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To The Memory of Preachers' Wives Deceased During The Year.

MEMOIRS OF MRS. ADDIE WHEELER.

Mrs. Addie Wheeler was born in Howard Co., Md., 38 years ago, and fell asleep in Jesus Dec. 25, 1902, at Harpers Ferry, W. Va. Mrs. Wheeler was sick about eight months, everything was done to restore her health, but God ordered otherwise. She was married to Rev. Jos. Wheeler, Jan. 4, 1883, by Rev. J. H. Riddicd, at Baltimore, Md. She was converted when about 13 years of age, joined the Methodist Episcopal Church. She lived a consistent Christian life, was ever ready and willing to work for Christ and the church. She shared with her husband the privations and sacrifices of the ministry. During her afflictions, which she bore uncomplainingly, she enjoyed and confided in the rich promises of God. When the ministers and other Christian friends came to comfort and cheer her by song, prayer and sympathetic words, she rejoiced in the God of her salvation and in hope of heaven. The funeral service was conducted at Harpers Ferry, W. Va., Dec. 26, by Rev. J. H. E. Carter, of Sheperdstown, W. Va., and Rev. Washington Murry, of Charlestown, W. Va. Text, I Thess. 4:14, "For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also who sleep in Jesus will God bring with him."

A very impressive sermon was delivered by Rev. Carter, in which he spoke in commendable words of the life of Mrs. Wheeler and extended sympathy and comfort to the family. Prayer was offered by Rev. Murray, who also with Revs. Jenkins and Keets, of the Free Baptist Church, spoke of the noble, Christian life of the deceased. The hymns "Servan of God, Well Done," "Lead, Kindly Light," and "When Peace like a River," were sung by the choir and congregation.

The remains of Mrs. Wheeler were taken to her former home in Howard Co., where a brief service was conducted by Rev. J. H. Goodrich, of Flicott City, Md. Her remains were placed in the Brown's Chapel Cemetery, to rest until the glorious resurrection of God's people. She leaves a devoted husband and daughter, three brothers, four sisters and many other relatives and friends to mourn their loss.

MRS. SUSAN HAWKINS.

Mrs. Susan Hawkins, widow of the late Rev. Robert Hawkins, died suddenly at her residence in Baltimore, Md, September 12, 1902. She was born in Campbell Co., Va., near Lynchburg, in the year 1838. She was married to Robert Hawkins in 1861. She was a faithful wife and a devoted and loving mother. She kept her children together after

the death of her husband. Sister Hawkins was an exemplary Christian. She was an ideal minister's wife. She was a constant sufferer for four years. She lived ready to depart at any moment and longed to go to her heavenly home. She leaves seven children to mourn their loss. The funeral services were held at Sharp Street Memorial M. E. Church, of which she was a faithful member. The following ministers were present: Drs. E. W. S. Peck, R. H. Armstrong, John Hurst and Revs. W. M. Moorman, H. Johnson, and L. J. Valentine. Dr. I. L. Thomas, her pastor, delivered the funeral address. Dr. W. M. Alexander made some appropriate remarks. The interment took place at Sharp Street Cemetery.

MRS. HESTER SAWYER.

Mrs. Hester Sawyer, widow of Rev. F. F. Sawyer, after a long illness passed into her heavenly rest during the month of May, 1902, in the City of Baltimore. She bore her afflictions with much fortitude and daily desires to depart and be with the Lord. She longed to be with her husband. She was a faithful member of Sharp Street Memorial M. E. Church. Her funeral services were conducted by Rev. I. L. Thomas, D.D., her pastor.

Her interment took place in Sharp Street Cemetery, to await the resurrection of the just. Sleep on, dear sister. We shall meet again where none say good bye.

IN MEMORY OF SISTER REBECCA ROBINSON.

Mrs. Rebecca Robinson, the widow of the late Rev. M. W. Robinson, departed this life April 3, 1903, after an illness of about two weeks. She died in great peace. Her funeral was preached by Rev. J. J. Cecil. Text, Rev. 2:10, "Be thou faithful unto death and I will give thee a crown of life." Rev. A. L. Jenkins, of Lincoln, Va., assisted in the solemn service. Her remains now rest in the Grace M. E. Cemetery, by the side of her husband, at Lincoln, Va. She leaves two stepdaughters to mourn her departure.

God, my Redeemer, lives, And ever from the skies Looks down and watches All my dust, till He Shall bid it rise.