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The Presbyterian Church of Manchester, Georgia, was organized on November 30, 1913 at the Baptist Church building by a Commission of the Presbytery of Atlanta composed of Rev. J. G. Herndon of LaGrange, Rev. J. E. Hannah of Newnan, Rev. Frank D. Hunt of Decatur and Elder W. E. Newell of Inman Park Church, Atlanta. The following persons received by letter from several different Churches are the charter members of this Church, viz:

D. P. Weldon	Mrs. M. L. Dennis	Mr. C. E. Long
I. L. Weldon	Mrs. J. C. Dennis	Mrs. C. E. Long
W. J. Weldon	Frances Dennis	Emily Long
N. A. Weldon	T. L. Parsons	Nelzima Long
Mary Weldon	Mrs. T. L. Parsons	Mrs. W. M. Force
Edith Weldon	Oscar L. Little	Lester Doolittle
Mrs. I. C. Lindsay	Miss Lucy A. Sanford	Mrs. Lester Doolittle

After the organization, the name chosen by the congregation was "The First Presbyterian Church of Manchester". Mr. D. P. Weldon and Mr. T. L. Parsons were duly elected Elders and Mr. C. E. Long, Mr. Omar L. Little and Mr. W. J. Weldon were elected to serve as Deacons, all of whom were duly ordained and installed by the Commission except Mr. T. L. Parsons who was absent.

The Baptist and Methodist congregations kindly offered the use of their buildings for the Presbyterian services until such time as they could provide a building of their own. A vote of thanks and appreciation was tendered these Churches for their kindness. It was decided to have preaching on the first Sabbath in each month for the present. A vote of thanks was also tendered Mrs. C. B. Wilburn, by whose interests and efforts, this organization had largely been effected and who would have been one of the charter members but for the fact that she was changing her residence to another town. Frank D. Hunt, Evangelist of the Atlanta Presbytery and Clerk of the Commission.

April 5, 1914- Mr. George H. Gwin was elected to the office of Ruling Elder and was regularly ordained and installed.

April 5, 1914- The Statistical report to the Presbytery is as follows:
Elders, 2; Deacons, 2; charter members of the Church 20;
added on certificate, 1; added on examination, 1; total
of communicants, 22; infant baptisms, 1.
F. D. Hunt, Moderator of Session Geo. H. Gwin, Clerk

May 30, 1915- A congregational meeting was ordered to be held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Dennis to discuss the erection of a building to the interest of the Church work.

March 31, 1915- Statistical report: Elders, 2; Deacons, 3; Communicants, 24

Sep. 12, 1915- The Sunday School was formally organized at the M. E. Church. Mr. W. J. Weldon was elected Supt. and Mr. N. A. Weldon as Sec. This Session formally approved of the S. S. and its officers.

Feb. 20, 1916- The Session met at the new building of the Church at 3:30 p. m. and was called to order by Elder Weldon, Moderator and opened with prayer. Present Elders D. P. Weldon and G. H. Gwin.

July 12, 1916- At a meeting of the Session it was ordered that the S. S. be re-organized or resumed with Mr. Wm. Weldon as Superintendent and Mr. V. L. Lechr as Assistant Superintendent.

July 12, 1916- Session met at the Church at the close of the 11 o'clock service, Rev. J. G. Herndon, Moderator. Mr. G. H. Gwin reported his attendance upon the meeting of Presbytery at Lithonia and

that arrangements were made for a protracted meeting to be held in the Church with Rev. Herndon as leader.

- Aug. 13, 1916- Session met after the close of public worship at 12:30 m. Present Elders D.P. Weldon and G.H. Gwin. Licentiate J.G. Patton, Jr. was invited to sit with the Session.
- Sep. 5, 1916- A meeting of the congregation was called for Sunday, Sep. 10 to discuss and plan for pastoral supply for the balance of the year since Mr. J.G. Patton had finished his summer term of service for the Church.
- Jan. 21, 1917- Session met at the close of the Sunday School. Present Rev. John Goff, Presbytery's Evangelist.
- July 29, 1917- Session met at the close of the Church service at which Rev. W.G. Harry was ordained to the Gospel Ministry and installed as Pastor of this Church by the following Commission from Presbytery: Rev. J.G. Herndon, LaGrange, Chairman, Rev. J.E. Hannah of Newnan, Rev. Dougherty of College Park, Elders Caldwell of Greenville and Newell of East Point.
- March 24, 1918- Session met. Present, Rev. W.G. Harry and Elders Gwin and Weldon. Mr. V.L. Loehr was made an Elder.
- May 1, 1918- Session met with Rev. W.G. Harry, Elders Gwin and Loehr present. It was reported the Presbytery had accepted the resignation of Rev. Harry of this Church and Group, and had dissolved the pastoral relationship and had granted Mr. Harry a letter of dismission to the Presbytery of New Orleans. The Session expressed regret at Mr. Harry's departure and he being willing to remain, it was decided to send a message to the Presbytery of New Orleans asking them to release Mr. Harry from that call.
- Feb. 16, 1919- Session met with Rev. S.B. McGheeslin, Moderator and present Elders G.H. Gwin and D.P. Weldon; Deacons C.E. Long, & W.J. Weldon. G.H. Gwin was appointed Treasurer for the Church.
- Mar. 31, 1919- Session met with Rev. S.B. Gheeselin and Elder G.H. Gwin present. The books were audited for the Church Treasury and the report filled to Presbytery: Resident members 26; non-resident 6 making a total of 32. Members by letter 1; infant baptism 1; Elders 3 and Deacons 2. Finances received and paid out by the Church, \$191.87; paid to Presbyterial tax \$5 to sexton \$1 and to Pastor \$155 making total of \$161 paid out and leaving a balance of \$30.87. G.H. Gwin, Clerk.
- Oct. 5, 1919- Session met with Rev. R.E. Telford, Moderator. Rev. Telford was from Cornelia, Ga., Athens Presbytery. A congregational meeting was called for the purpose of calling a Pastor.
- March 21, 1920- Session met at the Church with Rev. E.B. Thompson, Moderator and Elders Gwin and Weldon present. The Ladies Aid Society of the Church was discussed and its organization approved.
- March 31, 1920- Statistical report: Resident members, 26; non-resident 2; members by certificate 1; Elders 3 and Deacons 2.
- Sep. 29, 1920- N.A. Weldon was made Superintendent of the Sunday School.
- Apr. 11, 1921- Rev. E.B. Thompson announced to the Session in meeting his resignation to take place the 30th of June, 1921.
- Apr. 16, 1921- Brother George H. Gwin read a letter of resignation as acting Elder and Treasurer of the Church.
- May 28, 1922- W.A. Weldon resigned as Church Treasurer and Mr. W.R. Parsons was elected to that office.
- Mar. 28, 1920- The Sunday School books were audited at the request of the Treasurer. These were approved with some exceptions.
- Mar. 11, 1923- Session met with Rev. R.E. Telford, Moderator and Elder Weldon. The Church and Sunday School badly disorganized because of

Rail Road strike and members moving away.

Sep.30,1923- Congregational meeting with Rev.Telford Moderator. Mr.W.R.. Parsons was elected Ruling Elder and also made Clerk of the Session.

Mar.31,1926-Elders 2; Deacons 1; added on profession of faith 1; by certificate 3; resident communicants 23; non-resident communicants, none; making a total membership of 23. Total Sunday School enrollment of 30.

Mar.31,1927-Elders 2; Deacons,2; added on profession,2; on certificate,2; Total number of communicants 28.

Mar.4,1928- Session met and opened with prayer. Present Rev.R.E.Telford W.R.Parsons and D.P.Weldon. They decided to call a congregational meeting for the purpose of authorizing the Trustees of the Church to act according to their best judgement in selling the present building and purchasing the Methodist Church building, the meeting to be held at the beginning of the evening service. W.R.Parsons, Clerk.

Mar.17,1928-Session met with Rev.R.E.Telford and W.R.Parsons present. It was decided to call a congregational meeting March 24th for the purpose of calling a Pastor if the way be clear.

March, 1929-Report for the year: Elders 1; Deacons,1; added on confession 2; by certificate,4; baptized adults,1; total communicants,30; total Sunday School enrollment,30. Mr.Hal Kellar came as Pastor in April or May,1929 and resigned in March,1930.

Oct., 1930-Rev.W.G.Harry was called to the pastorate and was installed in October,1930 and still serves the Church(1934).

Feb.7, 1932-Mr.W.R.Parsons is still Ruling Elder and Clerk of the Session (1934). On this above date Mr.T.P.Barclay was elected Elder and Messrs.R.E.Pouneley, O.E.Montfort, and Dr.J.A.Knight were elected Deacons, all of whom were ordained and installed on this date.

AN INTERESTING BIT OF HISTORY

The first ordination of a Presbyterian Minister on Georgia soil took place under the old poplar tree near Washington, Ga., on July 21, 1790 and the name of this minister was John Springer.

Mrs.F.E.Bryan, Historian, of the Manchester Presbyterian Church, Manchester, Ga.

Manchester Presbyterian Church

Manchester, Georgia

1913-1921

(Copied from a History loaned by courtesy of Rev. W. E. Dwyer)

In the year 1907, where the town of Manchester now is, there a broad expanse of old field and gully. There was only a house or two to be seen anywhere; the town was only conceived. In the year 1908, the town had begun to grow and in 1913 Manchester was recognized as the fastest growing town in Georgia, there being a population of fifteen hundred or more people with buildings and business in proportion.

