", "Gonna Build a Mountain", and "Hey Look Me Over". Many vocal and instrumental solos were also presented. From the Cambridge City Christian Church, solos were presented from Jeff Clingenpeel, Kara Moretto (Grewe), Denzel Barricklow, and Deanna Barricklow. Gratia Waskom and Mary Jo Kinnaman planned and organized this musical greeting honoring Samuel K. Hoshour.

2. the holding of revivals. The congregation has been afforded the opportunity to 'sit at the feet' of some of the great preachers in the brotherhood. Many of us were spiritually filled and revived through the presentation of song evangelists, Bob and Sue Berry, and inspired by the preaching of Brother Bob -- alleluia, alleluia, AMEN!

3. its support to the Mahoning Valley Christian Service Camp. The restoration of the camp has been costly and much more needs to be done; but through the faith of the several, the camp site may have 'turned the corner.'

Under the co-leadership of Brother David and Brother David Fagan, a Men's Retreat has been organized. Men of the area churches have been blessed with the privilege of hearing two great preachers of the brotherhood, Brother Wayne Smith and Brother Bob Russell. This church through the musical leadership of Brother David as song leader, Denzel Barricklow and Bea Thomas as pianists, Verlin Beeson on the drums, and Deanna Barricklow projecting the words of the songs, led over a hundred voices, singing lustfully their praises to God.

4. the support of two Associate Ministers. Brother Scott Icenogle, and his wife Joy, and little Brittany, came in January, 1987, to join and share, basically, in the ministry of the youth. In the Annual Report for the 1987 year, Brother Scott writes, "I have the opportunity to see the young people here grow, grow not only physically but also spiritually, and I pray they will continue to grow spiritually every day of their lives." Beyond the usual youth program, activities were sponsored such as a youth revival, 'Salt Works', and 'The Race is On' musical.

Brother C. Denny Meyer, his wife Melody, and young daughter Erin, came to join and share in the ministry with the congregation in April, 1989. Under his direction, both Daily Vacation Bible Schools in 1989 and 1990 with, respectively, the themes "Sonseeker Safari" and "Island in the Son", were attractively designed in art, in skits, and in study to motivate the students to seek the Son (Jesus) and to feel the warmth of the Son (Jesus); 109 attended the first year; 130 the next year. Youth Kick-Off's were held in September to start the youth groups, namely JABS, an acrostic that reads 'Jamming and Bible study; and YAC (youth after church). These groups were for junior and senior high students. Generally once a month, sermonettes were given for the very young during the regular church service. Once a year the youth presented the worship, serving communion, specials in songs, reading of scriptures, prayers and presentation of the message -- one memorial message was delivered by Aaron Lunsford. On several occasions, Brother Denny had the opportunity to bring the message to the congregation. His remarks were well received. The senior citizens always looked forward to the 'Love Dinners' and the program given by the youth group.

II. Now a Love Letter from Tim and Marcia Ross.

August 7, 1992  
Narok, Kenya

*Dear Friends at the Cambridge City Christian Church:*

*Greetings to you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! We rejoice with you as you celebrate what the Lord has done in the church at Cambridge for the past 150 years.*

*We remember with joy the beginning of our full-time ministry in Christian service, which started January 1991 at Cambridge City. I served as Associate Minister until August of 1983 when we began preparation for service in World Mission.*

*Our time with you was a wonderful period of love and growth as you took in a couple of young kids and made us your own. We learned a lot and, hopefully, made an impact for the Kingdom in Cambridge City.*

*It was while teaching your youth the importance of Christian mission that we experienced the call of Christ in our own lives. We reluctantly parted with you, and you have graciously and faithfully remained a part of our ministry ever since.*

*I remember Marcia recounting to another former minister's wife, Hylde Smith, that she cried for three hours when we drove away from Cambridge on the way to seminary in Tennessee. "Honey, Hylde replied, "I cried for three months!"*

*We still appreciate you, love you and thank God at our every remembrance of you!*

*For the Lamb,  
Tim and Marcia Ross  
Andy, John and Tyler*

*From the Choir:*

*"The congregation can readily sing from the hymnal. As a choir we have an obligation to bring to the worship service religious music having a greater depth of arrangement and composition." As the psalmist said, "Sing unto the Lord a new song." Holding to that philosophy, and through his great knowledge and love of music, Denzel William Barricklow dedicated more than half of his life to fulfill that obligation.*

