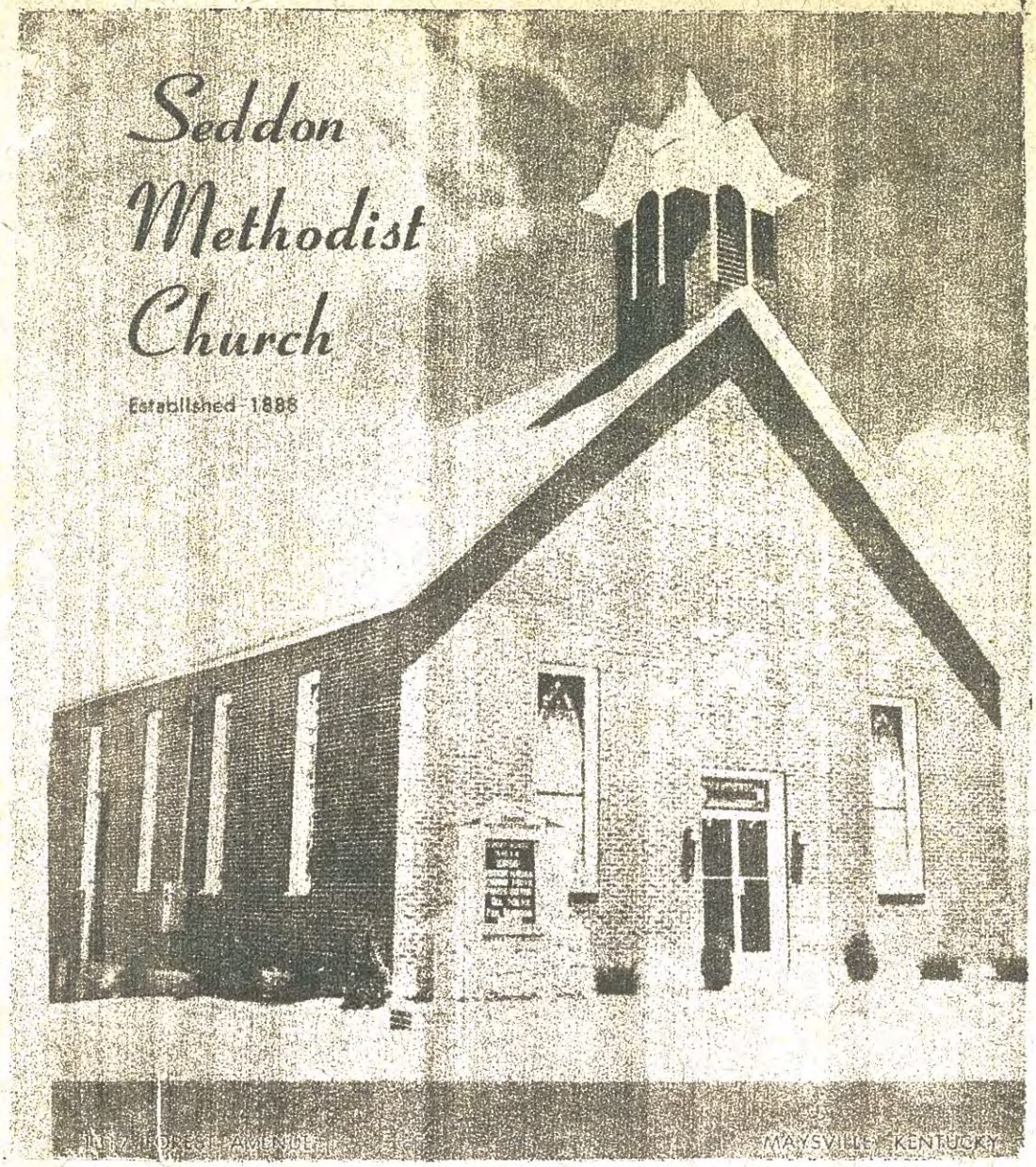

Superintendent

Pastor
Came to Seddon in
June of 1963

DEDICATION OF

NEW PEWS AND HEATING SYST-

EM, SUNDAY MARCH 14, 1965.