At the very beginning there was a very rough element in practical control of the town and it took the better element, principally church folk, to gain control and run the rough crowd to cover.

It was in the fall of 1913, that the agitation of the subject of organizing a Presbyterian Church was begun by Mrs. C. B. Wilburn. Already there was a flourishing M. E. Church, South, there and a Missionary Baptist, each having a nice building. Also a Christian congregation with a temporary building as a house of worship. The Catholic Priests came occasionally to look after the spiritual interests of such Catholics as were in the place and the Episcopal Ministers came regularly to preach for their members.

Mrs. Wilburn's investigations developed the fact that there were quite a number of Presbyterians in the vicinity, some of whom were affiliating with other denominations. After some effort, Mrs. Wilburn interested others in the town and, also, the Presbytery of Atlanta in the enterprise, so that on November 30, 1913, the First Presbyterian Church of Manchester was organized at the Baptist Church with twenty-one members.

The following Ministers composed the Commission that organized the Church in the name of the Presbytery: Rev. J. G. Herndon, LaGrange, Ga., Rev. J. E. Hanna, Newnan, Ga., and Rev. Frank D. Hunt, Evangelist for the Presbytery of Atlanta.

Upon the organization of the Church, the Baptist and Methodist congregations came forward and volunteered the use of their houses for the Presbyterians until such time as they could make arrangements for their own building. This hospitality was gratefully accepted and made use of; using alternately the Baptist and Methodist Church buildings for holding services until a short time before their building was completed.

Unfortunately, Mrs. Wilburn was denied to the Church as a charter member, as she moved away before it was organized. Through the grace of God, preaching services have been held once a month since organization, with the exception of a few months. While using the other Church buildings, the Presbyterians paid all the incidental expenses attached to such use and have always been able to pay each preacher ample compensation for his time. However, they have been compelled to have first one preacher and then another as they are not in position to have a regular Pastor.

It was well into the year 1914 before any definite steps were taken toward a Church building. After a lot of discussion, the Elders of the Church were appointed to co-operate with Rev. Frank D. Hunt in an effort to select a lot and secure the donation of the same by the Manchester Development Company, it being understood that this Company had donated lots to the other denominations. After long consideration, the lot where the Church was subsequently built was selected by the Committee and their selection concurred in by the congregation. Rev. F. D. Hunt and the Committee met in LaGrange at the office of the Development Company and

with the assistance of Rev. J. G. Herndon made their request which was granted and the deed to the lot on the corner of Second Ave. and Fifth St. was mailed to the Church officers, dated November 24, 1914. Prior to this the the Trustees were elected for the Church, said Trustees being the Elders of the Church and their successors forever and the deed to the Church through these Elders or Trustees. The lot faces 50 feet on Fifth

Street and 100 feet on Second Avenue. A provision of the deed is that there must be a Church building on the lot within eighteen months from the date of the deed or the building must be started, and completed within 30 months from the date of the deed. Also the lot can never be sold except for the purpose of buying another lot for the same purpose within the same town. Any violation or failure to comply with these conditions forfeits the lot which reverts to the Company. The first money toward a building was deposited at the Bank of Manchester by the Ladies' Society in the spring of 1915. This fund of \$14.00 was the beginning of the "building fund" for the erection of a Church on the lot and remained practically the same until May 1915, when a baby show was given by the ladies of the Church, with the aid of the ladies of other denominations who first formulated the plan and gave it to the Presbyterians; the net results of this baby show was nearly \$200.00 which added materially to the building fund.

This increase of the building fund aroused the enthusiasm of the members and created a strong desire for a house of worship in the town. Realizing that it would take more definitely organized work to bring about results of any importance, there was a congregational meeting called to discuss the matter and plan a campaign to raise funds. After two attempts to get the members together and only succeeding in getting a few out, these few went ahead, after thoroughly debating the matter, and decided that it would be best to concentrate the management of the building campaign into the hands of as few as possible. These few were to study ways of raising money and were to have management of all general efforts toward this end; were to have full authority to do so in the name of the Church and to use the amounts as they saw fit for the purpose of building a house on the lot; were to have full authority as to the details of time, plans, costs etc., provided they contracted no debt to be placed upon the Church, using only such funds as were on hand. The Moderator of this meeting was instructed by unanimous vote to appoint a Committee to be known as the "Building Committee" of the Presbyterian Church, this Committee to be composed of three men and two women. The appointing of this Committee did not in any way relieve the other members of responsibility, but every member was expected to assist to the extent of his or her ability. The Moderator insisted that no member accept a place on this Committee without thoroughly praying over the matter and having a full determination to do all in their power to accomplish the ends for which they were appointed. Those appointed were: Deacons, C.E. Long and W.J. Weldon, Elder, G.H. Gwin, Mrs. Hugh Orr and Mrs. Mary Dennie. All that were appointed accepted, but the Committee did not meet to organize by electing officers until about the first of August, when C.E. Long was elected Chairman and later later Mrs. Hugh Orr was elected Secretary and Treasurer, the latter office was abolished later as superfluous; all funds at the Bank were subject to withdrawal only upon vouchers signed by a sub-committee of two. Special rules were adopted for the guidance of the Committee and a regular meeting time fixed at two meetings per month and oftener if occasion demanded, the meeting to be called by the Chairman.

Meetings were opened with prayer and the Committee devised many plans of raising money with more or less success for a time; interest seemed to flag, meetings held less often, work was carried on in an unorganized way, consequently with less success. In the meantime it was found necessary to drop the preaching services for a time for lack of financial support and because the Methodists and Baptists were using their houses of worship every Sunday. The need of a house for worship became so imperative that the Committee decided to start at once on the building with what funds were on hand, depending on the desperate needs of the situation to the lagging interest of the members to raise what was still needed. About the first of December, 1915 a sub-committee was appointed to contract for such portion of the building as there was money enough to pay for, with a view to getting the building nearly enough finished to be used for services. With

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building material so advanced in price it was difficult to get contractors to take a job under such conditions and it was not until January 8, 1916 that the contract was finally let to Messrs. Underwood and Land for the erection of a building. The building was ⁶²30 feet wide and 40 feet long; to be of good heart pine where exposed to the weather and of cheaper material on the inside. These specifications had to be reduced from a high grade to a low grade material in order to make the price meet the funds on hand; for this same reason it was necessary to leave off the tower and to leave the building unceiled and unplastered. The contractors, having finished their part of the contract, turned the building over to the Committee about the middle of February. It was necessary to borrow ~~\$175.00-~~ ^{\$175.00-} dollars to pay the contractors in full, two members giving personal notes for the same, to be paid later. This enabled the Committee to buy twenty benches from the Methodist Church; the Baptists loaned four benches that they were not using, which gave a seating capacity of about 200. There were many other items of cost to be taken care of, such as heater, pulpit stand, table, seats for the rostrum, song books etc. The Committee installed the heater and the Ladies' Society took care of the other items, which were all paid for as they were installed. The ladies also rented a piano for the Church.

After having no services for several months, Mr. and Mrs. Linton Johnson of Rock Springs Church were secured to hold a revival in the Baptist Church in August, 1915. Mr. Johnson preached and Mrs. Johnson led the singing and there was a fine series of services; there were only two additions, but a real revival among the members.

SABBATH SCHOOL

Realizing the great need of a Sabbath School for the training of the children and also as a means of getting the members together for religious services and worship, on the Sundays when there was no preaching, The members met at the Methodist Church on Sep. 12, 1915 and organized a Sabbath School with Deacon, W.A. Welborn as Superintendent and Mr. N.A. Weldon as Secretary. The Methodists very kindly let us have their building on Sunday afternoons for holding the School, which was used until the Church was erected by the Presbyterians. The first session of the S.S. held in the new Church was before the seats were bought and they were seated on planks laid across dry goods boxes. The seats were installed before there were any preaching services in the following March. The Sabbath School has been well attended by the children, the older ones not coming as well as might be hoped, but the work has been handicapped for lack of teachers. Notwithstanding, the School has progressed, despite the fact that many uninterested have fallen away; it has narrowed down to those who are really interested in the word and is doing better work than ever before and the outlook is for more telling work.

FINANCIAL

The Church through its Committee, Ladies' Aid Society and individual members has raised and paid out on the Church building \$845.00. Everything on the lot or inside the building is paid for except the piano. They only lack \$52 of having sufficient in the Bank to take up the \$175 in notes with the interest (this was included in the \$845). \$100 was donated to the building from the Telfair fund in Savannah, which will be paid to the Church later. It will take approximately \$400 to finish up the building completely. While the building campaign was under way, services were kept up in the Church and Sabbath School, except where noted previously and the Church has been kept free from debt. Every minister who has preached has been compensated and all incidental expenses of the Church have been paid; something like \$200 to both. In addition to this the Church and some of the individual members have contributed to the Home Mission Committee, Thornwell Orphanage, the Building League of Atlanta Presbytery and have kept the Presbyterial tax paid promptly,

Only one meeting of the Presbytery (Stated Meeting) has closed without a representative from this Church having been present at least part of the time; we have had a representative at one meeting of the State Synod.

OFFICERS

Elders: G.H.Gwin, Clerk of Session and D.P.Weldon
 Deacons: C.E.Long, Church Treasurer and W.J.Weldon
 Sunday School Superintendent: W.J.Weldon
 President of the Ladies' Aid Society: Mrs.I.L.Lindsay
 Chairman of the Building Committee: C.E.Long
 Secretary of the Building Committee: Mrs.Hugh Orr

Arrangements are being made to hold a revival service in the new Church sometime during the summer of 1916 and also to hold a series of services at the Union Church in the Mill District.

