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VII. MEMOIRS

JAMES FRANKLIN BAKER

James Franklin Baker was born at Floral, Hancock County, Kentucky on August 13, 1881. He was the son of Thomas Van Trump and Jennie DeHaven Baker. He received his early education in the public schools of Kentucky. Later he attended John Locke College, Elkton, Kentucky where he received his B.A. Degree. From there he enrolled in Vanderbilt University School of Religion where he awarded the B.D. Degree.

He joined the Louisville, Kentucky Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in September 1904. In 1907 he was received into full connection and was ordained Deacon, receiving his ordination as Elder in 1909. On September 21, 1914 he was united in marriage to Katherine McCallum in Memphis, Tennessee. To this union two children were born; Katherine, now Mrs. George R. Stanton, of Memphis, Tennessee and Dr. Howard D. Baker, of Tallahassee, Florida.

Brother Baker retired in 1953, after 49 years in the active ministry, the last 12 years of which was spent as pastor of the Elm Street Church in Chillicothe, Missouri. After retirement, he and his wife resided at Excelsior Springs, Missouri, later moving to Memphis, Tennessee, in order to be near their daughter.

In addition to his last pastorate of 12 years at the Elm Street Church, Chillicothe, he served the following charges: Louisville, Kentucky Conference: Sulphur Springs, Hopinsville Circuit, Dawson Springs, Sturgia, Morganfield; West Virginia Conference: St. Paul, Parkersburg; Missouri Conference: Hundly, St. Joseph, Excelsior Springs, Moberly; St. Louis Conference: Cabanne, St. Louis.

Brother Baker was a Knight Templar in the Masonic Fraternity. He also belonged to the Kiwanis Service Club during his active ministry.

He had a rich and fruitful ministry. Possessing a genial disposition, he was never a stranger to any one, and was beloved by every one who knew him. His courtesy and chivalry, reminiscent of the southland, marked him the perfect gentleman that he was, and endeared him to all who came in contact with him.

He died at the Methodist Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee on March 1, 1968, after an illness of one year, and was buried in Memphis following a burial service conducted by Dr. W. S. Evans and Dr. Comer Hastings.

CALVIN EMORY HENDERSON

Calvin Emory Henderson, son of Francis Marion Henderson and Martha Emaline (Fly) Henderson was born in Purdy, Missouri, April 4, 1884. January 3, 1968 he was called home to be with the Christ of whom he had preached for so many years at the age of 83 years, 9 months, and 1 day.

Calvin attended elementary and high school in Purdy, Missouri, and his college work was done in the old Springfield Teachers College now Southwest Missouri State, Springfield, Missouri. He was also a graduate of the Springfield Chiropractic College, Springfield, Missouri.

Dr. Henderson was an ordained Methodist minister receiving his ordination in 1924 in The Methodist Protestant Church. In 1956 he accepted the retired status in The Methodist Church but was never idle in preaching the gospel of his Christ even to the day of his death.

At Purdy, Missouri, in 1906 Calvin Emory Henderson was united in marriage to Clara Lemay Brattin and to this union five children were born all of who survive their parents, their mother passing away January 26, 1958. Surviving children are: Mrs. Albert Stephens, Burbank, California; Mrs. Willard Casper, Purdy, Missouri; Mrs. J. H. Hawk, Cassville, Missouri; Carl Henderson, Kirkwood, Missouri and Charles Henderson, Williamsville, Illinois.

December 22, 1961 Calvin was united in marriage to Florence Marion Twilliger who survives and resides in Purdy, Missouri. Mr. and Mrs.

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