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The Way Of The Cross Leads
Home!

MY CHURCH

Before I was born MY CHURCH gave to my parents ideals of life and love that made my home a place of strength and beauty.

In helpless infancy MY CHURCH joined my parents in consecrating me to Christ and in baptizing me in His name.

MY CHURCH enriched my childhood with the Romance and Religion and the lessons of life that have been woven into the texture of my soul. Sometimes I seem to have forgotten and then, when else I might surrender to foolish and futile ideals of life, the truths MY CHURCH taught become radiant, insistent, and inescapable.

In the stress and storm of adolescence MY CHURCH heard the surge of my soul and She guided my footsteps by lifting my eyes toward the stars.

When first my heart knew the strange awakenings of love MY CHURCH taught me to chasten and spiritualize my affections: She sanctified my marriage and blessed my home.

When my heart was seamed with sorrow, and I thought the sun could never shine again, MY CHURCH drew me to the Friend of all the Weary and whispered to me the hope of another morning, eternal and tearless.

When my steps have slipped and I have known the bitterness of sin, MY CHURCH has believed in me and wooingly She has called me back to live within the heights of myself.

Now have come the children dearer to me than life itself and MY CHURCH is helping me to train them for all joyous and clean and Christly living.

MY CHURCH calls me to Her heart, She asks my service and my loyalty.
She has a right to ask it! I will help her to do for others what She has done for me.
In this place in which I live, I will help Her keep aflame and aloft the torch of a living faith.

William Henry Boddy, D.D.

THE CREATION

(Negro Sermon in Verse)

Taken from the book, "GOD'S TROMBONES," by James Weldon Johnson

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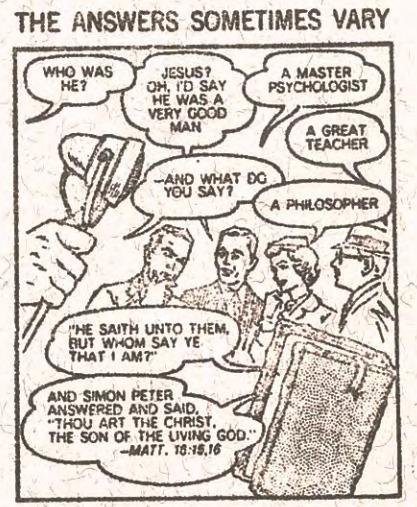
And God stepped out on space,
And he looked around and said:
I'm lonely---
I'll make me a world.

And far as the eye of God could see
Darkness covered everything,
Blacker than a hundred midnights
Down in a cypress swamp.

Then God smiled,
And the light broke,
And the darkness rolled up on one side,
And the light stood shining on the other,
And God said: That's good!

Then God reached out and took the light in his hands,
And God rolled the light around in his hands
Until he made the sun;
And he set that sun a-blazing in the heavens.
And the light that was left from making the sun
God gathered it up in a shining ball
And flung it against the darkness,
Spangling the night with the moon and stars.
Then down between
The darkness and the light
He hurled the world;
And God said: That's good!



Then God himself stepped down--
And the sun was on his right hand,
And the moon was on his left;
The stars were clustered about his head,
And the earth was under his feet.
And God walked, and where he trod
His footsteps hollowed the valleys out
And bulged the mountains up.

Then he stopped and looked and saw
That the earth was hot and barren.
So God stepped over to the edge of the world
And he spat out the seven seas--
He batted his eyes, and the lightnings flashed--
He clapped his hands, and the thunders rolled--
And the waters above the earth came down,
The cooling waters came down.