The Atlanta Presbytery has helped and encouraged the Church at all times and is helping to have a regular Pastor during the summer months. They have grouped us with Concord and Stone Mountain and Rev.J.G.Patton of Decatur is supplying the group once a month and such other pastoral services as each Church may desire.

The membership is 26, but two of the members have moved away leaving only 24 resident members. Of this number, four are children and fourteen are women.

Charter members	21	Additions since	8
Lost through death	1	Dismissed, acct of removal	2
Present membership	26	Active Members	24

An actual gain in the two and one-half years of its existence of only three members. This, however, has been without a Pastor or a house of worship.

Church house paid for-----\$845

On hand or promised to complete same-----\$ 48

Approximate amount paid from the Church Treasury during the two and one-half years, for Pastor's salary, Presbyterial assessments, incidental expenses etc., exclusive of personal expenses incurred by individuals for the Church is \$500.00. All this has been done by a small and financially poor congregation, none of whom are well off in this world's goods and some are badly handicapped in rendering either financial or other assistance. This is a remarkable record considering the obstacles to be overcome and which goes to show that the Lord is with His people, that He is blessing their efforts and that He intends for them to go on with the work.

This history and summary of what has been done by a loyal few is written, so that others reading it may be encouraged to renewed efforts in the Lord's Work and that those who have kept themselves aloof from the work may become interested. Also as record to be kept by any who so desire. This work is a monument to the Lord and we pray that He will continue to smile upon us for it. Amen.

FURTHER HISTORY OF MANCHESTER CHURCH

This is written in the fall of 1921 as a supplement to the brief History of the First Presbyterian Church of Manchester, Georgia, which was written by one of the Elders of the said Church during the latter part of the year 1916 and given the title of "Our Church" and distributed among the members of the Church for the possible good that it might do in stimulating interest in the Church and its work and it is the purpose to try to briefly summarize the intervening history.

The first Pastor of the Church was the Rev.W.G.Harry, who was fresh from Columbia Seminary and who was ordained and installed by a commission from the Atlanta Presbytery in the Church at Manchester, both at the same time. The commission appointed for this purpose were the same men who acted as a commission to organize the Church. The installation of the first Pastor was in June, 1917.

The Rev. Harry also supplied the Turin-Senoia and Greenville Stacy Churches, making this city his headquarters and preaching here two Sundays each month. During the first eight months of Rev. Harry's pastorate, the Church revived wonderfully and for the first time since its organization began to contribute regularly and systematically to all of the benevolent causes of the Church, paying the Church's full apportionment the first year. Due to Mr. Harry being a young man and devoting a large part of his time to further study to the neglect of more organization work and mixing with people, the interest of the people began to flag about this time, also the war coming on with all the consequent excitement, the Church interest was sadly neglected. Mr. Harry, not having the experience necessary to know how to handle the situation or being unable to do so, grew discouraged and began to cast about for another location. This resulted in his resignation which was reluctantly accepted by this and the other Churches of the group and by the Presbytery at its spring meeting in 1918. This left the Church without a Pastor for several months. During Mr. Harry's pastorate, Mr. V. L. Lechr was elected and ordained as an Elder and several members added, but some were dismissed on account of moving, so that the number of members remained about the same. About the first of January, 1918, Rev. S. B. M. Ghiselin was sent here by the Presbytery's Home Mission Committee as a Supply for the group. Mr. Ghiselin had been in Y. M. C. A. work in the army and had very little experience in pastoral work, so proved utterly incompetent for the work here. Great friction arose among the membership and the Church was split into two factions, with a neutral faction trying to restore peace and harmony. After several months it was decided best for Mr. Ghiselin to leave and the Church was again without a Pastor. During all the periods that the Church was without a Pastor, regular services were held once or twice each month, with visiting preachers and college students supplying the pulpit.

During the entire year of 1919 the Church was vacant and services were held only spasmodically. Rev. E. B. Thompson, a Seminary graduate, was called, he having just returned from active service as a Sergeant in the U. S. A. Army in France. He was installed by a commission from the Atlanta Presbytery, composed of Rev. J. E. Hannah, Rev. J. E. Hemphill, Rev. Caldwell and Elder Gwin. Mr. Thompson's pastorate proved even more inefficient than that of any of the former Pastors. The grouping had been changed with the coming of Rev. Ghiselin. With the assistance of Synod's Committee, Manchester was grouped with Geneva and Woodland Churches in the Macon Presbytery. This was a much more workable group. Almost with his coming, Mr. Thompson had a split with the Geneva Church, which resulted in Geneva being dropped from the group and Greenville-Stacy Church being substituted. Rev. Thompson served the Church from January, 1920-July 1, 1921. During this period the only additions to the membership were those secured by visiting ministers during revival services; the dismissals by removal left the membership about the same at its termination. Without attempting to criticize Mr. Thompson or to place any blame, we will say, that to all appearances the entire period of his pastorate was unfruitful for the Church; in addition to not growing in membership, the Progressive Program Campaign failed almost completely in the spring of 1921 and all interest in the Church by the entire membership appeared to be dead, more so than at any previous time. Mr. Thompson tendered his resignation April 1 to take effect July 1 and the same was concurred in by the Church and by the Presbytery at the spring meeting.

Mr. Beck, a college student from Davidson College, supplied during the following two months quite acceptably. During this time Rev. Mc. D. Lacy, conducted a series of services, which resulted in five additions on confession of faith and two by letter. The Church has been supplied by visiting preachers and theological students since Mr. Beck left and practically every preacher in the Presbytery has preached in the Church since its organization. The records are not available so no statistical reports can be given, but the Church is meeting its obligations and is alive to every call. This is a fine field for labor and development.

Local Historian's Annual Report,

By Mrs. F. E. Bryan

Historian.

History of Woman's Work

First Presbyterian Church

Manchester, Georgia.

April 1, 1936--to April 1, 1937

1. Names:

a. Auxiliary Officers.

Pres. Mrs. D. R. Smith

V. Pres. Mrs. W. R. Parsons

Sec. & Treas. Mrs. T. P. Barclay

Historian--Mrs. F. E. Bryan

b. Pastor:

Rev. W. G. Harry.

1. Regular weekly meetings, observing all programs and contributing to all special causes and the clothing of a 15 year old orphan girl, at Thornwell Orphanage, are our main achievements.
2. We need more consecrated leaders. We need to contribute to all causes by systematic budget. We need to attain all the Standard Attainments.
3. We hope to accomplish the full Standard of Attainment.

2. Order of Meetings.

1st. Monday. Joint Bible Study, with Greenville, Georgia, Auxiliary, meeting alternately in the homes. Major C. E. Stokes, Bible Teacher for Study in Genesis.

2nd. Monday. Regular Circle Program.

3rd. Monday. Study of Survey.

4th. Monday. Regular Auxiliary Program.

Meet as one circle in homes.

3. Mission Studies.

Study of "With Christ into Tomorrow" was held on Nov. 30, 1936. Rev. W. G. Harry, giving a review of the book. Fifty per cent of members reading the book.

Study of "Congo Crosses" held Mar. 1937 in a joint meeting with Greenville Aux. Major Stokes giving a review of the book. Fifty per cent members reading the book.

4. Outstanding Inspirational Meetings.

a. We have been very fortunate in having as a member during her residence at Warm Springs, Mrs. G. H. Huntington, a Missionary worker of Robert College, Stamboul, Turkey. Her Bible Devotionals and talks have been a great inspiration.

b. The Loyalty Meeting in old Stacy Church at Greenville, Ga., in October 1936, was our outstanding meeting.

5. Outstanding Social Events.

The social hour following the joint meetings with Greenville, have been most enjoyable.

6. Membership.

a. New Members.

1. Mrs. Lamar Moore.

2. Mrs. G. H. Huntington.

7. Summary & Ending.

a. We did not have a copy of Standard Attainments, but we have about 50%.

b. Words of appraisal.

March 1937

The present church officers are as follows:

Elder--T. P. Barclay

Deacons--Messrs. O. E. Montfort,
Ernest Hangar.

Our Ruling Elder, Mr. W. R. Parsons,
died in November 1936.

Sunday School Officers.

Supt. Rev. W. G. Harry

Sec. & Treas. Mrs. F. E. Bryan

Pianist. Mrs. W. G. Harry

Teachers--Rev. & Mrs. Harry

No Young Peoples' organization.

Mrs. F. E. Bryan

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PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY - HISTORY FOR 1937-38

Officers for the Auxiliary for the past year were as follows:

President - Mrs. W. P. Parsons
Vice President - Mrs. D. R. Smith
Secretary & Treasurer - Mrs. T. P. Barclay

The Auxiliary met every Monday with the exception of a few 5th Mondays. The Bible Study Class was held each 1st Monday. We joined with the Greenville Auxiliary in this study meeting alternately in Greenville and Manchester. Major C. A. Stokes, a retired army officer, was our very interesting teacher. We studied Ephesians.

Second Monday was Circle Program Day and the programs went out were used.

Third Monday was given over to the study of the Survey. We always enjoyed the Survey.

Fourth Monday was Auxiliary Program Day and the programs sent out were used.

We had two all-day meetings to study "Other Men Labored" and "Glorius Living". Both meetings were well attended and enjoyed. Mrs. H. G. Huntington of Istaubul, Turkey was our teacher. One meeting was held in Greenville and one in Manchester as we combined with Greenville Auxiliary for these studies.