*He brought us music from the great old masters and from later and modern composers. From J. S. Bach to Jack Wyrzten. Denzel reviewed and ordered all choir music. At times the choir would complain that the music was beyond their capabilities. He prompted, coached, cajoled, taught and directed us through these and, if anyone had a problem with a part, he would immediately be singing it with them. He worked with individuals and sections until they were, more or less, comfortable with the music. This held true not only with our choir but also with the area churches combined choirs and community chorus.*

*Throughout his 28 years of leadership, he never complained and never once chided or belittled anyone. This was outstanding in that it must have been very frustrating to a man with perfect pitch to listen to a group of amateurs singing out of rhythm and off pitch and realize that he had to get it all corrected before Sunday morning. He merely smiled through it.*

*Through his efforts the choir has a library of several hundred numbers ranging from simple through complex. Yes, he gave up on us a few times and those songs will probably be forever buried in the archives. We played Mozart and Mozart lost.*

*In order to more fully understand his dedication we must take into consideration some of the other activities in which he was involved. He was a full time teacher in the Western Wayne school system, full time manager/caretaker of the Mary Gray Bird Sanctuary, directed a symphony orchestra and local Hagerstown band, and took part in various other musical activities. It may be said that service comes through dedication and dedication through love of service.*

*Denzel loved his Lord, his family, his church, his music, God's great creations in nature, and all those associated with him in these things. This love and dedication should not go unrecognized.*

*"And He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God" Ps. 40:3*

*"O come let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our Salvation." Ps. 95:1*

*"Sing unto the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, bless his name; proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day." Ps. 96:1 & 2*

*Denzel Barricklow believed these Scriptures with all his heart, and lived them day to day.*



**KK. The Story Isn't Over. The Fire Still Burns! Now, Written Reflections by Brother David Zeigler on his ministry.**

Here are some of the highlights the Lord has accomplished in the last seven years at Cambridge City Christian Church. We've had outstanding revivals held by such men as David Eubanks, George Stansberry, Keith McCaslin, Roy Norville, Keith Keeran, and the husband and wife team of Bob and Sue Berry. Jay Banks and Ken Henderson led in two youth revivals during this time. Also in the area of evangelism, we had Frantastic Days in 1990. Friend Day on March 6, 1989 resulted in our largest ever church attendance of 484 people.

From October 1985 to the present, a total of 126 persons have been immersed into Christ. During this period we have had some very successful Faith Promise rallies with our largest commitment rally in 1989 of \$23,198. Faith Promise speakers have included Tim Ross, Harvey Bream, C.Y. Kim, Glenn Bourne, Kevin O'Brien, and Lee Ladd.

Scott Icenogle and Denny Meyer have served as full time youth ministers during this period. Two young men from the congregation, Ed Benedict and Kyle Callahan, were ordained as ministers.

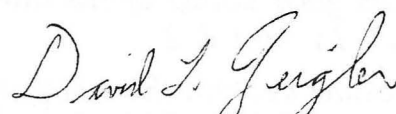
Special musical groups/individuals have included choirs from Johnson Bible College and Ozark Bible College, Regina Elliott, Greater Desire, Wray Brothers, and the Kelso Twins.

Other special events were a seminar on death and dying, a seminar on prophecy with Harold Noe, an Elders and Deacons clinic with Byron Lambert, and a class on How to Speak and Pray in Public. The congregation has sponsored two film series which were opened to the community: a Focus on the Family series about the home with James Dobson and Who Switched the Price Tags with Tony Campollo as speakers.

We had a very large delegation support the North American Christian Convention when it was held in Indianapolis in 1986. For five years we've had a large number of our church family involved as staff at Mahoning Valley Christian Service Camp. For three years we've also helped sponsor the Men's Retreat at the camp by providing music and food. Our congregation hosted the Area Men's Fellowship three times with over 400 attending the year Bob Russell spoke.

Some things have been started such as singspirations, Youth Sundays, and new Christian Sunday School classes. Candlelight Communion was reinstated. Three pictorial directories have been done during this period. A new organ was purchased in 1991.

All of these events/activities have provided opportunities for spiritual growth. It is my earnest prayer that those who have participated have been blessed.

  
David L. Zeigler