Then the green grass sprouted,
And the little red flowers blossomed,
The pine tree pointed his finger to the sky,
And the oak spread out his arms,
The Lakes cuddled down in the hollows of the ground,
And the rivers ran down to the sea;
And God smiled again,
And the rainbow appeared,
And curled itself around his shoulder.

Then God raised his arm and he waved his hand
Over the sea and over the land,
And he said: Bring forth! Bring forth!
And quicker than God could drop his hand,
Fishes and fowls
And beasts and birds
Swam the rivers and the seas,
Roamed the forests and the woods,
And split the air with their wings.
And God said: That's good!

Then God walked around,
And God looked around
On all that he had made.
He looked at his sun,
And he looked at his moon,
And he looked at his little stars;
He looked on his world
With all its living things,
And God said: I'm lonely still.

Then God sat down--
On the side of a hill where he could think;
By a deep, wide river he sat down;
With his head in his hands,
God thought and thought,
Till he thought: I'll make me a man!

Up from the bed of the river
God scooped the clay;
And by the bank of the river
He kneeled him down;
And there the great God Almighty
Who lit the sun and fixed it in the sky,
Who flung the stars to the most far corner of the night,
Who rounded the earth in the middle of his hand;
This Great God,
Like a mammy bending over her baby,
Kneeled down in the dust
Toiling over a lump of clay
Till he shaped it in his own image;

Then into it he blew the breath of life,
And man became a living soul.
Amen. Amen.

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This was read by Timothy Lucas.
one of our teenagers for their
M.Y.F. meeting on February 28,
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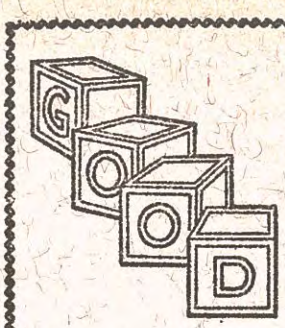

GOLDEN GEMS

A little girl was playing with some lettered blocks one day. Her mother showed her how to spell the word "good," and explained how important it was for little girls to be good and do good. After a while, as her mother was working in the kitchen, the little girl ran to her and said, "Come and see the two nice words I made out of the word good." When her mother looked she saw the words, "go" and "do."

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The basement was added under the pastorate of Rev. E. P. Swann. the first heating system was two large stoves, afurnace was later installed for about $400. New art glass windows cost $160.00.

Many imporvements were made while Rev. Stoneking served as pastor:

Four new front doors in 1958 at a cost of	$915.00
1960 Air-conditioned	2506.00
1960 According doors	1200.00
1958 3rd. Parsonage	20000.00

The church is continuing to improve under the pastorate of Rev. Pugh. The following equiptment and improvements have been made:

Refrigerator for parsonage	185.34
Type-writer for office	100.00
Mimeograph for office	195.00
tax on Mimeograph	11.70
Type-writer table	19.37
Lavatory for parsonage	65.34
Decorating Parsonage	485.00
Gas Logs for parsonage	45.33
Floor Furnace parsonage	173.43
Literature rack	18.83
Water Fountain	127.00
Rest room in church	291.31
Shades for parsonage	7.19
Material for closets S.S.	30.00
Adding Machine	144.42
Balance on Rest Room	32.14
New Flags	35.00
Replace Side Wallk	67.42
New Speakers	37.80
Duct work for air-condition	565.00
Storm door for parsonage	30.00
Redecorating Sanctuary	520.00
Hot Water Heating System	3029.29
Pews and furniture	2347.65
Total for 2 yrs.	$8563.56

We were in debt about $1800 when Rev. Pugh came to be our pastor, we are in debt about $5,000.00 as of todate, but abaut $2300.00 of this has been subscribed by individuals to be paid over a period of 2 yrs. We should be out of debt in two yrs. This indicates something of the interest the folk of Seddon have in seeing their church go forward. They are giving and the Lord is blessing. He may well let us see that which happened as recorded in the records: Sept 1910 between 50 and 100 conversions.