Our Auxiliary sent clothing to a former Thornwell Orphanage girl in the amount of \$10.00. We contributed to all the special offerings taken during the year.

We paid the Janitor's wages and cared for the shrubbery around the church.

Several of our members had financial reverses that cut our contributions somewhat but on the whole we had a very successful year. We seemed to have more interest and enthusiasm in all phases of our church and Auxiliary work.

Mr. W. G. Hany is still our beloved Pastor and we have had no deaths this year.

Mrs. T. P. Barclay,
Manchester, Georgia.

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HISTORY OF PRESBYTERIAN AUXILIARY
MANCHESTER, GA. 1938-1939

The Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church of Manchester, Ga. with 11 active members (1 business-woman, 2 semi-active, & 2 stay-at-homes, 15 in all) met each Monday afternoon during the Church year 1938-39 except a few times when sickness or something unavoidable kept so many away that the meeting was called off. The following officers served: President Mrs. F. E. Bryan--V. Pres., Mrs. W. G. Harry--Sect. & Treas, Mrs. T. P. Barclay--Sect. of Literature, Mrs. O. E. Montfort.

The Auxiliary met jointly with the Greenville Aux. 1st Mondays for Bible Study, Mrs. C. A. Stokes being the capable teacher. She used the Old Testament the 1st six months and Phillipians the last six months. On the second Mondays we had the Circle programs as sent out. On 3rd Mondays we studied articles from the current issue of the Survey and on 4th Mondays the Auxiliary programs as sent out were presented.

The Auxiliary had a Birthday Party in May, observed Week of Prayer & Self Denial with offerings for both Home and Foreign Missions. A Joy Gift was taken in December for Ministerial Relief.

"City Shadows" and "Star in the East" were read and studied.

The Spiritual side of the work was stressed throughout the year. Some White Cross work was done, a girl formerly of Thornwell was given a box of clothes, five Negroes were sent to a conference in Atlanta, and the Auxiliary paid the Church janitor for the year and kept up the grounds around the church. Eight ladies attended the Group Conference at Loyd Church.

All reports of Officers and Cause Secretaries have been sent in.

Mrs. T. P. Barclay
Historian

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, MANCHESTER 1939 - 40

OFFICERS

President, Mrs. Frances E. Bryan
 Vice Pres., Mrs. W. Grady Harry
 Sec. & Treas. Mrs. Tom P. Barclay
 Pastor, Mr. W. Grady Harry
 Pastor's Aide, Mrs. W. Grady Harry

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

First Monday, Joint Bible Meetings
 Second Monday, Auxiliary Program
 Third Monday, Study of Presbyterian Survey
 Fourth Monday, Circle Program

The Greenville and Manchester Auxiliaries meet in the home of some member of each Auxiliary monthly for our very inspiring study in "Witnessing" in the Gospel of John. Mrs. C. E. Stokes was our able leader from Greenville. All meetings were opened with song or prayer.

Schedule of other three meetings as follows: Opening of meeting, prayer, a short period of business. The program leader, Mrs. Otis Montfort, then took charge and presented the program with the help of other members, closing with song or prayer. This followed with a social period when refreshments were served, as a matter of choice, and all much enjoyed. A simple write-up of programs given to our town paper, "The Mercury" by the president, Mrs. Bryan. The Cause Secretaries read and discussed letters received in regard to their work and made reports on same during the business portion of meetings. The Home Mission book "Chapels" was presented by Rev. Grady Harry, Pastor, in November. All members read the book in preparation for this meeting. Mrs. W. Grady Harry was hostess.

Our Foreign Mission book "Through Tragedy to Triumph" was reviewed in February with a joint meeting held in the home of Mrs. John Atkinson in Greenville. Mrs. George W. Huntington from the Warm Springs Foundation gave the review, with added personal opinions on the spread of Christianity throughout the World. All members reading the book by the end of the year. Mrs. Huntington, a part time resident of Warm Springs Foundation, is a Bible teacher, has travelled in foreign lands and attended some of the World Conferences held in different countries, thereby making the review much more interesting.

The programs for all special days were presented on time and offerings taken and forwarded.

We have lost three members by moving to other locations for residence. An old member has joined us and we are working to gain others. Three members attended Presbyterian in Decatur and four members attended Group Conference in LaGrange.

I see improvement in our work, partly because of the fine assistance rendered us by higher officers in our work and our study of the Bible, Home and Foreign Mission work.

We hope to make the New Year speak with more emphasis in certain lines of our endeavor.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Francis E. Bryan, President
 (For our absent Secretary)

HISTORY OF THE WORK OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY - FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, MANCHESTER, GEORGIA, YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 1941

Officers were:

President - Mrs. F. E. Bryan
Vice Pres. - Mrs. W. G. Harry
Sec. & Treas. - Mrs. J. J. Drummond

Pastor - Rev. W. G. Harry
Pastor's Aid - Mrs. W. G. Harry

Schedule of Meetings:

First Monday of Month
Second Monday of Month
Third Monday of Month
Fourth Monday of Month

Bible Study Class
Auxiliary Program
Review of Presbyterian Survey
Circle Program

We continued our joint Bible Class meetings with the Greenville Auxiliary with even more success than the year before. The meetings were held in a different home each time. Manchester Auxiliary and Greenville Auxiliary taking turn at being hostess.

Mrs. George H. Huntington, a very beautiful character as well as a brilliant Bible teacher, was our teacher. She taught us how plainly our "Studies In the Epistles of John" apply to every one of us today. The Study has done a great deal for us all. As Mrs. Huntington was away several months leaving us without a teacher, we selected a different member to give the lesson each time. The Auxiliary being hostess would select a member of the guest Auxiliary to give the lesson, following with a general discussion with all taking part. The discussion lasting sometimes even through an always enjoyable social hour after each meeting. The meetings were begun and closed with prayer.

The Auxiliary and Circle programs were received by our Secretary of Literature, Mrs. Otis Montfort, and given to each Cause Secretary to sponsor. Each Cause Secretary sponsored her own special program from time to time. The meetings opened with a call to order by the President, Mrs. Bryan. Then a hymn, when possible, suggested by the program and an opening word of prayer. The minutes were read and a short business session held. The Program Leader for the month then presents the program, Closing with prayer. A pleasant social hour and refreshments are enjoyed after each meeting.

Our Third Monday programs were carried out in the same manner as the Auxiliary and Circle programs. One member leads the discussion on the articles and questions in the Presbyterian Survey. All enter into the discussion.

A short article was written each week for the paper by our President, giving an account of the activities of the Auxiliary.

All correspondence of the Cause Secretaries was read and discussed at the business session each week as was received, with each secretary giving report on the work at hand. The Home Mission book "This Worlds Goods" was read by each member and presented by Rev. W. G. Harry. The review was enjoyed by the whole assembly.

The Mission Book "Sent From God" by Dr. George Mansford Gutske, was also read by each member and was presented by Mrs. Huntington at a joint meeting of the Greenville and Manchester Auxiliaries at Mrs. Huntington's beautiful Warm Springs home. It was a very inspiring and challenging review. Mrs. J. M. Wallace, our

group President, of West Point, Georgia was present and gave a few comments from the author of whom she had the privilege of hearing review the book.

All special programs were presented and special offerings taken and forwarded. Our offerings were larger than last year and we hope to do even more next year.

We began the year with twelve members. In September three of the teachers of our Public Schools joined our church and have been a great help in the Auxiliary work. This is the first time we have had our teachers take part in the Auxiliary work.

We have felt a great loss to our Church and Auxiliary by the death of a very dear friend and fellow worker, Mrs. Rufe Pearsons. She was our last charter member and is greatly missed by all who knew her.

The most interesting program of the year to the writer was our Christmas Joy Gift program sponsored by Mrs. Earnest Hangar. Our offering was twelve dollars(\$12.00) which was very liberal for our small group.

Three of our members attended group Conference.

We feel we have been greatly blessed this year and we hope to do a really great service in the coming year.

Rendered in His service

Mrs. Jack L. Buce, Historian,
Manchester, Georgia.

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HISTORY OF THE WORK OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MANCHESTER, GA.
FOR YEAR ENDING, MARCH 31, 1942

Officers were:

President	Mrs. F. E. Bryan
Vice-President	Mrs. W. G. Harry
Secretary & Treasurer	Mrs. J. J. Drummond
Pastor	Rev. W. G. Harry
Pastor's Aide	Mrs. W. G. Harry

Schedule for meetings:

First Monday of Month: Bible Study Class
Second Monday of Month: Auxiliary Program
Third Monday of Month: Review of Presbyterian Survey
Fourth Monday of Month: Circle Program

Our Bible Class, consisting of the Auxiliaries of Manchester Church and Greenville Church, met with great success as through the past years. The meetings were held in the homes of the members.

A different member was selected each time to teach the following lesson. The study began with prayer and when possible a song. At the close of the lesson, an open discussion was held with all taking part. A pleasant social hour was enjoyed after each meeting. The study ended with prayer.

The Auxiliary and Circle programs were given out each time to each Cause Secretary by Mrs. Otis Montfort, the Secretary of Literature. The programs were made very interesting considering our small group. The meetings were called to order by the President and opened with song and prayer. The minutes were read and a short business session held. The Program Leader took charge after the business session and presented the program. The meeting closed with prayer. A very pleasant social hour was enjoyed after each meeting.

The Survey Review was carried out in much the same manner as the Auxiliary and Circle Programs. We tried combining the Survey Study with the Circle Program and found that there was so much we had to omit that it was best to give a special meeting for the Survey.

A report of the activities of the Auxiliary was written by Mrs. Bryan, the President, for the paper each week. All Correspondence of the Cause Secretaries was reported to the Auxiliary and given due consideration.

The Home and Foreign Mission books were read by each member of the Auxiliary. An interesting report on the Home Mission Book, "Why Stand Ye Idle," was given, each member being assigned a certain chapter to report on at a spend the day program.

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The Foreign Mission book, "Foundations of World Order" was presented to the group by Mrs. George Huntington.

All Special Programs were presented by the Auxiliary and special offerings were taken and forwarded.

We have ten members on roll. Due to the change in time our school teachers cannot take part in the Auxiliary work. Our group was saddened by the death of a very dear friend and member, Miss Frances Beaty. She was a teacher in the public school as well as a faithful worker in our church.

Another sad occasion was the death of a dear member of our church, Mr. McMillian.

The greatest step we have taken this year is the remodeling of our church building. The work is well under way and we have a fine prospect of a much more suitable as well as a much nicer looking building. We can hardly wait for it to be completed. The work is being financed by the Church. Several donations have been given by friends of the church.

Another interesting event was the entertaining of the Group Conference. We did this jointly with the Greenville Church. The meeting was held at the Greenville Church. The lunch was served at the Club House. We had a good attendance from *almost* every church. The speakers were all very inspiring.

We have elected new officers for the coming year and despite the work conditions, we are striving toward our goal and more too, "Everyone Enlisted for Christ."

Rendered in His Service,

Mrs. Jack L. Buce, Historian (JS)

First Presbyterian Church, Manchester,
Presbytery of Atlanta,
Synod of Georgia.

Woman's Auxiliary

1943 - 1944

Officers for the year were:

President ----- Mrs. J. J. Drummond; Vice-Pres.--- Mrs. W. G. Harry
Secretary-Treasurer -- Mrs. Otis Montfort; Historian -- Mrs. Jack L. Buce
Sec. Home Missions --Mrs. Jack L. Buce; Sec. Foreign Missions -- Mrs. Hanger
Sec. M.E.&M.R. --- Mrs. Otis Montfort; Sec. Religious Ed. --Mrs. Otis Montfort
Sec.S.&P.Home Missions -- Mrs. Jack L. Buce; Sec Spir.Life --Mrs. McArger
Sec. Literature -- Mrs. Hanger; Sec. Chris. SOC. SBr. -- Mrs. W. G. Harry

Pastor ---Rev. W. G. Harry ;

Pastor's Aide --Mrs. W. G. Harry

Meetings held second Monday of month for Bible Study; fourth Monday of month,
Auxiliary program.

Our Bible class was really interesting this year though we have had a very small group most of the time, the study was carried out by an appointed leader and each member taking part in the discussion. Our pastor, Rev. W. G. Harry, made the study so that we gained a greater knowledge of Paul's Missionary Journeys thru our prayer meetings during the summer months. The Bible study was held at the different homes and a social hour enjoyed after the meeting.

The Auxiliary programs were given also in the member's homes and the president opened the meeting with prayer and a song when possible. Roll-call and the minutes of the previous meeting were read by the secretary. Correspondence of the Cause Secretary was read and necessary business transacted before the program was given by the Cause Secretary. Special programs were given and special offerings taken and forwarded. The meetings closed with prayer and a social hour enjoyed after the meeting.

Our Foreign Mission offering was the largest of the year. Our offerings for the year show a slight increase over last year. We were very fortunate to have Mrs. George H. Huntington to give the Foreign Mission study book "For All of Life".

We have nine active members with three new ones for the next year, and new officers.

Rendered in His Service,
Mrs. Jack L. Buce, Historian

First Presbyterian Church,
Manchester, Atlanta Presbytery
Synod of Georgia

1944- 1945

Woman's Work.

Woman's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian Church of Manchester, Ga.

Officers - President - Mrs. Jack L. Buce
Vice- President -- Mrs. C. H. Grey
Secretary- Treasurer - Mrs. E. L. Hanger
Pastor - Rev. W. G. Harry
Pastor's Aid -- Mrs. W. G. Harry
Historian -- Mrs. W. C. Hankin
Sec. Foreign Missions - Mrs. C. H. Grey
Sec. A. Home Missions - Mrs. Mamie McArver
Sec. C. E. and M. R. - Mrs. T. G. Wortham
Sec. Religious Ed. - Mrs. F. E. Bryan
Sec. S. & P. Home Miss. - Mrs. O. E. Montfort
Sec. Spiritual Life & Evan. - Mrs. W. G. Harry
Sec. Literature -- Mrs. F. E. Bryan
Sec. Chris. Soc. Ser. - Miss Florence Quinn

Schedule for meetings:

Second Monday of month -- Bible Study

Fourth Monday of month - Auxiliary Program

All meetings were held in the homes of the Auxiliary members. The meetings were called to order by the President. An opening hymn was sung followed by a prayer. The roll call and minutes of former meetings were read by the Secretary. At this time a short business session was held. All correspondence of the Cause Secretaries were read and discussed. After the business session the program leader presented the program of the month.

The Bible Study book, "Saved to Serve" by Manford George Gutzke was used through out the year by the Bible class. Mrs. George H. Huntington, a very able Bible scholar, served as leader again this year. While she was away for the summer a different member gave the lesson each time. The study of 11 Corinthians has meant a great deal to each one of us.

The Auxiliary programs for each month were presented to the Auxiliary group in the manner planned by the Committee, as nearly as possible considering our small group. The program material was given to the Cause Secretaries by the Secretary of Literature in time to prepare the program. All special programs were presented and offerings taken and forwarded for special causes. Our offerings were unusually generous for our small group this year. Our meetings closed with a prayer and a hymn when possible. Refreshments were served by the hostess and a pleasant social hour enjoyed after each meeting.

The mission study books were read by each member of the Auxiliary. Each member is a subscriber of "Day By Day" devotional. There are several church papers in our group

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Atlanta Presbytery, Synod of Ga.

1944 - 1945

At the beginning of the year we had eleven active members. One dropped out during the year while a new member was added. We enjoy the fellowship of our group very much. Our meetings are more like a family gathering with each one anxious to do her share and more.

Our financial report shows an increase in benevolence offerings this year over last year.

We are truly grateful for the many blessings we have received thru out the year and we pray God's continued guidance in the coming year's work.

Rendered in His service,
Mrs. Jack L. Buce, Historian

Manchester Presbyterian Church,
Presbytery of Atlanta, Synod of Ga.

1945 - 1946

Woman's Work.

Officers were:

President	Mrs. Jack L. Buce
Vice-President	Mrs. W. G. Harry
Secretary-Treasurer	Mrs. E. L. Hanger
Pastor	Rev. W. G. Harry
Historian	Mrs. Phil Faulkner
Sec. Foreign Missions	Mrs. W. G. Harry
Sec. A. Home Missions	Mrs. O. B. McArver
Sec. C. E. & M. R.	Mrs. L. G. Wortham
Sec. Religious Education	Mrs. F. E. Bryan
Sec. S. & P. Home Missions	Mrs. O. E. Montfort
Sec. Spiritual Life & Evan.	Mrs. W. G. Harry
Sec. Literature	Mrs. F. E. Bryan
Sec. Christian Social Service	Miss Florence Quinn

Schedule for Meetings:

Second Monday of the month - Auxiliary Programs

Fourth Monday of the month - Bible Study

The Auxiliary meetings were held in the homes of the members. The meetings were called to order by the President. An opening prayer was offered at the beginning of the meeting followed by a hymn when possible. The roll call and the minutes of the last meeting were read by the Secretary. Following the Secretary's report a short business session was held. The Cause Secretaries presented their correspondence and the business at hand was disposed of by the group; the Auxiliary programs were then presented.

The Auxiliary programs were carried out according to the outline and material given in the "Program Booklet" and the paper "Presbyterian Women". Supplementary material from the "Presbyterian Survey" was often used, too. All special programs were presented and offerings taken and forwarded for the special cause. Each Cause Secretary presented her special program. After the programs the hostess served refreshments and a warm fellowship was enjoyed during the social hour.

The Bible Study was led by Mrs. Otis Montfort this year. The book, "Concurring Witnesses" was used. The five studies were divided into twelve lessons for the year's work. The first lesson brought into view the individual, the second the family, third the congregation, fourth the nation, and last, all nations. Throughout the study we were made mindful of the man behind the message together with the method of witnessing.

The Home Mission Book, "These Moving Times" was read by the Auxiliary members and a wonderful review was given by the pastor, Rev. W. G. Harry at a Sunday night service.

The Foreign Mission Book, "The Cross over Africa" was also read by the group. Two programs were given to the review of the study of Africa. One review was given by Mrs. George H. Huntington, a Bible student who has given much time to the study of Foreign Missions, the other was led by Mrs. Otis Montfort.

Manchester Presbyterian Church,
Presbytery of Atlanta, Synod of Ga.

1945 - 1946

Woman's Work (Contin'd)

Each Wuxiliary member is a subscriber to the devotional booklet, "Day by Day". There were several church papers in our group.

We had eleven members on roll at the first of the year. Two members moved away and another is out of town for a while because of the housing shortage. We hope she will soon be with us again.

Working with our Auxiliary has been a wonderful privilege to me, the historian. Each meeting is an inspiration because of the sincere good fellowship one with another and the cooperation in carrying on Christ's work to the advancement of His Kingdom.

Rendered in His Service,
Mrs. Phil Faulkner, Historian

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WOMEN OF THE CHURCH
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
MANCHESTER, GEORGIA.