"Trust in the Lord, He never fails."

PARSONAGES

Seddon has had three parsonages in its history. The first parsonage was on the west side of church was soldto G. N. Harding and moved to a location on Forest Ave., West of J. C. Simons home, should be 1243 Forest Ave. It was sold for $225.00 Rev. Grizzle came here in 1894 and was the first pastor to live in the parsonage.

The second paraonage is the two story building 1512 Forest Ave. Rev. Insko was the pastor to live in this parsonage. He came here in 1927, but lived for a while on East second street before moving into the parsonage. Sold to Mr. Marion Wilson in 1958, for $12,500.

The third parsonage was bought on April 19, 1958, from W. P. Isom. The car port was added after the purchase was made, total cost including car-port $20,000.00. This was paid off by May 15, 1960. Rev. Paul Stoneking was the first to live in the third parsonage.

Additional Notes.

G. N. Harding, (contractor), built the church and the first two parsonages, and Wayne King built the third parsonage.

The first church was on the lot near the Allison home (old school house) accross rail road track.

The church was bricked under the pastorate of Rev. Paul Stoneking. I think the cost was $5000.00.

Also a study was built in the basement of the parsonage at a cost of $404.00, while Rev. Stoneking was pastor.

These notes of interest and of a historical nature are being prepared for Sunday March 14, 1965, at which time we are to have a dedication of our New hot-water heating system, and our new pews and pulpit furniture. Dr. Robert L. Anderson, Superintendent of the Maysville District is to be the speaker. James Huron to sing.

As of todate all the pews and furniture have been sub-scribed except one pew. We present here what our records show, with the request that you give us any corrections at once so that we might order the memorial plates.

Pulpit Stand presented by
Rev. and Mrs. Robert C. Pugh
In honor of their three sons,
Michael, Malcolm, and Maurice.

Communion Table by
Mr. and Mrs. George Wise,
In Memory of Mrs. Minnie Kidder

Pulpit Chair by Bob Underwood

Pulpit Chair by Mr. and Mrs. Morris For man, In memory of Christie, and Mrs. Hendrick Forman.

Screens by Methodist Men

Short Pew by Mr. Charles Dieterich, In memory of my mother.

Short pew by Guild

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Wiggins
In memory of James S. Sears.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wohlleber
In Memory of Mrs. May E. Hull
&. Philpene Wohlleber.

Mrs.Louis Cobb, In memory of my husband.

Mrs. Wm. Saffell, Im memory of my husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Pual Cobb

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Mrs. Charles Cox, Im Memory of my Husband.

By Daughter, In honor of Mrs. Charles Cox.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roy Henson
Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Insko

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Mr. and Mrs. Royce Myers
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Bridges

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Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Wallingford
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wallingford

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Mr. and Mrs. Lee James
Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Haggard

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Mr. &. Mrs. Fletcher Glover
Lifeline Class

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Mr. and Mrs. James Huron

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Mr. and Mrs. James Chouinard

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dearing

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Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Osborne

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Follmer
Mrs. Virginia Roberson

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One Pew not yet subscribed.

TRUSTEES

Odus Montgomery - chairman
Charles Follmer
Shelby Osborne
Bill Dearing
Reynolds Moreland

PEW COMMITTEE 65

Virginia Roberson - chairman
odus Montgomery
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Easy James

Notes!

Hot Water Heating System installed by Maysville Heating - Mr. James Chouinard. Contract bid of $3029.29. Job well done.

Pews and Pulpit Furniture made and installed by Clear Creek Church Furniture Co., Pineville, Kentucky, for the sum of $2347.65.

Old pews sold to the Assembly of God Church in Brooksville, for the sum of $200.00.

Old floor furnaces sold to Mr. Haggard for $70.00, and the space heaters sold for $5.00 each, seven of them.

Our next major project should be an educational plant just as soon as we can obtain land on which to build. This is badly needed now.