1950-51

Taking a glance over our year 1950-51, we find that the Birthday was observed and offering taken in May. This was a joyous occasion complete with birthday cake and fun. Also a very interesting program was presented. In June we held vacation Bible School in which all of the women of the church participated by conducting classes and serving refreshments. Many children from the town came and much work was accomplished.

In July many of us were on vacation, but in spite of this we had a most enjoyable picnic at Harry's Lake and this was the beginning of our Family Night at the church which we observe each month.

In August and September we held our regular meetings with interesting programs prepared by members.

In September vacations were at an end and attendance began picking up at our meetings. We started building and equipping our kitchen at the church.

October was the month for our Home Missions Program and an offering was taken. Also a review of our study book was given at our Family Night Meeting and enjoyed by all members of the church.

November we sent our Thanksgiving Special Offering to Thornwell, also Clothing was sent at this time.

In December we observed the Joy Gift program and offering was taken. Also a very delightful surprise shower and Christmas party was given to our minister's wife, who is a shut-in. Much fellowship was enjoyed at this time. We also had our Christmas tree and party at the church and all children were given stockings filled with goodies; these were all prepared by the Women Of The Church.

We were instrumental in organizing our first choir to which some of our members are now rendering service. Ladies made cookies and sent to Ft. Benning Army Hospital.

In January we met our white cross obligations in full. Again much fellowship was enjoyed when we met in the afternoons to sew on this project. We observed the World Missions program, and offering was taken. Also a review of the study book was given at Family Night Meeting. We participated in Visitation Evangelism by personal calls, telephoning, and our cards and prayers.

We have made a velveteen choir curtain which adds much to the beauty of our church. Our kitchen is complete now and we are enjoying supper at our Family Night Meetings. Also we have purchased new song hymnals. An organ has been purchased for our church and we have short white choir robes and caps, this adds much to our services.

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Ada F. McRae
Manchester, Ga

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1951-52

HISTORY

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
MANCHESTER, GEORGIA.

We are looking forward to this year with much enthusiasm. Mrs. Doris Beaty has been elected to serve the unexpired term of Mrs. Ann Milton who so ably led us last year. Our appreciation to Ann for her faithful work last year and our pledge to Doris to support her and cooperate with her during this year.

In May we had our Birthday party at which time a most enjoyable program was presented and offering taken in the amount of \$30.00.

In June we held our revival which was inspiring to us all.

August called for Vacation Bible School and this year we had 43 on roll. We were very happy to have Miss Landis Cotton of Atlanta to come and assist in conducting this school and much work was accomplished. Refreshments were served each day by the Women Of The Church, also they conducted classes.

September - Attendance began picking up again after summer vacations and in October we organized a new Sunday School class which is growing each month. We now have 5 classes in Sunday school. Also in October we had our World Missions program and offering was taken in the amount of \$27.22. Review of our study book was given at the Family Night Meeting.

November we purchased a coffee urn for our kitchen. This money was made by the Women of the Church through the selling of cards. This urn cost us \$24.50. We also donated \$5.00 to Italian Missions. To Thornwell we send our Thanksgiving offering in the amount of \$13.00. *amounting*

December is always a happy month for us due to the significance it holds in our church work. We had a surprise Christmas party and shower for our minister's wife, who is a shut-in. Also we had our church party. This affair was enjoyed by all and Santa Claus presented each child with a stocking filled with all the goodies expected in a Christmas stocking. The party and stockings *were* planned and prepared by the Women of the Church. Our joy gift offering was taken in the amount of \$18.00 and we also sent \$3.00 to State Hospital for Christmas party. Gifts and candy were sent to Ft. Benning Army hospital and Thornwell orphanage.

In January we met our White Cross work in full amounting to \$8.49, plus sewing on party of our women. We assisted in polio drive. In February we had our program on Home Missions and study course conducted at church with review of book given by one of our Elders. Offering in the amount of \$59.80 was taken.

February - We adopted 14 year old Nancy Sharpe to clothe, at Thornwell. Started weekly prayer meeting service at church. We sent 40# clothing to Korea, assisted in World Day Prayer on February 29th.

Each month this year we have baked cakes and sent to Ft. Benning Hospital. Also we have observed Family Night each month. Spiritual growth has increased in that the number of daily bible readers, worshipers and tithers has increased. Our total membership has increased from 15 to 22 members.

Our new chorus of officers has been elected and 2 circles organized ready for our new year to begin. Now we will go forth into this new year with this thought: "Some must lead, others must follow, but all must work together." We didn't accomplish all we wanted to this year but we enjoyed the fellowship of our neighbor and fellow church members. We have shown progress even tho' we are small in number.

We have had very good cooperation among our members and workers.

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Atlanta Presbytery
First Presbyterian Church
Manchester, Ga.
Rev. Wm. E. Hotchkiss, Pastor.
March 31, 1953.

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HISTORY - 1952-53

We started this year with a new adventure for our Women Of The Church. Although we are small in number, we have now organized two circles. Circle # 1 is the Home Circle and meets in the afternoon and Circle # 2, The Business Womens Circle, meets in the evenings. This was done for the convenience of all women in our church. Once a month we have a joint meeting. This, with the approval of the session, meets the last Wednesday night of each month and at this time we have a Family night Supper at the Church. The Men of the Church have organized the Men's Club to meet on this same night and we have some teen-agers to read stories to the small folks. We find it a very satisfactory arrangement in our church.

In May we celebrated the 40th Birthday of the W.O.T.C. organization with cake, candles and songs at our family night gathering, after which we held our General Meeting and observed the Birthday program. One of our members directed a very interesting program on this event. The Birthday offering was taken in the amount of \$30.00.

June was the most important and inspiring month of our Church Year, and we might even add, in our church history, as it was on June 15th that our new minister was ordained and the ceremony took place in our own church with a number of dignitaries from the Atlanta Presbytery participating. We consider ourselves very fortunate to have this young minister and his wife come to us from Columbia Seminary.

In July there were quite a few of our members away on vacation, but the interest being shown in the church was definitely on the upgrade. We started making plans for our revival and vacation Bible School.

August was really a busy month. We held vacation Bible School the first two weeks with every woman in the church assisting in some way. We had 47 children enrolled and much work was accomplished. On August 10th we had a record attendance at Sunday School (50). We had our revival the second week of the month with our own minister bringing some very interesting messages. Three members were received into the church during this week.

September is the month for the Tri-County Fair in our town and the Women of the Church entered a display on the various extensions and work of the Presbyterian Church. We were pleased that we won 2nd place and received \$25.00. Information for this display was secured from Thornwell Orphanage Stillman College and Board of World Missions. We are grateful for the splendid cooperation given to us by these people.

In October we held our School on the Home Missions Study Book. This was held at the Family Night Supper with classes for all age groups. An offering was taken in the amount of \$37.25, by the Women of The Church. Our Thanksgiving offering went to Thornwell in November.

December is the happiest time of all in our church year. The children always looking forward with much anticipation to the church Christmas Party with Santa Stockings filled with goodies and fun for all. However, we do not forget the meaning of Christmas to us and to our church.

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First Presbyterian Church
Manchester, Georgia.
Rev. Wm. E. Hotchkiss, Pastor
March 31, 1953.

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History - 1952-53

The Women of the Church had a very interesting Joy Gift Program and an offering in the amount of \$38.50 was taken. This month we served luncheon to a group of business men and swelled our treasury \$51.25. We also held our Officers Training School on December 7th. We paid \$160.00 on the indebtedness of our Church Manse. Gifts were sent to our adopted girl at Thornwell Orphanage and baskets of fruit were taken to shut-ins.

In January we participated in the Mothers March on Polio in Manchester and collected \$43.42. We met our white cross quota in full and again the Women enjoyed much fellowship in doing God's work when they met together in a group to sew. We had a School on the World Missions Study Book for all age groups. Offering in the amount of \$37.00 was taken by the Women of the Church.

On February 20th we participated in the World Day of Prayer which was held at the First Baptist Church. A number of our women have joined the Council of Church Women organized here this month.

Now it is March Again, the close of another year for us. Officers for the ensuing year have been nominated and elected and everyone is looking forward to the new year. We have elected and ordained three new deacons in the church this month.

1952-53 has been a very good year for us at First Presbyterian, Manchester, Georgia. We have enjoyed fellowship together. We have had very successful Family Night Get Togethers each month. Our Presbyterian Men's Club is growing. We have added a church office of which we are very proud. Our Women have baked cakes and cookies for the soldiers at the Ft. Benning Georgia Hospital, we sent 4 bags of clothing to Korea, Placed flowers in the church each Sunday, prepared Family Night Suppers, Sent Clothing to Thornwell. We were instrumental in sending 6 girls to Camp Smyrna. We sent a donation to the Italian Mission.

Our church membership has increased from 46 to 70 members this year and Sunday School Attendance has increased considerably. Our Prayer Meeting Group on Wednesday Night has increased in number.

Yes, we have had a good year. But, God Willing, with the work and prayers of us all we will have a better one next year.

SIGNED _____
Historian

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Atlanta Presbytery,
First Presbyterian Church
Manchester, Georgia.
Rev. Wm. E. Hotchkiss, Pastor

Another new year begins again with new Circle Chairman and Officers very enthusiastically starting their years work. We held our church revival this month with the Rev. Pehoff bringing some very inspiring messages to us.

In May we celebrated the 41st Birthday of the Women Of The Church with a real Birthday party at the home of one of our members. This was an enjoyable event and an inspiring program was presented. The Birthday offering in the amount of \$32.00 was taken. We sent our adopted daughter, Nancy Sharpe, at Thornwell, her spring outfit with some of the women sewing garments for this package. Also four of our women went to Presbyterial this month.

June was a busy month for us with two weeks of Vacation Bible School and the largest enrollement of children that we have ever had. There were 60 neighborhood children enrolled and much good work was accomplished.

The first of July we started holding our Sunday Evening Services at the church and these have been continued each Sunday evening throughout the year. We sent five girls to Camp Smyrna this month and upon their return a good time was reported by all. The Story hour group was organized and meet every Sunday Evening before our regular church service. We also have an active Presbyterian Youth Group meeting on Sunday Evenings.

In August many of our members were still away on vacations but activity of the church went on as scheduled. Our minister attended Columbia Seminary and although he was with us each Sunday he and his family were missed in our neighborhood. We were fortunate in having an underprivileged child from our church accepted into Thornwell and we all wish Freddie Alford a life of happiness and success in her new home.

September was Fair time in our town and the Women entered an interesting and impressive exhibit on which we won third place for the tri-county prize for which we were given \$25.00. Also we participated in the "Grow-A-Dollar" plan to help pay for our manse, various things were done to make our dollars grow, some of the women baked pastries, cakes, etc. others held ice-cream supper and some sold cards and different items.

In October a new Sunday School Class was organized for our Pre-Teen Boys and one of our very new Church Members is doing a fine job with these boys. Our church has organized and is sponsoring a Boys Scout and Cub Scout Pack which is very active.

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Rev. Wm. E. Hotchkiss, Pastor

The Women of the church sent cookies and candies to both Nancy and Freddie at Thornwell in October, we also sent Nancy her fall outfit. We held our school on the Home Missions Study Book at the church with classes for all age groups. Offering in the amount of \$19.50 was taken.

In November we had our 40th Anniversary with "HomeComing." We were happy and privileged to have Dr. Franklin Talmadge, Atlanta, Ga. to conduct services on this memorable day. We had many visitors and friends present and dinner was served at our City Community Building. Our Thanksgiving offering went to Thornwell, this month and we distributed Thanksgiving baskets.

December is always a busy month for us and busier this month than in previous years due to our short church year and reports to be sent out. On December 13th we had our Joy Gift program at the church and our offering was taken for our aged ministers. On December 20th we had our Christmas Program and party at the Church with a program planned by the young people of our church. There was a Christmas tree, goodies for the kiddes and, of course, Santa Claus himself was there. We sent Christmas presents to Freddie and Nancy at Thornwell and flowers to the shut-ins.

We have continued our monthly family night suppers each month throughout the year. We sent \$10.00 to Italian Missions, \$10.00 to Mission Haven, helped those in distress and need in our church and in the community. We sold Christmas cards and paid \$440.00 on our Manse debt. We raised our General Fund amount in the budget from \$12.00 to \$25.00. We now have a total of 29 members in our two circles of the Women Of The Church. We have received a total of 15 members into our church, making a total membership of 76. Having lost 9 members, one due to death. We received 13 of the members by profession of faith.

And now the curtain is drawn on another year, and when we here at First Presbyterian, Manchester, Ga. look back over it we lift our eyes and hearts to God and say "Thanks". Thanks for guiding us, giving us strength and courage and health to carry on our daily tasks and the work of our great church. Our prayer and hope for the new year ahead is that our hearts will be enriched with a spirit of Faith, Charity and Love.

Signed

Lida F. McDaniel
Historian

January 5, 1954.

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History--1955

The new year 1955 began leaving us still without a minister at the First Presbyterian Church here in Manchester, Ga. But in spite of the fact of being without a minister, the work of the church went on and we seemed to make progress. With the help of Dr. Talmadge we had someone to speak to us each Sunday Morning.

Some work was done on the church, a new paint job on the inside and the choir moved out front, and we organized a choir under the direction of a very capable leader, Mrs. Randell Storms. The women's work made progress under the leadership of our President, Mrs. Ernest Hanger. A prayer group was organized by one of our oldest members Miss Vivian Perkerson. The group met each Sunday morning between Sunday School and the Worship Service.

The Birthday of the W.O.T.C came in May with a big birthday cake baked by one of our members. We had a very interesting program on the birthday celebration. The offering was taken and \$35.00 was collected.

The pulpit committee were still working hard to secure a minister for our church. We had several boys from the Seminary, of which some were available, but we felt somehow they were not the ones to lead our group. Among the group of boys was one we felt would meet our needs, Mr. Sidney Maxwell, but we knew that it would be impossible to get him, for his desires were to go to the Mission Fields.

Six months had gone by and we are still working to find a man who will supply our needs. After school was out we had a Mr. Anderson a devout christain and layman to come down to serve us during the summer months. He did a wonderful job.

Sometime in July one of the Elders recieved a letter from Mr. Maxwell stating he would come to the Manchester church if we still wanted him. We felt our prayers had been answered. A congregational meeting was called and it was voted unanimous to elect him. He was given premission to attend the Conference at Montreat, North Carolina and in thay way Mr. Anderson could finish out the summer work, which he had begun. Vacation Bible School was coming up and Mr. Anderson had spent lot of time working out plans. It was a very good success.

August marked an important month of the year. That was when our new pastor was taking over his work of the church. It had been one year since Mr. Hotchkiss had gone to a bigger field in Savannah, Ga. On August 14, 1955 Mr. Maxwell preached his first sermon. We felt with this man of God as our leader we could go forward, and with a leadership such as his if we failed we might as well give up.

September was a busy month, the begining of school and the month for the Tri-County Fair, which meant the church could have a display if they wished. Some of the women of the church decided to get to-gether and have a display, and the money recieved would be applied to chairs for our choir. With the help of our new minister we worked out a display using as our theme: "THE WORD OF GOD IN MANY LANGUAGES". For this we won a blue ribbon and \$25.00. It was a very interesting display and won honorable mention of TV News and a write up in the

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Columbus paper. The Elders and Deacons got to-gether and decided to get new pulpit furniture and pews. It seemed our church had a new interest and everyone wanted to do something. On September 27 Mr. Maxwell accompanied by two of the Elders went before Presbytery. This much was over and he was working hard to finish his work so he can be ordained. We are all looking forward to this important event which will be in the near future.

In the October General Meeting of the W.O.T.C the secretary gave each member a dollar that would accept it to see how much it could be increased. Some of the members felt they could do more selling Christmas cards. For several years we have sold Christmas cards which have helped in getting lot of the things we needed. Some of the women put their dollars to-gether and gave a Turkey Dinner to help raise money to carpet our church. From the Turkey dinner we cleared \$160.00 and some of the dollars working in different ways we have in the bank \$200.00. We feel the fellowship and the joy we received of working to-gether, that we accomplished more than just raising money.

The coming of November we had something to look forward too. We were intertaining the Senoir High Fellowship Ralley of District #3. This was something our church had not before had the pleasure to do. Mrs. Jack Buce was elected Adult Advisor for District #3 and Mary Janes, a Senior in our church was elected district officer. About 130 attended from about 15 churches. This month also brought about an election of some new officers in the church, two Elders and four Deacons.

December is a month we all look forward too. Aside from the Children looking for Santa, w have the Joy Gift Offering and the Christmas Party. Also the installation of the officers for the coming year and reports from all the different committees. We feel this year each committee will have a good report to give. As we enter the New Year we do not forget to ask God to bless us and guide us in every undertaking and may we have a wonderful year to-gether.

Mrs Ralph Wallace
1955

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Manchester, Georgia
December, 1956

History-1956

The New Year began in a very different way in the Manchester Presbyterian Church. Since New Years Eve came on Sunday at one minute after midnight Jan. 1, 1956 the men began work to install our new pews. This was a great change for the church to see all the new furniture coming in. New Pulpit, Baptismal Font, Chairs for the pulpit and carpet. The women had worked long and hard at this project they started in 1955. With a membership of about 20 active women in the church, we had raised over \$1000.00.

The property behind the church was purchased for an Educational Building for the sum of \$5500.00 Plans are now being made to remodel and make it into a place that will meet our needs.

There has been eleven additions to the church, two on profession of faith and nine by transfer of letter.

One wedding this year was a highlight in our church. Mr. George Gross and Miss Jean Smith. It was Rev. Maxwell's great pleasure to receive Mr. Gross in the church on profession of faith and then unite this couple in marriage.

Another highlight this year, we had the pleasure of having Mrs. Lodie Andradri from Brazil speak to us. She and her husband head up the Indian part of the Dourados Mission in Brazil. She had worked with Rev. Maxwell's father, working in his Mission as a teacher. They are now carrying on the work pioneered by Rev. Maxwell's father and mother. The Charles Buttlers, missionaries sent out from this mission board were also highlights in our church, showing slides and pictures of their work in Brazil.

The Don Williams family, missionaries to Brazil were adopted by the Sunday School to help support. The collection each 4th Sunday goes to them.

The Bible School sponsored by the women of the church was a great success this summer with an average attendance of 43.

The Youth in our church is going forward. They observed all special Youth Programs, three attended Foreign Mission Conference, Two the Mission Conference at Rock Eagle Park, and ten the Youth Presbytery Camp. Their offering for Youth work this year was \$28.47.

Both circles in the church were very active this year. Both circles collecting a total of over \$200.00. Reporting a total of over \$400.00 with the special offerings.

Mrs. Ralph Wallace

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History-1958

Rev. Sidney Maxwell, Pastor

Another new year begins with the afternoon circle changing into a morning circle. By making the change we have more active members in that circle. New officers have been elected and we are planning for a better year than ever before.

February brings us some extremely cold weather that extends all through Florida. Some migrant workers are stranded in Florida, and we send them \$15.00. This we hope will help them even though it is a small amount. Also the morning circle draw names for a prayer pal. This we found very helpful and inspiring in our work.

March found the morning circle without a chairman. The former chairman was out of town, we missed her very much, but we elected a new chairman and our work continued. We sent \$5.00 to the Georgia Home in Montreat and \$15.00 for the blessing box.

May is a happy time. We celebrated the 46th birthday of the Women of the Church. We met at Fellowship Hall and was served a very pretty piece of birthday cake. The birthday offering in the amount of \$32.00 was taken. We had a very interesting program stressing Durand Oklahoma, and a Church in New Orleans. We had a good group and everybody reported a good time. We had a Bar-B-Q in May and made \$376.22. This was for later use.

The early part of June we bought a piano with our \$376.22. This piano was put in Fellowship Hall and was certainly a big addition to our meetings and family night suppers. We did some visiting of new members and sick ones. Our Bible School took place in June. From the second of June until the eleventh we had a very good school and interesting work was shown. The offering of \$14.09, was given to Arab refugees.

July finds several of our members on vacation but we keep working. We send fifty pounds of clothing to United Clothing apparel for over seas.

August we give \$125.00 on our new roof for the church. We were very happy to get this work done.

September is White Cross time, and an even dozen women met at Fellowship Hall. Several brought their machines and we

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made hospital gowns and six hand towels. Cake and coffee was served and we all worked and enjoyed it. These things were later sent off.

In October we sent \$5.00 to Mission Haven, and \$5.00 to Presbyterian patients at Milledgeville Georgia. We also contributed \$5.00 for equipment for negro work. We sent another forty pounds of clothing to the United Clothing Apparel for over seas.

The month of November we sent \$75.00 to Church extension. Twenty-five dollars for Joy gift. Twenty-five dollars for Christian education and twenty-five dollars for World Mission. We have a cake sale and made forty four dollars and two cents. This money is to be used to repair Fellowship Hall. A youth choir is organized. The morning circle has a linen shower for Thornwell and a nice variety of things are collected. Towels, wash cloths, sheets and pillow cases. These were sent to Thornwell and greatly appreciated.

The year is coming to an end as it is now December. It is always a little sad to see a New Year end but we are happy to see another new one. In December each circle has a Christmas Party. Then we have a Christmas program at our Church. This is enjoyed by the children as well as the older members. New officers are elected for the next year. The morning circle draw new prayer pals for the coming year. We have some new members this year and feel that we are growing in Christian work as well as numbers. We know God has blessed us and with His help and our prayer of faith, hope, and charity, we will try for even a better year in 1959. We close this year saying, Thank you God for our blessings.

Jane H. Douglas

Historian

The Women of the Manchester First Presbyterian Church are grateful to God for a good church year during 1961-2.

In addition to participating in all the regular anticipated programs of the church, the W.O.C. furnished new draperies for the manse, did two White Cross quotas, made several large shipments of clothing through Church World Service. Our women were also hostesses to Dist. Conf. in Oct.

The women also purchased two folding metal tables for use in Sunday School children, a room divider, and one circle provided new toys and equipment for the nursery.

The morning circle took books and magazines to a local nursing home and also to a prison.

Baskets of food were taken to the ill and the elderly.

Most contributions went through the regular channels of the church, but the following special donations were made:

\$10. to the Presbyterian Home
\$10. to Rabun Gap School
\$10. Reynolds Scholarship Fund

Church circles furnish flowers for the church each Sunday.

Our programs during the year have benefited us spiritually, and the fellowship of knowing each other has been a blessing.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Judith Daugherty
Historian

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Mrs. Luke Perry (seated)
Mrs. Bill Smith
Miss Eva Reid
Mrs. Judith Daugherty (seated)
Mrs. Guy Newland
Mrs. John Trammell
Mrs. James Bennett (seated)
Mrs. Emory Milton, President

Foreign Mission Program

Seated:
Mrs. Guy Newland
Mrs. Emory Milton
Mrs. Luke Perry

Standing:
Mrs. Ernest Hanger
Mrs. Judith Daugherty
Mrs. John Trammell
Mrs. Bertha Trammell
Mrs. Jim Bennett
Mrs. Bill Smith
Miss Eva Reid



Manchester, Georgia WOC
Atlanta, Ga Presbytery

1965-66

The Manchester Georgia First Presbyterian Church WOC is grateful to God for a good year of work and worship together.

Total enrollment in our WOC is approximately 22. Many of the members are elderly and many work, but in spite of this, we feel that God has used us in small ways for His kingdom.

Officers for 1965-66 were: Mrs. James H. Bennett, president; Mrs. Georgia Gross, vice President; Mrs. John Wilkinson, secretary; Mrs. John Ridenhour, treasurer. Circle chairmen were Mrs. Gross Mrs. Bill Smith, and Mrs. Guy Newland. Chairman of Ecumenical Missions, Mrs. John Trammell; Chairman of Spiritual Growth, Miss Eva Reid; Community Action, Mrs. Emory Milton; and Chairman of Leadership and Resources, Mrs. Judith Daughtery. These officers have been faithful to the task of carrying on the Lord's work.

We have had some excellent programs, and both circles have worked on many useful projects.

In November the evening circle fixed fruit baskets for all the elderly people of the congregation. In December the WOC sponsored a lovely Christmas play in connection with the Joy Gift program. Mrs. Louise Smith directed our play for us.

In January, our Ecumenical Missions chairman, Mrs. John Trammel, secured a fine missionary speaker, Rev. Larry Richards, who serves in Iraq.

The morning circle has this year enjoyed sponsoring a fine young man, Mr. Frank Bruyere, at Thornwell. We have sent gifts and clothing to him on several occasions.

Many duffle bags of clothing have been sent to Church World Service.

Circle members pay the telephone bill for one of our elderly members who lives alone.

In March the evening circle sponsored a sacrificial dinner from which some \$21 was raised for missions.

The WOC has assisted in building new church steps, and a ramp for the rear of the sanctuary.

Many of the women assisted with Bible School last year, and some 25 children enjoyed this experience.

White Cross quotas were met, and a number of ladies attended the District Conferences.

Representing our church at Montreat recently has been Mrs. Judith Daugherty, Mrs. Luke Perry, and Mrs. Guy Newland.

The evening circle sponsored a clean-up, fix-up session for our Fellowship Hall which added to the attractiveness of the building.

Mrs. John Wilkinson is donating several vented heaters for our Fellowship Hall.

1965-6



NEW OFFICERS—The Women of the Church of the First Presbyterian Church installed new officers for the year Monday evening. Pictured above, left to right, are Mrs. James Bennett, president; Mrs. George Gross, vice-president; Mrs. John Wilkinson, secretary, and Mrs. John Ridenhour, treasurer. Star staff photo.

New Officers Installed by WOC Mon.

The W. O. C. of the First Presbyterian Church of Manchester held its September Monday evening in the Fellowship Hall of the church. Mrs. Ernest Hanger, vice-president, presided and gave the devotional, using as her subject "What Can I Do?"

Highlighting the meeting was a candlelight installation ceremony for the following new officers who will assume their duties in October: Mrs. James Bennett, president; Mrs. George Gross, vice-president; Mrs. John Wilkinson, secretary; Mrs. John Ridenhour, treasurer.

Following the installation, a social hour was enjoyed.

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Women of the Church, Presbyterian Church in the United States

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Above information will be inscribed on certificate.

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City Manchester, Ga. State Ga. Zip Code 31816

Ordered by W.O.C. Pres. Jean Gross Date Oct. 28, 1977

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Manchester, Ga. 31816

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Enclosed is a brief sketch of the life of the honoree
Mrs. Judith Baugherty.



Mrs. Judith Daugherty, affectionately known as "Miss Judy" or "Grandma Judy", was born, reared, and educated in LaRue County, Kentucky, the daughter of The Reverend and Mrs. C. Morgan Daugherty.

Early in childhood, Miss Judy learned to love her church and this devotion has remained throughout her life. As a young married woman, with three small children, she still had time to teach a Sunday School Class, sing in the choir, attend three church services on Sunday, and the midweek Prayer Meeting. She was a member of all church organizations, holding various offices, and a member of the Rebecca Lodge, Sister Lodge of the Oddfellows.

Following the death of her husband, Thomas L. Chaudoin, Miss Judy joined the staff of Gulf Park College, Gulfport, Mississippi, as Chief Dietitian. Since her brother was one of the original founders of the First Christian Church in Gulfport, she transferred her church membership there. Again, she was most active in all church activities. During these years she was a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club, and held the office of Chaplain in the Eastern Star (which she is a lifetime member). During the summer months she served as Dietitian for summer camps.

Following her retirement from Gulf Park College, Miss Judy leased and operated the Daugherty Heights Inn in Black Mountain, N. C. . In 1960 she moved to ^{Ga.} Manchester, became a member of the First Presbyterian Church. We were so fortunate to have such a warm, loving and outgoing person in our Church. She served several offices, represented our W.O.C. at Montreat and always giving of herself to other people. She served as President of the local Rose Garden Club and now holds the office of Chaplain in that organization.

Miss Judy has lived life with a zest few people possess, and at 88 still views every day as a miracle of life. We are so happy that we have her in our Church and our lives. We salute her!